

WHITE HOUSE

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Abe Fortas gets the big job! maybe all four--

^ For better or for worse -- for good or for evil -- ^

it was the end of the line today -- for one of the most controversial eras in American jurisprudence. ~~with~~

President Johnson formally accepting the resignation of

Chief Justice Earl Warren -- guide and mentor of the

so-called "Warren Court." ^{Breaking up a} ^ judicial body that has ^{had} more

impact on American life than any before -- save perhaps

that of John Marshall.

At seventy-eight -- Earl Warren calling it a career simply because of age. A problem -- said he -- "that no

man can combat." Adding: "I, therefore, conceive it my

duty to give way to someone who will have more years

ahead of him -- to cope with the problems" that still

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That man -- as selected by President Johnson --

fifty-eight-year-old Associate Justice Abe Fortas.

The President further picking Federal Judge ~~MEMBER~~ ^{MEMBER}

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Homer Thornberry of Austin, Texas -- to fill the ninth seat on the Supreme Court. Senate leaders of both parties -- quickly indicating there would be no organized opposition to either appointment.

VIETNAM

In Vietnam -- the ~~great~~ city of Saigon -- extremely "up tight" tonight; In the face of a threatened third Viet Cong assault this year -- and apparently no way of preventing it.

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Indeed, U.S. intelligence ~~is~~⁹ sources reporting the presence of twenty-six enemy battalions -- within striking distance of the capital. Which means an estimated eight thousand Viet Cong troops -- ready to risk their all in pursuit of a major propaganda victory. American officers saying the attack could come anytime -- within the next two weeks.

BOMBING FOLLOW VIETNAM

Here at home -- a move today in the U.S. Senate -- to limit U.S. B-Fifty-Two bombing raids over South Vietnam. Senator Proxmire of Wisconsin -- who sponsored the effort -- saying the big bombers were ripping the country "to hell and gone." However, opponents of the measure -- calling it a "cruel stab in the back of every serviceman in Vietnam." Result: A vote of seventy-nine to ten -- against the bombing limit.

PARIS

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Still no movement yet --at those Paris peace talks. Nevertheless, a quiver of excitement today -- hopefully, a portent of future progress; with North Vietnam offering for the first time -- to talk of a peace based on that Nineteen-Fifty-Four Geneva Accord. ~~Providing though~~ that the U.S. ~~shall~~ ^sagree in advance -- to a complete and unconditional bombing halt.

U.S. response -- from Cyrus Vance -- subbing for Averell Harriman. Vance telling the North Vietnamese:

"We are prepared to cease bombardment -- at the appropriate time." ~~But~~ ^{But} that time? -- said he -- when Hanoi stops trying to "improve its military position."

FRENCH FOLLOW PARIS

Elsewhere in Paris -- the French government moved decisively today -- to shore up the shaky French economy. Imposing strict price controls and import quotas -- also ordering special aid for French exporters. While calling for an emergency meeting of the Common Market next month -- to discuss possible further means of easing the French crisis.

Earlier, President DeGaulle announcing plans to address the nation Saturday -- on the eve of ^{their} crucial second-round national elections; when he is expected again to stake the future of France -- on another Gaullist victory.

MARIETTA

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Getting back to earth -- the world's largest airplane today completed its first runway tests. Lockheed-Georgia's mammoth C-Five Galaxy jet transport -- taxiing down a landing strip at Marietta, ~~Gar~~⁹ Georgia. Except for one minor bug -- all systems performing perfectly. Much to the delight of hundreds of Lockheed employees -- not to mention a few Air Force officials; lining ramps -- hanging out of windows -- crowding rooftops.

First airborne test of the big behemoth -- set for later this week.

SENATE

From Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts -- an impassioned plea today for a proposed tight new gun control law. This in a letter read into the record -- as the Senate opened hearings on the measure. Senator Kennedy saying there is no other "piece of legislation now before Congress -- which is more important to the security and well-~~being~~^{being} of every single American."

Attorney General Ramsey Clark -- also testifying in support of the new bill. Calling the peril of firearms -- a "national catastrophe." ~~As~~^J Asking: "How long will we permit guns in the hands of the assassin -- to threaten our political system?"

HOUSTON

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America's newly redesigned Apollo spacecraft --
has clearly demonstrated its ability to carry spacemen
aloft safely. This the word today from the U.S. Manned
Space Center at Houston -- where three astronauts this
week completed a mock Apollo moonflight. Test crewmen
Joe Kerwin saying he can now assert with confidence:
"Yes, sir -- the darn thing flies."

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Next on the agenda -- we are told: A manned Apollo
flight in earth orbit -- perhaps as early as September.
With space officials still shooting for a manned lunar
landing -- sometime next year.

MUNICH

Here's one from Munich -- ^{Bavaria} ~~specially for the outdoor~~
~~set.~~ A five-language guide to international camping --
published today by the West German Automobile Club.
Just jam-packed with helpful hints -- on how best to
enjoy an auto tour of Europe.

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For ~~example,~~ ^{also} the book listing five ways to tell a
girl -- "your bikini is charming." In French -- "votre
bikini est ravissant"; in Spanish -- "su bikini es
encantador;" in Italian -- "il suo bichini e carino;"
and in German -- "Ihr bikini ist reizend."

For example,
Reverse side ~~1~~ in a tip to the ladies on page
one-forty-four. Telling five ways to cry -- "help!"

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Sounds like your ^{bikini} ~~ist~~ ^{Warren?}
felling off - nicht wahr? ~~and a-t-e-a-tom!~~

NEW YORK

Next up -- a preview of milady's hat styles for fall and winter -- as seen at the twice-yearly millinery show in New York; where his -- has suddenly become hers. The nation's top designers creating ladies' bonnets -- in the traditional mold of men's headgear, such as: The classic, tailored fedora -- the peaked newsboy cap -- the Stetson of Western fame -- the Doughboy helmet of World War One -- the leather flying helmet, same era -- even the broad-brimmed Padre's hat from South of the Border.

In sum, fashion commentators calling the coming ~~hat~~

~~Trend -- a~~
~~styles -- the~~ great male robbery. *And s. h. u. tomorrow.*