

L. T. OLDS, FISHER. FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1964

*Good Evening Everybody:*

*When the President of the United States - visits a school it's sure to be memorable. At the Lyndon B. Johnson High School today there was L. B. J. himself, addressing the graduating class of the institution that now bears his name. Reminding the young Texans of how he made his way from a Texas farm all the way to the White House, as he put it, a proof that America is indeed the land of opportunity.*

## KENNEDY

*Somewhere today you may have taken part - in commemorative rites for the late President. Church services - were held in many cities. Also civic gatherings - at which personal friends recalled the man who was our chief executive so recently.*

*Special Kennedy memorial stamps went on sale across the country today with Boston printing - "first-day covers."*

*Most spectacular of the commemorative events today - the trans-Atlantic conversation by way of Telstar. Jacqueline Kennedy and the others - talking to the artificial satellite in outer space. The former First Lady, joined by former British Prime Minister Harold McMillan, Irish Prime Minister Sean Lemass - and Mayor Willy Brandt of West Berlin.*

*Their voices, relayed down - on the other side of the ocean. Voices of tribute, praise, reminiscence - and, of course, humor.*

*John Kennedy would have appreciated - this scientific feat for Telstar was launched into orbit - during his administration.*

## LAOS

*The fighting in Laos - may be dying down. Petering out - in the rainy season. But that isn't changing our determination - to take all necessary measures to stop the red Guerrillas. And the British are supporting us in this.*

*That's what William Bundy - has learned in London. President Johnson's special envoy, conferring with - the British Foreign Secretary. After which they revealed - a common approach to the Laotian crisis. A tough stand - against the Reds. In particular, no Geneva Conference on Laos - until the Reds pull back from the territory they've overrun.*

*But what the Laotian guerrillas do - depends on Red China. And Peking is deriding the idea of a pull-back - as "preposterous."*

## KHRUSHCHEV

A British expert on the Soviet Union has this to say - of Khrushchev's latest boast. "The statement is innocuous - we've always known that satellites could photograph military bases."

In other words, nothing new in what Khrushchev told William Benton of the Encyclopedia Britannica. Namely, that he has pictures of military bases, taken from outer space.

The boss of the Kremlin told Benton - a lot more than that. So let's notice - one point of some interest. The question of - American elections. Khrushchev - doesn't like our system. He says it prevents - "sober discussion."

Khrushchev might have added - that it also prevents tyranny. The kind Russia has had for years.

## CIVIL RIGHTS

*Saint Augustine, Florida: As for the shotgun blast that riddled a cottage rented by Martin Luther King, no one was hurt - cottage empty at the time. The Saint Augustine authorities now have banned demonstrations indefinitely.*

*Meanwhile, we are told that one act of segregationist violence may soon be published. The bombing of a Negro church in Birmingham - last September. The atrocity - that killed four little girls. The identity of the bomber - is known. And he will be prosecuted - as soon as enough evidence has been collected. So says - the Saturday Evening Post.*

## TYPHOON

*The typhoon that roared in from the South China Sea - drove more than a dozen freighters aground, scattered a fleet - of Chinese junks, and battered cities along the China Coast. Disrupted communications between Hong Kong and Shanghai. Ruined crops - for one-hundred miles around. And left a toll of casualties - that grows larger by the hour.*

*Red China, rocked by another "natural catastrophe" - that can be blamed for the poor harvest. But it's not entirely a misfortune - according to Peking. This typhoon is credited with alleviating the drought - in China's Kwantung Province.*

## CONGO

*Those witch doctors from the banks of Lake Tanganyika - are still behaving like Marxists. Or more specifically, like Leninists. Adopting Lenin's principle that Communists can win their wars - by using slogans from Marx to rally the people of an area.*

*The Congolese witch doctors are trying that strategy - in Katanga Province. Attacking the provincial capital of Bakavu - with smaller numbers, and calling on the people of Bakavu - to rise against the Capitalist exploiters. However the people of Bakavu - don't seem to be as credulous as the witch doctors. For they are not rising in support of either Marxism - or the age-old superstitions of Africa. The battle near Lake Tanganyika is said to be shifting in favor of - the Congolese Battalion defending Bakavu.*

*Maybe they need a Lenin - those witch doctors of the Congo.*

## BANK

*If you think a bank robbery can be rather exciting - here's a bank robber who agrees. But he's only a "would-be bank robber." He found the attempt so exciting that - but let's follow the story from the beginning.*

*Place - Denver. The ambitious bandit entered the Guaranty Bank and Trust - and pushed a note at teller John Kelly. A note reading - "hand over the money or I'll shoot!" Replied the teller - "You get the blazes out of here."*

*Which - the would-be bank robber did. Also he became ill - outside. And tonight is in the Denver lockup. Doctors's diagnosis - "over excitement." Police verdict - I guess it comes to the same thing - "just an amateur."*

*Here's a real pro - you Dick.*

## FISH

A fish story about a big one - that didn't get away. In fact, the biggest of all - according to Bob Millage and Howie Gray of Vermillion, South Dakota

Bob and Bowie, fishing in the Missouri River - when a catfish took their bait. They say the struggle to land their catch - was the hardest fight they've ever been in. No wonder! It turned out to be - five feet long. Weighing - over one-hundred pounds. Apparently - biggest catfish on record.

## HOLIDAY

*Frost warnings are out - from the Great Lakes to New England, while Dixie is getting - torrential rain. And, as far as the Missouri Ozarks - rivers and creeks near flood level.*

*This is significant - as the Memorial Day weekend begins.*

*So far casualty figures are running behind predictions, and that's good news.*