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WHITE HOUSE

The big story tonight - still to come - as you no doubt know by now. President Nixon's eagerly-awaited report on Vietnam - set for broadcast shortly on most of these CBS Radio stations. According to those in the know - an address that could be the most significant of Mr. Nixon's career; though what exactly he will say - still a closely-guarded secret. The White House observing simply: "We have had full and complete consultations" with Saigon - and we "are in complete agreement."

Meanwhile, President Thieu of South Vietnam was addressing a gathering of local officials today - near Saigon. For what it's worth - Thieu asserting that "we are near victory over the Viet Cong. And he added. There is no reason for us to lose to the Communist - now that victory is so close."

MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East - an abrupt cease-fire today; bringing to an end two weeks of fratricidal warfare - between the Lebanese Army and Arab guerillas. The truce following an agreement reached at Cairo - at the urging of Egypt's Colonel Nasser. An agreement reportedly giving the guerillas a virtual carte blanche - to launch their attacks against Israel from Lebanese territory.

As might be expected - Israeli reaction to all this - something less than enthusiastic. As a matter of fact - Jerusalem let it be known that any future guerilla raids from Lebanon - would be met with swift reprisal. To drive home the point - Israeli jets today blasting a number guerilla positions in Jordan. Serving notice that official government policy is still "an eye for an eye" - in Jordan, Lebanon or anywhere ^{else} it's called for.

UNITED NATIONS

At the United Nations here in New York - the U.N. General Assembly today opened its twentieth annual China debate; with the first to take the floor - Ambassador Huot Sambath of Cambodia - speaking in behalf of seventeen friends of Red China; urging again the ouster of Nationalist China - in favor of a delegation from Peking.

Next up - Nationalist China's Foreign Minister - Dr. Wei Tao-Ming; who asserted that his government stands as a beacon of hope for enslaved millions - the standard-bearer of Chinese culture and civilization - the rallying point for free Chinese" the world over; ~~where~~ the "Communist regime has kept itself in power" - said he - "through torture and terror, surveillance and intimidation."

There will be more - much more - before the debate ends. However, observers saying the pro-Peking nations - again have virtually no chance of success.

PATROL OFFICERS A

(SUGGESTED LEAD-INTO THOMAS TAPE SLUGGED "PATROL OFFICERS A")

And now - another "time out" for Lowell Thomas;

reporting ^{once more} ~~again~~ tonight from the Island of New Guinea - "on
the edge of nowhere." Lowell...

men usually goes in alone, unarmed. If he isn't killed, then the next step is to get the tribesmen to help him fell trees, clear enough space for a small plane to come in, and then a patrol post is set up. These are the air strips on which we've been landing in small planes flown by bush pilots. They also are a picked corps of young men. You have to be a crack airman to play this jungle game. Each day I marvel at their skill. They too are playing a vital role in helping the people of New Guinea make what seems like the impossible transition from The Stone Age to the Twentieth Century - from the dim, dim past into our world of today.

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PATROL OFFICERS A

Good Evening Everybody:

You may have heard me say that the young Australian patrol officers here in New Guinea make up just about the most impressive group of young men in all the world. There are five hundred of them here, scattered through the jungle among a people who for thousands of years have been living in the Stone Age. In this area, the so-called Western Highlands, where we are now filming the crew has been at work for months, there are about a half a million of these Stone Age people, broken up into small tribes and sub-tribes each at war with its neighbors. Until recently if a man or a woman went even five or six miles from his own village he was almost sure to be killed - and eaten.

The young Australian patrol officers are fast changing this. When ready to venture into an uncharted, uncontrolled area, one of these rugged young

(SUGGESTED FOLLOW TO THOMAS TAPE SLUGGED "PATROL OFFICERS A")

Thank you, Lowell. Back to the news...

Dr. Barthold Kern, who asserted that excessive alcohol and lack of adequate rest are the "prime important causes" of heart disease. And all that business about excessive weight, cholesterol and cigarette smoking heart attacks - a lot of baloney - said he.

Dr. Kern then added that the average medical experts recognize this fact - the sooner they stop wasting money chasing wild-goose chases. Indeed, the doctor declared that two out of every three heart victims could have been saved - if only they had received proper advice and treatment at the first signs of heart trouble.

BADEN-BADEN

At Baden-Baden, West Germany - a meeting today of the International Society for Combatting Heart Disease; hearing a straightforward address from a leading German heart specialist - Dr. Berthold Kern; who asserted that excessive agitation and lack of adequate rest - are the "sole important causes" of heart disease. And all that business about excessive weight, cholesterol and cigarettes causing heart attacks - a lot of malarkey - said he.

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SENATE FOLLOW BADEN-BADEN

Here on our own shores - a nationwide study of U.S. health care - especially among the poor. Results - just made public today before a Senate committee. According to Dr. Lester Breslow - president of the American Public Health Association - the figures reflecting a set of circumstances "that can only be called health brutality;" a brutality - said he - that "pervades the lives of millions of Americans."

Among other things - the study showing: One - that infant mortality rates in the U.S. - are higher than in thirteen other countries; two - that non-white infant mortality - is twice as great as with whites; and three - that poor ~~Y. B. H.~~ families have three times more heart disease - seven times more visual impairment - and five times more mental illness than others.

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STUTTGART

West Germany again - a rumored "royal romance" was making headlines today at Stuttgart. The Daily Bild-Zeitung pairing off Britain's nineteen-year-old Princess Anne - with Germany's Prince Friedrich Von Schwartzberg. ^{The paper noted} Noting that the two were seen together constantly - during the Princess' ^{Ann's} weekend visit at nearby Schloss Langenburg Castle. ^{where she} This as a guest of her aunt - Princess Margarete Zu Hohenlohe-Langenburg.

Only trouble - the prince ~~is~~ deny it all. A spokesman for the German branch of the Royal Family - noting there were "other girls" present at the castle at all times. ^{U. S. -} And a brother of the twenty-eight-year-old Prince was also heard to remark: "That is the eighth young man / that I have heard Princess Anne is going to marry."

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FORT HAYES

From Fort Hayes at Columbus, Ohio - the story today of a geriatric G.I.; First Sergeant Howard Davis - at age seventy-two - the Army's oldest enlisted man on active duty; retiring from the service finally - after fifty-three years in uniform, off and on.

Sergeant Davis - a veteran of World War One, World War Two, the Korean War; and he would have gone to Vietnam - if they'd have let him. Along the way - winning two Silver Stars, a Purple Heart and numerous citations. An old soldier - a valiant soldier - deciding the time has come at last - to "just fade away."

And now for Lowell - JH - fade
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