

JOHNSON

L.T.-Buick, Fisher, Tulsa, July 5th. 1966.

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President Johnson called a news conference at his Texas ranch today and estimated that the recent American air strikes against North Viet Nam have destroyed fifty-seven per cent of that country's oil supplies. He said that pictures from the field were still being evaluated, and a fuller analysis of the damage would be forthcoming.

The President also said he is highly desirous of starting "projects of peace" in South Viet Nam, even before the fighting ends. He reported that Defense Secretary ~~Robert~~ McNamara has given him an encouraging report on the year-long military build-up in Viet Nam -- indicating that it might be possible to substantially reduce the production of ammunition in the near future. But the build-up of American forces in Viet Nam will continue, the President said.

On domestic affairs, he reported that the Federal budget deficit for the fiscal year just ended will be "very substantially below" his original estimate and "far below" his estimates of last January.

VIET NAM

~~Free, July 5th, 1966,~~

Another air-and-sea battle fought today between North Vietnamese torpedo boats and American Navy jets off the coast of the big port city of Haiphong. One Navy skyhawk plane ~~was~~ shot down but its pilot was rescued. The planes fired rockets at the <sup>Viet Cong</sup> ~~communist~~ torpedo boats but there was no indication that they scored any hits. ~~It was~~ <sup>This</sup> the second battle in the past five days between the torpedo-boats and planes-- three of the Communist vessels were sunk in a battle last Friday.

In South Viet Nam, U.S. Marines advanced through the ruins of Communist positions near Da Nang after a big battle in which the Leathernecks reportedly killed seventy-eight Viet Cong.

In Japan, a large force of police prevented thousands of anti-American demonstrators from approaching an isolated mountain site where Secretary of State Dean Rusk and Japanese Foreign Minister Shiina were holding a meeting. <sup>Regarding this</sup> ~~at the same~~

<sup>See</sup> ~~the~~ Rusk told the Japanese Cabinet Ministers that critics

of American policy in Viet Nam first must decide what kind of a world they want to live in. It was the second straight day of Left-Wing demonstrations against the American bombing of oil depots in North Viet Nam.

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In London, it was announced that British Prime Minister Wilson will fly to Washington at the end of this month to discuss possible new Vietnamese peace moves with President Johnson. Wilson is expected to assure the President of Britain's continued support for U.S. policy, even though it *does* opposes any moves to escalate the war.

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Communist Romania told the Seventeenth Geneva Disarmament Conference that it can expect to make little progress as long as the United States continues what it calls, "aggression in Viet Nam." And in Los Angeles, the Democratic Governors served formal notice that they will seek bipartisan support for a new Governors Conference declaration, backing the President's actions in Viet Nam.

## INDONESIA

At last it has happened! The Indonesian Congress today has taken the advice of his physician and decided against stripping President Sukarno of his "president for life" title, travelling to Jerusalem on July Eleventh to attend a ceremony. also outlawed many of his teachings, and paved the way for what may become his total political eclipse in the near future. <sup>but</sup> Sukarno still is the figurehead president; the Jakarta Congress -- the nation's highest authority -- designated anti-communist strongman, General Suharto, to stand by and be ready to serve as "acting president" any time Sukarno is "incapacitated -- or out of the country."

Suharto, who has been vitually ruling Indonesia since last ~~March~~ <sup>March</sup>, surrounded Jakarta with several battalions of troops to forestall any possible uprising, but the capital took the news calmly. In Washington, Administration officials were obviously pleased with the developments in view of Sukarno's anti-American attitude.



TRUMAN

Former President Truman -- who is eighty-two --  
has taken the advice of his physician and decided against  
traveling to Jerusalem on July Eleventh to attend a ceremony.  
It will be ground-breaking for **The Truman Center for the  
Advancement of Peace.**

## SATURN

A twenty-nine-ton Saturn rocket was fired into orbit from Cape Kennedy today in a key test that proved that the second stage engine could be shut down in space -- then re-started again -- to provide the thrust needed to send an Apollo spaceship to the moon. The satellite went into an orbit one-hundred-fifteen miles high -- and passed its tests successfully about five hours later.

JOHN-JOHN

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Five-year-old John Kennedy, Junior, in about two years  
will be expected to have recovered from the burns he suffered  
when he accidentzllly fell into that bed of hot coals in  
Honolulu, at that Luau on the big island of Hawaii. Doctors  
say he is in satisfactory condition after undergoing minor  
surgery three days ago.



MALAWI

The new African nation of Malawi became a republic within the Commonwealth today, with a flourish of trumpets -- and <sup>a</sup> twenty-one gun salute -- and the cheers of thousands, massed in the streets of Limbe. An American-educated physican -- Doctor Hastings Banda -- became the nation's first president. Malawi achieved independence with the break-up of the old federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.



OMAHA

Several hundred National Guardsmen have been mobilized in Omaha, Nebraska, for possible duty in the predominantly Negro area of the City's North Side. The section has been the scene of three nights of racial unrest -- store looting, rock-throwing with scores of people being placed under arrest.

## TRAFFIC

A final count shows that the death toll on the nation's highway over the Fourth of July weekend reached five-hundred-seventy-seven -- an all-time high for any summer holiday. California ~~counted~~<sup>—</sup> forty-six traffic deaths -- the most of any state.

## WEATHER

Thunderstorms and gusty winds are headed toward the Atlantic Coast, bringing relief from a long siege of record-breaking heat. Winds of up to seventy miles an hour -- nearly a hurricane -- slammed into St. Cloud, Minnesota, bringing hailstones "as big as softballs." That's big, Warren. I've seen them as big as hens eggs -- but not the size of the softball.

*Weather*  
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## BEATTLES

An angry mob of Filipinos cursed and booed the Beatles today as they left Manila's airport in a demonstration that virtually touched off an international incident. The rough-and-tumble send-off resulted from their failure to keep a luncheon date with the wife of the Philippine President, Mrs. Ferdinand Marcos.

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