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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

More than Four Thousand heavily-armed Illinois National Guardsmen -- stationed at key locations tonight in Chicago, ready and waiting to help police -- if necessary; to put an end to death and mob violence -- that has swept Chicago's West Side for the last three nights.

The Guardsmen deployed by order of Governor Otto Kerner -- at the request of Mayor Daley. Under explicit orders to return fire -- if they themselves are fired upon. Guard Commander General Francis Kane adding this personal warning: These troops "are pretty good marksmen."

Even so -- fresh gangs of Negro youths are reported roaming the riot area -- even as Guardsmen move into position. The marauders looting stores -- setting fires -- stoning police and firemen.

City and state officials hopeful they can hold them in check -- to prevent the crisis from becoming a catastrophe.

NURSE

Elsewhere in Chicago -- a tiny, frightened girl today relived a night of horror. Twenty-three-year-old Corazon Amurao -- sole survivor in the massacre of ^{the} Eight student nurses; telling police how the killer lulled his victims into a false sense of security -- sitting on the floor with them -- and telling them he wanted nothing but money.

Miss Amurao alive today -- only because she heard a muffled cry -- as the killer took each of her house-mates into adjoining rooms. Though bound -- she rolled under a bed. And today -- from police files -- she was able to pick out a number of men; now sought as prime suspects -- in ^{this} ~~one of the most~~ shocking crimes ~~in modern history~~

VIET NAM

In Viet Nam -- American warplanes struck anew today at the Communist North. Carrying the stepped-up U.S. air offensive -- into a Seventeenth straight day of non-stop bombing; another furious assault -- at the industrial heartland of North Viet Nam.

On the ground -- to the south -- a bitter battle today near Chu Lai. With a band of some Three Hundred Viet Cong infiltrating a mountain pass -- to pounce on a ^{smaller} force of U.S. Marines. About Ten of the Viet Cong -- actually breaching the Marines' ^{defensive} ~~defence~~ perimeter, before they were finally driven off in fierce hand-to-hand fighting -- dragging their dead behind them.

Meanwhile, this from Hanoi: A warning today to countries that would like to arrange peace talks -- to keep hands off. Potential peacemakers told by Hanoi: "We have only one answer -- to fight, fight and fight."

SENATORS FOLLOW VIET NAM

Here at home -- a joint statement ^{just been} ~~was~~ issued ~~today~~ by
Eighteen Democratic Senators. A plea to North Viet Nam -- to
abandon its stated threat to execute captured American airmen --
as war criminals. The statement asserting that such action --
could well "provoke the gravest reprisals -- and further blacken
the hope for peace."

SAFETY

From the U.S. Government Services Administration -- a new set of safety standards today -- for the cars it will buy for government use in Nineteen-Sixty-Eight. Safety standards that ~~will~~^{may} become standard on all new cars -- beginning late next year.

More padding on dashboards -- collapsible steering columns -- head-rests to prevent whiplash injuries -- shoulder belts in addition to seat belts -- and so-called "fail-safe" braking systems. In addition -- the government insisting on improved equipment -- to remove pollutants from engine exhaust.

LIONS

An almost incredible tale of high-flying lions -- comes today from Brussels.

Flight Captain Paul Wuhrman of Swiss Globe Airlines -- halfway to London with a shipment from the Frankfort Zoo; when he felt a warm, wet and very large tongue -- licking at his leg. Quick as a flash -- he flipped on the radio. Calling "Brussels, Brussels, can I please make an emergency landing. I have three lions in my cockpit."

The answer back -- loud and clear: "permission denied. Just take the lions -- and stick 'em in your gas tank."

But it was no joke. Three lions were loose in the plane -- having broken out of their cages. And once Captain Wuhrman had convinced the ground -- he came in for a hurried landing. Pilot and co-pilot exiting through a cockpit window -- while the plane was still rolling.

At that -- a greater embarrassment still to come.

One of the lions -- a young cub; plucked bodily from the plane --

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by a Fifty-year-old woman zoologist, Mrs. Agatha Gyzen. The same woman -- later cajoling the other two lions into waiting cages; nudging them along with a broom stick -- and calling gently "go on pussy, go on pussy."

ANTI-TRUST

Under mounting pressure from press and public -- the White House today broke its silence on a controversial issue; firmly backing the Justice Department -- in its decision to drop an anti-trust suit against the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company. At the same time -- twitting Republican critics.

White House Press Secretary Bill Moyers -- reaffirming a statement by Attorney General Katzenbach; to the effect that there was no connection between dropping the suit -- and a Ten Thousand-Dollar donation by company officials to Democratic Party coffers.

Next question: Does the incident leave the impression -- that big Democratic contributors get favored government treatment? Moyer's answer: No -- no more than the idea -- said he -- that the Mellons and Rockefellers get favored treatment -- for their contributions to the Republican Party.

ARTHUR

This next report from a mossy hill -- about Ten miles from Glastonbury, England; where final preparations are underway today -- for one of the greatest treasure hunts in British history.

It's the start of another dig -- in the ceaseless search for Camelot; fabled home of King Arthur -- and his legendary Knights of the Round Table. The Camelot Research Committee -- financing the project -- confident that this time they're really on the right track.

Site of the planned excavation -- close by the spot where Christianity was founded in the British Isles. Clearly the home of a chieftain of great wealth and power -- who lived around the time of King Arthur at the end of the Roman era.

The evidence in recent discovery of a grave -- that could have been Arthur's; leading to chance findings of drinking vessels and other relics -- dating back to Five Hundred A.D. Also a series of knolls in the form of definite rings --

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indicating they were once the ramparts of a feudal stronghold.

Project -director Sir Mortimer Hall hopeful that with luck -- King Arthur's great hall may be found still intact within the rich black soil. Complete with weapons and shields -- and perhaps even a bit of that storied Round Table.

If so we will have a final chapter, at last -- to the legend of King Arthur and his knights of old; who dedicated their lives to a search for the Holy Grail -- oh yes -- and to damsels in distress, Warren, Sir Gallahad, Sir Launcelot.

WHALES

Here's a story that once would have fallen into the category -- of carrying coals to Newcastle. News today that about a Million tons of whale meat -- will be delivered shortly to New Bedford, Massachusetts -- one-time whaling center of the world.

Plans for the shipment disclosed by Oscar Arruda -- head of Portugal's largest whaling fleet. Arruda adding a footnote -- that would have curdled the hearts of New Bedford whalers; those men of iron -- in their wooden ships. The whale meat -- bound for a rendering plant -- ~~where it will~~^{to} be converted into dog food.
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