GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

A massive airlift underway tonight -- to the vast subcontinent of Hindustan, to take out some fifteen hundred Americans -- caught in the undeclared war between India and Pakistan. About nine hundred to be evacuated from Lahore -- the West Pakistan holy city currently under assault by Indian troops. They'll be flown to nearby Tehran, and onto Beirut. The remainder to be evacuated from Dacca in East Pakistan -- to temporary quarters in Bangkok and Manila.

Similar plans underway to evacuate by road -- about a hundred Americans caught in the Pakistani capital of Rawaipindi, who will travel to Kabul, the remote walled city Eapitol of Afghanistan.

KASHMIR FOLLOW AIRLIFT

New Delhi where Indian officials are said to have told U.N.

Secretary General U Thant -- that they are ready now to

accept his proposal for an immediate "cessation of hostilities,"

providing Pakistan -- will do the same. Both sides to remain

in their present positions -- pending negotiation of a

permanent cease-fire.

The foregoing is indeed supported by news that U Thant -has postponed his scheduled return to New York, so he may
have further talks -- with Indian Prime Minister Shastri.

Also, there's speculation tonight -- that he may yet return
to Rawalpindi -- in an effort to wrap up the cease-fire.

For now, however, the fighting continues along
a wide front. Both sides claiming victory -- neither
admitting defeat.

That newly-arrived First Cavalry Division -- fully entrenched tonight, In the first all-American stronghold -- in the interior of Viet Nam. The

hacked right out of the jungle, Fifty miles from the South China Sea -- about two miles from strategic Highway Mineteen. Supplies and equipment pouring in -- at the rate of about five hundred tons a day. They there -- ebviously -- to stay.

Their camp area, by the way -- purchased by the U.S. from South Viet Nam. And for security reasons off limits to Vietnamese. All limits on between forces -- to be conducted on the outside.

Meanwhile, more than two hundred Communists were killed in ground action today in Viet Nam, While in the air-war -- American B-Fifty-Twos blasted a suspected Communist concentration near Saigon -- for the third time in twelve days.

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At the Vatican -- Pope Paul today opened the fourth and final session -- of the Ecumenical Council. Before an audience of some twenty-five hundred bishops -- packed in the floodlit splendor of St. Peter's Basilica.

The Pontiff disclosing creation of a new Senate of
Bishops -- to help govern the Roman Catholic Church. But He was
interrupted by applause — only once, when he mentioned his
planned mission to the United Nations -- and called for unanimous
support -- of his "message of peace." "A plea" -- said the Pope
-- "for harmony, justice, brotherhood and peace among men of
goodwill."

Incidentally, that New York trip one scheduled to last -- "at least two days and maybe longer," according to Vatican officials. Because the original one-day visit planned by the Pontiff -- would have been "simply too tiring."

ROME FOLLOW POPE

This related item -- also from Rome. U.S. Bishop

Fred Pierce Corson -- head of the Methodist World Council -
calling for a Summit Meeting of American religious leaders,

— do it

Po confer with Pope Paul in New York -- "in a gesture of unity

Methodist

of the church for peace." Bishop Corson -- an official

observer at the Ecumenical Council.

At the White House -- a pair of medals -- and a pair of promotions today. For America's record-setting space team -- of Gordon Cooper and Pete Conrad.

The medals -- exceptional service awards. Pinned on -- by President Johnson. Who hailed the two men -- "for outstanding contributions to the technology of manned flight."

The President later promoting Cooper -- to full Colonel. Conrad -- to full Commander in the Navy.

The awards ceremony -- far quieter than those for past astronaut heroes. But this a matter of routine -- said space officials, Only because our space triumphs -- keep coming so fast.

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LAW FOLLOW ASTRONAUTS

In another White House ceremony -- the President today signed into law -- the State Technical Services Act.

A five-year plan to pass along to private industry -- "the fruits of federal research and development."

The bill -- little publicized, "but the 'sleeper' of the Eighty-Ninth Congress" -- said the President. In that it "will do for American businessmen -- what the great Agricultural Extension Service has done for the American farmer."

approved an all-inclusive Farm Bill. Closely following the original recommendations -- of President Johnson. A four-year package of multi-billion-dollar subsidies -- designed to proper and atthe same time up farm income and help control farm surpluses. For the President -- another major legislative victory.

A warning today -- from the American Medical
Association. Over the fact that two-thirds of the nation's
pre-school youngsters -- have not yet been completely
immunized against polic.

days. But don't be lulled into a fairs sense of false security

-- says the AMA. Noting that "all persons who have not been

properly immunized against polio -- are still vulnerable to

attack."

In London - its a bouncing, eight-pound baby
boy - for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Starkey, Alias Ringo
Starr -- of the Beatles.

The youngster promptly given the name of -
Zak. "Not because it's a bit Biblical" -- said his

father -- "but because it's a bit Western"."

What about his looks? Not much hair for

a Beatle -- said Ringo. But otherwise -- "he looks

extit like a bit of each of us -- and he's got a bit

of a Ringo nose."

All in all -- said the proud papa -- "a lovely little lad."

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AQUANAUTS

At La Jolla, California -- nine aquanauts stepped from a decompression chamber today, after more than two history-making weeks -- in the underwater confines of Sealab Two.

The aquanauts -- exulting in their first breath of fresh air, but noticeably weary -- with the glamor of their mission somewhat tarnished. Scientists conceding that the men had reached the point -- of "reluctance" to re-enter the water. However for Astronaut Scott Carpenter -- he's still down there -- two more weeks to go. Warren, how would you like to spend a few weeks down there where there are no mermaids?

Weight-watchers of the world -- attention! A new test to determine just how much weight you need to lose -- disclosed today by a pair of Harvard doctors.

First step -- forget the scales -- forget the charts.

Because the standard weight-to-height ratios -- said to be
all wet. The reason being that some people -- like
football linemen -- are big-boned, big-muscled and often
overweight, that is according to the charts -- when in
reality they have little excess fat -- and effective
weight reduction is next to impossible.

The best measure of obesity -- according to the Harvard scientists -- is the size of the fold of flesh -- at the back of the upper right arm. If it's a roll of fat -- you need a diet. Shall we take off our shirts and check this,