

**President Johnson's liking for political surprise was never more apparent than today in Nashville, Tennessee, where he spiced a major speech on Vietnam with the surprise announcement that U. S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge will soon be coming home from Saigon.**

**Ambassador Lodge "coming to the end" of his second tour of duty in Vietnam," said the President. He added that Lodge's replacement will be veteran career diplomat and ace trouble shooter Ellsworth Bunker; with Bunker to have as his chief deputy, Eugene Locke, currently U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan.**

**The President further reinforcing speculation that General William C. Westmoreland may be upgraded in rank shortly, to the post of U. S. Commander-in-Chief for all of Southeast Asia. LBJ saying that Westmoreland will soon get "additional top flight personnel.**

**Turning to the war itself, the President drawing an allusion to Andrew Jackson, a native Tennessean, with the**

statement that "Old Hickory" would not have been surprised at our choice to fight Communist aggression in Vietnam.

As to the current rash of so-called peace feelers from Hanoi, the President saying "there can be no cutback in U.S. war activities unless and until North Vietnam makes some positive move in the same direction." "The problem is simple," said the President - "It takes two to negotiate and to date Hanoi has refused."

## WASHINGTON FOLLOW NASHVILLE

*Back in Washington - some remarks from visiting South Korean Prime Minister Il Kwon Chung, to the effect that those who seek peace at any price in Vietnam - are forgetting the lessons of the Korean War.*

*With forty-six-thousand Koreans currently serving in Vietnam , Korea wants an honorable settlement as much as anybody - said Chung. He added, however, that "peace based on short sighted expectancy and temporary safety is worthless and can never last."*

*In addition - Chung recalling what he termed "the Communist duplicity and unilateral stubbornness " - during peace talks in Korea, talks that dragged on and on for two years - giving the Communists added time to consolidate previous gains - said he.*

## ARLINGTON FOLLOW WASHINGTON

*Earlier, a solemn, touching and highly secret ceremony today - at Arlington National Cemetery, <sup>se</sup>congratation of the new, permanent grave site of the late President Kennedy and two of his infant children.*

*Among those present - Jacqueline Kennedy, returning to Arlington for the first time in two-and-one-half years. Joining with President Johnson and five of the last President's brothers and sisters in the brief memorial service.*

*Cardinal Cushing of Boston offering the final prayer. Said he: "Be at peace - dear Jack - with your tiny infants by your side - until we all meet again above this hill - and beyond the stars".*

## KENNEDY FOLLOWING ARLINGTON

*By afternoon, however, the President and Senator Robert Kennedy were again at odds - on a touchy issue; the President's request for an extra twenty-five-per cent in poverty funds - a total of Five Billion for the next fiscal year.*

*Not enough - said Robert Kennedy. Not near enough - he went on, to meet the threat of new ghetto riots this summer. There could well be "disorder and violence" - particularly among the younger poor" - said he - "unless the anti-poverty program is accelerated even more."*

*Latest from Red China; word today that more than ten thousand prisoners, recently staged a mass escape from concentration camps near Canton. These are said to be mostly intellectuals who were jailed in the mid-fifties by order of Chairman Mao; men who have since joined anti-Mao forces in a running battle with army contingents throughout Kuantung Province.*

*On another front, Radio Peking today attacked professional fraternities, college alumnae associations and labor organizations; for allegedly putting a strain on government purse strings. They should be "denounced, condemned and destroyed," said Peking, "because they are more concerned with social status and material benefits," than in spreading Communism.*

## **VIETNAM**

*U S Navy jets today destroyed or damaged five North Vietnamese patrol boats in the Gulf of Tonkin. One of the craft barely forty miles from the big Communist port of Hiphong - when it was blasted with US rockets.*

*To the South - U S Marine patrols today found eleven Soviet made rockets and thirty-three launch tubes; left by Vietcong Guerillas - who staged pre-dawn attacks on the big U S air base at Da Nang with heavy return fire from U S artillery.*

*Meanwhile, Vietcong terrorists - striking again today in Saigon, exploding a powerful plastic bomb at a military bus stop; leaving at least one dead, an elderly Vietnamese woman. Among the wounded - a small child.*



*The capital city of Agana on the island of Guam - a beehive of activity today, with the arrival of plane loads of newspapermen - secret service agents - government technicians - and dozens of communication experts. This the vanguard of the biggest invasion - since the US Marines hit the beach there in Nineteen-Forty-Five.*

*The reason, of course, President Johnson's scheduled visit to Guam - for talks on Vietnam strategy; an occasion so momentous to the people of the territory - that the Government has already ordered schools closed "for the duration." The regular Sunday cock fights - closest thing to a national sport - also suspended. And government officials are confidently predicting that every man woman and child on Guam - will be on hand to greet the President when he arrives.*

*To local residents - Guam is known as the land "where America's day begins." The President's visit - they hope - signals a new and brighter day for Guam.*



## **BOSTON**

*Governor Romney of Michigan - on tour today in Massachusetts - still refusing to declare himself a candidate for President - but telling Boston newsmen: "I plan to go to Vietnam, sometime this year." The Governor adding that "as long as the war continues - the people's confidence in President Johnson will decline."*

*Romney's remarks following a statement by host Governor Volpe, at nearby Cambridge, that the Michigan Governor would make an "excellent" candidate for President. Next question: How about Governor Reagon of California? said Volpe - "we haven't seen enough of his thinking or actions - to decide whether he is in the main stream of Republican thinking."*

## **BELGRADE**

*At Belgrade - a first step at last, to clear the way for a possible successor - to Yugoslavia's Seventy-Four year old President Tito.*

*A Federal commission appointed by Tito - drafting an amendment to the Yugoslav constitution. One that would abolish the post of Vice President and Deputy Supreme Commander of the armed forces, now held by two of Tito's old comrades in arms.*

*The idea - to clear the way for a younger man to become President; this in place of automatic succession - in the event of Tito's death.*

*Who will the younger man be? No clue - as yet, Warren. Tito still in good health - and taking plenty of time to survey the field.*

## STOCKHOLM

*There seem to be pills for everything these days - pills to pep you up, pills to slow you down, pills to - well, you name it. And now - from Stockholm - an instant abortion pill.*

*The pill approved today - by the Judiciary Committee of the Swedish Parliament; clearing the way for experimental use in birth control clinics throughout the country.*

## ASPEN

Hello everybody, and Hi to you Dallas. Many thanks for pinch hitting while I watch the big ski races at Vail, out here in Colorado. We are all anxious to see the French star in action, Jean Claude Killy, who is being called the number one ski racer of all time. Maybe he is, but from the time of friedl Pfeifer, Dick Durrance, Tony Matt, Emile Allais, Stein Eriksen, Zeno Collo, on down to Toni Sailer, Buddy Werner and others, there have been many greats, and we want to see if wild man Killy is really any better.

Out here at Aspen I have been sking with Friedl Pfeifer and Fred Iselin; with Alf Engen at Alta, and other greats of the ski world -- Otto Lang, Gretchen Fraser, and Jack Simplot, "Mr. Idaho". There's an interesting thing about skiing, Dallas, you can be the Prince of Wales, or the Number One Man in the Kremlin, but when you are sking on a mountain, no one really cares a hoot who you are. It's the one place where you can get away from it all.

I have followed the Shaw of Persia down ski trails, even the lovely Jacquelin Kennedy, and no one paid any attention. Oh, if you happen to be in the news at the moment -- the Manchester incident recently is a case in point -- newsmen may try to follow you. But all you have to do is be nice to them for a moment, give them a polite wave, and take off down the mountain. This even happened to me once in the mountains back of Vancouver, British Columbia. Local gentlemen of the press scaled a snowy mountain to interview me. But they nearly froze, and it was over in a hurry.

Even the Lone Eagle, Colonel Lindbergh, realized how easy it was to avoid people, the press and so, as a skier, and often came here to Colorado, to Aspen, skiing incognito, with no one giving a second look.

So, if you want to get away from it all, and have what I think is the most fun that it's possible for a human ~~had~~ being to have, come on out and join us in the powder snow, here



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in the Rockies. My next stop will be a new and spectacular  
ski area in the Tetons, at Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Why not  
join me there? So long.