

Periscoping the Nation

After Cranberries, Milk The Pentagon's Super-ICBM Mikoyan: Miami-bound No Porkers, No Heat

Ahead of the News

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION — Expect to be reading of a severe new crackdown on dairy farmers caught selling milk containing a residue of penicillin or other chemicals. But to avoid a hassle like that over contaminated cranberries (see page 27), FDA agents will handle the campaign on a local basis, avoid sweeping announcements that might frighten the public.

WHITE HOUSE — What are U.S. objectives in space? A long-overdue study to find the answers is being prepared by the staff of the policy-making National Security Council. When a final version will be ready isn't known. Insiders say several dozen drafts have been tried and rejected.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT — It hasn't been announced, but this is part of the evidence FBI agents gathered in the Mack Charles Parker lynch case: Law-enforcement officers in Poplar-ville, Miss., turned keys to the unguarded cell block over to the lynch mob. An insider here informs THE PERISCOPE that this will be a vital part of the government's presentation to a Federal grand jury next month.

Capital Backstage

CAPITOL HILL — There's a crack in the heretofore solid New England backing for Jack Kennedy for the Democratic Presidential nomination. That was the report that sent the Massachusetts senator and Connecticut Gov. Abe Ribicoff, one of his key advisers, to Augusta, Maine, last week. Five Maine convention delegates were reluctant to commit themselves firmly to Kennedy. But Maine Gov. Clinton Clauson assured Kennedy they would come around.

GOP HEADQUARTERS — Talking privately with staff members, Republican National Chairman Thruston Morton paints a gloomy picture of GOP prospects next year in farm states. Morton has just finished a 30-state tour, including the big agricultural states. He says he found a lot of

personal criticism of Agriculture Secretary Benson, as well as dissatisfaction with the Administration's farm program.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT — Officials here are investigating price-fixing complaints against manufacturers of small-arms ammunition. One protest claims that over an eight-year period, manufacturers of shotgun and rifle ammo raised prices sixteen times—simultaneously and by the same amount each time.

Pentagon Pipeline

PENTAGON — On the drawing board here: A super-Titan ICBM with a huge, multiton warhead made up of a number of nuclear bombs and decoys (to confuse enemy radar). A "saturation" weapon, it would be propelled by an improved and storable liquid fuel.

LIVERMORE, CALIF. — Some of the smaller nuclear warheads now in the U.S. arsenal, with a blast effect equal to several thousand tons of TNT, are light enough to be lifted by one man.

PENTAGON — With its brand-new rocket-torpedo, ASROC, now being installed on destroyers, the Navy says it can defend itself against any Soviet submarine currently in operation. The 75-mile-range rocket is fired toward the general location of the enemy sub. Then it drops off a homing torpedo, with atomic warhead, which seeks out its quarry at any depth.

Where Are They Now?

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Charles Oliphant, chief counsel for the Bureau of Internal Revenue (1947-51) who resigned eight years ago next week when his name kept popping up in testimony before a House committee investigating tax scandals, is in private law practice here. He and wife Loa May, live in a house in the Northwest section. Balding and gray at 51, Oliphant, a second-

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generation government lawyer (his father was Treasury Department counsel, 1934-39), admitted accepting Kentucky Derby, World Series, and championship-fight junkets from an industrialist charged with dodging some \$200,000 in taxes, but vehemently denied any wrongdoing. His practice now? "Mostly tax law."

WASHINGTON, D.C. — George J. Schoeneman, onetime Truman aide (1945-47) and Internal Revenue Commisioner (1947-51) who resigned only a few months before the tax scandals were re-

vealed by Congressional probers, is now 70 and a semi-invalid. He suffers from a "muscular-atrophy type" leg condition. He lives with his wife, Lorena, in a modest apartment in the Cathedral Heights section here. Schoeneman was never accused of having any part in the tax-fix cases, did admit to a longtime friendship with Henry (The Dutchman) Grunewald, the late Washington mystery man and influence peddler. A long-time sports fan, he watches football and baseball only on TV now: "Those ramps at Griffith Stadium are too much for me."

Periscoping the World

Headlines to Come

MEXICO CITY — It isn't generally known but Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan, now here with 173 experts on a ten-day visit, has asked—and been given—permission to spend a day or so in Miami on his way back home. Note: The Russian No. 3 man was slated to visit the Florida city during his U.S. tour earlier this year but canceled out after Miami Catholic Church officials scheduled a public protest.

BELGRADE — Rebuffed again in his bid to visit the U.S., Tito now may make a Latin American tour. First stop if the trip comes off: Cuba and a meeting with Fidel Castro, who's acclaimed here as a great revolutionary hero.

EAST BERLIN — Red China's Big Three—Mao Tse-tung, Chou En-lai, and Liu Shao-chi—will tour all Eastern European satellite nations except Albania early in the new year.

The Inside Story

EAST BERLIN — The Soviet Ambassador and the Red Army commandant here have received firm new orders from Moscow to see to it that "nothing is allowed to develop to create any form of tension" in Berlin. At the same time the Kremlin has instructed the East German Government not to stir up any troubles with the occupying Western Powers. It is OK, however, for the German Reds to keep up their anti-West German campaign.

BONN — Has West Germany's Wirtschaftswunder (economic miracle) hit a bump? Some Ruhr industrialists, scanning their order books for next year, report a sharp falling-off from previous years' business. Among the reasons: The labor shortage caused by the expanding economy and a low wartime birth rate, and competition from other Common Market producers.

EAST BERLIN — From a Communist government official in a position to know: Khrushchev bawled out East German Premier Grotewohl for publicly backing Red China in its border dispute with India. K, who has tried to play down the Chinese-Indian crisis, bluntly told Grotewohl to keep his mouth shut on the subject.

The Diplomatic Pouch

SANAA, YEMEN — Twenty-five of those Red Chinese technicians admitted here a year ago to help out in road and airport construction and agricultural reform were quietly expelled last week. The reason: Strained relations between the Chinese Communists and the U.A.R.

PEKING — Communist diplomats stationed here are the source for this: Liu Shao-chi, Red Chinese Congress chairman, suffered a mild heart attack recently while addressing workers at a mass rally. He cut short a long speech, and stumbled off the platform, into the wings.

TOKYO — Russia has ordered its fighters and bombers based on the Sakhalin and Kuril islands to stay away from northern Japan following a recent "show of American force." The U.S. Air Force sent out a flight of 1,000-plus-mph Convair F-102s from Okinawa to the Misawa Air Base in Japan after the Soviets sharply increased their number of sorties near and around Hokkaido. The Russians took the hint.

WARSAW — Fatten those pigs or shiver in the cold. That's the gist of meat-short Communist Poland's latest effort to force farmers to step up pork production. Coal rations will be cut for farmers who don't feed their pigs for at least a year before butchering them.

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