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The new Secretary of the Air Force is Donald Quarles. American sky power getting - an exceedingly technological boss.

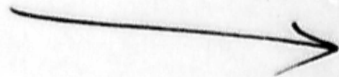
Donald Quarles is a former Vice President of Bell Telephone Laboratories - and of the Western Electric Company. Then he became President of the Sandia Corporation, at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Which concern deals in Atomic Energy Equipment. Quarles - an authority on guided missiles.

September of last year, he became Assistant Secretary of Defense, and then was placad ~~xx~~ in charge of the artificial satellite program. Top ranking expert - in the research for the launching of a man-made moon.

All of which has a point - as he takes his Air Force job. At a news/conference today, Donald Quarles made a statement - that the Air Force will have the job of supplying the ~~to~~ rocket equipment for sending out the artificial satellite.

He takes the place of Harold Talbott - who resigned as Secretary of the Air Force, following that controversy over his private business interests. Talbott succeeded by the top government authority on that ~~ultra~~ ultra - modern project, the man-made moon,

At the news conference, retiring Secretary Talbott walked in - and got into a conversation with Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, who was present. They talked in a ~~room~~ corner, and a report got out - of angry tones. Talbott - blaming Wilson for not supporting him when he was attacked in Congress. Later Talbott issued a denial, saying - ~~in~~ he was not criticizing Wilson at all. Instead he was congratulating him on the appointment of Donald Quarles.



ADD TALBOTT FOLLOW AIR FORCE SECRETARY

Today, ^{Harold} Talbott received high honors from the

Air Force. The Medal of Freedom. Bestowed on him by

Secretary of Defense Wilson.

ROCKET

How's this - for fast and high? Twenty-two hundred and fifty miles an hour - at an altitude of one hundred thousand feet. Which are the figures for a new rocket plane - soon to be tested by the Air Force.

The important point is - the material of ~~no~~ which the rocket plane is constructed. A special kind of stainless steel - able to resist intense heat.

The plane will investigate the "thermo barrier."

The danger point - because of heat, generated by friction at such great velocity. At about two thousand miles an hour, the temperature rises to six hundred degrees. Weakening the metals used normally in aircraft construction. Hence the new stainless steel - which takes the heat, without weakening.

The rocket plane - equipped with special devices of safety, to protect the pilot. Which he sure may need - flying ^{at} ~~twenty-two-hundred-and-fifty~~ miles an hour, at a hundred thousand feet.

CRASH

The Air Force reports a disaster in Germany, sixty-six lives lost - in a collision of two "flying box cars" carrying paratroopers.

A squadron of nine planes - on a paratroop training mission. One had engine trouble, lost altitude - and then pulled up for a climb. Right in front of another "flying box car." For a collision - in which both went plunging to the ground.

INVESTIGATOR

In Washington, the arrest of former Air Force Captain R. S. Van Fossen - one time investigator for the committee on- Un-American activities. The charge - that he turned over to the committee a secret file from the Air Force. Then denying - that he did it.

The secret file he gave to the congressional committee - an interesting one. Concerning - Jay Lov^estone, once the General Secretary of the American Communist Party. Lov^estone - a significant figure in the history of Communism. As Chief of the American Communists, back in the "Twenties" - he got in the way of Stalin. Who ~~was~~ was then - taking power in ~~Moscow~~ Moscow. Stalin, personally, tossed Lov^estone out - expelling him from the party.

The American Communists, of course, turned savagely on their former boss. Jay Lov^estone - anathema. He turned bitterly against Communism - and is now Executive Secretary of the Free Trade Union Committee, of the American Federation of Labor.

DEMOCRATS

At the Governor's conference in Chicago, Governor Shivers of Texas repeated his defiance. If Adlai Stevenson wins the Democratic presidential nomination, Shivers will bolt the party ticket.

The Texas Governor put it in these words: "I've said repeatedly - I would do everything I could to oppose his nomination. And if he is nominated, I could not support him."

BUSINESS

A warning - issued by Secretary of Commerce Weeks.

Telling business - not to be over-confident.

In a news conference, the Secretary gave out ~~the~~ figures - showing business booming more than expected. ~~He~~
~~was~~ - "go slow". ^{Avoid} ~~Warning~~ against undue speculation!

"Business men," said Secretary Weeks, "should keep their feet on the ground and employ simple common sense - in the operation of their day-to-day affairs."

To which he added: "Over confidence can be as hurtful as lack of confidence - and, speculation can be worse."

BIG FOUR

The Foreign Ministers of the Big Four will meet in Geneva on October Twenty-Seventh. That's the ~~22~~ date for the conference at the second level - which is to give practical ~~form~~ form to the cordial exchanges at the "summit" meeting of the heads of state.

Today's announcement of the date was made in identical declarat^oions issued by Britain, France, Russia and the United States.
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BULGARIA

Red Bulgaria apologizes to the United States -
because of the shooting down of that Israeli airliner.
Fifty-eight lives lost - twelve American. The Communist
regime promises to punish the pilots ~~reson~~ responsible for
the disaster, and offers to pay compensation to the families
of the American victims.

Red China, today, called for a Far Eastern conference
- to settle the Korean question.

This ~~was~~ in a broadcast on the Peiping radio, which made the demand - that the United States should stop the South Koreans from "destroying" the armistice. Referring - to South Korean hostility against the Communist members of the Truce Commission, those recent riots. The Reds arguing that, since the United States negotiated the armistice, our government is responsible for keeping the Syngman Rhee people quiet.

That was followed by the suggestion for a conference. The Communist idea being - that it should include a number of Asian countries.

FOLLOW RED CHINA

Later news - that the South Korean government demands the withdrawal of American troops guarding the Red armistice inspectors at Pusan. Which seems unlikely to be done - after more than a score of American soldiers ~~were~~ were injured by rioting mobs.

The War is on again - in southern Viet Nam. The government of Premier Diem ~~is~~ opening a massive offensive against rebels of the Hoa Hao religious - political sect.

Six weeks ago, we heard that government forces had won a complete victory - driving the insurgents across the border into Siam. Which, however, was not really decisive, because the rebels made their way across the mountain trails, and got into the rice growing area of Cochin China. Where they reformed their broken ranks, for another battle.

BRITAIN

The London government has instructed one hundred and forty towns to create - "green belts." Each community - to surround itself with a band of open country. In which - any building of houses or factories will be prohibited.

Britain has a population one-third of the United States, ~~and is~~ ^{all} jammed into a space about the size of Arizona. Towns - increasing in size, merging into each other. So England might become one big city - no more of that famous English countryside.

London began the "green belt" program. The largest city in the world - surrounding itself with areas in which building is forbidden. Strips of countryside - seven to ten miles deep. So that, by law - London can expand no farther.

Now followed - by a countrywide plan. The Minister of Housing and Local government, ^u Duncan Sandys (pronounced Sands) - calling on one hundred and forty smaller ^{cities and} towns to ~~SEM~~ surround themselves with "green belts."

ARGENTINA - FLEET

An uproar in the Argentine Congress, and for the strangest reason. Opposition members charging - that the Argentine fleet, on the high seas, was shadowed. Spied upon - by U.S. warships.

Here's the fantastic story. The Argentine Navy - out on maneuvers. When heavy cruisers, leading the fleet, made radar contact with unknown vessels. Which, ~~was~~ for three days, shadowed the Argentine warships.

Messages were picked up. Radio telephone messages - exchanged between vessels of the shadowing force. Ship to ship conversations, in English. With - an American accent.

So that was the clue. [?] - The American accent. Maybe ~~a~~ mid-western, or Yankee, or Southern.

All of which was debated in the Argentine Congress. With an argument so hot and heavy - there was pandemonium. A vote was taken - the story rejected. A parliamentary majority refusing to believe - that the U S Navy was

shadowing the fleet of Argentina. American accent - or no
American accent.

ARGENTINA - TRIAL

In Argentina, a court-martial has passed sentence on leaders of the June Sixteenth revolt - which failed. Top ranking officers - found guilty.

Vice Admiral Toranzo, former Commander of the Argentine Marine Corps - given life imprisonment. Rear Admiral Olivieri, former Minister of the Navy - sentenced to prison for ~~six~~ eighteen months, and stripped of all rank.

Six lesser officers ^{also} ~~if~~ get life, although their sentences are not rigid - they might be released in ~~the~~ time. Twenty-five others given terms of - two or three years.

In Latin-America, the penalty for an unsuccessful revolt has often been - the firing squad. So these Argentine sentences may not sound so severe.

HURRICANE

The Hurricane, after dawdling around, is losing its punch. Today "Connie" got moving again - heading straight for the Carolina coast. Moving in a direction - which would take the storm inland. Blowing northwestward - into Virginia. But, ^{with its} ~~meanwhile, the~~ wind velocity ~~is~~ diminishing. The raging gale declining from one-hundred-and-thirty-five miles an hour - to about a hundred. ~~And the hurricane was~~ losing its tight, circular formation. Becoming more of an ordinary storm.

~~While moving on over the coast.~~

~~Probably~~
~~It means a bad blow for the Carolina shore, tonight.~~

~~But,~~ Apparently, the coast northward will be spared.

The weather bureau lifting the hurricane alert from Delaware north. Including the New York area. *But* →

ADD HURRICANE

→ Right now the hurricane is smashing at the
Carolina coast with ~~one~~ hundred mile an hour winds.

One ~~well known~~ beach ^{already} reported washed away.

FLOODS

Albuquerque, New Mexico - hit by another flash flood.

The sixth - in fifteen days. We hear about the new Mexican desert. But now - the New Mexican deluge.

In recent weeks - an epidemic of cloudbursts and thunderstorms. Albuquerque, at the foot of the Sandia Mountains. Torrential rainfall - ^{with} ~~and~~ floods pour down through ~~the~~ mountain gullies and desert arroyos.

Today, the sixth inundation, left Albuquerque

- with water two to three feet ~~in~~ deep in the streets.

Homes flooded - the multi-million dollar damage increasing.

The deluge in those parts produces a strange spectacle

- which I myself noticed, on a recent trip to the southwest.

Driving through the desert - the color of green. Which,

ordinarily, is witnessed only in the spring - when for

several brief weeks, the desert blossoms. But now, in the

hottest of late summer, the unseasonable rains cover the

desert with green grass. Even the sage brush ~~was~~ green -

and the desert flowers ~~were~~ in bloom.

BOYS

At Cape May, New Jersey, a local citizen was gazing through a pair of bonoculats - scanning the waters of Delaware Bay. Maybe he thought he'd see a distant oceanliner. That being a major shipping lane. Instead he spied a small boat. In it three small children. Nobody else aboard - except the three drifting youngsters.

He notified the Coast Guard - and, in a brief time, rescuers picked up Rodney and Daniel Frazer, two brothers aged six and seven years old. And Martin Gill, six years old.

They told how they were playing along the shore near Cape May, and got into the boat. Whereupon another boy pushed them adrift, and out to ~~the~~ sea they went, carried by wind and tide. On their way to the Atlantic Ocean, if they hadn't been picked up - and someone hadn't chanced to look that way with a pair of binoculats .

Just another story of innocent childhood, Hugh, A thoughtless lad sending his playmates off on a voyage.