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Good Evening Everybody:

President Kennedy's assessment of the

**Alabama crisis - is that Governor Wallace wants to
provoke federal intervention - for political reasons.**

**He calls the Governor - "desperately anxious", and
implies, that he himself - is not going to fall into
the trap. He says he'll not order federal troops into**

Alabama - except as a last resort. And that, he

hopes can be avoided - by action at the local level.

**Nevertheless President Kennedy says he is
prepared to take any measures necessary to see that
the court orders are obeyed.**

ALABAMA

Meanwhile the Governor of Alabama is standing in the school house door - again tonight, metaphorically. Governor Wallace could hardly be in three places - at the same time. But his state troopers - could, and did. They turned up in Birmingham, Mobile and Tuskegee. Surrounding white schools - that are supposed to be integrated, and barring entrance of nineteen negro students.

Says Governor Wallace:- "We are going to fight integration - all over the state".

The question tonight is what Attorney General Kennedy will do next. Also - what his brother, the President will do.

In Mobile, when negro attorneys asked Federal Judge Daniel Thomas for a court order - restraining Governor Wallace, the judge handed down a ruling barring the Governor - from interfering with

integration at Mobile's Murphy High School, and
set September sixteenth - a week from today - for a
hearing.

HUNTSVILLE FOLLOW ALABAMA

The puzzling thing in the Alabama crisis - is Huntsville, the question of why Governor Wallace allowed the Huntsville Schools to be integrated - when he's pledging a state-wide fight against integration. Asked about this, the Governor replied "no comment".

NUCLEAR

When the two party leaders in the Senate approve a bill - it is almost sure to pass. Hence supporters of the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty - are optimistic tonight. They have an okay from Sen. Mansfield of Montana - Democratic leader, and Everett Dirksen of Illinois - Republican leader.

Senator Mansfield, all along, has been a key figure in the congressional strategy of the administration. Senator Dirksen - a question mark until now. The Illinois Republican, coming out for the Nuclear Test Ban Treaty - only today, after talking with the President at the White House. Now he agrees with his Democratic opposite number - that the treaty with the Russians will pass the Senate.

VIET NAM

That battle at Saigon took place - at a high school. Hundreds of students, first swarming out of the school - to engage in a wild melee with President Diem's security police. When the fighting turned against the students - they retreated back into the school compound, barred the gates, and stood off a police attack - for over an hour. The defenders hurling sticks and stones, the attackers, battering the gates.

Just as in the legendary sieges of classical times - the gates fell, the attackers, storming in - overwhelming the defenders. But - there was no general massacre. But dozens of students were hustled off to the Saigon prison.

INDIA

The Indian Army is prepared for warfare in the High Himalayas - if the Chinese Reds attack again in the tallest mountains on our planet. So announced by Defense Minister Chavan - in a report to the New Delhi parliament. The Defense Minister, telling the Indian lawmakers - that three divisions of mountain troops are already in the Himalayas, with three more divisions on the way. Fighting men specially picked - for mountain training. Which they were given - in the uplands of the Central Indian Plateau, then rushed north - to block the advance of the Chinese Reds. The Defense Minister adds that at last the Indian Army is adequately equipped. Automatic weapons, coming off the assembly line - in a factory at Ishapore. Other weapons, arriving from India's allies - including Australia, Italy, ^{and} Yugoslavia. What about - American aid? The Indian Defense Minister says more than half of it has arrived on schedule, with a great deal more on the way.

REFUGEES

The ninety-one Cuban refugees who got away in a hi-jacked motorship - hoisted the American flag when they reached the high seas. A ruse to deceive Castro's pilots - who were out over the Caribbean looking for them. The ruse - worked. The motorship chugging across the waves - to the idyllic Mexican island of Cozumel, off Yukatan, carrying the Cubans - to freedom.

Among them - forty-six women, and twenty-one children. After five days at sea, after running out of food and water - many of the youngsters were ill. But all expected to recover. And their parents are happy - to be safely away from Castro's domain.

The biggest mass flight of Cuban refugees - in four years. Ninety-one.

POSTMASTER

The administration insists that ethnic considerations did not enter into - the choice of our new Postmaster General. Still, it's interesting to notice - that John Gronouski is the first American Cabinet Minister of Polish extraction.

His American background - is straight forward enough. Born - in Dunbar, Wisconsin. Grew up - in Oshkosh. Educated at Oshkosh College, followed by the University of Wisconsin. World War Two service an Air Force navigator.

Political background? A Democratic who came out for Kennedy in nineteen sixty. So the President taps John Gronouski - for Postmaster General.

MEDICAL

Here's a formula - for the prevention of heart attacks. Use chemicals - to overcome hypertension, to bring down blood pressure. Which, in turn - will prevent hardening of the arteries and remove the cause of heart attacks that contribute to almost fifty per cent of our national death rate.

The idea comes from Doctor Irving Page - a Cleveland specialist. Doctor Page, describing his medical technique - at a convention of the American Chemical Society in New York. Telling his audience of chemists - that the secret lies in chemistry, development of new drugs - to control tension. These drugs if used properly, he says, will save many of us - enable you, Dick, to live - maybe to be as old as Methusaleh!

BIGAMIST

When Roy Pemberton of Liverpool, England, took his wife for a drive in the country - he ran out of gas. Petrol - I mean. But when he flagged down - a passing motorist, he wound up in the Manchester lockup tonight - because the motorist he flagged down happened to be - another Mrs. Pemberton. Yes, Roy was a bigamist. And bigamy appears to be a hazardous occupation - in Britain.

Must have been an interesting conversation at the side of the road - before both ladies blew the whistle on their joint husband.