

SENATE

Tues, Apr. 8-'75

~~Here~~ Here at home - Army chief of Staff General  
<sup>today</sup> Weyand, was testifying in secret ~~today~~ before the  
Senate Armed Services Committee; telling of what  
he found - on his just-completed ~~his~~ fact-finding  
mission to Vietnam. And this including a statement  
- we are told - that "some additional military aid  
is necessary - for the survival of South Vietnam."  
On his way out - the General also meeting ~~briefly~~ briefly  
with newsmen; saying "there is no question - but that"  
"the South Vietnamese will fight." "They have been  
through a very traumatic ~~an~~ experience" said he;  
"they have an opportunity to put it back together  
again, and I think they will - but beyond that, we'll  
have to see".

**PENTAGON**

From the Pentagon <sup>comes</sup> an announcement ~~today~~ that  
a full marine battalion has just been <sup>transferred</sup> ~~transferred~~  
from Okinawa to the Philippines. This in order to  
have it handy = in case it's needed for ~~evacuation~~  
evacuation operations in Indo China.

## AVIATION

In the magazine *Aviation Week* - a report today that the South Vietnamese air force since mid-~~the~~ March has lost more than one third of all its aircraft. The bulk of those losses <sup>are credited to</sup> ~~are due to~~ "enemy fire, abandonment, and fuel ~~starvation~~ starvation" during the so-called "precipitous withdrawals" of the past ~~two~~ few weeks.



## **REACTION**

*The United States' apparent change of heart in Vietnam - was reaping a harvest of scorn today in much of Asia. Singapore's Prime Minister Lee, for one, saying: "Thais and others in Southeast Asia know now - that the patience and perseverance of the Americans has not matched that of the Communists; not simply the Communist in Vietnam but also their suppliers the Peoples Republic of China and the Soviet Union.*

SAIGON

*In Saigon*

*^* In the wake of that bombing attack on the

Presidential palace ~~in Saigon~~ - a city-wide curfew ~~was in~~

*force*  
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today, ~~for six hours~~ *with* President Thieu ~~also~~ taking to the

air *^* in an attempt to reassure the populace. "This

was not a coup from the military," said he - but an

act ~~was~~ encouraged by "a group of ~~people~~ who have

said they want to work out a political solution," to the

war.

~~So~~ Meanwhile the pilot of the attacking plane -

apparently escaping into Communist held territory.

*His move*  
~~Ironically, his anger~~ against Thieu *is* *^* said to have been

triggered ~~so~~ by the latter's decision - to give up

~~much~~ much of South Vietnam without a fight.

## WHITE HOUSE

The White House - President Ford was meeting today with past and present ~~with~~ military, diplomatic and domestic advisors - ~~also~~ attempting to ~~hammer~~<sup>work</sup> out ~~the~~ details of the foreign policy report he <sup>will</sup> make to Congress on Thursday. The President also signing a proclamation banning the use of chemical herbicides, except in dire circumstances.



LISBON

Portugal's new left wing government served notice ~~today~~ today it will continue to honor ~~its~~ its nato commitments. Prime Minister Vasco Goncalves warning, however, the U S will not be allowed to use the Azores = in resupplying Israel in the event of another mid-east war. <sup>The Prime Minister</sup> ~~Goncalves~~ saying: "We will not allow our bases - to be ~~utilized~~ utilized against the Arabs."

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**SEOUL**

*At Korea university in Seoul - a series of student protests ~~on~~ including one yesterday and ~~another~~ another today,<sup>o</sup> finally leading to an order from South Korea's President Park Chung Hee - closing the school indefinitely. Park's order also saying that anyone found henceforth on campus may be searched, arrested and jailed summarily without warrants.*



DAR ES SALAAM

At Dar Es Salaam in Tanzania <sup>at</sup> a meeting of  
black ~~and~~ African and Arab Foreign Ministers, The  
main speaker ~~today~~ - Samora Machel, the President  
designate of ~~the~~ Mozambique, <sup>ed</sup> ~~urging~~ the start of  
a guerrilla campaign ~~throughout Southern Africa~~  
~~with~~ with its ultimate aim <sup>to</sup> ~~that~~ of isolating the  
Union of South Africa.

TAIPEI

From Taipei ~~was~~ an announcement today that Chiang Kai Shek will be given an elaborate state funeral next week - but ~~he won't~~<sup>will</sup> be buried ~~until later~~; ~~not until~~<sup>after</sup> mainland China is recovered from the ~~Communists~~ Communists. A spokesman saying it was always Chiang's hope and dream that his final resting place - should be ~~given~~ in the land of his ancestors.

and now -

## STAR JUNCTION

The story of what might ~~be called~~ be called a "one house pet ~~from~~ population explosion comes today from Star Junction, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson returning home from a night out - discovering their calico cat ~~had~~ had given birth to four kittens. Their terrier had had four puppies and their German shepherd had had eight more off-spring. ~~The timing of all this - a bit unusually~~ ~~to say the least.~~ <sup>Said</sup> ~~But~~ Mrs. Wilson, ~~saying she~~ <sup>I guess</sup> ~~was told~~ "the full-moon has something to do with such things."