

RACIAL

Senate leaders-both Republican and Democratic -today reached final agreement with the Administration-- on a bill designed to guarantee Negro voting rights. The measure then introduced into the House by Rep. Emanuel Celler of New York; chairman of the House Judiciary Committee--which will process the bill for floor action. Although the measure will meet violent Southern opposition, final passage with bipartisan support is considered almost certain.

The bill providing that no voting qualification or procedure shall be imposed or applied--to deny or abridge the right to vote--on account of race or color."

## VIET NAM

The Soviet Union tonight officially demanded that the U.S. stop bombing North Viet Nam - and pull out of South Viet Nam. The demand contained in a message to Great Britain - co-Chairman with Russia, of the nineteen fifty-four Geneva Conference, ~~that~~ that established the two Viet Nams - North and South. The note <sup>is</sup> Russia's answer to an earlier British proposal - suggesting ~~that~~ the Kremlin join in attempting to arrange a cease-fire in Viet Nam.

Meanwhile, off Thailand - not far from Viet Nam - ships of the U.S. and Thai navies - ~~today~~ ~~have~~ moved today - ~~into~~ ~~position~~ for Operation Jungle Drum-Three.

Some twelve thousand U.S. and Thai marines to take part in the military maneuver - a series of assault landings against theoretical guerilla forces - from a so-called "aggressive neighboring nation".

Thailand strongly pro-Western and a key

member of the South East Asia Treaty Organization.

But close enough to the Communist world - to give the

exercise an air of sharp reality. Because Thailand  
could be next!

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AUSTRALIA FOLLOW VIET NAM

From Sydney, Australia - this grim footnote to the Vietnamese story. Former South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Xuan Oanh - disclosing one method of dealing with potential traitors.

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**EAST**

**The West German Embassy in Taiz, Yemen - was stormed and burned today by a mob of screaming Arabs. The outburst marking the latest in a series of violent Arab protests - against Bonn's decision to establish diplomatic relations with Israel. The incident coinciding with a brief skirmish on the Israeli-Syrian border - the second in the last two days.**

## REYNOLDS

Veteran newsman and author Quentin Reynolds is dead -- following a bout with pneumonia. Quentin Reynolds -- who achieved his greatest fame as a war correspondent -- passing away in his sleep -- at Travis Air Force Base in Northern California. He was sixty-Two.

The author of Fifteen <sup>1</sup>ooks -- stricken in the Phillipines -- while writing a biography of Filipino President Macapagal. He was flown to Travis by Air Force transport -- when is condition became serious.

## STAGG FOLLOW REYNOLDS

And another death today -- Amos Alonzo Stagg -- "grand old man" of college football. A legendary sports figure -- the only man ever named to football's Hall of Fame as both a player and a coach. Just old age. Stagg a hundred and two.

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## MOUNTAIN

Dr. Bradford Washburn--director of the Boston Museum of Science--today was named the leader of an expedition--that may well achieve the most dramatic mountain climb of the year.

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A five-man advance party--already there to establish a base on the mountain's southern side. Washburn himself to make two reconnaissance flights over the mountain early next week--to chart the route. The advance party later to be joined by James Whittaker of Seattle--for the final ascent. Whittaker a member of the first American expedition--to conquer Mt. Everest.

## WEATHER

A late-winter storm today lashed the Midwest with heavy snows and high winds--while a rash of tornadoes raged through the Southland.

The Midwest storm reached near-blizzard proportions at Milwaukee--where many schools were closed. And also Chicago--before it suddenly turned from snow to rain. However, more snow expected tonight--up to a foot of it all the way from Nebraska to Michigan. And its snowing in New York.

In the South--Alabama hardest hit by the twisters. One tornado demolishing some forty homes--in and around Sheffield. More than twenty persons reported injured--with tornado warnings posted tonight all the way north to Indiana.

## COURT

The Supreme Court -- under heavy fire today in the U.S. House of Representatives. Congressmen blasting members of the court -- for everything from alleged interference into legislative matters -- to the conduct of their personal lives.

The bitter debate touched off by a proposal to raise the Supreme Court Justices' salaries -- by three thousand dollars a year. In the end -- the pay raise was voted down -- one Seventy-Seven to Two-oh-Three.

One Congressman observing that it was not only St. Patrick's Day, in Washington Dick, it was also "Kick-the-Supreme-court-in-the-pants Day."

## BEGGAR

In Milan, Italy - sixty-eight-year-old Luigi Costa was hauled before a judge - on a familiar charge. <sup>The</sup> ~~His~~ crime - begging.

Indeed, Signor Costa quickly convicted of begging for the ninety-third time - in a criminal career dating back to nineteen thirty-two.

~~But never again -~~ <sup>Said</sup> Signor Costa, sentenced to jail for the ninety-third time: ~~he told the~~ "Judge, ~~that's~~ that's the last time you'll see me, your honor - I'm retiring". S'long - a-l-u-t-i-m.