

NEW DELHI

Thurs, Mar. 11-71.

At New Delhi and ^{all the way} ~~over~~ across India - it's all over but the cheering. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's New Congress Party - scoring a landslide victory in nationwide Parliamentary elections; at last report, having ^{already} achieved a clear-cut majority - ^{even} with more than a hundred ^{areas} ~~more~~ still to be ^{reported.} ~~subject~~

Indeed, there's a possibility that Madame Gandhi could end up - with a whopping two-thirds majority; in which case, she could then amend the Indian Constitution - and thus enact a series of long-sought reforms. But come what may, the lady Premier is already calling this - a decisive victory for "progressive socialism."

WILLIAMSBURG

For President Nixon - a short hop today to

*Williamsburg - where he addressed a meeting of the National
Judicial Conference. The President calling for a program
of "genuine reform" - to streamline and update the nation's
present chaotic court system. This to include the use of
so-called "parajudges" - specially-trained court administrators -
to help clear away the huge number of pending cases. The
President observing: "Justice delayed is not only justice
denied - it is also justice circumvented, justice mocked,
and the system of justice undermined."*

*The President then going on to say: "We shall
become a genuinely just society - only by playing the game
according to the rules; and when the rules become
outdated or are shown to be unfair - by lawfully and peaceably
changing those rules."*

WHITE HOUSE

Later ~~on~~--back at the White House again--another official pronouncement. The President rejecting Japan's offer--to set voluntary limitations on Japanese textile shipments to the U.S. The President saying he would "strongly support legislation--imposing quotas."

INDOCHINA

At the top of the war news tonight - counterattack in Laos. The vanguard of two full divisions of North Vietnamese troops - hitting back at South Vietnamese positions near the newly-occupied village of Sepone. This in spite of a U.S. aerial bombardment - heaviest of the entire war - said have killed more than a thousand enemy soldiers. The Communist drive - also bolstered by a number of tanks.

Battlefield reports indicate ~~however~~ the South Vietnamese are still holding firm; in part, because of continuing massive U.S. air support - including a steady flow of fresh troops and fresh supplies.

PARIS FOLLOW INDOCHINA

As for peace talks at Paris - another ^{blank} ~~press~~

today; with David Bruce for the U.S. - the only top-ranking delegate in attendance. A Saigon spokesman later saying - the session was "totally useless."

MANILA FOLLOW PARIS

A related item - from Manila. Thailand's visiting Foreign Minister, Thanat Khoman, ~~was~~ saying the Indochina war may now be entering its final phase. Thanat Khoman explaining: "The Communists have failed to achieve a military solution in South Vietnam - and their supply bases and sanctuaries are being reduced almost to nothingness." And he added: "Perhaps the time will soon come - when they will find it more advisable to seek a political solution."

MOSCOW

Moscow - another public protest by Soviet Jews;
with a group of about fifty - beseiging the office of Russia's
Minister of Internal Affairs, ^{and} ~~there~~ demanding government
permission - to emigrate to Israel.

Instead of being dispersed though - this time they
were heard. Colonel General Nikolai Shchelōkov - the
Minister himself - discussing the matter ^{with them} ~~personally~~. Later
pledging an answer - one way or the other - within ten days.

~~And~~ That in ~~its~~ ~~to~~ Russia, ^{is something} ~~is~~ ~~not~~ ~~negotiable~~

~~concessions~~

LONDON

The killing of those three British soldiers in Northern Ireland - followed by heated reaction today in London. British Home Secretary Reginald Maulding - calling it a case of "cold blooded murder." And he added that Britain is declaring war - against "the small army of armed, ruthless men" held responsible.

At Dublin - Irish Premier Jack Lynch also joining in the condemnation; calling the triple slaying - "an outrage."

BELFAST FOLLOW LONDON

Meanwhile, angry British troops - were combing
the city of Belfast; searching, searching relentlessly for
some clue that might lead them to the killers, but at last
report ~~still no luck.~~

SAN JUAN

Closer to home--two policemen ~~were~~ shot to death--
during riots today at the University of Puerto Rico.
The victims including Major Juan Mercado--commander
of the San Juan riot squad. The rioters even stoning
a U.S. Coast Guard helicopter--attempting to evacuate
wounded students.

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LAGOS

The death of one of America's great civil rights leaders - reported today from Lagos in Nigeria. Whitney M. Young - executive director of the National Urban League - the victim of a sudden, fatal heart attack. He was swimming with former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark - when it happened; both ~~were~~ ^{were} attending ~~a~~ ^a Lagos meeting of the African-American Association.

Here at home - blacks and whites alike mourning his death. Vice President ~~Spivey~~ Agnew calling it - "a serious setback to the forces of moderation" in this country. The White House sending a plane - to bring ^{him} home. ~~his body~~

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MARACAIBO

A sudden outbreak of fatal witchcraft - is reported today from Maracaibo in Western Venezuela; where two persons - a man and a woman - have died this week - while trying to ~~exorcise~~^{rid} themselves of evil spirits.

Both told to strip off their clothes - and then bathe their bodies in alcohol; after which they were supposed to dance nude - over a row of lighted candles. Each becoming instantly - a human torch.

DAVIS

From the University of California - Davis branch -

a call today for new legal "roadblocks" - to help prevent early marriages. Dr. June Sklar - a U.C. demographer - saying these "roadblocks" should include: One - a special marriage tax. Two - a substantial increase in the cost of marriage licenses. And three - a requirement that engaged couples must pass a financial solvency test - before they are allowed to marry.

Ultimate goal - we are told - to help curb the so-called population explosion. To do this - says Dr. Sklar - by making marriage a major investment. Which is all well, and good, I guess ^{--- Warren} but, what about those who decide to "play now and pay later?"

SINGAPORE

By order of the government of Singapore - a rule was recently put into effect banning hippies from that country.

Next question: What exactly is a hippie? And now - the answer.

The government of Singapore advising today - its new rule applies to any person who is "dirty and untidy looking;" also, anyone who has "long, unkempt hair and a beard" - and no visible means of support. Officials adding that such a person is presumed to be a hippie - and will be treated accordingly - unless and until he proves himself otherwise.

*Q sal - to 2 disting - gentl -
Dal Townsend & Alan Jackson*