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For President Johnson - a final trip today to the Senate; where friends and foe alike - bade him a fond farewell.

Majority Leader Mike Mansfield calling

L B J - a man who "kept alive the promise of liberty

and justice for all." Senator Goldwater asserting

the President had served - "with credit and honor."

Minority Leader Everett Dirksen saying: "We shall

miss him - and he shall miss us."

Perhaps the most heart-felt tribute though

from Senator Edward Kennedy; who praised the President

for campaign service - to all the Kennedy brothers.

Also, for his grace "and understanding - after the

events of November, Nineteen Sixty-Three." "The

differences that developed later" he so went on "not

from personal grievance; "but rather "from the

obligation of men in public life - to discharge their

responsibilities as they saw them."

Teddy Kennedy concluding that "President

Johnson understood this - and history will as well."

On the eve of expanded Paris peace talks the enemy threatens a head-on collision with allied
objectives. Viet Cong spokesman Tran Hoai Nam
announcing today his first demand will call for
withdrawal of all U S troops from Viet Nam. His
second, said he, calling for establishment of a
coalition government in Saigon. Nam; declaring:
"The Americans must leave the Vietnamese people
alone - to settle their own problems."

Reverse side - here at home. With the man who will soon head the American peace delegation - testifying today before the Senate Foreign Relations

Committee. Henry Cabot Lodge making it plain his first goal will be a cease fire in Vietnam; to be followed - hopefully - by a phased withdrawal of U S troops.

At a later press conference - Lodge further denied that he is either a hawk - or a dove - on Vietnam. His position - said he - that of a "realist."

INAUGURAL FOLLOW CABINET

Have you heard?

By the way, the start of Inaugural festivities

is set for tomorrow. The schedule - calling for a rapid fire combination of indoor and outdoor events beginning with a reception for distinguished ladies - ending with the Inaugural Ball Monday night.

All of which has prompted the Inaugural

Committee - to issue an official advisery on what thex

to wear and when. Washington weather being what it is
the list including - for men, at least - everything from

white tie to red flannels.

Back from space they came - Russia's three Soyuz Four cosmonauts - completing a perfect landing today on the wind-swept Steppes of Central Asia. The temperature at the time - thirty-one below. But that's a heat wave in Siberia. Their first words were:

Answer - just fine. Cosmonaut Boris

Volynow - continuing to circle the earth in Soyuz Five,
and as seen on Moscow television, enjoying himself
thoroughly. At one point - ground control telling the
cosmonaut: "Look at the camera!" Boris responding
with a wave and a big smile - adding "very strange
ground control, I can't see you."

New York - lawyer-financier, Roy Cohn
was indicted today by a federal grand jury - second
time in two months. The one-time counsel to the late
Senator Joseph McCarthy - charged with bribery,
extortion and blackmail. This in addition to earlier
charges - alleging violations of the Securities and
Exchange Laws. Both cases - involving operations
of New York's old Fifth Avenue Coach Lines.

Admiral Rickover, versus technological abuse. The story - from Philadelphia, where secalled the fabled "Father of the Atomic submarine" warned that human rights - must always be given "paramount consideration" over technological advance. "Society ceases to be free - said he - "when technology, not man, becomes central to its purpose."

Rickover adding that the government also has an inherent duty - "to protect the land, air - the water - the natural environment against technological damage. The same duty - said he - as that "to protect the country against foreign enemies - or the individual against, criminal."

In the midst of proposition preparations

for the greatest adventure of his life - Richard Nixon

pauses briefly for a moment of self-examination.

The President-Elect quoted as telling advisers - he's

beginning to feel much the same as President James

Buchanan. Nixon noting that Buchanan also won the

Presidency - after making many years of per seeking

it. Whereupon he is supposed to have said sadly:

"All my friends I wanted to reward are dead - and

all my enemies are now my friends."

Come Monday though - it's eyes front. With Nixon said to be supremely confident - he can turn promises into decisions; decisions that will unite the country - and better the entire world. As one aide put it -- "he feels he has a chance now - to do the things he has been training himself to do all of his life."

This next - from Kuala Lumpur in

Malaysia where the ancient and honorable game of

has become
golf one of the favorite past-times. Indeed,

Prime Minister Tunku Abdul Rahman and most of his

cabinet - are all avid linksmen.

Nevertheless, the sport under attack today from a back-hencher in the ruling alliance party.

Non golfer Bin Hussein - calling for a new tax on golf.

Asserting that "some people might be distracted by taxation". But that's all right, said he; they could then go and till the land and increase the nation's production of vegetables and other edible foods."

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Minister Tenbu abdul achman said to Bin Hussein. How do you say "Spoil by sport!" in Malay, Warren? From Boston, the story today of a real life betrothal - that surpasses even that of the recent hit movie - YOURS MINE AND OURS.

The bride and groom to be - Frances Brady and Fred O'Donnell. She - a widow with ten children - he - a widower with thirteen to children. The couple thereby starting married life - with a ready-made family of twenty-three offspring. His - hers - and now theirs.