

L.T. OLDS - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1963

Good Evening Everybody:

Secretary of State Rusk used blunt language this evening in addressing the World Affairs Council at Los Angeles on the subject of Cuba. Dean Rusk, telling both Khrushchev and Castro that we want those Russian troops out of Cuba. And quickly.

Secretary of State Rusk repeated that we are reasonably certain about the pull-back of Soviet missiles. And that Cuba no threat to the United States, will not be permitted to threaten our allies.

The Russians still in Cuba, are not acceptable to American democracies, and we are going to keep up the diplomatic pressure until Khrushchev orders them back to Russia. So said Secretary Rusk today.

DE GAULLE

If you want to know how tough it is to deal with Charles deGaulle - consider his brush with a gang of would-be assassins. Gunmen, raking a presidential motorcade - with three fusillades. Hitting deGaulle's car - from hood to rear axle.

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At the first shots, deGaulle's military aide - asked the French President to lean forward. Take his head and shoulders - out of the line of fire. DeGaulle refused - saying he wasn't afraid of being hit. At the second barrage - the aide made the same request. This time, deGaulle - lowered his head. But he still wouldn't crouch down - below the window. Even after the third fusillade - he stayed where he was.

Then his assailants - raced off in their car. ~~But~~ they were ^{immediately} ~~later~~ caught - and put on trial. The story told in a Paris court today - by deGaulle's military aide, ~~who~~ ^{say} doesn't scare easily. - the tall soldier of France.

BULGARIA

That riot in Sofia proves one thing. What some suspected all along. That there's as much race prejudice behind the Iron Curtain as anywhere.

This time the Bulgarian police attacked two hundred African students. Beating them with nightsticks. Sending many to the hospital. Carting many more off to jail.

What had the Africans done? They simply tried to form an All-African Students Union to which the Bulgarian Reds shouted "nyet", or however you say it in Bulgarian. When the Africans persisted, the Sofia gendarms went into action. Whereupon there was a violent street battle in the Capital of Red Bulgaria.

PLANE

The forty-three persons aboard the jetliner that crashed in the Everglades knew they were going to crash. So indicated by the stewardess who was found clutching a pillow. The standard survival technique when a crackup is imminent. She knew, and apparently the others did too.

The preliminary investigation suggests that the Northwest Orient plane broke up in the air. Probably battered by a storm of hurricane violence into which pilot Roy Ahlquist took off. The veteran flyer going down with his jetliner only seven minutes out of Miami, bound for Chicago.

Witnesses report a fireball in the sky. The plane falling in the Everglades. No survivors.

Tonight what is left of it is being studied to get the story of the tragedy.

SCARE

That scare on the steps of the Justice Department in Washington turned out to be not a bomb - just a suitcase full of newspapers.

Nathan Wise of Phoenix, Arizona, suddenly swerving off Pennsylvania Avenue and driving up onto the steps of the Justice Department. There he jumped out, crawled underneath the car and said he had a bomb. From underneath the car he announced that he intended to stay right there until he could talk with J. Edgar Hoover about having President Kennedy impeached.

The police decided to try a little tear gas. They did, and out he came. No bomb. Only a suitcase full of newspapers.

MOUNTAIN

Here's a follow-up to my report last night - from the Himalayas. A dispatch from Katmandu, Nepal - stating that a new tax has just been slapped on mountaineers. If you choose a Himalayan peak up to eighteen thousand feet - it will cost you one thousand rupees. Above eighteen thousand feet - three thousand rupees. That comes to - almost four hundred dollars.

Everything, more expensive - these days.

Including - risking your neck in the Himalayas.

MARRIAGE

In London, Heather Jenner admits - she's anti-deGaulle. And it has to do with - deGaulle's veto of British membership in the Common Market. But the connection - isn't as obvious as you might think.

Heather is the director of a London Marriage Bureau. The English lady, extending her operations - across the Channel. Doing a thriving business ~~out of~~ introducing romantic Frenchmen to English girls who like romantic Frenchmen.

That is they did - until
~~Or, used to like them - before~~ the Common Market fiasco. Now Heather's cross-Channel business - is lower than a Common Market tariff. *Dicks,* ~~she~~ this London marriage broker *says* "General deGaulle has shattered the Anglo-French marriage market."

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HIKING

It looks as if the White House has started the fad of the year. With President Kennedy proposing fifty mile hikes for the Marines, Americans all over the country are out hiking. As for The Leathernecks, fourteen Marine officers from Camp Lejeune, North Carolina did their fifty miles last night, and this morning. Including Brigadier General Tompkins of the Second Division. The General, completing the march in fifteen hours, and thirty minutes. Plus a three hour break.

Out in Iowa a teenager, Gary Barton of Des Moines, tramped all the way to his grandmother's farm - in Slater, Iowa, then back home to Des Moines. His pedometer showing only forty-nine and a half miles, he walked around the block till it registered an even fifty.

And there are those Congressional secretaries. Seven gals, marching down the old Chesapeake and Ohio Canal path, out to prove that at least they are better

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than Pierre Salinger, Presidential Press Secretary who finally decided to sit this one out.

How's this? At Chicago, The Carriage House has a rooftop swimming pool. Eight hundred laps around it and you've gone 50 miles, with lovely waitresses serving you, caviar and pate defoie gras. Also - an added inducement - a Rolls Royce to take you to the hospital.

ESKIMO

A Canadian newsgal has just arrived - in Ghana.

That's West Africa, just above the Equator - where it's

hot all the time. But the young lady from Canada

says, "oh,
~~declares~~ "I like the heat!"

That's no

~~Not much of a~~ story - you say?

Ah, but is,
~~Well, let's get~~

~~to the point.~~ The gal who likes the heat - is from the

Canadian Arctic. Mary Panegoosho - first Eskimo ever

to visit Equatorial Africa.