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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Historic Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin, today waited almost helplessly -- before the onrushing crest of the Mississippi. The raging river -- expected to hit a record peak of more than twenty-five feet -- sometime before morning.

About a fourth of the town's residents -- have now been evacuated. The rest warned to prepare for the worst. Prairie Du Chien -- protected by pitifully few dikes -- and riddled with inlets from the flood-swollen river. The county Sheriff's office reporting today -- "we'll just have to let nature take its course."

Flood conditions also mounting downstream -- in Iowa and Illinois cities still ahead of the crest. At East Dubuque, Illinois -- the residents of one thirty-block area -- already forced to flee their homes. Flood-workers later bulldozing an abandoned house from its foundation -- to make way for a new

dike. The flood pressure, meanwhile, backing up storm sewers -
and sending a torrent of water down the city's main street.

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VIET NAM

U. S. Marines today clashed with Communist guerrillas -- for the first time in the battlefields of Viet Nam. The result -- a Mexican standoff.

A platoon of about fifty Marines -- on a routine reconnaissance patrol from the U.S. air base at Da Nang -- when they were surprised by the ^{Communist} Viet Cong. There followed a furious ten-minute battle -- under the scorching tropical sun. One Marine ^{wounded in} ~~was~~ ^{in the head} ~~in the head~~ during the skirmish ^{and} ~~two~~ ^{two} others ~~were~~ felled by heat prostration. Communist losses, ~~if any~~ -- not yet known.

After the brief encounter -- the Communist Viet Cong -- melting back into the bush. The Marines -- returning to their defense perimeter -- as ordered.

Meantime, in the air war -- U.S. and Vietnamese warplanes today launched sixty more tons of bombs and rockets -- against military targets in North Viet Nam. This the ninth straight day -- of U.S. air raids on the Communist North.

ALABAMA

At Haynesville, Alabama--the Lowndes County grand jury today indicted those three Ku Klux Klanemen--in the Civil Rights murder of Mrs. Viola Liuzzo. The murder indictment presented to Alabama Circuit Judge T. Werth Thagard--who will preside at their trial; a week from Monday.

While at Montgomery--Alabama Attorney General Richmond Flowers today accused Governor Wallace of what he called--"sheer demagoguery"--in the current racial crisis. Further, daring his longtime political foe--to join him in a full-scale state investigation of Ku Klux Klan.

The Attorney General stating that if Communists have infiltrated the ranks of the Civil Rights movement--"then we must presume that Communists have also infiltrated the ranks of the Ku Klux Klan." Adding, what's more, that "nothing in the Gestapo under Hitler--nothing behind the Iron Curtain--was or is as ruthless as the secret meetings and night rides of the KuKlux Klan." That from the Attorney General of Alabama.

STEEL

The United Steel Workers Union today reaffirmed its traditional policy -- of "no contract, no work." At the same time -- directing its locals around the country -- to proceed with plans for a May First strike in the basic steel industry. The Union stressing that there is a still time to reach agreement on a new contract -- but adding that it isn't likely. President Johnson is in touch with the situation -- but as yet, no direct government intervention.

RABORN

The Senate today quickly confirmed the appointment of retired Vice Admiral William F. Raborn -- as Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. Full Senate approval -- followed by less than an hour -- the unanimous recommendation of its Armed Services Committee. Richard M. Helms -- a career Intelligence officer -- ^{similarly} confirmed by the Committee -- as Raborn's new second-in-command. Full Senate approval of his appointment -- also expected shortly.

ALPS

Six Boy Scouts and two Girl Scouts--missing five days in the blizzard-swept Swiss Alps--today were found alive and okay. The youngsters--aged fifteen to twenty--safe and sound in a refuge hut--near the top of Bristen Mountain in the Central Swiss Alps.

The scouts--trapped in the hut since Saturday--when they set off on an Easter ski trip. Blizzards and avalanches--thwarting all attempts to reach them, until a six-man rescue team today used dynamite to blast through several mountain passes.

But the rescuers themselves are now marooned, and reporting tonight that they will wait until the weather clears--before attempting their descent.

TIME

Time waits for no man--we are atold. But how about women? Here's a report from a leading watchmaker--on just how much the average woman spends--or ought to spend--on the simple, ordinary tasks of the day.

To make a double bed--four-and-a-half minutes.

To set a table for four--three-and-a-half minutes. To prepare a complete breakfast--cantaloupe, eggs and such--fifteen minutes. To iron a man's shirt-with French cuffs--five minutes..To dial a telephone--twelve-and-a-half seconds. To complete a week's shopping--a little over an hour.

That takes care of the daytime. Now for the evening. Here the time-study shows--that a woman can get dressed and ready to go out--in just ten minutes; if she's in a hurry. Otherwise--twenty-seven minutes. Versus five for the average man.

What about the old saw--the one about a woman's work is never done? The time-study report stating its overall conclusion--in these words, Dick: Like everyone else--from common laborer to corporation president--the housewife who is eternally busy--is the one who is totally inefficient.

AFFLUENT

The title of "The Affluent Society" -- first applied to the United States of America. But a dispatch from Copenhagen today -- would seem to indicate that we may have some company.

Coming up -- May Day. The anniversary of the Communist Revolution -- and through much of Europe -- the day when Left-Wing ^{labor} groups stage their traditional marches of "labor solidarity." Accompanied occasionally -- by a riot or two.

But Denmark's labor unions -- today called off their usual May Day parades and demonstrations -- for this year, at least. The decision based on the fact that May First, Nineteen Sixty-Five -- falls on a Saturday. A labor spokesman explaining that Denmark's workers "would rather use this weekend day -- for holiday trips."

Score one -- for our side.

PALACE

Here's a social note -- from the Imperial Palace at Tokyo. A number of the royal staff today disclosing that Crown Princess Michiko -- and her husband, Crown Prince Akihito -- are expecting their second child.

Lovely Michiko -- the commoner who shattered centuries of imperial tradition -- when she married the ^{handsome} ~~looking~~ young prince -- heir to the Japanese throne. The couple already has a son -- he's now five ^{with} ~~with~~ The second ~~royal offspring~~ -- due in December.