Daring, devil-may-care Bobby Unser of Albuquerque, New Mexico -- surprise winner of today's Indianapolis five Hundred."

Bobby Unser touring the course in his piston-driven car - at a record average speed of one hundred-and-fifty-two-point-eight miles an hour. Pulling ahead to stay -- with a scant twenty-five miles to go? after jockeying back and forth most of the day with the three favored turbine cars entered in the race.

Earlier - Bobby Unser having said to the turbine cars: "The only way I can win - is if they don't finish." For the xtox second straight year - they didn't.

Paris drama: The plot thickens. French

President DeGaulle - stumping the experts today.

Vowing: "I shall not resign." Adding that the fifth

French Republic -- "will not abdicate" in the face of

massive nationwide rebellion; will not surrender -
as he put it -- to "intimidation, intoxication and

tyranny."

DeGaulle further refusing to dismiss his

Premier -- George Pompidou. Instead, dissolving

the National Assembly - pending general election next

month. In the meantime -- threatening to invoke his

constitutional powers of rule by decree; if --in his

own words -- "if this situation of force is kept up."

The truth -- plain and simple, said DeGaulle
to that "France is threatened by a dictatorship of

totalitarian Communism." well, no estable defiantly.

Adding that "the people will take a grip on themselves

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again, -- progress, independence and peace will win the day!"

Perhaps even more important than the words the spirit in which they were an delivered. Le Grand
Charles -- once more the fighting DeGaulle of old.
Rallying millions of Frenchmen to his side - just as
before.

The proof - in cries of "Vive DeGaulle"

reported from nearly every city, village and hamlet

in France & immediately following his speech. In

Paris -- in the Place de la Concorde alone -- some

three hundred thousand Gaullists pledging eternal

allegiance. Chanting over and over again: "We are

here DeGaulle! Down with anarchy."

For the first time in weeks -- Communist and Leftist demonstrators -- vastly outnumbered by loyal Frenchmen.

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Reverse side -- a related item from the Sorbonne. Visitors reporting today that French students have turned the university into a veritable fortress city -- ready for any emergency.

Doors and gateways -- barred and barricaded.

Inside, student sentries at the alert -- also complete
hsopital facilities, dormitories, book stores, a rummage
shop, a children's nursery and so on. Plus free
distribution - of Marxist, Leninist, Trotskyite, Maoist,
and Castroite pamphlets.

As far as provisions are concerned -- plenty for all - we are told. Including a few Gallic touches - such as anchovies, fine wines, excellent cheeses and lots and lots of birth control pills.

Here at home -- President Johnson was also making news today. In a brief press conference at the LBJ Ranch -- LBJ all but assuring passage of his long-awaited tax increase. Agreeing at last to accept a congressional tax package? Ealling for a simultaneous six billion cut in federal spending.

This budget reduction - a move he "deeply regretted" - said the President. Adding, however, that "the need for a tax increase - is that urgent."

The only alternative -- said he - would be "economic chaos."

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FACE TO FACE

Dr. Frank Stanton has just been reminding me about the Senate joint resolution, which probably will bring the principal political candidates face to face in debate, again. The will have the fif the House will pass a similar resolution -- which seems likely.

Memorial Day -- Nineteen Sixty-Eight -- a time for remembering American heroes -- past and present.

Especially poignant this year - since it falls im on Thursday; coinciding with publication of weekly casualty figures today - in Saigon.

American losses for the past week -- set at four-hundred-and-twenty-six dead -- nearly twenty-seven hundred wounded. Worst weekly toll -- since the start of that U S partial bombing pause two months ago. At the same time -- Viet Cong losses falling to two thousand, five hundred and fifty dead. Lowest for them -- since the week ended April Twenty.

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Speaking of new African nations (-- here's another to add to the list: The upcoming Republic of Equatorial Guinea -- formerly Spanish Guinea; scheduled to gain its independence from Spain -- later this year.

Equatorial Guinea - a tiny West African

territory Ponsisting of a patch of mainland jungle
plus a number kk of islands; the biggest of which is

Fernando Poo - commonly called "Nanny Po." Perhaps

best known to the ex outside world -- as the island

where "breakfast grows on trees." Said "breakfast"

-- consisting of cocoa, coffee and bananas.

Fernando Poo - or Nanny Po; either way - Warren-Poo -- it's a great place to visit.

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At Cape Kennedy - the case for space exploration - as a sound investment in the future, presented forcefully today -- by Moonport Director Dr Jurt Debus.

technology by the year two thousand -- impossible -says Dr. Debus. Adding, however, that history
abounds with similar innovations -- seemingly useless
at the time of discovery. Later to play an everincreasing role -- in the march of civilization.
Inventions such as the telephone -- the airplane -radio and television -- and so on.

Dr. Debus observing that "society takes this seemingly useless thing" - and molds it - adapts it;"
"so that after a while -- society becomes a working part of the machine itself; and still later -- society cannot function without it."

All of which explains why - for thirty eight years now -- I've been able to say "SOLONG UNTIL TOMORROW."