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**HOTTELET LEAD-IN**

**To start off tonight - a late development on the  
Indian-Pakistani dispute. Here now - from the United  
Nations - my CBS colleague Richard C. Hottelet.**

## INDIA - PAKISTAN

While the whole world watches and waits - India and Pakistan continue to play out their grim drama.

At New Delhi today - Madame Gandhi, addressing a cheering crowd of more than a hundred thousand college students; told them her government - is presently considering a ~~U. N.~~ <sup>U. N.</sup> cease-fire resolution. But she added:

"Nothing can deter us from driving the occupation forces out of Bangla Desh - and helping the Bangla Desh people to live in peace and prosperity." In a later broadcast to India's armed forces - they lady premiere also saying: "Fight well, my countrymen - victory will be ours."

And in East Pakistan - we hear Indian troops today were crossing the Megna River - in massive numbers; getting ready for a hoped-for final assault - on the East Pakistani capitol of Dacca. With Indian military sources saying they are under heavy pressure - to take Dacca by early next week; in which case - we are told - India would then be prepared to accept a cease-fire.

**A thousand miles to the west though - a far different story; with Pakistani troops launching a pair of attacks today - into the Vale of Kashmir. The fighting that followed - according to battlefield reports - "the most bitter and heaviest" since the start of the war. New Delhi admitting that Indian troops suffered "heavy casualties", with reinforcements on the way.**

**Here at home - the White House was again urging immediate compliance with the U.N. cease-fire resolution. Press Secretary Ron Ziegler noting pointedly - that Pakistan has already agreed to do so.**

## WHITE HOUSE

*The White House again - President Nixon today signed the bill - cutting taxes sixteen billion over the next three years. The president noting that benefits accruing therefrom - will affect nearly every taxpayer - from the poorest individual - to the richest corporation. Therefore, calling the bill; a "Christmas tree - something for all Americans. But a "Christmas tree" in the good sense - said he; and not one loaded with extras - that "will break down the tree."*

*In a written statement - the President also reiterating his objections to the bill's provision calling for Federal financing of presidential campaign. The President adding: "I am confident - that with time allowed for reconsideration - this provision will not become operative."*

## **CAPITOL HILL**

***On Capitol Hill - the Senate today gave final Congressional approval to the President's new Anti-Cancer bill; allocating one-point-six billion over the next three years - for a concentrated attack on that dread disease.***

## **REHNQUIST - FOLLOW CAPITOL HILL**

*After much debate and parliamentary maneuvering - the Senate also approved today the President's nomination of William Rehnquist to the U.S. Supreme Court; the President's fourth nominee - so approved. And now we have what they are calling a "Nixon Court;" giving the conservatives - for the first time in years - a clear-cut edge.*

## **BICENTENNIAL**

*Elsewhere in Washington - a meeting of the American Revolution Bicentennial Commission; which designated Niagara Falls, New York - as the nation's first official "bicentennial city"; the first of many - it's hoped. The Commission also approving South Dakota's Mount Rushmore - as the first official regional site for Bicentennial observances.*

*The Commission further pledged its "full weight" - in support of the Nineteen-Seventy-Six winter Olympics here in the Denver area. Urging the Federal government to "establish priorities" - financial and otherwise - that will help to make this international sports event a great success.*

## **INDOCHINA**

*In the fighting in Indochina - major ground action was centered today at the town of Dambe in Cambodia; where North and South Vietnamese troops - were said to have battled each other to a stand-still.*

*In the air war - enemy gunners downing seven allied aircraft; five at Dambe - and two more back in South Vietnam; while an American "Thunderchief" jet was blasting another SAM missile site in Communist North Vietnam.*

## BRUSSELS

*At Brussels - the final session of a three-day NATO meeting followed by a communique - stressing NATO's determination to keep up its guard against the possibility of Communist attack; adding that member nations intend to allocate - "a stable and possibly larger proportion of their growing national wealth" for defense purposes.*

*At the same time - NATO expressing a willingness to start talks with the Communists - on European security; but only when a new Berlin agreement - is signed, sealed and delivered. U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers - explaining that this means bilateral consultations can start at once.*

*After weeks of wrangling - East and West Germany finally reaching an accord; agreeing ~~to~~ on traffic and travel arrangements - which are needed to implement a four-power Berlin agreement. Too late to open the Berlin wall for Christmas - but still a milestone, hopefully, in East-West relations.*

## PARIS

*Paris - for printing the names, places and intimate details in a recent divorce case - a French legal magazine was found guilty of invasion of privacy. But the plaintiff in the case - a man aged seventy-one - getting only token damages in the amount of one franc.*

*This perhaps explained by the man's number one complaint - that the magazine had printed his wife's grounds for obtaining a divorce. She, a younger woman, contending that he, a septuagenarian - was possessed of, quote, "excess virility." To him apparently - a great insult; although the court advising him in effect - "Count your blessings."*

**UNIVERSITY OF DENVER**

*I've just been attending an unusual graduation ceremony. Along with Chancellor Mitchell and Vice Chairman Kelsey of the University of Denver, I went to the Colorado State Capitol Building. There in the Chambers of the Supreme Court - thirty-four University of Denver students were given Masters degrees in Law Court Administration. This is all for the purpose of speeding up justice in this country. A great idea. We all hope it works. So once again the University of Denver is doing the unusual, Warren.*