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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

President Johnson goes before Congress and the nation tonight -- to spell out his proposals for an emergency bill designed to guarantee Negro voting rights. The President to address a joint session of the House and Senate -- in an extraordinary personal appearance. Dramatizing the gravity of the explosive civil rights situation -- in Selma, Alabama.

The President's proposals are expected to be introduced in Congress by Wednesday -- in a single bipartisan bill ~~and~~ already assured of prompt legislative action. Senate Minority Leader Everett Dirksen -- for one -- predicting passage of voting rights guarantees -- within six weeks.

Central purpose of the proposed legislation -^o to abolish discriminatory practices ~~anywhere~~ anywhere -- to keep Negroes from voting.

The bill expected to urge a ban -- on unfair state and local

***literacy tests. To provide for Federal registration
of qualified voters - wherever local authorities deny
them the right to vote. And to provide stiff new
penalties against any persons - who attempt to interfere
in any way - with the Negroes' right to vote.***

VIET NAM

About that air armada of more than one hundred U.S. fighter-bombers--today smashing deep into the heart of Communist North Viet Nam; the U.S. carrier and land-based planes--all but obliterating a huge ammunition dump at Phu Qui--just a hundred miles from the Red capital of Hanoi.

This air raid was later described by U.S. military officials--as the most successful yet in the series of American air strikes on military targets in North Viet Nam. All part of a carefully graduated campaign--aimed at forcing an end to Communist aggression. With further raids an almost certainty--unless and until Hanoi indicates a willingness to call off guerilla attacks on the South.

NAZIS

The Soviet Union tonight demanded that the U.S., France and Britain--take whatever measures necessary--to ferret out Nazi war criminals hiding in West Germany. The Russians accusing the West Germans of "delaying by all means--the investigations of cases involving Nazi criminals."

SATELLITES

On another front, the Soviet Union today launched three unmanned satellites simultaneously--. The satellites launched piggy-back fashion aboard the same rocket--now in a tight cluster--encircling the earth once every hour and forty-six minutes.

According to the official Soviet news agency Tass--the triple--header part of a series designed to set the stage--for future manned space flight. U.S. space officials tonight are predicting the launching of another two-or-three-seater Russian satellite--any day now.

QUEEN

Queen Elizabeth broke ^{for} a twenty-nine-year-old royal boycott today - by calling on the Duke and Duchess of Windsor. ~~It marked~~ the first time anyone in the royal family - has ever received the American-born duchess. The meeting taking place at The London Clinic - where the Duke is undergoing treatment for a detached retina in his left eye.

The Queen was a ten-year-old princess - when her uncle gave up the British throne - to marry the twice-divorced Wallis Warfield Simpson. Since then - the Duke and his wife have lived in virtual exile. But it is rumored ^{tonight} that the Duke will be invited to Buckingham Palace after he has recovered - along with the Duchess. With the possibility that the Duke and Duchess will then once again - take up residence in Britain. The Duke seventy - the Duchess sixty-eight. Their penance apparently now at last - virtually at an end.

CHINA

Red China today launched its most bitter attack against the Soviet Union--since the ouster of Nikita Khrushchev. Charging that Russia--"is subservient"--as they put it--"to the United States--the common enemy of the people of the world." Adding that Russia has placed itself--"under the thumb of U.S. imperialism."

This in the Peking People's Daily, official organ of the Red Chinese Communist Party, probably comes direct from Mao Tse Tung. Again strongly criticizing Soviet police tactics in subduing that recent demonstration by Asian students outside the U.S. Embassy in Moscow.

MALAYSIA

Thirteen Indonesian guerillas have been killed -- and ten others captured in the past four days. The Malaysian Defense Ministry disclosing today -- that the Indonesians were part of a landing party intercepted in the state of Johore -- and subdued in a running gun battle.

Meanwhile, in Singapore, two Indonesians were charged with murder today -- in the explosion of time bomb last week in a British-owned office building. Three persons were killed in the blast -- and thirty-four injured. The two Indonesians caught in the Strait of Malacca -- a few miles off Singapore.

ARGENTINA

In Argentina, Communist-supported Peronists today demanded the return of ousted strong man Juan D. Peron -- in the wake of weekend elections. The Peronists winning one more than thirty - six percent of the popular vote in Sunday's balloting -- tripling thier ~~PR~~ representation in the Argentine Chamber of Deputies.

But The People's Radical Party of President Arturo Illia -- remains in Firm control of the Chamber with a Twenty-seven-seat majority.

BEATLES

A close call today for the Beatles. The British quartet had just finished shooting scenes for a new film at Obertauren, ^{in the} Austrian ^{Alps}, when an avalanche crashed down the ~~Alps~~ slope ~ not five hundred yards from their movie location.

~~Nobody hurt~~ But The near-miss occurring only a few miles from the spot - where fourteen vacationing Swedish students lost their lives in a similar avalanche - less than two weeks ago.

ROSE

Showman Billy Rose said today that he was offered the job of running the New York World's Fair about a month ago - but turned it down. Rose stating that he was approached by "highly-placed city, state and banking officials" - who wanted him to take over for the Fair's second and final season, ^{Dick} Said ^{Billy} Rose: "I told them I was underwhelmed by the offer - and that I'd rather be hit by a baseball bat".

NUDES

*Here's an item tonight from London - about
nudes and bubble gum, of all things.*

*British M.P. Richard Grenshaw announcing
his plan to seek a ban on the importation of bubble gum
from Denmark - because the packs of gum contain
pictures of almost nude women.*

*Grenshaw asserting that he is "not a prude" -
and stating that "indeed there ~~was~~^{is} nothing objectionable
in the pictures to an adult". But adding that for
children - the near-nudes ~~was~~^{is} just "a bit much".*