Another special message to Congress today.

President Nixon asking approval - of the already specified.

six percent acrossthe-board wage hike. And to pay for it he also asked for an increase in first class mail rates to ten cents an ounce. This to be coupled with

simultaneous increases - in second and third class rates
as well; in the hope - said the President - that the
government will then be able to meet its postal obligations
- on a "pay as you go" basis.

What about the additional eight percent increase that mail men alone are supposed to get? That will be worked out - said the President - "immediately upon enactment of postal reform!" He urgeo Congressal approval of the entire package - "as soon as possible."

Soviet Communist Party Chief Brezhnev, was a visitor today at Budapest; where he addressed a session of the Hungarian Parliament - on the twenty-fifth anniversary of that country's liberation from Nazi Germany. Brezhnev telling his fellow Communists - "the situation in Europe is still tense and uncertain. He added though "our aim is clear - we wish to create a system of collective security in Europe - so that Europe becomes the continent of peace."

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Meanwhile, In Moscow, a letter was being circulated today among western correspondents. A letter asserting that the only way to cure Russia's current economic slump - is to bring about a gradual "democratization" of the entire Soviet System. And it was further susggested that this might be done - by giving Soviet industrial firms greater economic independence, while at the same time permitting freer distribution of domestic information - and putting an end to the jamming of foreign broadcasts.

Most important, perhaps - the letter was supposedly signed by three of Russia's leading scientists; including Andrei Sakharvo - the so-called "father of the Soviet Hydrogen bomb."

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INTRO TO TAPE -D L

Next stop - Dharmsala in the western

Himalayas - as we continue tonight - via tape - our

visit with the fables Dalai Lama.

Hello Warren and Good Evening Everyhady:

Up to now I've tried in a few words - tried in vain I'm sure - tried to give you a picture of where the Dalai Lama lives in exile on the Indian side of the Himalayas. Of course, he would like to be back in his lofty palace, the Potala, in Lhasa, his capital. It is now in the hands of the Chinese Reds.

Through Tsoltim Shakabpa, son of one of the Dalai Lama's veteran cabinet ministers I made an appointment to meet His Holiness.

And he came out of his audience room, greeted me on the terrace, put his arm around me and welcomed me like an old friend. Which in a way we are. For this is our third time together, first in Lhasa in Nineteen Forty-Nine with Lowell Jr. when he received us formally as he sat on his throne wearing his formal dress as ruler of Tibet. Then he was fifteen.

We met again in Nineteen Sixty-One, here in

India, after he had fled. Then he was twenty-seven, and he spoke no English and he seemed like an extremely serious young man, and no wonder.

Now at age thirty-five he speaks some English - how he learned it I don't know. But the Tibetan people, even in exile are laughing, outwardly happy people. And that is the way I found this man whose people revere him as a God, a reincarnation of Buddha.

When you hear me again I will tell you a few of the things that he said to me - one of which was that the Tibetans almost to a man - are determined to free their country.

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In Vietnam - encmy troops continued texts

to
their stepped-up shelling attacks today. Raising the

casualties
number of American dest over the past three

wo days -- to a figure higher than that for all of last

week.

Reverse side - U S and South Vietnamese

Were
planes attacking enemy units in South Vietnam's

western Kien Giong Province, with an estimated four
hundred - sending thousands mine more fleeing across

the nearby border into Cambodia.

According to later reports from Phnom

Penh - Cambodian border guards pleading with the

not take refuge in Cambodia.

Viet Cong to "proces" go back, "However, the Communists

are said to have shouted; hack in return: "We are the

children of Sihanouk", and on they came.

In the Middle East - Israeli jets switched targets again today - switching from Syria back to Egypt; and there hitting a pair of Russian make Sam Two missile sites - in the northern Nile delta.

Results - though hard to tell. Indeed,

an aerial battly involving around
thirty planes on both sides, in an it udds that the

attackers were finally driven off - "without being able
to carry out their mission;" white from Tel Aviv at

reports contradict this,

A case of mistaken identity with unexpected consequences. - is reported today from Redwood City, California. The way it happened - a fellow by the name an James Crawford, spending a night out with the boys. When he returned home - a bit under the weather - he entering what he thought was his own apartment. There finding his way into a darkened bedroom - his wife's the thought where he began to caress the lady of the house, who responded in mixton kind; till suddenly the lady screamed:- "That mustache. - you're not my husband!" Enter the police.

Now - the final chapter. James Crawford finally
winning app acquittal - in the third day of a trial on
charges of assault and burglary, but, not before he had
spent twenty-six days in jail - unable to raise book.

At But then it could have been worse,

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husband - had atso had a mustache?

today signed into law a new anti-pollution bill; one that would force oil and shipping companies; in most cases - to pay the cost of cleaning up oil spills. In addition, it places new curbs on thermol-pollution from nuclear power plants; and it will also bar, eventually, the discharge of sewage even from pleasure boats. As he signed the bill, the President cases ting, in effect "it's later than we like to think."