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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

New hope. Perhaps thrilling good news -- from Detroit, news today of an experimental cancer treatment -- described as "one of the most significant advances in cancer research to date."

The treatment developed by cooperating doctors and scientists -- from Wayne State University and the Detroit Institute of Cancer Research, calling for the patient to receive an injection of "foreign protein" -- coupled with a portion of the cancer, and thus -- to bigger the body's natural disease-fighting mechanisms.

The treatment tried so far -- on twenty patients. All of them -- suffering from seemingly hopeless cancer. Of that number -- two are now considered totally cured; ~~eight~~ eight more -- are said to be well along on the road to recovery.

COAL

America's soft coal industry -- hit today by its first major strike in Fifteen years. About half of the nation's soft coal miners -- some Fifty Thousand in all -- walking off the job. Apparently in protest against a trend-setting wage agreement-- with the nation's biggest soft coal producer.

Union officials at Washington -- late today ordering the men back to work, while negotiations continue on a new contract-- covering the rest of the coal industry. Yet even as the order was dispatched -- roving bands of pickets began moving through the coal fields. Closing down additional mines -- along the way.

CAMBODIA

The Communist government of North Viet Nam -- today was granted formal diplomatic recognition by neighboring Cambodia. This by proclamation of Prince Norodom Sihanouk at Phnom Penn -- in defiance of the Nineteen-Fifty-Four Geneva accord. A definite moral victory for the Communists -- that could affect the U.S. war effort. By recognizing North Viet Nam -- Cambodia is now in position to grant official sanctuary to Communist troops, and further serve as a supply base.

VIET NAM FOLLOW ~~BOMBS~~

also, On the political front -- another ^{Viet Nam} crisis apparently in the making. Premier Ky today secretly moving a regiment of crack combat troops -- back into Saigon. Presumably to stiffen ~~government~~ government resistance -- to Buddhist demonstrations.

The regiment -- fiercely loyal to Ky -- known in Saigon as the "coup" division; ~~Because~~ it has been used in every major power struggle in Viet Nam--in recent years.

The troop movement -- following a virtual declaration of war by the Buddhist church -- against the ruling military junta, ~~On~~ the grounds of its continued refusal -- to agree to civilian rule.

The Buddhists -- also denouncing America's role in Viet Nam. Accusing the United States of supporting "dictator governments" in Saigon -- for the past nine years, ^{and} Asserting that continued support of Premier Ky -- threatens to plunge the nation into civil war.

BUDDHISTS FOLLOW VIET NAM

This related item -- from Washington. News today -- of a Senate staff study, ^{that says} ~~contending that~~ Red China has been using the Chinese Buddhist Association -- to stir up anti-American sentiment in Southeast Asia.

The report -- prepared well in advance of the current political unrest, . But spelling out in detail -- techniques used in the past to achieve Communist gains. These including taking advantage of the immolation of Buddhist priests -- to foment further violence.

The Chinese goal -- we are told -- to control rather than eliminate religion, In the belief that total elimination of religion -- "would create feelings of insecurity and instability" among the ~~Chinese~~ people. Where a controlled religion, on the other hand -- might "even facilitate the Communist task of transforming the traditional society."

BOMBS

A critical shortage of bombs -- reported today in Viet Nam. Causing a drastic reduction in American air raids ~~on Communist~~ targets in that embattled land. From an average of about Five Hundred sorties a day -- ^{now down} to Three Hundred or Four Hundred at most.

U. S. military authorities -- are said to be pressing a crash program for more bombs. But for now at least -- American air strikes are confined only to "emergency" targets.

A quick explanation ^{comes} from Washington -- where the blame ~~was~~ laid chiefly to political turmoil in Viet Nam. Assistant Defense Secretary ~~Arthur~~ Sylvester declaring the trouble due in part -- to recent civilian "disorder at Da Nang;" Preventing the unloading of bombs destined for the big American air base -- near that strategic port city.

The problem complicated -- he said -- by serious delays at the port of Saigon, ^{which has been} so crowded that some supply ships -- have taken as long as six weeks to unload.

BASEBALL

Oh yes -- baseball -- that first game of the season:

Cleveland five -- Washington two. A four-run ninth-inning rally by the Indians -- spoiling would you say, the American League "pitching" debut of Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

In the National League -- New York at Cincinnati -- called on account of rain.

LONDON

London's Trafalgar Square -- the scene today of a giant peace demonstration. Some twelve thousand pacifists, beatniks and ban-the-bombers -- protesting American policy in Viet Nam. The rally -- culmination of a three-day, twenty-five mile "peace march" ~~xxxxxx~~

About Two Hundred of the demonstrators -- later attempting a march on the U. S. Embassy at Grosvenor Square, ~~only~~ to be turned back -- by more than a hundred bobbies.

KELLY

Clarence L. "Kelly" Johnson -- a fabled figure in the history of aviation -- named today/winner of the Nineteen-Sixty-Six Thomas D. White National Defense Award. The announcement by Lieut. Gen. Thomas Moorman -- at the Air Force Academy in Colorado.

Kelly Johnson -- designer of the famous P-Thirty-Eight of World War Two. More recently -- vice president in charge of advanced projects for Lockheed Aircraft. Cited for "outstanding contribution -- to the national defense and security of the United States."

STARGAZER

America's Stargazer satellite -- still circling the earth today; in perfect position to give earthbound astronomers -- their first clear and unobstructed view of the universe; but -- literally -- as blind as a bat.

The Stargazer's primary battery -- overheated over the weekend. Quickly knocking out -- all three batteries aboard. All efforts to revive them -- so far unsuccessful.

LUNA FOLLOW STARGAZER

As for Russia's Luna-ten -- ~~xxx~~ round-and-round she goes. At last report -- trying to determine whether the moon is a perfect sphere. This by measuring changes in the pull of gravity -- as the Russian space ship continues an elliptical orbit.

Meantime, the Soviet press today reporting the discovery -- of so-called "fluxes of electrons" around the moon. In other words -- lunar radiation, said to be Seventy to a Hundred times stronger -- than cosmic rays. If true -- this could be another obstacle to manned landing on the moon, Warren.

KING

A royal coronation today -- in Kuala Lumpur. At the colorful climax -- Sultan Ismail Nasiruddin Shah touching a dagger of steel -- a twisted Malay kris -- to his forehead. To become the Fourth king -- of the Federation of Malaysia.

The new monarch -- a former civil servant; but sultan of the East Coast state of Trengganu -- since Nineteen-Forty-Nine The world's only elected king -- elected by vote of his fellow state rulers -- all the sultans. And now Sultan Moran.