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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

An all-American on the football field -- an all-American on the battle field. That's the story today from Viet Nam -- about Captain Bill Carpenter, Army's famed "lonesome end" -- of a few seasons back.

Captain Carpenter leading the pursuit of a large force of fleeing Viet Cong -- in a follow-up to that big battle about three hundred miles north of Saigon when suddenly the enemy decided to turn and fight.

The Communists over-running Carpenter's Company -- threatening to wipe it out; when Bill called for a direct air strike -- in a bid to break up the counter offenses. "Put the Napalm on us" -- said Carpenter. "At least we'll get some of them -- too."

Amazingly -- it worked. U.S. jets striking with deadly accuracy -- to blunt the enemy attack. Permitting Carpenter

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to re-group his remaining men -- with another battered company.

Bill Carpenter -- winner already of a silver star, a
bronz star and a purple heart -- in his brief Army career.
And now he's up -- for a congressional medal of honor.

DIRKSEN

Here at home -- another chink today in bi-partisan support -- of U.S. policy in Vietnam. The latest -- from Seante Majority Leader Everett Dirksen -- heretofore one of the President's chief supporters.

Dirksen accusing the Administration of consistent failure -- as he put it -- "to take the Congress and the American people into its proper confidence regarding Vietnam."

"Such a failure is inexcusable" -- said Dirksen. Adding -- "it could be tragic."

Prompt rebuttal -- from White House Secretary Bill Moyers, who said that the President is doing everything possible -- "to keep the people informed." "There is no information in this government -- that is not available to members of Congress in both parties" -- said Moyers.

PRESIDENT FOLLOW DIRKSEN

As for the President himself -- he was chief speaker today at a senior seminar of the State Department Foreign Service School. There telling a group of career diplomats -- that the world "stands balanced between high danger and rare opportunity." What with mounting problems in Southeast Asia, Africa -- and elsewhere across the globe.

There is no overnight solution to any of these problems -- said the President. Adding, however, that "when change is so painfully slow in coming -- we must constantly work to accelerate its pace." Ever searching -- said he -- "for the light at the end of the tunnel."

WEATHER

The weather on another awesome rampage today -- from Florida to the Central Plains.

Hurricane Alma pounding the Florida pan-handle -- with winds up to ninety miles an hour. Torrential rains and hammering tides adding to death and destruction -- for hundreds of miles along the Gulf Coast. Ahead of the storm -- killer tornados at Topeka, Kansas and Arlington, Illinois -- a suburb of Chicago.

The two-day toll of violent weather in the United States -- now at least seventeen dead. Plus eleven more dead -- in Cuba.

PLANE

A rare admission of defeat today -- from the Civil Aeronautics board. Federal investigators conceding they have been unable to pin-point the exact cause -- of an airliner crash nearly two years ago near Parrottsville, Tennessee. One that claimed the lives -- of all thirty-four passengers and crew members aboard the ship.

According to the C-A-B's final report -- the crash apparently was the result -- of a "most unusual and possibly not readily conceivable" emergency. Something that triggered an unexplainable fire -- in the passenger cabin. But exhaustive study of the wreckage -- is said to have eliminated all normal sources of aircraft fire -- including sabotage.

What then -- could have caused it? Although they can't prove it -- investigators suggesting the fire could have started -- by accidental ignition of a woman's hair spray.

CHOLERA

A FEARFUL CRY OF "CHOLERA" - WAS HEARD AGAIN TODAY FROM THAT VAST SUB-CONTINENT OF HINDUSTAN. THE INDIAN HEALTH MINISTRY AT NEW DELHI - REPORTING SIXTY-THREE CASES OF CHOLERA IN THE LAST MONTH. INCLUDING A RE-APPEARING OF THE DISEASE IN THREE SOUTHERN STATES - WHERE IT HADN'T BEEN SEEN FOR TWENTY TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS.

AS A RESULT - THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT ORDERING AN IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY CONTROL PROGRAM - TO FIGHT THE DREAD DISEASE. HEALTH OFFICIALS WARNING THAT IF THE PROGRAM FAILS - AS MANY AS FIFTY THOUSAND PERSONS MAY DIE OF CHOLERA IN INDIA - IN THE NEXT YEAR.

HOSPITALS

A FEDERAL DEADLINE OF JULY FIRST - EFFECTIVE DATE OF MEDICARE - WAS SET TODAY BY HEALTH SECRETARY JOHN GARDNER; AFTER WHICH HOSPITALS THAT HAVE REFUSED TO DESEGREGATE THEIR FACILITIES - WILL BE DENIED ALL FEDERAL FUNDS. THE CUT-OFF TO APPLY NOT ONLY TO MEDICARE - BUT ALSO TO FEDERAL PROGRAMS PROVIDING MONEY FOR HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION, MANPOWER TRAINING AND SMALL BUSINESS AIDS.

GARDNER REPORTING THAT AS OF TODAY - ABOUT SEVENTY-TWO PERCENT OF THE NATION'S HOSPITALS HAVE AGREED TO INTEGRATE PATIENTS; IN FULL COMPLIANCE - WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. OF THE REST - SAID HE - THE GREAT MAJORITY CAN EASILY COMPLY IN TIME - IF THEY WISH TO DO SO.

GRAHAM

IN LONDON - BILLY GRAHAM TODAY DECLARED THE FIRST WEEK OF HIS LATEST
RELIGIOUS CRUSADE - A SMASHING SUCCESS. "ONE OF THE GREATEST OPENING WEEKS
WE HAVE EVER HAD - IN ANY CRUSADE IN THE WORLD" - SAID HE. CLEAR INDICATION -
HE WENT ON - "OF A GREAT HUNGER FOR GOD."

BUT IS HE SATISFIED? NOT AT ALL. THE AMERICAN EVANGELIST ANNOUNCING
THAT HE WILL CARRY HIS CRUSADE NEXT WEEK - TO SOHO; SIN CENTER OF LONDON
NOTORIOUS HOT BED OF GAMBLING, VICE AND ALL-THE-WAY STRIP JOINTS.

BILLY GRAHAM PROMISING TO PREACH FROM THE SIDEWALKS - TO THE PEOPLE
WHO NEED IT MOST. IN EFFECT - MOHAMMED GOING TO THE MOUNTAIN. A MOUNTAIN -
OF CORRUPTION.

SPELLING

A WISE-CRACKING THIRTEEN-YEAR-OLD FROM CLEAR CREEK, TEXAS - A SUBURB OF HOUSTON - WINNER TODAY OF THE THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL SPELLING BEE.

ROBERT A. WAKE - SON OF A COMPUTER PROGRAMMER - SPELLING DOWN THE LAST OF SEVENTY OPPONENTS - IN THE FIFTH ROUND OF THE WASHINGTON COMPETITION.

BETH SHERILL - FOURTEEN - OF LUCY, TENNESSEE - LAST TO FALL BY THE WAYSIDE - WHEN SHE PUT A "T" IN THE WORD "SACHEM". WHEREUPON THE YOUNG TEXAN CINCHED HIS TITLE - BY CORRECTLY SPELLING THAT WORD AS WELL AS THE NEXT - ~~WATERLOO~~ "RATOON".

THE NEW CHAMP - A BLONDE YOUNGSTER WITH ^{much} ~~SEVERE~~ APLOMB - WHO WAS APPARENTLY IN TROUBLE JUST ONCE. CONFRONTED WITH THE WORD "HOSTICE" IN AN EARLY ROUND - A WORD ~~EX~~ WITH WHICH HE WAS UNFAMILIAR - YOUNG ROBERT ASKING INNOCENTLY: "HOW DO YOU SPELL IT?"

Nowhere is a Sachem - by name
Stew Metz.

CRIPPLE CREEK

Would you like to be a billionaire, a rival to say, Paul Getty, the American who is reputed to be the richest man in the world?

Here's one way: I have just come down from Cripple Creek, Colorado, once known as the "world's greatest gold camp." mining geologists estimate there must be at least a billion in gold left in that ancient volcanic crater. The problem is how to extract it. Solve this and, well, you will have made it.

Whether you are interested in the gold or not, the view of the Sangre-de-Christo range from the top of Tenderfoot Hill, or from the old Portland mine above Victor, is one of the exciting views of the world. Don't miss it.

And while you are there, drop in at the Imperial Hotel and see an exciting western "melodrama." Two of the principals in the cast are youthful daughters of generals in the United States Air Force.
Cripple Creek is still a thrilling place!