After ten days of rest and relaxation at his

Texas ranch - President Johnson returned today to

Washington. Looking fit and feeling "very good" - as he

put it. Immediately tackling twenty-four hours of the

clean up work - preparatory to his operation Wednesday

at Bethesda Naval hospital.

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By mutual agreement - Vice President Habers

Humphrey will make any required Presidential decisions;

while the President is under anesthenia - or otherwise

incapacitated. The understanding - similar to that in

effect between the last two Presidents and their Vice

Presidents; now in the form of a constitutional amendment
in the process of being ratified by the various states.

Another spectacular day in orbit - today - for Gemini Space twins Jim Lovell and Buzz Aldrin. The big achievement - a series of unobstructed pictures of the sunrise - and the stars of the Milky Way. Taken by space walk champ Aldrin in an hour-long open hatch space stand. While command pilot Lovell performed the difficult task - of keeping their crippled space craft on an even keel.

The problem - same one that has plagued the Gemini-Twelve since early Sunday. A mal-function affected rocket-control * in three of the space capsule's eight stabilizing thrusters. With resulting loss of fuel ruling out the possibility of another rendezvous with their orbiting Agena target rocket.

In the alternative - Astronauts Lovell and

Aldrin settling down tonight their last full day of

flight. Routine chores including the dumping of garbage

and excess equipment - that have accumulated during the mission. "After this one" - radioed Gemini-Twelve - "you can call out us the litter-bug flight."

Here at home - an assessment of the war - today from Henry Cabot Lodge - U S Ambassador to Viet Nam.

An assessment - both proud and cautious, as contained in a copyrighted interview in U S News and World Report.

Lodge observing that American military might - has scored tremendous success against the "army of North Viet Nam and the main force battalions of the Viet Cong."

To the point said he - where there is very little doubt about the outcome of the miltary situation.

But "which we have beaten" these forces - said

Lodge - "we have simply won the opportunity to get to the heart of the matter. And that - cities - "is more than a hundred and fifty thousand terrorist guerrillas - highly organized throughout the country."

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As if to underscore Lodge's remarks - a new surge of Communist terrorism - today - in Viet Nam itself. The most brazen attack - in Saigon, Where Viet Cong infiltrators blew up an ammunition bunker - barely a hundred yards from the quarters of Lieutenant General Lewis Walt - U S Marine commandant in Viet Nam.

The communists goes evidently using a satchel charge of plastic explosives - to set off the arms cache. Though there were no casualties - the resulting blast and enough to damage Walt's bungalow - giving him his second close as brush with death in recent weeks. The General riding in a helicopter only last mathe month - when he was nicked by a piece of shrapnel sekfest from enemy ground fire.

Meanwhile, on the fighting front - a saturation bombing attack today, by the best and B-fifty-twos, on suspected Viet Cong positions - in war zone C", Near the Ex Cambodian border. This the same area -

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where a Communist battalion ambushed a force of U S infantrymen over the weekend - inflicting heavy casualties.

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In London - confirmation at last of persistent reports - that Soviet Premier Kosygin will visit Britain early next year. The official announcement - from British Prime Minister Harold Wilson; who said that Kosygin will arrive in Britain on February Sixth - following a visit to France and another to Turkey.

Wilson adding that a "maximum amount of time during Kosygin's visit will be spent on talks." These said he - to deal chiefly with Viet Nam - and also a search for methods of halting the spread of nuclear weapons.

Altogether - a hopeful sign that Russia is seeking increased cooperation with the West - despite the continuing war in Viet Nam.

A mob of some six thousand Turks - not on an Anti-American rampage today in Adana - Turkey's fourth largest city. After failing in an attempt to lynch eight U S airmen - all negroes - accused of behaving improperly toward local women.

With the airmen quickly taken into protective custody by police - the mob venting its wrath on anything American it could find. All but destroying at least forty five American cars - and damaging the US Red Cross center - the US consulate and the US Information Agency building.

Heavily armed police finally setting up

barricades
barraceades in the city center - to contain the riot. In

demonstrators.

the end - arresting about thirty-five of the demonstrators.

The eight airmen - on furlow from the takest largest US military installation in Turkey - at nearby Incirlik.

For the second time in a week - a violent outbreak of religious strife today in India. The latest incident - on the outskirts of Calcutta.

A Hindu religious procession passing a suburban mosque - when a congregation of Moslems came streaming outers after prayers. Pushing and shoving leading to a battle royal, Till police arrived at the scene and dispersed the three two groups with teargas. However, the battle later rejoined - in another section of the Both Hindus and Moslems turning on the police - when the latter arrived again to put down the riot. Police finally forced to open fire - hilling at least three and wounding several others.

Court refused to intervene in the case of Mark

Wendell Painter. Young Mark - you will recall - the eight

year old son of a California photographer who was denied

custody of the boy -on the grounds that he was "unstable,

unconventional, arty, bohemian, and probably intellectually

stimulating."

The high court, by today's ruling - thereby upholding a lower court decision to the effect that Mark would be better off - in the "stable, conventional, middle class" surroundings provided by his grandparents - an elderly lowa farm couple.

Another ruling today by the Supreme Court in sharp contrast to past policy; that of throwing out
convictions of Civil Rights demonstrators - charged with
violating local laws. By a vote of five to four - the court
now upholding-the conviction of thirty-two negroes arrested
for track trespassing, when they refused to break up a

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Nineteen Sixty-Three demonstration on the jail house lawn at Tallahassee, Florida.

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The case advertising presented today in New York, by President Vincent Wasilewski of the National Association of Broadcasters. In answer to what he called "sharp and persistent criticisms of advertising from high Washington officials - over the past few months. Wasilewski asserting that advertising contrary to common belief - does not contribute to high costs - but rather keeps prices down - by inxxxxxx encouraging - mass production. At the same time - said he - advertising generates immense benefits - which are subsidiaries to its main purpose. As for example, underwiting the expenses of virtually all American information media, radio, television, newspapers and magazines.

Wasilewski concluding that "when advertising is threatened - all media are mutually threatened.

The threat of extinction - rapidly closing in on the railroad ticket taker. According to this next - a Washington report - on the latest in automated commuter railroad equipment.

about the size of a credit card - yet big enough to contain seven hundred bits of data. As such - the key ingredient in a new system - for validating fares at stations rather than on commuter grains trains. The card simply dropped in a turn-stile which - reads it and automatically execusives one fare.

The system tested for a year - on the heavily travelled Long Island Railroad, Proving its worth - in speeding up rail operations. Also showing that it is counterfeit-proof - and the card itself will even survive the family waskingt washing machine.

Just one catch - that may save the old style ticket taker for a few more years. Broad scale application of the new system - is said to be territory expensive.

Here's a little item that falls under the heading of "my how time flies". Britain's Prince Charles, xo
eighteen years old, as of today. A full-fledged man - by
royal standards. Fully qualified to assume the British

- in the event of his mother's death or abdication - and to without his father having to act as regent.

Queen Elizabeth herself is only forty - and in obvious good health - which makes the young Prince's right of succession largely academic. Ah, but perhaps more important to a young man of eighteen - is the fact that he can now drink legally in a pub - he can get a license to drive a car - and his weekly allowance increases automatically to sixteen the hundred dollars a week.

Not to mention the additional times likelihood that his mother will soon proclaim him - the Prince of Wales. Ultimate honor - for the tradery son of a reigning British monarch. (M-A-U-W-+-M).