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CUBA

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*late today - perhaps you heard it -*  
~~State~~ News Conference ~~today~~ at the State *Dept*  
~~Department~~ - was the Administration's answer  
*- about Cuba.*  
to criticism on Capital Hill. The Secretary  
of Defence and his colleagues - giving their  
analysis of the Cuban situation. Rejecting  
the charge by some members of Congress -  
that ~~the~~ the Soviet offensive buildup is  
continuing on the ~~the~~ *at* red-dominated island.  
Secretary McNamara, repeating what President  
Kennedy has already said - that no offensive  
arms have been brought into Cuba since the  
crisis. And that we have no reason to doubt  
- that Khrushchev really did remove his  
missiles.

ORDER FOLLOW CUBA

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The latest American move against Castro + maybe only the beginning of a drive to get rid of the bearded dictator. The order, banning American Government cargoes from ships trading with Cuba - to be followed up by more stringent measures, if necessary. For example, we might ~~extend today's order - to entire companies.~~ <sup>any shipping line</sup> ~~Putting a boycott on any company~~ that sends a single ship to Cuba. ~~and~~ We might bar from all American ports - any ship that calls at Havana.

## CANADA

Perhaps you have already heard that the next Canadian election will be held on - April 8th. So decided by Prime Minister Diefenbaker - following yesterday's "No Confidence" vote in the Ottawa Parliament. The Canadian people, to pass judgement - on the Prime Minister, and his Conservative party. Decide whether or not he is right - in his so called dispute with Washington.

Up here in Canada, where I am tonite, everyone assumes that Diefenbaker will campaign on an anti American platform. That is he will insist that he took the correct line - when he accused Secretary Rusk of interfering in Canada's internal affairs.

Diefenbaker's chances - in this election? I'm not prophesying, but political pros up here are betting that the leader of the Opposition will win, Liberal Lester Pearson. Much can happen between now and April 8.



## ROCKETS

Another rocket from Cape Canaveral to Ascension Island - by way of "Missile Alley" between Africa and South America. A Titan, ten stories high - rising from its launching pad. Arching into the sky - thundering down "Missile Alley" for thirty minutes. Landing in the target area - after a flight of almost seven thousand miles.

Today's test, especially encouraging at Cape Canaveral - because the technicians appear to have ironed out the bugs in the second stage. A perfect flight - for the Titan.

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On tape I am still out in Asia. And now I am going to switch to myself - in the Himalayas.



There are few westerners who really know anything about Tibet, for only a few ever penetrated to Lhasa, in the years before Tibet was over run by the Chinese Reds. One who did, a nephew of the most famous of all Russian writers, Count Tolstoy. Many of you will recall General Wild Bill Donovan, who was head of the O.S.S. in World War II. Donovan's so called "cloak and dagger" men carried out endless hazardous missions behind the enemy lines.

One of his "daring-do" people was Colonel Ilia Tolstoy, who with a companion, made a great journey on horseback over the Himalayas, right across Tibet, from northern India to Northern China.

Since then, his interest in Tibet has never flagged. Recently he went out to the Himalayas again, at his own expense, to talk to the Dalai Lama and see what he could of the Tibetan refugees and their problems.

He saw one thing that I missed. If you have read about Inner Tibet you know that they had no modern doctors, and no surgeons. But they did have their own medical college, at Lhasa, on top of a spectacular small mountain just opposite the famous palace, the Potala. There some of the young monks were taught special incantations and prayers used in healing the sick and injured; also the use of herbs and other things that have been used in Central Asia for hundreds of years. The Dalai Lama now is encouraging some of these same monks to study how to handle modern western drugs. I suppose you could call this the Dalai Lama's College of Medicine.

Colonel Tolstoy also speaks of the Tibetan refugees who are working on roads in the Himalayas, working for the government of India. They live in Tents that are old and battered. For their hard labor they are paid one rupee, eight annas a day, about thirty cents in our money. But, they look healthy,

and they are cheerful. In all the world there are no more cheerful people than the Tibetans.

Colonel Tolstoy and I, both discussed with the Dalai Lama the suggestion that perhaps some of the Tibetan refugees could be resettled in Alaska. American friends of Tibet are exploring this possibility. What a startling thing that would be, to transport some of the Tibetans half way around the world, and settle them in Alaska.

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## RIFE

Now as we return from India - a brief stop in North Africa.

This should have a musical accompaniment - from "The Desert Song", Sigmund Romberg's lilting operetta - about the Riff War in Morocco.

The Riff leader, more than 30 years ago, was Abdul Krim, who raised a revolt against France and Spain. And he won many battles in the desert and in the Atlas Mts, before he was defeated by artillery and planes. His colourful campaign caught the imagination of the world. Everybody humming "The Riff Song" - from "The Desert Song".

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## MISSING PERSONS

What would you say is the main reason why husbands leave home?

A firm that specializes in finding wayward husbands says it is, as you suggest, a case of "cherchez la femme"; only the "femme" is - the wife's mother. The disappearing husband, usually in flight from - his Mother-in-law.

Incidentally, these experts say it works the same way - Dick, Mother-in-Law often the motivating factor behind the disappearing wife.

**BARONET**

Have you ever been to Turvey, England?  
If so, did you meet the fifth Baronet of Hartwell?  
Sir Broderick Hartwell, bar tender at the tavern  
called "Ye Three Fyshes". The Baronet, knocking down  
seven quid a week - for serving Scotch and Stout.

But it's the old story. Say's the owner  
of the tavern - "His Lordship thought that his job  
was to be sociable".

The Fifth Baronet of Hartwell - bounced from  
"Ye Three Fyshes".