DEBATE

On the floor of the US Senate - a rousing defense of US war policy; led today by Senator Runk Hansen of Wyoming, Senator Buckley of New York and Senators Saxbe and Taft of Ohio.

Young Bob Taft, for one, calling the President's chief critic to use his own manhous words -- "Johnny come lately doves;" "those" -- said he - who were strangely silent -- mhandhe when the previous administration was sending them hundreds of thousands of men to Vietnam." One and all further contending - that the US is winding down this year; but adding that a sudden US withdrawal - would hand leave rear guard American troops wide open to a devastating enemy attack.

VETERANS FOLLOW DEBATE

This following another demonstration by antiwar protestors -- including a number of Vietnam veterans -- on the steps of the US Supreme Court Building -- a demonstration that led to the arrest of more than a hundred -- who were then charged with disorderly conduct. The White House atoms stressing that officials have been instructed - to "take steps to avoid any violence"; recognizing "that the people of this country - have the right to express themselves."

WASHINGTON FOLLOW PARIS

Reverse side - from Herbert Rainwater, Commanderin-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars; who issued a
statement today in Washington - complaining about "all the
attention" given these self-proclaimed Vietnam veterans.

Rainwater then asking: "Why? Is it because they chant
obscentities in front of schoolchildren - for is it because
they befoul our national shrines with empty beer bottles?"

As to the claim that these demonstrators represent
"the average Vietnam veteran" - Rainwater saying: "Nothing
is further from the truth."

VIETNAM FOLLOW WASHINGTON

Meanwhile, the fighting continues, Including today

- a continued sweep of that key A Shau Valley. While a

single U.S. jet was attacking enemy missile sites
astride the border between Laos and North Vietnam.

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HUE FOLLOW VIETNAM

On the political front - South Vietnam's Vice

President Ky part a visit today to Hue; there saying that the

South Vietnamese - must learn to "go it alone" without

foreign aid. Ky adding that "Vietnamization, for us, must

have the meaning of building a new and strong Vietnam
economically, socially and politically." And this - said he
"is a job for all Vietnamese - for many generations."

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Here at home again - the second day of Senate hearing on refugee problems in Indochina. Chief witness - William Sullivan, a former U.S. Ambassador to Laos and now a State Department official; who stoutly refuted charges - that the U.S. deliberately bombs defenseless civilian villages.

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Said Sullivan: "We have never attempted to suggest that this is a simon pure military action - no military action can be." "But the policy of the U.S." - he added - "is to deliberately avoid hitting inhabited villages." And he further contended that most of the refugees in Laos - have actually been fleeing "advancing Communist forces from the North."

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW SENATE

Almost lost amidst all this furore - a brief ceremony over at the White House; where President

Nixon presented the Medal of Honor - posthusmously

-- to the families of three army men killed in

Vietnam; Sergeant Robert Pruden of St. Paul; Sergeant

Rodney Evans of Florala, Alabama; -- and Specialist

Fourth Class Michael Blanchfield of Minneapolis.

At Port Au Prince, Haiti - the end of a long colorful and controversial reign. President for life Prancois Duvalier - the legendary Papa Doc - age sixty-four -- passing away after a lengthy illness.

To be succeeded immediately - by his son - Jean Claude, age nineteen. The latter pledging in his first nationwide speech: I shall continue my father's programs.

of reports today telling of increased Soviet construction

and this we hear over the advent of "ping pong

the diplomacy between the US and Red China; a

development that is said to provide to Kremlin fears
Russia all so left naked and alone in the world.

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Minister Leonid Profile Ilyichev - supposedly to sit

it out -- to keep open the lines of communication with

the Mao regime -- to do -- "at any cost."

From Pope Paul - an impassioned plea today for more young people to serve as priests and nuns; those - said he - who will now have "unlimited fields" for evangelization."

The Pope's message failing however - to mention the question of celibacy. And Church critics were quick por to point out - that this is one of the chief obstacles in recruiting young people. But Vatican sources then noting -- just as quickly - that Pope Paul did make reference to celibacy as recently as Holy Thursday. And what did he say? Simply that priests who leave their ministries to marry - are much like Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of Christ.

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Washington - a warning today against the dangers of
"the great American pool swindle."

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Ohio State University - another Earth Day
observance today; including an appearance- by William
Ruckelshaus of the U S Environmental protection Agency;
who said that the goal of achieving "a clean and
healthy environment is one that can be met within
"this decade". But it's a job - said he - that "must
be done by us all - by every American."