

L.T.- OLDS. FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1962.

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The dispatch from Bethel, Alaska - doesn't mention the name of the Eskimo. But way over there near Bering Sea, not far from the mouth of the Kushokwim an Eskimo was out on the ice with his dog sled - about forty miles from Bethel. Suddenly - a plane in the sky. And - in trouble. An American army helicopter, enroute to - the eskimo village of Chefornahk. Never - making it. Crashing on the ice - with a shattering impact.

The eskimo urged his dog team into a run - and quickly reached the spot. He found - eight dead. Two survivors - Sergeant James Active of Bethel, and Sergeant John Fannin of DeRitter, Louisiana. Lashing them to his sled - he took them to a quonset hut at an oil drilling site. Then he raced to the nearest village

- and informed the Army commander.

A rescue team was ordered - into the area. But high in the sky above the Pacific, The device, going off - by the time they arrived - the two survivors had been a blast - equal to a hundred thousand tons of T N T. As picked up. Sergeant Fannin, managing to stagger out of the Atomic Energy Commission defines it - intermediate in the quonset hut - and flag a plane flying over the oil site.

They might still be trapped in the wreckage of Christmas Island - scientists here at home have to guess their helicopter far out on Alaska ice - if it hadn't what the A 3 C is doing. The best guess - an attempt to been for those traditional wanderers of the northland. put more punch into our rocket warheads. Greater nuclear An eskimo - and his dog team.

ATOMIC

Today's atomic explosion over Christmas Island - was much like yesterday! An air drop - from a plane flying high in the sky above the Pacific. The device, going off with a blast - equal to a hundred thousand tons of T N T. As the Atomic Energy Commission defines it - "intermediate in range."

Since non-government personnel are barred from Christmas Island - scientists here at home have to guess what the A E C is doing. The best guess - an attempt to put more punch into our rocket warheads. Greater nuclear power - in our atomic bombs.

KENNEDY

The White House correspondents and photographers are throwing a dinner tonight - for a couple of distinguished guests. In fact, the most distinguished in Washington - Prime Minister MacMillan and President Kennedy. This, the last of the informalities - before MacMillan and Kennedy get down to formal discussions about what is happening in the world.

The discussions, to cover everything - from Berlin to southeast Asia. The Prime Minister and the President, ironing out differences - that are mainly concerned with means and timing. The objectives - just about the same for Britain and America. As they have been on the four previous occasions - when MacMillan and Kennedy got together.

The meeting at the State Department today - was the third in the current series between Secretary of State Rusk and Soviet Ambassador Dobrynin. The aim, just what it's been all along - to find some way out of the Berlin crisis, if possible. Not - a final solution. Both sides agree - that's impossible, at this point. The Russians are not going to permit - a free election in East Germany. The allies are not going to permit - any Communist violation of our rights in West Berlin.

So the difficulty is - to maintain an uneasy equilibrium in Berlin. One American proposal - ^{internationalize} ~~internationalize~~ the access routes. This could be a way out of the impasse - if only the Russians would drop their propaganda about East German sovereignty. Something that they know, and we know - is a myth concocted in Moscow. The officials of the East German Red regime - nothing but puppets of the Kremlin.

EAST BERLIN

Here's a
~~Now, let's~~ picture: a street scene - in East
Q Berlin. ~~One~~ painter, working busily on the stripe - that
marks the boundary between the two sections of the city.
But the Red bosses were worried about - the painters
proximity to freedom. So - they sent a couple of border
guards to stand over him with sub machine guns.

Then someone recalled - that many border guards
have scrambled across the wall to freedom. So - three
officers arrived with pistols in their hands.

Five armed soldiers, watching - a painter at work.
Street scene - in East Berlin.

MAJOR

Major Arch Roberts - is in the past tense tonight
That is, he used to be - a major. Today he was dropped
from the Army - because of that controversial speech
before the D A R. The one-time aide of General Walker
- making accusations of Communist sympathy. The charges
too far out of bounds, for the Army to sanction.
Secretary Stahr, informing Major Roberts that - he's
now a civilian.

STORM

That storm along the Oregon coast - ~~is~~ one of the worst on record. Winds of more than ²~~one~~ hundred miles an hour - ~~hurting ashore from the Pacific~~ Sinking small boats, tearing up trees and power lines - blowing off dozens of roofs. Hardest hit, Tillamook - where three inches of rain fell today. Tillamook, where a number of oil buildings - collapsed under the pounding of the gale.

LORDS

One of the most incredible historical revolutions may be developing in Britain. The House of Lords may be on the way back - to Supreme power. The Lords, possibly to hold the status they held in the thirteenth century - when they extorted Magna Carta from King John.

An astonishing idea - for anyone who knows the House of Lords today. The aristocratic peers, ^{Why they are} powerless. In fact, most of them never turn up - at the Houses of Parliament. Those who do - listen to languid debates, pass ineffectual resolutions, and return to their country estates.

The point is that since they do virtually nothing - the Lords appear superfluous. ^{And} The Laborites are threatening to dissolve the historic upper chamber. But - here's a suggestion that might ~~xx~~ save it. The British Constitution, to be changed - to let the Peers run for seats in the Commons. Contest elections - just like members of the Lower classes.

Which raises - an interesting possibility. What if the noble Lords won so many seats - that they could

dominate the House of Commons? Form - their own government?

And name - their own Prime Minister? Wouldn't they have

England and the English Monarch under their control - as

their turbulent ~~ancestors~~ ancestors did in the days of King John

and Magna Carta?

TIME

For most ^{of us} ~~Americans~~, this Sunday means - the semi-annual confusion of the clocks. The majority of the states, switching to daylight ~~in~~ saving time. Following the advice given to us by Ben Franklin - in the eighteenth century. The wizard of Philadelphia, pointing out that an hour of daylight was being lost every morning in spring and summer. That is- lost by man. The animals, smart enough - to use daylight saving time. Rising with ~~in~~ the sun - summer or winter. *You rise, ^{and shine} with the Sun, don't you, Dick?*

~~Now, the usual conundrum comes up. Which way do you turn your clock, backward or forward? I suppose that most of you have heard the saying - "spring forward and fall back." This being spring, time marches forward.~~

CULTURE

If you happen to live in the White House - you just can't get away from culture. Not with the President reading poetry - and the First Lady gathering objects of art. On Sunday, it will be poetry, art - and a dozen other fields as well.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, playing host to - the sixty Nobel Prize winners of the western hemisphere. Writers, painters, scientists - congregating at a White House dinner. Along with them, a hundred other guests - paying tribute to ^{some} of the world's foremost intellectuals. A night at the White House - for Nobel prizemen like William Faulkner, the novelist, ~~the~~ Willard Libby, the physicist.