

L.T. BUICK FISHER. THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18, 1965

**GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:**

Coming up -- delivery of mail -- over night anywhere in the United States. That promise today from Postmaster General John A. Gronouski. First step toward this goal -- according to Gronouski -- a merger of Air Mail and First Class Mail -- into a new high priority category. The high priority mail to be delivered over night -- by the fastest available means of transportation. Gronouski calling this "one of the major contributions I intend to make -- during my term of office."

## ALBANIA

*Communist Albania today forced the General Assembly of the United Nations - to call its first vote of the current session. Communist China's tiny European ally - attempting to force a confrontation on voting rights - between the U S and Russia. But, no luck. Before the tally - the U S announcing that it would consider the vote strictly a procedural matter - and not a test of voting rights.*

## MCNAMARA

Defense Secretary McNamara laid it on the line today- in a tough policy statement on U.S. intentions in the Far East. McNamara calling the current situation in South Viet Nam -"grave but by no means hopeless". Warning that in time - the Chinese Communists will probably be capable of producing long range ballistic missiles-armed with hydrogen war heads.

But Secretary McNamara emphasizes that Viet Nam is the key test-of whether the U.S. can prevent a complete Chinese Communist take-over in Asia. Asserting that the stakes in South Viet Nam "are far greater than the loss of one small country." Adding that the loss of Viet Nam "would be a serious set back to the cause of freedom throughout the world."

Secretary McNamara's hard line taking an additional significance at this time-with the U.S. under increasingly heavy pressure to negotiate a settlement in Viet Nam. The French government, as we know, already officially on record in favor of a negotiated truce--in the hope of neutralizing all of Southeast Asia.

RUSK

French Foreign Minister Couve de Murville met today with Secretary of State Rusk - presumably to press the French plan--even as Defense Secretary McNamara all but rejected it.

In any case, Couve de Murville will confer with President Johnson tomorrow. And if nothing else, the White House discussion is expected to set in motion the ground work for a summer meeting in Paris - between Lyndon Johnson and Chas. DeGaulle.

## GOLD

**President Johnson today urged leading business men and bankers to join the government - in a "voluntary partnership". Purpose - to stem the flow of dollars and gold abroad.**

**The President asking that business spending and lending of money abroad - be "cut to the bone".**

**Mr. Johnson contending that the nation is economically strong. But adding that we can no longer ignore the persistent imbalance between dollars coming into the country - and dollars going out.**

# INDONESIA

*In Indonesia today - another attack on U S property. A mob of demonstrators storming the American consulate in Medan - ~~ripping down the American flag and~~ <sup>Sumatra</sup> seizing the U S library there. Police and troops finally clearing the building of demonstrators - but not before widespread damage.*

*Today's incident coming only three days - after the ~~government takeover~~ <sup>Subaro</sup> take-over of a U S Information Service library in Jakarta. Both so-called "spontaneous" demonstrations -- triggered ostensibly by U. S. retaliatory raids in Viet Nam.*

## PAKISTAN

*From Karachi today - this news item. The government of Pakistan - signing up for an interest-free sixty million dollar loan - from Red China.*

*Pakistan - a member of two western alliances - the Central Treaty Organization and the southeast Asia Treaty Organization. Also the second biggest beneficiary among all foreign nations -- sharing in the U S Foreign Aid Program.*

*Nevertheless, Pakistan now accepting Red Chinese aid - for the first time. Indeed, the first time Peking has ever negotiated an aid deal - with any nation so closely aligned with the West.*

## RANGER

*That Ranger Eight spacecraft -- bound for the moon -- still on course tonight -- and proceeding according to schedule. If all continues as planned - the spacecraft's six cameras to flick on early Saturday morning. The Ranger Eight expected to relay four thousand closeup photographs of the Sea of Tranquility - on the surface of the moon.*



SLIDE

From British Columbia today - reports of  
a massive ice and snow slide, Sweeping down on a remote  
mining camp -- ~~and~~ burying <sup>some</sup> ~~an estimated~~ forty miners.

The site of the avalanche - about five hundred  
miles north of Vancouver - near the Alaska <sup>Panhandle</sup> ~~border~~ border.

Rescue units tonight racing toward the scene - but turned  
back by a heavy snow storm.

## BUGGING

In Washington today - a short course in professional snooping. The teacher - a manufacturer of electronic eavesdropping equipment - disclosing some tricks of the trade for Senate investigators.

Among the eavesdropping devices - a telephone attachment for monitoring conversations at any outlet on a direct dialing system. The snooper merely calls the number of the telephone - to which the device is attached and from then on - he can hear all conversations in the room -- even though the telephone may be hung up.

Also put on display - microphones so ~~max~~ small that they can be hidden in a tie ~~str~~ clasp -- in a package of cigarettes - or even in the olive of a martini.

The warning perfectly clear. If you have any secrets -- watch out! <sup>Dick;</sup> The next drink you drink - may be bugged.

## JAPANESE

*Here's a story of real determination. The hero - if you can call him that - Hatsuyoshi Tsuruhama - a Japanese karate and judo expert.*

*Hatsuyoshi trying to get into the United States, legally - for the last fifteen years. But his application for a visa rejected each time - on the grounds that he has no useful skill.*

*So seven times Hatsuyoshi has sneaked into the country -- seven times he has been caught -- and seven times charged with illegal entry -- most recently in Pittsburgh.*

*Now at last - Tsuruhama will get his wish - at least temporarily. He has been sentenced to eighteen months in a federal prison - after which he will be deported again.*

*But even on his way to jail - Hatsuyoshi was seen counting on his fingers. When asked why, he replied: "I'm just figuring how long - it'll take me to get back."*