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POPE

The life of Pope Pius the Twelfth is ebbing away.

The Vatican radio, despairing of all hope, has said the doctors expect his heart to fail during the night.

That announcement came at 10:30 P.M., Rome time.

## ROME

The Radio, reported that the doctors retained hope - until three o'clock this afternoon, Rome Time. Thier patient might rally - after the second cerebral stroke, which occurred this morning. But then, in mid-afternoon - a heart attack, and the collapse of the patient's lungs. After which the doctors declared - there was no longer any hope. The Pontiff - on the verge of death.

Thereafter he lay in a coma - with a Crucifix on his chest, and a Rosary in his hands.

All the while, crowds were gathered - in the square before the Papal summer residence at the mountain village - of Castel Gandolfo. Prayers recited - as people kept a vigil, knowing - that Pope Pius the Twelfth was not likely to live through the night.

Pope Pius passed eighty-second birthday in March - and continued the busy activity which had been his habit all his life, in spite - of a severe illness that had brought him to the verge of death four years ago.

Last year, for example, the Pope, in addition to his administrative labors, gave eighty-nine addresses, held seven hundred and ninety-seven regular papal audiences, and sixty-four special audiences. Even after he showed signs of his present illness, week before last, he continued working. He made a public appearance - in spite of advice from his physicians, and his collapse this week is attributed in some degree, at least, to over-work.

## LEBANON

Lebanon faces new crisis tonight.

Premier Raschid Karami, failing to get a vote of confidence from a sizable bloc of the parliament, has submitted his resignation.

Whether President Faud Chehab will accept it - thus bringing down his first government after only two weeks in office - well, that isn't known yet.

The appointment of Karami - a rebel leader - to the premiership had resulted in a general strike and violence by the Christian phalangists who support the old president, Camille Chamoun.

They were out on Beirut's streets again today - throwing up barricades, defying police and troops to disrupt the city's life.

The new crisis came just a few hours after Washington announced that the last American troops would be out of Lebanon by the end of this month, barring unforeseen developments.

## YANKEES

Well, it was a real thriller in Milwaukee today as the Yankees fought to stay in the World Series - the sort of game that justifies that old cliché - a story-book thriller.

As you must know unless you've been away - a long way, away - Milwaukee had won three, the Yankees two when this game opened today. Another Milwaukee victory would give those remarkable Braves their second straight world championship.

But that was not to be.

With the score tied, two-all, top of the tenth - the Yankees got two runs. But the Braves came storming back in their half. They scored one of the needed runs, had men on first and third with two out. But that was it. Bob Turley relieved pitcherayne Duren and got pinch hitter Frank Torre to pop out. Final score, Yankees four, Braves three.

So tomorrow, the seventh game - this one for the championship.

## QUEMOY

Our government made it official, today - that we have stopped escorting supply ships to Quemoy. No longer necessary - because the Chinese Reds have halted their artillery blockade. Shooting suspended - during a seven-day cease-fire. In Washington, the hope is expressed - that the cease-fire will become permanent.

The State Department says - the halt of American convoying was made after "full consultation" with Chiang Kai-shek. But we are not told - if the Generalissimo agreed. Chiang Kai-shek - having come out, previously, in opposition to any halt of the convoy system.

Word in Washington is that the present suspension is likely to come to a turning point - in ~~SA~~ Warsaw, Friday. With another meeting - of the American and Chinese Ambassadors. Who are negotiating - for an end of the Far Eastern crisis.

At Quemoy Island - supplies pouring in, from Chinese Nationalists - taking full ~~XX~~ advantage of the cease-fire.

CBS

The State Department accuses Soviet Russia - of  
censorship and intimidation. Because of the expulsion -  
of Paul Niven, CBS <sup>NEWS</sup> correspondent in Moscow. In ordering him to  
leave Russia, the Soviet propoganda department admits - they  
haven't anything against Paul Niven at all. They're expelling  
him - because of TV programs and radio broadcasts on CBS in  
the United States. In particular - a television dramatic  
piece about the death of Stalin.

Moscow protested on that subject a couple of days ago -  
calling on the U.S. government to control television. Which  
got the Reds nowhere - so now they retaliate against the CBS <sup>NEWS</sup>  
correspondent in Moscow.

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CBS News ~~was~~ the Soviet action is

"inconsistent with Russia's often expressed support for greate  
~~mutual~~ mutual understanding."

## BALLOON

Air Force Lieutenant Clifton McClure, of Anderson, South Carolina - is, tonight, the nearest thing to a space man, thus far. At an altitude of a hundred thousand feet - at least that's the plan. The Lieutenant - encased in a capsule below a towering balloon. Facing the dangers - of ~~myriads~~ meteorites, cosmic radiation, and the loneliness of space.

At Alamogordo, New Mexico, this morning, the balloon soared aloft. - The purpose being - to test a passenger in conditions as near to space travel as is possible, right now.



## LITTLE ROCK

Governor Faubus of Arkansas, today, made a nationwide appeal - for contributions. To operate - private, segregated high schools in Little Rock. For classes in private residences, churches, lodge halls. Asking for funds, he wrote on official stationery. Addressing letters - to people who, in expressing approval of school segregation, asked how they could help.

Today's appeal to people far and wide is considered by some - to be a sign that local segregationists in Arkansas are not contributing as much money as had been expected.

~~In Virginia, a federal judge, today, ruled - that private schools evading racial integration - must stop using teachers, paid out of public funds. This applies to make-shift segregated schools - in Charlottesville and in Warren County.~~

## JUSTICE

Here's one way to relate - an important item of news.  
Telling it - from the woman's angle.

Back in the days of World War Two, Life Magazine hired a young researcher - a girl fresh from college. Assigning her, presently - to do research at the Pentagon in Washington. Where she met a young Navy lieutenant.

Then, pretty soon, she was a magazine researcher no longer. Marrying - the Navy lieutenant. Who, after the War - went into the practice of law.

Today, in Cincinnati, Mrs. Mary Ann Stewart said:  
"I can hardly believe it." She can hardly believe - that she's the wife of a Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Potter Stewart - named by President Eisenhower, yesterday. One of the youngest Justices - ever to sit on the high tribunal. Mrs. Stewart astonished - and so, she says, are their three children.