

RESOLUTION L.T. - Olds, Fisher Fri. Aug. 7 - '64.

Today's ~~was~~ Senate debate on the "fight-if-we-must" resolution - concerned the question of its constitutionality. Morse of Oregon, insisting - that it violates the separation of powers. Giving the President the congressional right - to declare war. Grucning of Alaska added the charge - that the President could get us into an all-out conflict with Red China. ~~Do~~ it - of his own violation.

These however - were the only "nays". The two Democrats, opposing the request - of the head of their party. But the other Democrats - and all the Republicans - gave Mr. Johnson what he wanted. The ~~unanimous~~ vote - eighty-eight to two.

The House - even more emphatic. Approving the resolution - four hundred and fourteen - to none.

The feeling on Capitol Hill was expressed eloquently - by Halleck of Indiana. "On matters concerning the security of our country - and particularly when those

matters involve armed aggression against our people and our flag - I stand with the President." Said Hoosier Republican - Charlie Halleck.



The heart of the resolution - is contained in two phrases. "All necessary measures." And - "to repel any armed attack against the forces of the United States, and to prevent further aggression."

Stern language aimed at preventing any misapprehension on the part of the Reds - who sent the torpedo boats to harrass our destroyers in the Tonkinese Gulf.

TIMING

*The Secretary of Defense has clarified -
the timing of the President's announcement of the air
strikes along the coast of North Viet Nam. ~~Robert~~ Secretary
McNamara, telling newsmen - that our planes were
sighted by enemy radar, And that Mr. Johnson - made
the announcement immediately to forestall a statement
by the Reds in Hanoi.*

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North and South Viet Nam, are both going to
present statements - ~~at~~ to the U N; written statements
about - the Vietnamese crisis. ^{This} ~~is~~ decided by the
Security Council - ~~and~~ after the Soviet delegate demanded
that ~~Na~~ Hanoi be heard. And Adlai Stevenson agreed - as
long as ~~Bt~~ Saigon got an invitation as well. The Security
Council - saying - okay, let's listen to North Viet Nam.
~~And~~ - to South Viet Nam.

The symbol of the crisis in South Viet Nam - is the American "Delta Dagger". The F-One-Oh-Two - jet fighter. The long, slim delta daggers are now poised at all three jet air bases in South Viet Nam. They'll be the first into action - should the crisis erupt into a shooting war. Behind them - the big B-fifty seven bombers.

The build up is not proceeding at its former pace - for two reasons. First, because of the speed - with which we got our planes across the Pacific. Second, because the crisis is showing signs - of simmering down.

At least, the crisis between - the United States and North Viet Nam, ^{But} In South Viet Nam ^{there is} ~~existing~~ a state of emergency. The Vietnamese braced to meet - stronger attacks by the Red guerrillas. And Premier Khanh is calling on the people north of the border - to overthrow their Communist masters.

LODGE

The new assignment of Henry Cabot Lodge - is connected with his old one. Who could explain ^{the administrator's} ~~our~~ south-east policy better than ~~the~~ ^{the} former Ambassador to South Viet Nam?

That was President Johnson's thinking - when he invited Cabot Lodge to a conference at the White House, And asked him to make a tour - of friendly capitals - ~~purpose~~ - to keep the record straight on what we are doing in the Far Pacific, ~~to~~ explain why we cannot permit the Reds - to conquer South Viet Nam. And to make it clear that we are not seeking - to expand the war. That we would like to bring ~~our~~ armed forces - home, And will, if and when - the Red menace is over.

SINGAPORE

The latest racial violence in Singapore - is not being played up by the enemies of the Malaysian Federation. The aggressor against Malaysia - Sukarno of Indonesia - is conspicuously silent about the street clashes of Malays and Chinese. Silent - for a significant reason. The fear that Singapore's violence might spread to other nations of the Far Pacific. Most of which have - large Chinese minorities.

The dispersion of emigrants from China through the Peninsulas and islands beyond the China Seas - is one of the great mass movements of history; much great, but comparable to the dispersion of the ancient Greeks - around the Mediterranean. And as the Greeks posed a problem for the people they lived among - so do the Chinese today. Hence, the odd spectacle - in the Orient. The enemies of Malaysia, hoping that Singapore can put down those Malay-Chinese street riots.

KU KLUX KLAN

The four members of the Georgia Ku Klux Klan
accused of murdering Colonel Lemuel Penn - are charged
with violating the Civil Rights Law. ~~That~~^{So} charged by
the Federal government, which - does not bring murder
indictments. But the state of Georgia - does, And - has.

The warrants were sworn out - in Danielsville,
Georgia. Naming the four Ku Klux Klansmen as the
assassins - who cut off the car in which the reserve officer
was riding, And hit him with - a shot gun blast.

The break in the case is said to have come from
- a confession by ^{one} James Lackey, Who implicated Joseph
Sims, Cecil Myers - and Herbert Guest.

REPUBLICANS

Senator Goldwater and his backers are jubilant tonight - over their success at the so-called "unity breakfasts." They claim to have won support from top Republicans - who were doubtful about the Goldwater-Miller ticket. Beginning with ^{former Pres.} Dwight Eisenhower; ~~and~~ And including - both Governors Rockefeller and former Vice President Nixon.

There are still holdouts like New York's two Senators - Keating and Javits. But the Goldwaterites are predicting - that they'll come around before Election Day.

In short, there is much optimism at Goldwater headquarters - as the date for launching the campaign is announced. Barry Goldwater, to raise the G O P standard - for an assault on the White House - on the Fourth of next month. Place - Prescott, Arizona.

OCTO-TONSILLECTOMY

Here's a word - wonder if you've ever heard it? The word - "octo-tonsillectomy." Meaning - eight sets of tonsils coming out.

Place - the hospital in Garland, Texas. An assembly line operation - on the Carpenter youngsters. All eight of them - in two batches. Bobby, Tonya, Paul and Dave - in the first batch. Darrell, Tommy, Kelly and Johnny - in the second.

A mass - octo-tonsillectomy - Dick.

VODKA

The following is enough to give any Russian - the shakes. Picture Moscow - without vodka! It could happen - if Pravda is any prophet.

The Kremlin mouth piece is running a series of articles - about drunkenness in Soviet society. Which is really a contradiction, according to Pravda - because the bourgeois causes of alcoholism have been eliminated in the workers' paradise. The Bolshevik era, no age of anxiety - says the Moscow paper.

Yet The Editor doesn't explain why Russians - continue to get drunk. He simply says - that they do, *And,* that something - should be done about it.

The Pravda prescription - forced labor for drunks, ~~Plus - prophetic prohibition.~~ The selling ~~of~~ or consumption of vodka - to be declared illegal.

What do the people of Moscow think? *What is* ~~the~~ the average Russian *saying as* ~~thinks that alcohol - is getting out of hand. As~~ he reaches for - the next bottle of vodka.