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My dear Syd.

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This cutting about smiles will interest you.

You promised to contact me for a cup of coffee when you are in TA.

I know that you won't forget the timing without which no interview ever goes beyond the day on which it is published.

Thanks.

Sincerely,

Mr. Syd Appelbaum, Tel Aviv.

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Sept. 2 WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 — by Gallant, writing in the agazine, Nature and Science, Roy the magazine, urges people to quit smiling chimpanzees. This is sensi sensible advice. People who begin by smiling at chinpanzees some-times wind up talking to bears, to the distress of their families and employers. Mr. Gallant's advice is based a studies conducted by Dr.

on atudies

Desmond Morris, curate

Desmond at the London by Dr curator Z00. When a chimpanzee sees two rows of exposed human teeth, when a rows of exposed human termine is not amused, according to Dr. Morris, but angered and freightened, and bares his own person smiling a misinterprets the The at the chimp ape's

response, assumes that the chimp is smiling back at him, and smiles harder, thus infuri-ating the chimp and starting down the road to neurosis is not sur-İtt prising Smiles That

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the chimpanzee re-sents being smiled at all the time. One need only put the chimp's shoes resentment his

It is no picnic sitting pen bars having peunuts thrown behind nt you by amilers. This raises some unpleasant

questions about the whole smile tradition in this country from zoo to White House. The theory behind it has always been that if you smile, the world will smile with you. Politicians, who with you. Politicians, are the most indefatigable smilers hold that a handsome set of incisors is more valuable than a brain for winning elections, and even the solemn professions like undertaking and nuclear assume that the science smile sound business practice.
The papers are full of smilers.
General tells Congress that bound businesa

world's nuclear storehouse ow big enough to provide the the equivalent of a 35-ton dyna-mite explosion for each individ-ual on earth, and the illustrat-ing picture shows him smiling. Barry Goldwater declares now provide that the country is going ruin, and smiles and smiles. going to

less cosmic levels, everybody can recite ugly experiences ascosmic sociated with amiles. There is the smile of the dentist when he says, "This may hurt a little—." The smile of the banker declarand you ing you a hopeless credit risk.

And the smile of the TV repairman explaining that he will have to take the set back to the shop to locate the trouble. incoming too often amiles NATO mean misery, out-

Allies Differ going amiles are On Policy likely to mean trouble through Farwalking while ragut Square here ton, and the patterns, and the patterns, and let his sr panhandlers at-What man has not smile at some other come to rest on time or lovely stranger across R crowded room, only to note her escort glaring back with undisguised undisguised malevolence? British

The British ration amiles. When they use one, it is effective. No one has ever seen a picture of a British politician although they are alsmiling. announcing that be-Ways going to ruin. Of course, the British of amiling at dogs, but this probably sounder than t SH probably probably sounder than the American habit of smiling back politicians. in that French think the overdone America

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he is and favor less ambiguous gesand favor less ambiguous ges-tures. A Frenchman, for exam-ple, will not smile at your wife across a crowded room; he will across a crowded room, walk across, dismiss you and ask her what she is doing to-morrow afternoon. French polimorrow after know better than ticians also know better than to smile at the vote. One could no more picture President thuck.

de Gaulle smiling than imagine a toastmaster calling him Precisely when or why Amer-icans adopted the smile as the national facial expression is unthe clear. There are no portraits Washington, George Jefferson Jackson smiling, and the one ady photograph of a Lincoln tile is a tragedy. Yet nowadays Brady the whole country in Scott Fitzgerald's phrase, lives by the contorted pan. Scott

The trouble much that not so Sometimes it is ridiculous Peanuts Are get elected Unwelcome strong teeth, look cheerful about

"overkill," or act hap charging some wret for TV repairs. T happy about \$67.50 The trouble is that the andebased in the process amile gets

People who are constantly smiled at by Generals who have 35 tons of dynamite earmarked for them or by TV repairmen for them or by TV repairment planning to deplete their bank balance are apt to reconsider the value of the smile and agree the value of the smile and agree with Shake and smile and be

In extreme cases, these people develop hallucinations may devel about being ing behind bars raining in on peanuts they go mad with bite back when they Sometimes the urge to bite back when they see two exposed rows of human

teeth.

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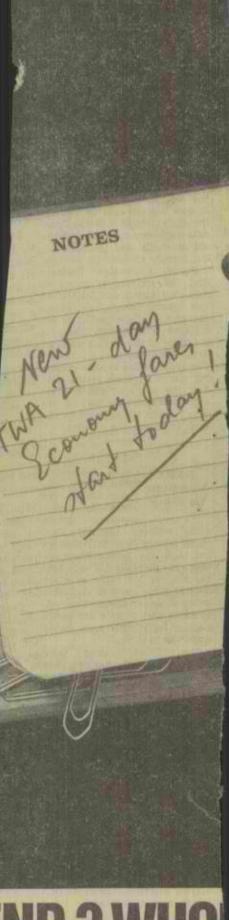
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