

Kennedy Reviews West's Mighty Striking Force

By DICK GORRELL News Staff Writer
FORT BRAGG — The military gave a victorious President John F. Kennedy plenty to smile about here yesterday with a demonstration of weapons accuracy and physical ruggedness that even had the press corps applauding.

And nobody goofed throughout the entire four-hour demonstration of men, missiles and machines of war in action.
PRESIDENT KENNEDY watched intently and unsmilingly through most of the demonstrations. Only once did he show a flash of humor. That came during a test of the 2nd Airborne's Instant-ready force, a company kept on the alert to leave this installation on an hour's notice.

Before him was the awesome sight of more than 10,000 battle-ready troops of the 2nd Airborne Division. They stood in battle group formation, and their ranks stretched nearly three-fourths of a mile along the runways at Pope Air Base.
"I WANT to express appreciation to this group of Americans who in peacetime what other men do in war; that is, live hazardously in the defense of our country," he said.

He dress that ranged from that of ski troops to jungle fighters, symbolic of the fact that the 2nd trains annually in areas from the Arctic to the Panama Canal Zone.
After his brief talk, the President watched 130 men battle group drive by with full equipment.



Grim-Faced Kennedy Takes Salute From 101st Division Trooper

E. Germans Fire On U. S., Berlin Police

Separate Attack Kills W. German Reporter

By JOHN FIEBEN
BERLIN (U. S. — East German police fired about 250 shots at U. S. military and West German refugees crashed through the Communists' barbed wire wall.
No one was hit in the hour-long fusillade of shooting, and Western police did not return the fire.



How To Cut Waste Reagan Thumps For Tax Slash

By EMERY WISTER News Staff Writer
A cut in government taxes "to reduce extravagant waste" was asked here today by screen and television star Ronald Reagan.

Rayburn Able To Leave Bed

DALLAS (U. S. — House Speaker Sam Rayburn has recovered sufficiently from pneumonia to sit in a chair beside his hospital bed but he remains hopelessly ill with incurable cancer.
The 73-year-old Democrat, who was unconscious Wednesday after his temperature shot to 103 with pneumonia, was clearly minded and recognized persons in his room yesterday, his physician reported.

Boned Up On History President Spoke Like Southerner

By JULIAN SCHIEER News Staff Writer
CHAPEL HILL — President John F. Kennedy founded a little like a Southern politician with a Yankee accent — at the University of North Carolina here yesterday.
The President had honed up on the history of the university and he displayed his knowledge of the South and the Civil War. He spoke here in a perfect autumn setting, clear and sunny in a framework of autumn colors, and his words were not only for those present.

Miami Rocked By Explosions At Gas Plant

MIAMI, Fla. (U. S. — A series of explosions and resulting fire at a natural gas plant today swept buildings and equipment and sent scores of area residents scurrying tightly-clad to safety.
Firemen prevented ignition of the 100,000-gallon capacity storage tanks and police, who had evacuated householder from nearby homes, allowed them to return.



Gov. Sanford, Sec. Hodges At Trade Fair

Report Outlines Plight Of Negro

By W. R. HAGSDALE JR.
WASHINGTON (U. S. — The Civil Rights Commission said today the Negro is caught in a "vicious circle of discrimination" that robs him of opportunity or incentive for better jobs.
In a report on employment, the commission said:
"The Negro is denied, or fails to apply for, training in jobs which have traditionally been denied him; when jobs do become available, there are consequently few, if any, qualified Negroes available to fill them, and, often, because of lack of knowledge of such newly available opportunities, even the few who are qualified fail to apply."

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Low today 63
High tonight 85
Low tonight 63
High tomorrow 85
Low tomorrow 63
Sunset today 5:51; sunrise tomorrow 6:24.
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FORMER PRESIDENT LOOKS BACK — Ike: 'I've Never Gotten Angry Again'

NEW YORK (U. S. — Former President Dwight D. Eisenhower says his 1955 heart attack might have been brought on by his temper, and since then "I've never gotten angry again."
The former President was seen last night over the CBS television network in an hour-long interview with Walter Cronkite. It was taped at Gettysburg, Pa., Eisenhower's home, last spring.
Among his major disappointments, Eisenhower said, was the failure of Vice President Richard M. Nixon to win election as his successor and "a lack of definite progress toward achieving peace with Russia."

He walked a few yards into East German territory yesterday to talk to the former East German border guards arrived and he ran back but was hit by a burst from a sub-machine gun and collapsed in a ditch marking the border.
The Communists took him in an ambulance to the hospital at Klotz in East Germany. The hospital informed his newspaper today that he died a few hours after the shooting.
Lichtenstein's car, parked near the scene, was hit by several bullets.
A SURVIVOR of Nazi concentration camps, Lichtenstein was the first West German killed since the Communists created their wall in Berlin a month ago today. He had been assigned to do a series of stories on the fence border situation.

GENE HELTON, a plant employee, said he noticed gas in the form of white vapor leaking around a hose carrying gas from a truck-mounted tank to a larger storage tank.
The tank was carrying the escaping gas toward the building. Helton was shaking up the tank to keep anyone else out of the area.
Hughes spotted the gas leak also and ran to pull a switch that would extinguish a water-heater behind the building, toward which the gas was drifting. He was knocked down by the first blast, apparently resulting from gas reaching the heater. Other open air explosions followed as gas continued drifting across the yard, and fire broke out.
The blasts and fires began shortly before 8 a. m.