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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Out there in space they are still there, but after six and a half days in orbit -- cold -- cramped -- badly in need of a bath, and "up to their ears in stuff" -- so they say; with little but forced humor -- and a bad song-writing -- to relieve the monotony.

All of which was -- in the mind of Pete Conrad when he asked rather wistfully today how much longer? The reply -- then -- "forty-four hours, fourteen minutes and nineteen seconds." Gemini control adding that from here on -- "it's all down hill."

BIRTHDAY

The President -- fifty-seven today; and headed for a Texas-sized birthday party -- at the L.B.J. Ranch. The President also reported delighted -- with an avalanche of birthday congratulations, including one-- from former President Eisenhower; another from H.H. Cheesley of Iuka, Illinois who happens to be a hundred and two today. This tall corn country patriarch wired: "I back your way of doing business -- less talk and more good." The President's beaming reply: "I am proud to share the day -- with such a patriot."

CHU LAI

A slight difference of opinion today - as to who won that big battle last week near Chu Lai. The one heretofore billed exclusively - as the biggest U S victory to date - in the war in Viet Nam.

The North Vietnamese version ^{is} almost a complete reversal of ^{what we heard from} ~~the facts as stated by~~ U S officials. The Communist guerrillas claiming to have ~~tax~~ "put out of action" - a total of four companies of U S Marines - totaling more than five hundred men. Also said to have destroyed twenty-two tanks and armored amphibious cars - as well as thirteen U S aircraft.

According to North Viet Nam - "further illustration of the revolutionary heroism of the Viet Cong, And their iron determination - to defeat the U S aggressors."

~~This one word~~ ^{The} American reply ^{to all this? One word:-} "Poppycock."

VIET NAM FOLLOW CHU LAI

So much for last week. This week - a major Communist drive -- to cut Saigon's lifeline to the interior. The bread-basket - of south Viet Nam.

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As part of that drive - Communist guerrillas today struck in force and fury. At four government outposts - along a major north-south supply route. At one point - just twelve miles from Saigon.

This the repeat of a similar Communist drive - last month, ~~When~~ ~~One~~ that raised food prices ~~in~~ in Saigon - as much as fifty percent, Before the guerrillas - were beaten back. Just as they were again beaten back - in all four clashes today.

NASSER

Egypt's Nasser arrived in Moscow today -- to a thunderous reception; rivaled only by that given Yugoslavia's President Tito -- on his own visit to Moscow earlier this year.

Kosygin, Brezhnev, Mikoyan, Gromyko and a whole host of lesser officials-- on hand to greet the Egyptian strongman.

Along with an honor guard -- a military band -- and hundreds of Russian factory workers ferried by bus to the airport - - and given tiny Egyptian flags to wave -- as Nasser walked by.

This Nasser's first trip to Moscow -- since the ouster of his friend Nikita. In Moscow apparently the Kremlin wants him to be impressed.

TURNCOAT

Another American turncoat of the Korean War - was granted permission today to leave Red China. Morris R. Wills of Fort Ann, New York - expected to arrive in Hong Kong within a month, ~~Along~~ with his Chinese wife - and their young daughter.

In all - there were twenty one American soldiers who chose to remain with the Communists - after the Korean armistice in Nineteen Fifty-Three. Wills - the ^{of those} eighteenth [^] who have since changed their minds. Eighteen down- three to go.

SHOE

From Kuala Lumpur - the story today of a British high commissioner ~~who~~ ^{was} lost one of his ~~de~~ shoes -- but not his dignity.

Lord Head ^{was} a guest at the ceremonial opening - of Malaysia's new national mosque in Kuala Lumpur, ~~And~~ ^{left} like everyone else - ~~leaving~~ his ~~de~~ shoes outside the entrance to the mosque - during the ceremony.

Afterward - one shoe gone. So what ~~he~~ did he do? Why, what any good Briton would do. With a stiff upper lip - he picked up his remaining shoe. And marched nobly to a waiting Rolls-Royce -- in his stocking feet.

FISCHER

Another victory today for Bobby Fischer -- "Boy Wonder" of American chess. His second -- in the Casablanca Memorial tournament at Havana; over Vassily Smyslov -- Russia's former world champion.

Bobby Fischer -- who is now an old timer of twenty-three -- competing by cable from New York. Because the State Department has banned American travel -- to Castro Cuba. And Bobby wins.

SILVER

Good news today from Detroit -- for old-time fans of the Lone Ranger.

The great horse Silver -- will stay where he belongs. With the widow -- of Brace Beemer, voice of the legendary western hero --for so many years on radio. Silver -- at twenty-seven -- destined to live out the remainder of his days -- in sunshine and clover.

One of the architects of the United Nations Headquarters at New York.

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ARCHITECTS

The most famous of French architects - Charles Le Corbusier -- dead today at the age of ~~six~~ seventy-eight, ~~As~~ the result of a heart attack he suffered - while swimming on the French Riviera.

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Le Corbusier - a pioneer in the "wide open look" of steel and glass - as much as fifty years ago. The man who designed - the Palace of the League of Nations at Geneva. One of the architects of the United Nations headquarters - at New York.

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AGE

The best defense against old age -- a touch of vanity.
So says Dr. Jose Montero -- of the Stanford University school of medicine.

His reasoning -- as follows: The vain man⁹ fearful of losing his youthful appearance, is more likely to follow a conscious plan -- of diet and exercise; to avoid the sagging face, flabby muscles and pot belly -- that so often accompany middle age and beyond.

This in turn -- says the Stanford scientist is a sure -fire defense -- against heart trouble, diabetes and hardening of the arteries. The diseases normally associated -- with advancing years.

In short -- Warren -- look better -- live longer -- and have fun.

SKIRTS

A minority protest - today in London. Against the new short-short skirts # that have suddenly become the British fashion rage.

The philosophy behind thigh-high skirts - typically feminine- says a ~~women's~~ men's fashion magazine. Noting that "women resort to any trick in order to attract a man's attention - then get morally affronted when you *do* look."

The whole idea utterly ridiculous - says the magazine - when women secretaries demand the installation of so-called "modesty boards", ^{that is} ~~that is~~ screens - on the front of their desks, ~~O~~stensibly "to hide the view" - that they have gone to such great lengths to show off.

Conclusion: Girls will be girls - and ~~men~~ will ~~never~~ never understand them?

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