

GENEVA

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*Good Eve. Everybody*

Success at Geneva. The United States,

Russia, and Britain - agreeing today to a milestone  
disarmament plan. Pledging to defend against atomic  
attack - any nation without nuclear weapons. To provide  
in effect - a new "super power umbrella." <sup>This</sup> With only  
one condition: That participating countries must agree  
to a world-wide treaty - banning the spread of nuclear  
weapons.

The pact thus an agreement of "historic  
significance." said American spokesman William Foster.  
Marking the first time that Russia and the United States -  
together with Britain - have joined ~~the~~ forces to protect  
smaller countries.

To protect them against whom? Against Red  
China - obviously. Renewed evidence that Moscow and  
Peking have now apparently come full cycle - in their  
world power struggle.

*Good Eve - Everybody!*

Here - there - almost everywhere, it seems -

"campaign sixty-eight" continues to dominate the domestic scene tonight.

*Former Vice Pres.*

At Conway, New Hampshire - ~~Richard~~ Nixon

driving into the home stretch of the years first Presidential ~~primary~~ primary, lambasting the courts - for allegedly hand-cuffing police. With the result - said he - that "the United States is in trouble at home."

"Lyndon Johnson says - let us continue; I say - it's time for change." ~~That's from Richard Nixon~~

The President was also under fire today in New Hampshire - from a pair of "peace candidates." ~~Former Gov.~~ *Gov.* ~~Harold~~ Stassen, for the Republicans - Senator McCarthy on the Democratic side. The latter in particular, blasting L B J - for failure "to bring the war in Vietnam to an honorable, peaceful end." McCarthy declaring: "No one can guarantee that new approaches can work - but we do know the old ones have failed."

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More on the same - from Washington; where Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield said ~~that~~ the President has no plans to enter any Presidential primaries this year. Reason - said Mansfield: Because he wants to devote full time to seeking peace in Vietnam - also, peace in our ~~own~~ own cities here at home.

Though he <sup>did</sup> later qualified that statement somewhat - apparently on advice from the White House. - ~~the point had already been made~~ At any rate Senator McGa <sup>seems</sup> McCarthy, virtually assured of a clear shot at nearly a hundred first ballot votes at the Democratic National Convention.

Meanwhile at Phoenix - Barry Goldwater was saying today that he would do everything in his power - to help Richard Nixon win the ~~Republican~~ nomination; But Nixon or no - said Goldwater - he would support whomever the party nominates.

WASHINGTON FOLLOW POLITICS

A later development: Highly placed Democratic sources quoted tonight as saying: The President is getting ready for "a very rugged, very tough" re-election campaign next fall; no matter who the Republicans nominate - to run against him."

Sens. Ken. + Fulbright also blasted LBJ again today.

NEW YORK FOLLOW WASHINGTON

*Finally, in New York - Governor Rockefeller stressing again that he, too, would support Nixon - if Nixon ends up the Republican nominee. As for the possibility of a Rockefeller draft movement - he would face that "when it came" said the Governor.*

DETROIT FOLLOW GENEVA

A second disarmament story - comes today from Detroit, ~~of all places~~. Mayor ~~Jerome~~ Cavanagh speaking out against what he called - an "unprecedented arms race," among the "ordinary people" of his city.

This "arms race" based on a fear of repeat riots in Detroit this summer - same as last year - said ~~he~~, ~~Mayor Cavanagh~~. Adding however, that it constitutes in and of itself - "the most clear and present danger to our common future."

Mayor Cavanagh concluding: "This arms race must be stopped - we must return to sanity."

~~A good idea wouldn't you say?~~

## VIETNAM

War news from Vietnam - marked today by another probing assault near Khe Sanh. With enemy troops advancing to a distance - less than three hundred yards from an allied outpost; where they were blasted out of their tunnels and trenches - and ~~finally~~ <sup>thrown</sup> ~~back~~ <sup>back</sup> - in a tremendous demonstration of American air power.

U S Navy pilots and Marines alike - later confirming the pin-point accuracy of the air strike. Said one flier : "We put the bombs right where we wanted them.!-- It looked like a volcano erupting."

Back in Saigon - casualty figures for the past week ~~showing~~ <sup>put</sup> American losses ~~at~~ <sup>a</sup> a near record ~~of~~ five hundred and forty-two men. Enemy losses for the same period - nearly four thousand. ~~more~~.

PANMUNJOM

~~Latest from~~ Panmunjom: News today of still another meeting - of that Korean military armistice commission - about as productive as all the rest - where the U S S Pueblo is concerned. Meaning - no progress.

Be that as it may - Communist news men <sup>were</sup> taking advantage of the parley - relaying to their western counterparts - a possible means to securing release of the Pueblo's eighty-two man crew. 'All it would take - they said - would be an admission from President Johnson - that the Pueblo did, indeed, violate North Korean waters; also - a public apology.

~~End of message~~



LONDON FOLLOW AUSTIN

~~Across the Atlantic - in London - a rousing,~~

~~second to General Hershey's remark,~~ from Anthony

Barber, - chairman of Britain's Conservative Party,

made ~~some~~ <sup>interesting</sup> remarks ~~addressed~~ to a Touring

U S Chamber of Commerce group. <sup>Conservative Chairman</sup> Barber asserting

that he is - as he put it, ~~xxxxxx~~ "sick and tired of

hearing intellectuals & abusing the United States on

Vietnam, When, in fact, - said he - "the United States

is fighting for the defense of the free world - and

deserves our gratitude and understanding."

Barber adding that U S withdrawal from

Vietnam - would give the Communist ~~g~~ world "a free

hand to take over any part of Southeast Asia they choose,

Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore; and <sup>too Warren,</sup>

"it would not end there" said he.

## MOSCOW

Moscow - the Soviet Union ~~was~~ ~~now~~ warming up ~~today~~ for its annual Womens Day celebration; telling its hard-working weaker sex - how much better off they are than the ladies of the West.

All those stories about American women contolling the wealth - just "a bad joke" - said the Kremlin. Noting as proof - that only one percent of American engineers are women, As compared with thirty-three percent - of all Russian engineers. Soviet women also said to comprise sixty-three percent of ~~the~~ all Russian economics -- seventy-two percent of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> teachers -- and sixty-three percent of the veterans. These comrades supposedly combining "happy motherhood" with an even more active contribution to social labor."

Driving home the point - the Kremlin simultaneously honoring some eighty thousand Russian women. ~~all~~ Winners of "heroine mother" awards -- for producing ten ~~or~~ or more children.