

SENATE

Fri, Nov, 27-70,

From Washington we hear of  
~~At the top of the news tonight~~ - a bizarre

plot to kidnap foreign diplomats and high government  
ng officials ~~in Washington, up to and perhaps~~ including -  
a key but as yet unnamed White House aide, with the  
idea - we 're told -- to hold them as hostages until  
the U S agreed <sup>S</sup><sub>A</sub> to stop bombing in Southeast Asia and  
release all political prisoners. All this - according  
to J Edgar Hoover in written ~~testimony~~ testimony before  
a Senate Appropriations sub-committee.

The F B I director then went on to identify  
the alleged plotters - as members of an organization  
called The East Coast Conspiracy To save lives; which  
he said was "a militant group - self-described as being  
composed of Catholic ~~priests~~ priests and nuns, teachers,  
students, and former students" those "who have  
manifested opposition to the war in Vietnam  $\Leftarrow$  by acts  
of violence against government agencies and private

corporations." And their principal leaders" - said

J Edgar - Catholic Priests Philip and Daniel Berrigan,

~~Both~~ of the brothers Berrigan <sup>who</sup> recently were

jailed for destroying draft records in Baltimore back

in Nineteen Sixty Eight. The F B I Director <sup>also</sup> ~~saying~~

~~is clear though he felt~~ <sup>saying he feels</sup> the plot had <sup>s</sup> not been completely

broken; at least, not yet.

MANILA

In the wake of that attempted attack on Pope Paul at Manila Airport - a quick ~~boost~~<sup>increase</sup> today in Papal security. Philippine police officials raising from three thousand to five thousand - the number of men assigned to guard the Pontiff's safety; hoping to make sure - it won't happen again.

However, the Pope himself continuing his appointed rounds - ~~almost~~ as if nothing had happened. Carrying through with a schedule of appearances - that finally kept him going some thirty hours in all, practically non-stop. The Pope's aides observing ~~that~~<sup>how</sup> he is determined now more than ever - to make himself accessible to any who wish to see him. The Pontiff is a man "with absolute faith in God" - they explained; ~~saying that he~~<sup>and</sup> "believes ~~that~~ whatever happens to him - would be God's will."

## INDO CHINA

The war news from Southeast Asia - tells today of <sup>a new</sup> ~~an apparent~~ Communist drive on the city of Phnom Penh; with enemy troops said to be advancing on the Cambodian capital from four different directions. In neighboring Vietnam though - death takes a holiday. The U N command in Saigon - reporting a third straight day without a single American combat death. Indeed, the total U S casualty count for ~~this~~ period - showing only eight wounded. <sup>This</sup> According to ~~at least~~ one U S officer - "just good luck."

## CAIRO

*In the Middle East - at Cairo - a report that Syria has finally agreed to join the new Arab Confederation. Today's announcement following two days of talks - between Egypt's President Sadat and Syrian Prime Minister Assad. The Federation membership now numbering four with Libya and the Sudan filling out the group. The leaders of all four having agreed - we are told - "on the necessity of combined action in all political, ~~and~~ military and economic fields;" with their ultimate goal that of strengthening "the capabilities of the Arab nation - in its battle of destiny against Zionist plans."*

MOSCOW

As predicted, ~~F~~amed Russian Novelist Alexander

Solzhenitsyn - a visitor today at the Swedish Embassy

in Moscow. ~~Where~~ <sup>the Stockholm</sup> he told <sup>^</sup>officials he would not be

able to travel to Stockholm next month - to accept

his Nineteen Seventy Nobel Prize for ~~the~~ Literature.

accompanying  
His <sup>^</sup>explanation if any - not announced.

However, observers note that Solzhenitsyn has been

under extreme pressure ever since the award was

first announced. The Kremlin calling it - an attempt

to embarrass the Soviet Union. As you <sup>have heard</sup> ~~know~~ <sup>^</sup> ~~^~~ ~~^~~

Solzhenitsyn's books having long been banned in Russia.

## GREAT LAKES

*The death of America's first black General*

*- reported today from the Great Lakes Naval Hospital.*

*Benjamin O. Davis - a veteran of the Spanish American*

*War, the Philippine Insurgency and the Mexican border*

*campaign - also World War One and ~~World War~~ Two; finally*

*achieving the rank of Brigadier General - the highest*

*ever held by a negro; the highest that is, 'till the*

*appointment of his son a few years ~~back~~ back as a*

*Lieutenant General. The end now - coming after a*

*lengthy illness. Benjamin O. Davis, Brigadier General*

*Retired - age ninety-three.*

LONDON

At Christie's <sup>in</sup> ~~of~~ London - an art auction

today where the ~~px~~ piece de resistance - was a portrait  
■ painted by the great Seventeenth Century artist,  
Diego Rodriguez de Silva Velazquez; a portrait of the  
artist's assistant, Juan de Pareja; which set up a  
flurry of bidding - that lasted two-~~two~~ minutes-and-  
twenty seconds, all told. But the final price - coming  
to five million, five hundred and forty-four thousand  
bucks; more than double - the previous auction record.

The new owner - Wildenstein and Company of New York -  
one of the ~~worl~~ world's biggest art dealers; whose

Vice President - Alec Wildenstein - stressed, however,

<sup>that</sup> the painting would be held by the firm rather than

resold. As to the enormity of the price paid -

~~His~~ Wildenstein saying <sup>Warren</sup> "when a race horse can be

sold for six million - and it happens every year - then

this painting is really cheap."



WASHINGTON

~~Here at home~~ - *a* postscript today on that  
U S commando raid into Communist North Vietnam;  
as provided by a wounded Vietnam war veteran - one  
of those with whom President Nixon shared his  
Thanksgiving dinner yesterday. ~~Army~~ Army Sergeant  
Corris Sworn of Pompano Beach, Florida - saying the  
President discussed the prison camp raid in great detail;  
adding that the President had said he was not  
discouraged - that this raid had failed to achieve  
the release of any American prisoners of war. The  
President <sup>also</sup> quoted as saying: "It's like football; -  
you ~~can~~ run a play and if it fails - you try again."

*and s.l-u-man,*