GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

At Novosibirsk -- a progress report today from Soviet

President Podgorny -- on results of that DeGaulle visit

to date. Podgorny reporting that DeGaulle and top Soviet

leaders -- have reached agreement on many problems of

bi-lateral and international significance. "We have every

reason to say we are following the right road" -- said he.

DeGaulle -- declining direct comment; instead
replying that the outlook for France and the Soviet Union
-- is one of "friendship, cooperation and working together"
-- as he put it.

Political unrest all but ended -- Saigon hit today by a new crisis. Some ten thousand Vietnamese workers -- striking against a four-company U.S. construction consortium. Shutting down work on a vital new port facility -- and crippling expansion of runways at a major U.S. air base.

No evidence of Communist involvment -- the workers merely demanding higher wages.

Meanwhile, the battle -- in the central highlands -goes on. The U.S. first Cavalry blasting a four hundred
man Communist battalion from the top of a rocky jungle
ridge -- with the help of U.S. artillery and air strikes.
The fighting at such close range -- that several Americans
were hit by chrapnel from our own bombs and rockets. Total
Communist losses in the marathon battle -- now set at more
than six hundred dead.

After heated debate - the Senate today approved by unanimous vote -- tough, new legislation - designed to force the auto industry - to build safer cars. As presently written - the bill calling for establishment of a new set of federal minimum safety standards early next year; to take effect - with introduction of Nineteen Sixty-Eight model cars.

At the same time, however - the Senate rejected an amendment providing fines and jail sentences for industry executives - who deliberately avoid compliance the with the new standards. Instead, the penalty set at a thousand dollars a car - up to a maximum fine of four hundred thousand doclars.

Despite an official brush-off from the city of New York

-- King Faisal of Saudi Arabia was warmly welcomed today at
the United Nations. A round of applause greeting his arrival

-- at a luncheon sponsored by U.N. Secretary General U Thant.

U.S. Ambassador Arthur Goldberg -- one of those in attendance

-- later conferring briefly -- with the Arab Monarch.

CHOU FOLLOW FAISAL

Another world traveler - Premier Chou En

Lai - of Red China; who left Bucharest today - his

friendship visit to Romania apparently a flop. Chou

failing to win over Romania in China's bitter ideological

war with Red China. Indeed, the visit ending in distinct

public strain - between Chou and his host, Romanian party

leader Nikolai Ceausescu.

By contrast - Chou was on familiar ground at his next stop. His greeting at Tirana in Albania - typical of Red China's only ally in Europe. Radio Tirana telling of the so-called "great cultural revolution in China - for the eradication of the feudal Bourgeois ideology." Chou called a hero of that revolution - as compared with Soviet leadership - that was called "a degenerate, treacherous clique."

Who were the first white colonists -- to settle in

North America? Ask any schoolboy -- and he'll tell you the

British -- Massachusetts and Virginia. But ask Dr. Manuel

Luciana da Silva -- and archaeologist of Bristol. County,

Rhode Island -- and he will insist it was the Portuguese.

Specifically -- Portuguese Explorer Gaspar Cortereal, his brother Miguel Cortereal, and the crews of their two ships. They disappeared on succeeding voyages to be new world -- in the early fifteen hundreds, and according to Dr. da Silva -- the Portuguese adventurers settling in New England -- a hundred years before the Pilgrims.

The evidence he cites -- and number of Portuguese words
-- already in common usage among the Indians -- by the time
the Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth Rock. Also the number of
chiefs -- with Portuguese -- sounding names. For instance
-- Osaniguina -- one of the first to befriend the Pilgrims
whose name -- in Portuguese means -- "Glory of the kind."

Dr. da Silva explaining that the Portuguese were lost to history -- because they met the Indians on their own terms; unlike the Pilgrims -- "mingling freely" and even inter-marrying among the tribes.

The reason -- says Dr. da Silva -- because "of a real sense of brotherhood -- or -- perhaps a simple promiscuity."

A vote of confidence in the youth of America today at the White House. President Johnson presenting
gold medals to America's young heroes of the year - as
selected from nominees across the country.

Nineteen year old Jon Hanshus of Eau Claire,
Wisconsin - cited for founding a youth employment service;
thereby finding seven hundred previously non-existent
jobs - for the youth of Eau Claire. Seventeen year old
Jeffrey Gallagher of Haskell, New Jersey -- cited for the
daring rescue of two men from a burning plane. And
seven-year old David Crowd of Cherokee, Kansas - a boy
who is partially blind - cited for rescuing his three younger
sisters from their burning home.

"By their devotion, their intelligence and their courage" -- the three medal winners demonstrating "what is best about the coming generation of young Americans" - said the President.

An old-style Texas cattle drive - complete with longhorn steers - is scheduled to get underway this weekend in San Antonio. As in days of old - the cattle headed for market in Dodge City, Kansas.

The drive - sponsored by the Texas longhorn of they bred they will truck the cathex cattle from city to city - but drive them on foot the rest of the way. The herd traveling for from San Antonio to the LBJ Ranch - on the first leg of the journey, then on to Abilene, the Red River, Altus, Ollahoma, and finally Dodge City.

The climax - a big celebration set for next
Saturday night; as befitting the occasion - a celebration
in Dodge City's famous -- teng Long Branch Saloon.

Next question: Who among us is normal -in terms of mental outlook? Or for that matter - what
is normal?

An attempt box at an answer - mm in a book just out. The work of a pair of New York psychiatrists - it's called "normality."

Among suggested definitions for normal: One that it means "well" - as opposed to "sick". Two - that
it means that the "ideal" - as opposed to the "least
desirable." Three - that it means "average" -- halfway
between the best and the worst. And four - that normal
is a condition combining the elements of all three of the
preceding definitions - when judged over an extended
period of time.

But when you come right down to it - say the authors - there are no scientific criteria for determining normalcy -- therefore there's no such thing as a "normal"

person. Except of course -- thee and me.