

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Four explorers trapped overnight in a water-filled cave -- near Fiftysix, Arkansas -- were finally rescued late today by Navy frogmen. The four men found high and dry -- on a ledge deep in the cave. They were equipped with scuba diving gear -- and then escorted back to safety through three hundred feet of water.

This tense Arkansas drama was set off when the nearby Buffalo River -- broke through a wall of the cave -- quickly flooding it. The four men at first feared lost -- until they were able to short-circuit a string of lights that had been run into the cave. In so doing -- they were able to blink out an S.O.S. The Navy frogmen then flown in from the Deep Sea Diving School at Washington, D.C. -- to complete the rescue.

## SPACE

Veteran astronaut Wally Shirra--and rookie Tom Stafford--today named America's newest set of space twins. Shirra and Stafford to try to jet away from one rocket--and ~~attach~~ link up with another-- at a cosmic speed of about five miles per second.

Stafford then to take a walk in space--like his Russian counterpart a few weeks ago. The two men also to attempt to collect--a bagful of cosmic dust. *Their flight* ~~will~~ be the next major ~~step~~ *step* in America's conquest of space-- scheduled for early next year.

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## INDONESIA

A young American woman -- a member of the Peace Corps -- was expelled today from Indonesia. The young woman -- Miss Judith Heining, twenty-three, of Springport, Michigan. An athletic coach at Tomohon in the Northern Celebes -- since the first of the year. The official government decree at Jakarta stating simply that -- "Indonesia does not need the Peace Corps."

Meantime, President Sukarno announced today that all foreign capital -- will be placed under <sup>immediate</sup> government control. Sukarno calling foreign investors nothing more than "parasites" -- adding that Indonesia is now ready to become -- a "socialist community."

## VIET NAM

Seventy-six U.S. warplanes smashed at North Viet Nam today--in a massive land and carrier-based attack. The U.S. aircraft blasting an early warning radar station--just beyond the seventeenth parallel. Then strafing and bombing two locomotives--about a hundred miles south of the Red capital of Hanoi.

Two American flyers were shot down yesterday--by Soviet-built Mig interceptors--apparently piloted by Soviet-trained North Vietnamese flyers. But today--there was no aerial resistance. One reconnaissance plane downed by the enemy--but that one a victim of ground fire--and its pilot quickly rescued.

## BERLIN

Communist interference with the Western lifelines to West Berlin were worse today than at any time since the Berlin blockade of Nineteen Forty-Eight and Forty-Nine. The Communist harassment -- continuing on land, sea and air.

Russian and East German border guards -- blocking highway traffic for hours. Also limiting the number of barges permitted on canals -- helping to supply the city. And even attempting to restrict Western use -- of vital air corridors to West Berlin.

The Communists citing massive military maneuvers -- as the reason for their large-scale harassment. But the entire operation is clearly aimed at discouraging plans for a meeting of the West German Parliament -- in West Berlin. And in that, at least, the blockade is already a failure. Although the meeting is not scheduled to open formally until Wednesday, committee hearings began today in West Berlin -- and they will continue all week.

## SPIES

Two men--one a former Pentagon courier--were seized by the FBI today--and charged with selling U.S. defense secrets to the Soviet Union for eleven years. Army Sergeant Robert Lee Johnson--arrested at his Army post in Washington. The second man--James Allen Mintkenbaugh--seized near his home in San Martin, California

Johnson charged specifically with photographing top secret files--while attached to Army Intelligence and later Army Ordnance. Mintkenbaugh said to have received special spy training in Moscow--enabling him to function as Johnson's go-between.

## QUAKE

For the second time in six days -- an earthquake brought death and destruction today to a broad area of Greece. Today's quake centered along the Peloponnesian Peninsula -- about a hundred miles southwest of Athens. At least seventeen known dead -- more than two hundred injured -- and eleven hundred homes destroyed.

## FARM

President Johnson's new omnibus Farm Bill -- designed to boost farm income -- yet reduce government farm spending.

Here's how:- As presented to Congress today -- the bill would reduce some farm price supports on wheat and rice. But the savings to the taxpayer -- to be offset by higher prices at the supermarket. If the bill goes through -- the average housewife to pay about a penny more for a loaf of bread -- about four cents more for a pound of rice.

## TRAVELER

The tragic story of Traveler, the cat -- disclosed today in Mobile, Alabama. Traveler -- a beautiful white Persian -- the pet of Airman First Class Lester Turner and his family in Mobile. Until Turner was transferred to the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, Ohio -- and the cat was left with friends at nearby Columbus, Ohio.

But about two months ago -- Traveler got loose and set out for home. The only real home he had ever known -- in Mobile, Alabama. And, sure enough, he turned up last week at the old Turner residence after a trip covering nearly eight hundred and fifty miles. The by-products of this remarkable journey including -- a broken hind leg, frostbitten ears, and cut paws.

But sad to say -- the Mobile Humane Society was unaware of Traveler's feat. And before anyone could help -- it was too late. His ordeal for naught -- Traveler had been put to death.

CAVE

A thirty-five-year-old French cabinet maker returned to the land of the living today -- after a hundred and twenty-six days in an underground cave. Antoine Senni reported in excellent physical condition -- apparently none the worse for his eighteen weeks below ground.

The experiment -- near Nice, France -- designed to test man's reaction to prolonged isolation -- such as that he might experience in space travel. Senni's reactions -- perfectly normal. For a Frenchman -- that is, <sup>Dick.</sup> His first request -- a bottle of champagne. ~~His first report stated~~  
~~in these words, "If I weren't married and soon to be a~~  
~~father -- I'd be ready to begin again."~~

KHRUSHCHEV

Former Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev -- showed up unannounced today at a Moscow art show. Khrushchev accompanied by his wife, Nina -- smiling and waving at the hundreds of people who thronged about him. This Khrushchev's second public appearance -- in less than three weeks.

The art show in the same hall where three years ago Khrushchev had some harsh words for Russia's abstract painters. He said their paintings looked as if <sup>they</sup> had been daubed -- with a "donkey's tail." No such criticism this time. Khrushchev said to have nodded and smiled approvingly -- at everything he saw.