

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

At the United Nations -- a major setback today for the African bloc. The Security Council refusing African demands -- for economic isolation of Rhodesia. Also rejecting the use of force -- to bring down the Ian Smith rebel regime. The final vote decided by eight abstentions -- including those of the United States, Britain, France and Nationalist China.

## VIET NAM

*In Viet Nam - that nine-day battle for Da Nang - apparently at an end today. Buddhist backed rebel troops - surrendering meekly to ~~ky~~ loyal forces; when their last bastion - the Tien Hio Pagoda - was encircled by ~~heavy~~ heavily armed government tanks.*

*U S Marines later taking over an ammunition dump - near the Da Nang River, by agreement with rebel ~~troops~~ troops who earlier had threatened to ~~be~~ blow it up - in a final stand against the government. At last report - the war-within-a-war - said to be 'ninety percent under control'.*

*Back at Saigon - an anti-American riot today - following a shooting incident. Nevertheless, Buddhist opposition there, too - fast crumbling under the weight of government military power.*

RATING FOLLOW VIET NAM

Here at home - a related item. Pollster Lou Harris today reporting that President Johnson's ~~pop~~ popularity among voters - has apparently fallen to the lowest level since he entered the White House two - and a half years ago.

~~Acced~~ According to the latest Harris poll - only fifty-five percent of the public - convinced that the President ~~was going to~~ <sup>is</sup> doing a good job. A decline of twelve percent - since January. With the war in Viet Nam - Chief bone of contention.

The President - under double-fire from those who think we're doing too much in Viet Nam - and those who think we're doing too little.

POOL

The Senate today gave final Congressional approval -- to an administration plan to raise some four billion dollars. This by making a "pool" of government loans -- and selling shares in the pool to the public.

The plan -- a sort of fiscal sleight of hand to permit the government temporary use of additional funds -- that would otherwise be tied up for years. This means trimming the size of the federal deficit -- by the size of the public investment -- at least it means that on paper.

COURT

*An Alabama State Law banning electioneering on election day - was ruled null and void today by the U. S. Supreme Court. This in the case of a newspaper editor - convicted of publishing a political editorial on election day. The court calling enforcement of the statute ~~as~~ "a flagrant abridgement of the constitutionally guaranteed freedom of the press." The order - in effect - nullifying similar election laws - in North Dakota, Montana and Oregon.*

## BRITAIN

A national state of emergency - declared today by British Prime Minister Harold Wilson , as a result of the week-old seamen's strike - that has <sup>seriously</sup> ~~all but~~ crippled ~~the~~ British economy.

The declaration clearing the way - for massive government intervention in the dispute; if approved by Parliament - as expected. Including possible use of the Royal Navy - to clear British harbors of some five hundred strikebound ships; and thus ~~to~~ reopen - Britain's vital lifeline to world trade. Also - to establish food price controls - should rising food shortages make it necessary. Prime Min. Wilson promising, however, that he <sup>will</sup> ~~would~~ use the special ~~power~~ powers - only as a ~~last~~ last resort. If needed - said he - "to <sup>o</sup> ~~pr~~ect the vital interests of the nation."

## ERHARD FOLLOW BRITAIN

A short time later -- Wilson was host to West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard who arrived in London today -- to discuss the problems created by French withdrawal from NATO. Both are said to share the view -- that NATO's fourteen remaining members should stick together. Indeed, Prime Minister Wilson expressed a hope that NATO will come out of its present crisis -- strengthened rather than weakened by the French pull-out.

## OFFICERS

Three American officers assigned to the U S Embassy in Warsaw - have been ordered expelled from Poland. The announcement today - by a U S Embassy spokesman; who said that two of the military attaches - had also been roughed up by Polish police. This - ~~he~~ ~~asserted~~ <sup>form</sup> "contrary to every acknowledged norm of diplomatic practice," said R.

Meanwhile <sup>While</sup> - the United States <sup>is</sup> replying ~~to~~ in kind, Ordering the expulsion of three Polish military attaches - assigned to Washington.



## TALMADGE

Senator Herman Talmadge of Georgia today finally and firmly announced -- that he will not be a candidate for Governor of his home state. A son of legendary Gene Talmadge and a former Governor himself -- Senator Talmadge says he has decided to remain in Washington -- because it is there he can do the most for Georgia -- in the long run.

## ALCOHOLICS

A new method for treating alcoholics was approved today by the U S Justice Department - for experimental use in Washington, D. C. (The goal - to keep public drunks - from becoming a public disgrace.)

Under the new plan - alcoholics arrested in Washington will be assigned to a special hospital --  
-- and instead of to jail, <sup>^</sup> there to receive medical and nutritional treatment - along with psychological counseling. The patient required to stay a minimum of five days - or face prosecution for drunkenness.

(By legal definition) the hospital <sup>to be known as a</sup> ~~is~~  
"detoxification unit." ~~Hopefully - a partial solution to~~  
~~one of the major burdens - of the U S legal system.~~

Federal officials noting that about one third of all arrests in this country - are due to drunkenness.

## MEASLES

The malady known as measles - once a dreaded plague disease - soon to become a thing of the past.

So says Dr. Robert Warren - of the Federal Communicable Disease Center at Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Warren today reporting that some twelve million children have been immunized against measles since development of an effective vaccine three years ago.

*and* That as a result - the number of cases of ~~measles~~ measles this year - is about forty thousand less than last year - and about half the number of reported cases - for the same period a decade ago.

With continued immunization - said the doctor - measles will be "on the verge of eradication in most areas" - within the next year. *How is that, Steward Metz? Warren?*

## HOME

President Johnson's boyhood home in Johnson City, Texas - today declared eligible for designation as a National Historic Landmark. <sup>This</sup> ~~The~~ announcement -- by Interior Secretary ~~Stewart~~ Udall, following approval - by the Federal Advisory Board on such matters.

The Johnson homestead - a one-story farm house built in Eighteen-Eighty-Six. Home of the future President - from <sup>the age of</sup> six until he graduated from high school. One of fifteen sites in all - chosen for registered landmark status.

Among the others - three locations associated with the storied Lewis and Clark Expedition. One at Weippe Prairie - in Idaho. The other two at Great Falls Portage and Camp Disappointment - in ~~Mont~~ Montana.