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BIRTHDAY

And now best wishes to CBS radio network station W J R in Detroit, a radio pioneer of the mid-West today celebrating its fiftieth anniversary on the air. Fifty years - for W J R - with which I have been associated most of that time.

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The Pentagon today announced that more American ships and manships warplanes are being rushed to Southeast Asia to protect the American troops remaining there and to help the South Vietnamese meet the current Communist offensive. Rentagon per officials also displayed photographs and descriptions of a dozen "new and sophisticated Soviet weapons which they say the Communists are using in South Vietnam for the first time. These weapons include a device four feet long - which can be fired from an infantryman's shoulder and believed to have caused the recent crash of two small American aircraft. The Viet Cong today proclaimed the establishment of its own government in the provincial capital of Quang Tri which fell to North Vietnamese troops a few days ago. It marks the first time the Viet Cong has claimed establishment of a provisional government at a specific place on South Vietnamese territory. Quang Tri,

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incidentally, is the first Provincial capital the

Communists have captured in the south during the entire

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war. R Mean Wind, companies forces are moving on Hue

from three sides - with heavy fighting reported ten

miles west of that coastal city. President Thieu - after

arriving in Hue -- conferred with South Vietnamese

military commanders and then expressed confidence

me on what he called "the durability of the northern front."

In Paris, the United States anapparer suspended the peace talks

indefinitely - because the Communist delegates refused

to discuss the present offensive in South Vietnam. American spokesmen also indicated that hopes are dim for fsecret

n egotiations.

ELECTIONS

Despite the presence of the school bussing issue on the ballot, voting in today's Tennessee primary is relatively light. Alabama Governor Wallace faces ten opponents in the State's Democratic Presidential primary - and he's expected to top them all, with Hubert Humphrey coming in a possible second. In Ohio, Humphrey, emerged as the apparent winner over George McGovern in the Ohio tery on the basis of narrow victories in Akron and Dayton. Although control of the State's convention delegation remains in doubt. A Judge today ordered a new election

in sixteen precincts of Cuyahoga County, Cleveland there where the polls failed to open at all. The balloting is non/ set for Tuesday.

NIXON

Secretary of State Rogers - arriving in Brussels today - said President Nixon will seek progress for mutual troop reduction in Europe during his summit talks in Moscow later this month. It's reported also that the President will discuss strategic arms limitations and possible joint space projects with the Russians.

From now until May Tenth, Secretary Rogers will visit Western European capitals to keep allied nations informed about President Nixon's summit plans.

In Washington today - the President delivered a eulogy for F B I director J. Edgar Hoover. This during funeral services at the National Presbyterian Church a service attended by an estimated crowd of two thousand mourners. Said the President in part: "J. Edgar Hoover had a great influence for good in our national life - and the good he has done will not die." Then he added: "He made

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the FBI the finest law enforcement agency on earth - and

in so doing became an institution in his own right."

TURKEY

The Turkish armed forces are on an emergency alert tonight -- following an assassination attempt against the commander of the National Police. The alert comes in the midst of **second** current political social and economic turmoil in Turkey accentuated by the terrorist activities of **ex** the self-styled Turkish peoples <u>liberation army</u>.

As we know, the full moon shining over Miami can inspire song, romance - and other exotic relationships. Now we learn that the full moon can also inspire murder and -mayhew mayhem - this according to a team of research psychiatrists -- Doctor Arnold Lieber and Carolyn Sherin. They believe they've **fo** confirmed what the comic books and bar tenders - have been saying for years - that the full moon brings out the madness in men. They found that during the full moon - when tidal forces are at the maxim a sharp increase was noted in Miami's murder rate. This conclusion resulted from a fifteen year study/ Lieber says the moon-murder phase chart when completed looks surprisingly like the chart of ocean tides at Key Vest. Since the composion of the human body is eighty percent water Dr. Lieber believes the Moon may create biological tides inside humans - causing in turn some changes in body chemistry and hormones. This, he says, could

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trigger temporary insanity in persons of emotional

instability. And now my emotorally stable colleague Don Robertson.

SWIM

In Manila, an eighteen year old apprentice seaman - Matthew Setzer - told newsmen how he fell overboard **mean** from a tugboat and swam for nearly sixteen hours until he was rescued. Said young Setzer: "I just sat down to rest for a minute and next thing I knew I was in the water.' "It's a funny feeling to be out there by yourself . twenty-five miles from about shore - watching your ship sail away." He could see land in the distance and swam in that direction - for sixteen hours until finally naval patrol aircraft spatti spotted him treading water and lowered a raft to the rescue.