

RUSK

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The speech delivered by Secretary of State Rusk in Ottawa - was a major policy statement. Dean Rusk, choosing the Nato Council as a forum - before which to review the world picture, as it looks from Washington. So, let's take the speech - paragraph-by-paragraph.

First of all, we are not engaged in any secret negotiations of any kind - with the Russians, and behind the backs of our allies. The rumor of such dickering, said Rusk - obviously bears the label, "Manufactured behind the Iron Curtain."

Secondly, the American government is now convinced - that an agonizing reappraisal is going on in the Kremlin. Khrushchev and Company, trying to decide what to do about - the dilemmas ^{WEY FACE.} ~~they face.~~

For example - in Cuba. Secretary Rusk reminded his Nato audience - that Khrushchev is finding Castro a very expensive luxury. ^{DESPITE HIS TRIUMPHAL TOUR} So the bearded dictator ~~must~~ [^]

of Russia, must be one object of - the Kremlin's continuing reappraisal.

On the question of Berlin - the Soviets are as adamant as ever. "No give" - in Rusk's words. Hence his warning that the next move by Khrushchev might be - another Berlin crisis.

In Laos, the situation is dangerous - precisely because the Russians have been shouldered aside by the Chinese Communists. Mao Tse-tung, making it impossible - for Khrushchev to keep his word.

South Viet Nam is the bright spot - of the Rusk address. The fighting is bound - to go on. But at least the Loyalists have gained the initiative - in their battle with the Red guerrillas.

The moral - of all this? Dean Rusk feels that the Cold War has moved into an ambiguous phase - because of the trouble plaguing the Communist block. The danger being that Khrushchev might try to revamp his losses - by some threatening move against the West.

KHRUSHCHEV FOLLOW RUSK

The Boss of the Kremlin corroborates - the American Secretary of State. Especially with regard to - the feud between the Red giants. Khrushchev told an audience in Moscow, that he's ready to settle the feud - on his own terms. But he refrained from predicting that his comrade in Peking will ever accept - peaceful coexistence.

What about the Khrushchev pledge to support Castro's Cuba - in case of an attack? Western experts argue - it was the least he could say, with Castro standing there. And Khrushchev's words were ambiguous enough - to cover almost any kind of action. Moreover, Castro was fooled last time, when Khrushchev withdrew the Soviet rockets from Cuba - instead of going to war with the United States.

One guess is that Khrushchev has decided to talk loudly in generalities - to cover the fact that he hasn't made up his mind what to do specifically.

HAITI

All reports indicate that Haiti - is firmly under the control of Francois Duvalier. The Haitian President, beginning a new four-year term of office - to the cheers of fifty thousand supporters in Port-au-Prince.

Apparently surviving all the diplomatic pressure - from the American democracies. And the threat of war posed by Haiti's neighbor on the island of Hispaniola - the Dominican Republic.

Duvalier says that from now on - he'll seek stronger ties with France, Haiti's mother country. His relations with America - have still to be determined. For our part, we've called home our ambassador to Haiti - for consultations.

EVEREST

Lowell Thomas must be interested in that dispatch from the Himalayas - if it's reached him in far-off New Guinea. Lowell knows most of the men - of the American expedition to Mount Everest. And the dispatch tells how two separate teams - reached the summit of the highest mountain on earth.

Barry Bishop of Washington, D. C., and Luther Jerstad of Eugene, Oregon - took the route by the South Col. The route used by - all previous successful expeditions. Bill Unsoeld of Corvallis, Oregon, and Tom Hornbein of San Diego - took the unexplored West Ridge. Both climbs - were successful. The four Americans, reaching - the top of Mount Everest. The top - of the world.

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BIRMINGHAM

In Birmingham, Alabama - this was a good day
for the ~~integrationists~~ ^{OPPONENTS OF SEGREGATION.}

Birmingham itself passed under the control of
- an administration called "moderate" on the race issue.
Mayor Albert Boutwell, less intransigent - than the
outgoing Mayor.

Bull Connor has had to vacate - the office of
the Police Commissioner. The old regime tried to stay
in office - on a technicality. But the Alabama Supreme
Court - overruled them.

Secondly, Negro pupils returned - to their
classes. They had been dismissed - by the Birmingham
school board. The action was supported by a lower
court - only to be barred by an Appeals Court.

[Finally, the Federal government introduced its
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of Governor Wallace - that the President had no right to
send troops to Alabama.]

SPACE

The three astronauts who testified in Washington today - are at different levels in our space program. Alan Shepard was the first - to ride one of the big rockets. Jim McDivitt is in training - for a future space flight. Deke Slayton would have blasted off ~~instead of Gordon Cooper~~ except for a slight heart condition that washed him out.

Three astronauts - and one proposal. Shepard, McDivitt and Slayton, all in favor of - another Mercury space flight. Reason - to iron out some of the "bugs" that have been troublesome. For example, the space suit problems - of Scott Carpenter. And the failure of the re-entry system - that forced Gordon Cooper to bring his space capsule down by manual control.

No economist will predict - the future of sugar.

Except to say that American ~~housewives~~ ^{housewives} will keep buying it - no matter what the price.

As for the price - it's still going up. In some places, you have to pay more than eighty cents - for a five pound bag. If - you can get it. The run on sugar is so great - that many stores are rationing it.

What's wrong? ~~poor crops~~ ^{POOR CROPS} - in sugar producing nations. The disappearance - of Cuban sugar. And - labor troubles in Hawaii. Also - hoarding.

Here's a note - for the kids. Maybe - for adults too. If the price of sugar doesn't begin to fall - the first casualty will be the nickel candy bar.

Upstairs in the Waldorf Towers - Herbert Hoover. Earlier in the day Mr. Hoover received the Order of Magellan - from the Circumnavigators Club. What for? The citation says - "a life of monumental achievement."

Three Presidents of the United States are in New York tonight - and under the same roof. The roof of - the Waldorf Astoria.

President Kennedy arrived for the dedication of a memorial - to servicemen ~~who were~~ killed in action in the Atlantic during World War Two. And our Chief Executive stayed on for tonight's fund-raising dinner - in the Empire Room. ~~of the Waldorf Astoria.~~

Meanwhile, over in the grand ballroom ~~of the Waldorf Astoria~~ - the Iron and Steel Institute is holding a dinner of its own. Guest of Honor - Dwight D. Eisenhower, winner of the Institute's Gold Medal for this year.

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Three Presidents, honored at separate festivities

**- in one building, in one day. The first time - it's
ever happened.**

the nations of the Western Alliance - have adopted a

new attitude. A flexible "stance", allowing the

appropriate reaction - whatever the Communist bloc

may do.

The most important decision taken in Ottawa

concerns Nato's nuclear capability. From now on, the

Supreme Allied Commander - will have a Deputy for

Nuclear Affairs. And his forces will include three

American polaris submarines, a group of British

supersonic bombers - along with war planes from other

members.

In short, Nato is being - streamlined. "More

bang for the buck" - as they say.