As you may have heard President Nixon is scheduled for another White House press conference tonight at eightthirty, Eastern-time. Expected subjects to include: Vietnam of course, and the Middle East - as well as a broad range of other foreign and domestic issues. You will hear it right here - on most of these CBS Radio stations.

HIJACK FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

From The White House again - an announcement that Cuba plans to release, as of tomorrow - that Pan Am jet with sixty-nine aboard; the plane it's been holding - for four days now. The While House learning this via four days now. This we are tota - according to a message relayed from the Swiss Embassy in Havana.

Officials are stressing, however, there is no apparent

"connection" between the plane incident - and U.S. seizure of four Cuban fishing vessels. And, they add, what's more-

there will be no "trade-off."

DRUGS FOLLOW HIJACK

On another front, the White House confirmed today the existence of a secret task force on drugs. Press Secretary Ron. Ziegler saying the narcotics problem - "has been very much on the mind of this Administration;" which has led - said he - to "extensive work on ways to deal effectively with drug peddling and addiction." In the conclusions arising therefrom - and the President's future course of action, - work

that - said he - we'll just have to wait and see.

KOMPONG CHAMLANG

In the war In Southeast Asia - the heaviest fighting was centered today in Cambodia; where the Communists followed up their victory at Snuol - with an attack formy barely fifteen miles from Phnom Penh. Battering the village of Kompong Chamland, and forcing the withdrawal of "some"

Cambodian troops.

YELLOW SEA

Elsewhere in the Pacific Theater - a North Korean gunboat was spotted today in the Yellow Sea - about three hundred miles south of Seoul; whereupon - a sudden attack by South Korean ships and planes; sinking the craft with all its crew - an estimated fifteen to seventeen. In the process though - the South Koreans also losing an air transport of their own; with six crewmen & listed as missing. This marking the third clash between North and South Korean naval forces - in less than a month. Here at home - the formation of a new peace group was announced today in Washington. But This one - a counter-movement to the so-called "Vietnam Veterans Against the War." The new group calling itself - "Vietnam Veterans for a Just Peace;" with one of its heads - a young ex-Marine - Bruce Kessler of Brooklyn; who explained that many Vietnam veterans had felt dismay and anger - at attempts "to place our role in Vietnam in the worst light." Kessler asserting: "We'we been there, too- and we know better."

LISBON

For Secretary of State William Rogers - a flying trip to Lisbon; where a meeting of NATO foreign ministers - is set to begin later this week; a meeting aimed at achieving a joint reply - to Soviet proposals for mutual troop cutbacks in Western Europe. Observers adding, however, that the Middle East - and West Berlin - are almost certain to vie for "equal time."

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SUPREME COURT

From the U.S. Supreme Court - a decision today that arms Federal judges with wide powers - in dealing with strikes by railway and airline employes. The court finding that a judge may enjoin such a strike - if he feels that no "reasonable efforts" have been made to negotiate a settlement. The Supreme Court also struck down - a century-old Cincinnati anti-loitering law? On the grounds that it would subject the right of assembly - "to an unascertainable standard." In a third case - a four-to-four tie vote; which let

stand - a lower court ruling; thereby upholding the firing of a Michigan man - who refused to work overtime on Sundays because of his religious beliefs. OSLO

Israeli Premier Golda Meir - a visitor today to Osto, Norway; where she quickly denied a weekend report - that she had met secretly with Soviet officials in the Finnish Far and North. Madame Meir; stating:= "There is not a grain of truth Colding:in the story." "But I wish it had been true" - said she = "T would have been happy to see the Russians."

AMMAN FOLLOW OSLO

At the same time - at Amman - Jordanian police were accused of invading a Palestinian refugee camp. According to a Palestinian spokesman - killing ten and wounding "many others." This in order to blow up two monuments - at the mass graves of Palestinian guerillas who were killed in Jordan's brief civil war last year. A government spokesman explaining that these were "symbols - representing a split in Jordan's national unity;" and thus - they had to go. VATICAN

In the Italian press, a report today that Pope Paul will soon order a new streamlined procedure dealing with marriage annulments. This we are told - in answer to charges that existing procedures where far too slow especially in cases where annulments were clearly justified; also, a direct response - it would seem - to Italy's new divorce law.

STRIKE

For the first time in its forty-five years of existence - the government-owned British Steel Corporation was hit by a crippling strike today. The British Blast-Furnaceman's Union - demanding a thirty-five per cent pay increase. This in the midst of a government-ordered freeze on British steel prices. But a union spokesman saying: "We are flexible."

LONDON

From London - a post-script today on that latest attempt to scale the world's tallest mountain; courtesy of Dr. Peter Steele and Cameraman John Claire - just back from the slopes of Mount Everest; who said that "the expedition could have been a success" - international crew and all -"had it not been for the atrocious weather and the sickness."

Dr. Steele going on to note that an ordinary cold becomes, at twenty thousand feet, a potential killer. And the snows this year - he added - enough to turn a man to ice in a matter of minutes. With the result - said he - there were only four out of twenty-two climbers - still healthy at the end.

Next question: Would you like to try again? At which point - a request for more times, Cameraman Claire observing that, after all r'climbing Everest is not fun,"time to we put on your brow this is Tune pot, time to we put on your boater! GALESBURG

Coming up this Saturday - another commencement

exercise at Knox College - Galesburg, Illinois; where the

senior class has voted this year - to reject the compulsory

wearing of caps and gowns; deciding that graduates should wear instead - "appropriate dress."

At, but It least one student - senior Arthur Ramirez of Houston, Texas - vowing to wear a cap and gown, come what may. This Ramirez explaining that he's the first member of his family - ever to graduate from college. And he adds: "If I had to wear a suit - it just wouldn't be meaningful Here's to you conturo Ramirez' and to this College-Oll Sturash.

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