L.T. OLDS, FISHER, FRIDAY, SEPT. 11, 1964 HURRICANE

President Johnson's trip South -- was a sudden decision. The President, talking to the Governors -- of Florida and Georgia. Then ordering his plane revved up -- to take him to the disaster area, for a look at -- the hevoc caused by Hurricane Dora.

He landed at Jacksonville, Florida -- one of the cities hardest hit. After inspecting the damage there he flew on to Brunswick, Georgia.

L B J getting a look -- at the path of the big storm -- before returning to Washington.

Dora now blowing herself out. With those who survived her facing one of the biggest cleanup jobs ever left by a hurricane.

## GOLDWATER

had you noticed in the street of a resemblance between Barry Goldwater - and Harry Truman? Some see a resemblance in that a resemblance, and see show Goldwater is waging

the kind of "give 'em blazes" campaign that H.S.T.

waged in Nineteen Forty-Eight. The tone - in if not the

content - much the same.

The Republican nominee is even using the familiar Truman technique - of needling the pollsters.

Who, says Goldwater - "can easily lose touch with the private feelings of private citizens." He believes that his campaign - is on the upswing, And that - no matter what the polls may say - ha'll be ahead of Lyndon Johnson on election day.

Johnson being, in Goldwater's words - "a power-wielding, arm-twisting President." There's come compaign avalory for your-

## MASSACHUSETTS

Being confined to a hospital isn't always

a handicap - in politics. At least - in Massachusetts.

Ted Kennedy has been renominated - without opposition -- as the Democrat candidate for the Senate. Also, Joe Martin renominated for the House by the Republicans - Ted Kennedy and Jos Martin getting the good news -- in their respective hospital beds.

With the testimony of General Maxwell Taylor in the public zo domain - we have a better understanding of the Vietnamese problem. And of the basic feet g that there can be no American retreat from South Viet Nam.

The Ambassador to Saigon summer to

restitios in two points!-

First, that South Viet Nam would be overwhelmed by Communism - should we leave. Second, that success would encourage Khrushchev to try the same tactics - Then in other places around the world. We would be faced with Vietnamese type decisions - indefinitely. So, if we mean to defend freedom - its preferable to make a stand now. Not later - when neither Khrushchev nor anyone else would take our resolution seriously.

## DEFECTOR

The East German scientist who has defected to the West - may fill in some major gaps in our picture of Soviet Science. Exempe Professor Heinz Barwich worked in both East Germany - and Russia. On both pure research - and atomic physics. Which means that he probably knows what the Red bloc is doing - from basic principles to applied technology.

This East German scientist got tired of life behind the Iron Curtain. Somehow he escaped - to the

West. And how been granted asylum - in the United

States. He - and his knowledge of Soviet science.

But there is no denial that Mao is continuing
Loth
the pressure on Hindustan and Tartary. To use - the
classical names - Hindustan - India - already has a
Red Chinese occupation. And is making a deal with the
Soviets - for more military aid. Tartary - Central Asia is threatened with a Red Chinese occupation. Mao, moving
his armies into position - along his border with Outer
Mongolia. Confronting the forces massed by Khrushchev - on the other side of the border.

## SMATHERS

Senator Smathers of Florida turned prophet today - on a problem that is close to his state. Close - geographically and politically. The problem of Castro's Red dictatorship - in Cuba.

The Florida Democrat told his colleagues on Capitol Hill - that Castro will probably fall next year. The regime of the bearded dictator, ready to collapse because of - its isolation from the state of the hemisphere. Said Senator Smathers - in a resounding example of senatorial rhetoric. "We have seen the Communists defeated in Brazil, pushed back in Venezuela, rebuffed in Panama, isolated in Cuba - and voted down in Chile."

An astronomer at <u>Caltech</u> has come up with the most remarkable theory yet - about the possibility of intelligent beings inhabiting outer space. Professor Harrison Brown, declaring in the magazine "SCIENCE" -- that the chances are far greater than even science fiction writers have suspected. Because planets hospitable to life -- abound along the Milky Way.

The figures -- astronomical -- in the most literal way. This Caltech expert estimates the number of stars in the Milhy Way, at two hundred billion. Most of them, he says, are suns with planetary systems like ours -- where life could evolve. So, by the law of averages -- there must be hundreds of thousands -- perhaps millions -- of inhabited planets.

The implication -- is breath taking. So should we be prepared to receive signals at any time from intelligent inhabitants here and there on the Milky Way?

Last night we had the story about some rather weird politics - in Crystal City, Texas.

Tonight, let's drop in on Sansom Park - near Fort Worth.

Picture a housewife arriving at City Hall to protest against the size of her water assessment.

Water Commissioner Bill Watson handled her case - and gave her a reduction. Whereupon Mayor Hicks charged -- that Watson should have consulted the council.

Exactly what heppened then - isn't clear. When order was restored - the Mayor was lying on the floor. He had been banged on the heard -- with his own gavel. For this he put the blame on the police chief - for watching him get clobbered. But the police chief had his hands full with battling councilmen, one of whom swung a haymaher - at a political opponent, and hit the council secretary --

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instead . . .

Tonight, the Mayor is threatening to fire the police chief, the council is threatening to
impeach the Mayor, and the lady with the shorthand
notebook -- the council secretary -- is nursing a
black eye, Dick.

Politics - in Texas.

Now, for a few numbers. Rather simple numbers.

Four one eight eight. Nothing to get excited about - until

you consider the meaning. They stand for the twin double

paper payoff - at New York's Roosevelt raceway. Bob

Froner picked them right on the nose - in each was race.

— as you way have heard—

His winnings; a record in playing the horses. One

hundred and seventy two thousand seven hundred and

twenty six dollars - and -- eighty cents.