

MISSILE

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A Titan intercontinental missile - roared skyward at Cape Canaveral, this afternoon, for the first actual test - of our most powerful rocket for war. Or - for the peaceful exploration of space.

The maiden flight of the Titan - not at all ambitious. The distance intended - a little more than two hundred miles. With a climb to an altitude - of about fifty miles. A mere - ten minute hop. Just a starter - on the way to intercontinental distances of over five thousand miles.

The Titan rose from the launching pad, smoothly and accurately. Traveling on its course - as far as could be seen. Which, in itself, made the test a ninety percent success - according to the rocketeers.

GERMANY

Word in London - that the western ~~pr~~ powers will send an offer to Soviet Russia in ten days. Suggesting - an East West conference of the foreign ministers on Germany. To be held - in the spring.

From the same London sources we hear that British Prime Minister MacMillan, who will be in Moscow on February twenty-first will sound out the Soviets, ~~on~~ the possibility of a summit conference of the chiefs of state. Possible - next summer.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State ~~John Foster~~ Dulles, is in Paris - conferring with President ~~Charles~~ DeGaulle. The two statesmen agreeing, today - ~~that~~ that western rights in Berlin must be maintained "by all available means."

U S PLANE

The United States hopes - that world opinion will persuade Soviet Russia to tell the truth in the transport plane outrage; After the shock - of the disclosure yesterday, The evidence - that the unarmed American plane was shot down by Soviet fighters.

The State Department pledges, especially, to do everything possible to determine the fate of eleven men of the crew, whose disappearance - remains a mystery.

Today, spokesman Lincoln White explained the timing of yesterday's release of the tape-recorded-talks between Soviet fighter pilots, when they attacked the transport. When Mikoyan was here, he was asked about the ~~sixteen~~ eleven missing airmen - and he denied all knowledge. But the hope was - that, when he returned to Moscow, the Soviet government might come forward with information. But, after several weeks, no such thing happened. So, the testimony was made public.

INDIANS

And now, folks, you can stop worrying. The Indians are not going to sell a large hunk of North Dakota to Soviet Russia. The proposal repudiated by the National Council of American Indians.

The Redskins, it seems, claim possession of nine million acres, and haven't been getting any satisfaction, which brought about a menacing move - launched by a spokesman for the Indian Trades Council of Minneapolis. Al LaFontaine - ~~was~~ announced he'd ask ^{for} bids from the Soviets. How much would they give - for ~~the~~ ^{the} North Dakota land?

The repudiation comes from Mrs. Helen Peterson, a member of the Oglala tribe of the Sioux - and executive director of the National Council of American Indians. She calls the offer to the Soviets - a "cheap and embarrassing" publicity stunt.

So Khrushchev won't get any part - of North Dakota.

NEW YEAR

A three-day armistice - for Quemoy. Not a shot will be fired out there along the China Coast - over the weekend ~~according to~~ ^{was} an agreement ^{today} announced by both Nationalist and Communist radios. ~~today~~ The reason for the truce - the Chinese New Year. Bringing in the year Four Thousand, six hundred and fifty-six - according to the ancient lunar calendar of China.

In San Francisco, a ~~an~~ New Year prediction - from Chinatown by the Golden Gate:- The venerable elders of the Kuan Yin Temple - consulting an ancient classic called "Yi Ching". This coming year is "the year of the boar". Which animal - will govern its character. The boar, being a pig, ~~signifies~~ signifies a fat ~~year~~ year. So says that ancient classic, Yi Ching.

The Chinese elders predict - it will be a prosperous year for dealers in luxurious food, clothing and jewelry.

But, it will be a bad year, for idealistic statesmen and writers of philosophy. Which sounds ominous for John Foster Dulles - and your favorite philosopher. They won't fare so well during the year of the Boar.

AIRPORTS

In the Senate - a vote cutting a hundred million dollars from a bill to improve the nation's airports. The reduction - a concession to the White House.

The President - in his program to give government aid for local airport construction, named a figure - of two hundred million dollars. The Democrats in the Senate - calling for ~~five-hundred-and-sixty-five~~ million. Which was the figure slashed in the Senate today. It still leaves a sum of money - more than twice as much as the President asked for.



ADD AIRPORTS

Later in the day, the legislators cut eight hundred-and-seventy-five million dollars from the Democratic housing bill. Which leaves the figure four-hundred-and-forty-million dollars more than the President named in his housing program.

CRASH

A congressional sub-committee - to investigate the crash of the new jet prop airliner, ~~which~~ ^{that} plunged into New York's East River Tuesday night - with the loss of sixty-five lives. The sub-committee, named today, will study all the safety factors - involved in the use of new jet planes on the nation's commercial airways.

Meanwhile, the cause of the New York disaster - remains ~~unknown~~ ^{uncertain,}

TENNESSEE

Here's an item that may surprise you - the ~~contx~~ continuance of a law down in Tennessee.

At Knoxville, today, a branch of the American Chemical Society asked the State Legislature to repeal the law - ^{ing}forbidd-
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the teaching of evolution. *This of*

~~course~~ ^SRecalling ~~the~~ that famous trial back in Nineteen-
Twenty-Five, when High School teacher John Scopes - was prosecuted for teaching Darwinism. The trial - signalized by the appearance of eminent personalities, William Jennings Bryan - arguing that the teaching of organic evolution should be prohibited, Clarence Darrow - upholding Darwin.

The Scopes trial - bringing no end of ridicule ^{of}for
A the State of Tennessee. But that anti-evolution law - remained on the books.

The Tennessee branch of the American Chemical Society argues - that the statute [†]is being violated all the time. Which tends to bring all of the laws - into contempt. So they want the State of Tennessee - to legalize the teaching of evolution.

KIDNAP

A wild ride - for a sixty-five year old woman in California. Kidnapped - when a bandit held up a ranch, near Vacaville. Telling the rancher, John Dawson - he'd have to put up a hundred thousand dollars for the safety of his wife. Then driving off - with Mrs. Dawson.

The husband had the ~~ix~~ license number of the automobile, which he gave to the police - together with a description. The kidnap car ~~xxx~~ soon spotted - and the chase began. The bandit - Charles McArthur, driving like a fiend along California highways, with his captive. Police cars in pursuit - at speeds up to one hundred and twenty miles an hour.

Finally, they cornered the fugitive - who fired a futile blast from a shot gun. Then - surrendered meekly.

Sixty-five year old Mrs. Dawson, unharmed ^{Sam} - except _^ for the nervous shock of that wild ride.

WIFE

Here's one to add to your collection of - surprising lines. Over in Israel, Mrs. Leah Schmucl reported - the disappearance of her husband. Telling the police - hubby had been missing for five months.

Whereupon the Israeli cops asked her - why hadn't she reported it sooner?

To which Mrs. Schmucl replied: "I didn't miss him - until now.

Maybe she got a bill - that needed payment.