

ROCKETS

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~~Two triumphs for~~ American rocketry, today. The

Navy fired a rocket twelve hundred miles into space - from Point Arguello, California. The rocket ejected an instrument package, which fell into the Pacific - and was picked up by a destroyer.

On the opposite side of the continent - an Atlas missile was launched at Cape Canaveral. The Atlas roared into the sky - flashed nine thousand miles down the alley between South America and Africa - and hit a target near Prince Edward Island, beyond the Cape of Good Hope. One third the distance around the earth - in fifty-two minutes.

KHRUSHCHEV

The biggest group to meet Khrushchev when he landed in New York - was made up of policemen. Security forces led by Commissioner Kennedy swarmed over the area - to see ~~was~~ that no unauthorized person got close to the Soviet boss. Their job was easier than anticipated - because a steady ~~drizzle~~ <sup>rain - drizzle and pelting rain -</sup> kept most would be demonstrators at home. Khrushchev <sup>pulled a speech out of his pocket,</sup> ~~read a brief statement - calling for~~ <sup>about peace and</sup> disarmament. Then he drove to the Russian Embassy - under a heavy police guard. Later, photographers got a chance to snap him - looking out of the Embassy window. Apparently, just another visitor - driven indoors by a rainy day in New York.

## UNITED NATIONS

Khrushchev may be depressed - by more than the weather. He arrives just in time to meet - a Soviet set-back in the United Nations. The Red Dictator has been trying to win over the Afro-Asian bloc. But today he was rebuffed; the new nations of Africa coming out in support of Dag Hammarskjold - and his handling of the Congo crisis. This - after savage Soviet attacks on Hammarskjold, and after the Russians - were ousted from the Congo.

The Soviets are keeping up - their attack on the Secretary General. But, so far there has been a major diplomatic defeat for the Boss of the Kremlin.

## CONGO

Meanwhile what is the situation in the Congo?

It looks like this:- Colonel Mobutu in control. That is, the army taking orders from him. Mobutu we hear, is trying to arrange a truce - between Lumumba and Kasavubu. A truce that would demote Lumumba from his former position as head of government - but give him a place in Premier Ileo's cabinet.

Ileo is holding talks with Katanga Premier Tshombe - in a bid to bring the secessionist province back into union with the Congo.

The Congo crisis holds a lot of "ifs" - that could add up to a settlement.

LAOS

The southeast Asia Treaty Organization - may have to intervene in Laos. The danger - Communist guerrillas.

Premier Souvanna Phouma announces an invasion - from Viet Nam. <sup>with</sup> Communist soldiers, filtering through the ~~jungle~~ jungle - driving on strong points inside Laos. The Premier is calling on the factions of his country - to unite against this Communist enemy.

What about - outside help? Laos is not a member of Seato - but is ~~is~~ within Seato's defense perimeter.

Hence, Premier Souvanna Phouma could ask for help, <sup>which he</sup> ~~and~~ ~~not~~ <sup>would</sup> almost certainly get. ~~is~~ An American task force is already in the South China Sea - on maneuvers.

EISENHOWER

President Eisenhower refuses to comment - on Khrushchev's arrival. The President did say that "trouble makers" seem interested in coming to America. But he said it - jokingly. When Jim Haggerty was asked if there was any official reaction to Khrushchev - the President's press secretary said simply, "no".

Mr. Eisenhower made his remark ~~at a meeting~~ in the White House Rose Garden, just ~~was~~ before <sup>a</sup> meeting with Vice President Nixon. They talked ~~at~~ politics for forty-five minutes - until Nixon left for Pennsylvania, and more campaigning.

POLITICS

This is the second <sup>sizeable</sup> ~~big~~ tour - of the Nixon campaign. A swing through eleven states - with the G O P candidate taking aim squarely at the mid-west vote. The farm vote. He'll deliver a major speech on agriculture this Friday - when he attends the plowing contest in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

How does Nixon feel - about his campaign? He says he's optimistic - and <sup>that</sup> told President Eisenhower, "I think it's moving well."

Senator Kennedy is of the opposite opinion.

The Democratic ~~in~~ candidate feels - that he's picking up strength all over the country. Tonight the axis of <sup>the</sup> Kennedy campaign - runs from Atlantic City, New Jersey, to Morgantown, West Virginia. His major theme - more federal aid for the depressed areas of this country. <sup>an</sup> An important issue - in the coal fields of West Virginia.

FUGITIVE

Here's the story of the fugitive who spent five years hiding from the police - when he was charged with - having a dirty windshield on his car.

Iver Johnson of Minneapolis hit a pedestrian - on New York's Day of Nineteen Fifty Seven. The ticket he received was for - a dirty windshield. Meanwhile, the District Attorney looked into the possibility - of indicting Johnson for criminal negligence.

The pedestrian died - and the driver became panicky; ~~he~~ made a break for it - and kept moving for five years. He took odd jobs - from Canada to Mexico. Never staying long - in one place. Always - on the run.

Finally, as happens ~~so~~ so often in these cases - his conscience got the <sup>better</sup> ~~best~~ of him, <sup>and he</sup> ~~Johnson~~ decided - to give himself up. ~~He~~ <sup>my</sup> Returned to Minneapolis, <sup>he</sup> walked into the police station - and said, "well, here I am - you can stop looking."

The police checked Johnson's file and found that



the indictment for criminal negligence had never been made.

The District Attorney <sup>had</sup> ~~deciding~~ <sup>ed</sup> - there was no case against

the driver. So Iver Johnson was on the run for five years -

when the only charge against him was - ~~having~~ a dirty

windshield.

## ACCIDENT

Today Joe Sullivan of Melrose, Massachusetts, told newsmen - "I wanted to smoke, to relieve the tension." Then he added - "but whoever heard of lighting a cigarette at the bottom of a pond?"

Joe Sullivan was driving near Fellsmere pond - when another car forced him off the road. Before he could stop, he swerved down the embankment - and into the pond. His car sank like a stone - in twenty feet of water - with Sullivan still inside.

Fortunately, he knew better than try to get out at once. He just sat there, waiting for the water pressure inside - to equal the water pressure outside. It took - four minutes. That was when - he would have liked a cigarette. A smoke - at the bottom of the pond. He says he couldn't have held out much longer - than those four minutes. So powerful had the cigarette habit griped him.

Finally, enough water seeped into the car - to

equalize the pressure. Sullivan rolled up a window -  
scrambled through - swam to the surface, Dick, thanked  
the Lord - and then, had a cigarette.

## INFLATION

From Salisbury, Rhodesia, comes a defense of - inflation. Mrs. Jane Chivanga says she's all in favor of higher prices - for brides. The reference is to an old Rhodesian institution - the bride price. Rhodesian bachelors, paying to get married - paying the bride's family.

Mrs. Chivanga, a leader in the women's rights movement - claims that the old custom prevented many marriages. So she and her colleagues have been trying - to get it outlawed. Now, they<sup>a</sup>re receiving an assist from - economics. Everything in Rhodesia is dearer - including brides. The bride price, jumping from two ~~two~~<sup>at</sup> three oxen - to several times that number. Most Rhodesian bachelors - unable to pay. Unable - to get married. Result - Rhodesian youth rebelling against the whole thing. Another casualty of inflation - the bride price.