

VIETNAM

Mon. July 7<sup>th</sup>. 69.

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~~On the war front~~ <sup>The</sup> Vietnam ~~the~~ withdrawal  
begins. With the vanguards of an expected twenty-five  
thousand American troops - heading home.

First to leave - eight hundred and fourteen  
men of the Third Battalion, sixtieth Infantry, Second  
Brigade, Ninth Division. One of the ~~bravest~~ most  
decorated units in Vietnam - including in its ranks no  
less than four medal-of-honor <sup>men.</sup> ~~winners~~

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~~One in all plucked today from the swampy~~  
<sup>From the swamp lands</sup>  
~~wetlands~~ of the Mekong Delta. Air lifted by  
helicopter back to Saigon - on the first leg of their  
long and long-awaited journey. Scheduled to leave  
by jet later tonight - for McChord Air Force Base  
near Tacoma, Washington.

At the same time - an ominous note. U. S.  
Intelligence reporting the arrival of a full North  
Vietnamese regiment in the same area just evacuated by

*the Americans. Co-incidentally, a tactical study is said to show it will take two Vietnamese soldiers to replace each American withdrawn.*

MID EAST UNITED NATIONS

*From*  
~~in~~ the Middle East - ~~from bad to worse.~~

~~Latest~~ reports ~~telling~~ of another artillery duel across the Suez Canal, followed by an aerial clash between Egyptian and Israeli jets - third in a ~~one~~ week. ~~with~~

The Arabs ~~were~~ *also* charging an Israeli bomb plot ~~against~~ against the life of Al Fatah, guerrilla leader Yasser Arafat.

All this and more - drawing a blast<sup>†</sup> today from U N Secretary General U. Thant, who said that never before in history - has there ~~been~~ been such a complete and sustained disregard for U N peace-keeping efforts. "The Pattern of acts of violence and reprisal -- has become almost routine" said he. Adding that the current level of hostilities has reached the point - where, in effect, "open warfare has been resumed."

U. Thant going on to say - he may be ~~be~~ forced to withdraw U N truce teams from ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> area, on ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>

~~on the~~ grounds - said he - that U N peace keeping

officers - "cannot be expected to serve as what amounts

to defenseless targets in a shooting gallery."

FRANKFURT

*This next - the story of a judgment at Frankfurt. With a West German prosecutor admitting today - that he recently quashed legal proceedings against the Roman Catholic Vicar General of Munich saying that he did so even though the churchman - Bishop Matthias DeFregger - had already confessed his alleged crime; that of ~~condemning~~ ordering the shooting of Italian hostages while serving as a Nazi officer in World War Two.*

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*Reason - said prosecutor Dietrich Rann - because the offense was at most manslaughter - not murder. And by the time it was ~~brought~~ brought to light - said he - West Germany's fifteen year statute of limitations on war-time manslaughter had already expired.*

SEOUL

In Seoul, Korea - an eleventh straight day of violent student demonstrations; drawing from President Park Chung Hee - an apparent concession to the youthful protestors. The President announcing today that he ~~will~~ <sup>any</sup> not seek ~~a~~ constitutional amendment -- that would enable him to run for a third term.

However, the student government impasse -- still far from settled. Park adding in his statement that student violence - cannot and will not be tolerated. The students asserting, for their part, that Park's pledge - is merely "an indirect expression of his intentions to seek" a third time. ~~And, of course,~~ <sup>Which is</sup> ~~that's~~ <sup>claimed to be</sup> what they've ~~been~~ <sup>h</sup> opposing all along.

NAIROBI

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Nairobi, Kenya;- the start of five days of  
official mourning for slain Tom Mboya <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ marred today  
by a disturbance outside the slain government leader's  
home. Mboya's fellow Luo tribesmen - stoning the car  
of a hated Kalenjin tribesman; who <sup>just</sup> happened to be -  
~~in this case~~ Kenya's Vice President - Daniel Arap Moi.  
<sup>The stoning</sup> ~~was~~ preventing him from attending a religious service  
- in honor of Mboya. ~~was~~ forcing Moi to take flight -  
before he himself came to harm.

From the U S Coast and Geodetic Survey -  
 a report today of the full effects of that Nineteen  
 Fifty-<sup>12</sup> Sixty-Four Alaska earthquake. Showing - among other  
 things: A shift of about fifty feet - in the Chug<sup>stak</sup> ~~coast~~  
 and Kenai Mountains near Anchorage. A rise of about  
 fifty feet in the ocean floor between Kodiak and  
 Montague Island - greatest such rise ever recorded.  
 Also, a swell of about fifty feet for Montague Island  
 itself - this near the center of the quake. - Further  
 a shifting of the island<sup>s</sup> of Ushagat - Afognak - and  
 Kodiak -- some distance east and south.

That quake as you know - the worst ever  
 recorded on the North American continent. And now, Warren,  
 later, we are told <sup>5 yrs.</sup>  
~~we know~~ what a quake it was!



## HOUSTON CAPE KENNEDY

After a long and no doubt enjoyable weekend with their families - America's ~~three~~ three Apollo Spacemen were back in harness today. At Houston - Astronauts Armstrong, Collins and Aldrin - saying goodbye to their loved ones for the last time before blastoff. Returning to Cape Kennedy - where they were plunged once again into training procedures. Although they hope to start "tapering off" soon - to maybe a mere twelve or fourteen hour work day.

Meanwhile, President Nixon cancelled ~~today~~ - a scheduled pre-launch dinner with the astronauts. Bowing to the advice of doctor Chuck Berry - the astronauts chief physician; who warned that any last minute exposure to strange germs - could well hamper or perhaps ~~it~~ endanger their entire mission. However, the White House <sup>did</sup> emphasize ~~ing~~ that President Nixon still intends to be there - at scheduled splash-down in the

Pacific. And the dinner they'll eat then - ~~why~~,

that will ~~surely be the best of all~~ <sup>indeed be a banquet for them</sup> - -

after returning from the Moon.