

L. T. OLDS. FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1963

**Good Evening Everybody:**

**From Cape Canaveral, information - we've been waiting for. The information, that we have just about caught up with the Russians - in rocket power.**

**Our boosters - equal to the best that Khrushchev has to work with, and maybe - a bit better.**

**So says our top space scientist, Wernher Von Braun - referring to yesterday's flight of Saturn One, and announcing plans for - a space spectacular in August. Saturn One, to carry thirty-three thousand pounds into orbit. The heaviest space shot ever.**

**Thirty-three thousand pounds - as compared with the biggest Soviet Sputnik, some twenty thousand.**

**The Soviets no doubt are still experimenting with rocket power, but the real point is - that we are finally able to match them in big boosters, which we are told is the key to - the conquest of space.**

## CUBA

The speed with which Castro sent his two notes to Washington - has raised much speculation in our national Capitol. With emphasis on the question - "Did Khrushchev order his puppet to explain? Did Khrushchev's man in Havana tell the bearded dictator - to stop the incidents in the Caribbean?"

Seems likely - because the Floridan was fired on yesterday afternoon. And Castro's explanation arrived - only a few hours later. Quite out of character - for Castro. Besides, the two notes - are rather equivocal, as if the writer - were gritting his teeth all the time. As if he were under - duress. Khrushchev - duress.

Anyway, Castro's explanation is that two of his Migs - "probably fired in error". That he himself never ordered any attack - on any American ship.

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**If Khrushchev is controlling Castro - he's more successful than we are with the Cuban exiles. Our government wants to stop - those hit-and-run attacks on Russian freighters in Cuban Harbors. But, how do you restrain these modern Caribbean Buccaneers - when they have so many small islands to operate from?**

**All Washington has been able to do so far - is prevent any anti-Castro operations from American soil.**

**And hope that Khrushchev is merely making propaganda - when he accuses us of conniving at the attacks.**

## ATTACK FOLLOW CUBA

Meanwhile, what about the attack - on the Floridan? Skipper Curt Olsen of Minneapolis reports - that the two Migs came hurtling down at close to supersonic speed, opened up with their guns - and poured a fusillade across the bow of the ship. The shells, exploding - as they hit the water. That was when Captain Olsen sent his S.O.S. - "We are being attacked by unidentified aircraft".

American planes roared to the scene but by then the Migs were gone. The Floridan, continuing its voyage from Puerto Rico to Miami - with a cargo of Pineapples and rum.

## GREAT DECEPTION!

When it rains down here in Florida --- and how it can rain --- then is the perfect time to catch up on your reading. To the accompaniment of thunder and lightening I've read a book that ought to be required reading for all of us. It's title *The Great Deception* by Monahan and Gilmore, two editors of the *Readers Digest*. It's the exciting story of how Castro - and then Khrushchev - got control of Cuba. How and why we were fooled. Published by Farrar Straus. An important book that will hold you - even amid thunder and lightening.

## BRAZIL

*The Red Congress in Brazil, seems to be turning into a fiasco. The comrades fighting - among themselves. Those who follow the hard line of Red China - shouting down the partisans of Khrushchev. In fact, one Argentine communist said flatly today - "atomic war is inevitable". And demanded that the red bloc prepare now - for the thermonuclear conflict.*

*The delegates who take their party line from Moscow - began to hiss and boo. They shouted - "Support Khrushchev! Congratulate Peking!" Whereupon, the session settled down to a discussion of - not the iniquities of the United States - but why this Red Congress is getting nowhere, and just who is responsible for - the failure.*

*The most popular scapegoat so far, Mao Tse Tung.*

**EISENHOWER**

When former President Eisenhower used the phrase "major surgery" today, he wasn't talking about the operating room of a hospital. Except in a metaphorical sense. The real subject - the Kennedy budget. General Ike declaring that the administration request should be cut by thirteen billion dollars.

Her explanation - "I worked on them for two weeks, and I didn't want to lose them".

As for the five - it's called Boston's worst in fifty years. The blaze whipping through - the fifth, sixth and seventh floors, four dead, twenty-four injured.

## FIRE

**I wonder how attached you are - to your income tax form? Too attached - you say? Then, consider Shirley Peabody of Boston, who got caught in that fire at the Sherry Biltmore. Shirley, doing - like the other guests at the hotel. Rushing out into the street - clutching her dearest possession, her income tax return. Her explanation - "I worked on them for two weeks, and I didn't want to lose them".**

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## ROBBERY

*In Buffalo New York, Rose Ziak's delicatessen was robbed last night. And Rose came out - two bucks ahead on the deal.*

*Here's what happened. Two bandits walked into the delicatessen. One handed Rose a ten dollar bill - for a pack of cigarettes. As she was counting out the change, they pulled guns, held her up, rifled the till and fled.*

*Their take - eight dollars and since Rose was still holding their ten dollar bill, the robbery gave her a profit of two bucks. "A few more hold-ups like that, and I'll be able to retire", says Rose of Buffalo.*

NARCOTICS

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WHEN ROCK-~~AND~~<sup>'n</sup> -ROLL SINGER, BABY FACE LEWIS MADE A  
RECORDING OF " I'M A BAD -BAD BOY " HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS  
SINGING ABOUT. THE EVIDENCE - NARCOTICS WORTH ONE HUNDRED AND  
EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. SEIZED BY THREE DETECTIVES- IN  
BABY-<sup>2</sup>FACE'S NEW YORK APARTMENT. THEY CAME DISGUISED AS HARMONICA  
VIRTUOSI- WITH A HOT BEAT. AND WERE GOOD ENOUGH - TO PLAY THEIR  
WAY IN .

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RESULT - A BATTLE ROYAL. THE NARCOTICS - ROUNDED UP -  
ALONG WITH A SMALL ARSONAL OF WEAPONS, AND, BABY FACE LEWIS-  
WHO SURE SOUNDS AUTHENTIC WHEN HE SINGS, " I'M A BAD-BAD BOY. "

JEWELS

THE BUTLER OF THE COUNTESS MONA von BISMARCK-MUST BE  
FASTEST  
ABOUT THE ~~HIGHEST~~ WORKER IN THE HISTORY OF CRIME. YESTERDAY,  
ANGELO VALENTINI MADE OFF WITH- SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH  
OF JEWELS. TODAY, THE JEWELS BEGAN TO TURN UP- IN ROME PAWN  
SHOPS. ANGELO EVIDENTLY HUSTLED OFF TO THE PAWN-BROKERS DIRECTLY  
FROM THE SWANK APARTMENT OF THE AMERICAN SOCIALITE, THE FORMER  
MRS. HARRISON WILLIAMS.

BUT WHILE ANGELO MAY BE QUICK- HE ISN'T TO<sup>0</sup> SMART. HE  
ACCEPTED LESS THAN SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS WOTH OF LIRA - FOR  
A DIAMOND NECKLACE WORTH ~~WORTH~~ THOUSAND <sup>S.</sup> ~~DOLLARS~~