

WHITE HOUSE

Mon. May 25-70

Here at home - the White House reaffirmed today - President Nixon's pledge to withdraw all U S troops from Cambodia by June ~~Thirtieth~~<sup>th</sup>. This in reference to a question dealing with Cambodia's request - that U S troops be kept in that country till the end of the war. White House press secretary Ron Ziegler ~~responded~~<sup>saying</sup> flatly: - "there has been and will be no change in U S withdrawal plans."

# CAMBODIA

War news from Cambodia, tells today of a link-up between South Vietnamese and Cambodian units. This near the ~~great~~<sup>great</sup> Chup Rubber Plantation - which was just cleared by Saigon troops. The combined force now said to be marching on Tonle Bet - ~~and~~ an important Mekong River ferry crossing; <sup>there to</sup> attempt~~ing~~ to isolate an estimated two thousand Viet Cong ~~and~~ reportedly fleeing ~~and~~ deeper into Cambodia.

At the same time - big U S B-fifty twos <sup>were</sup> ~~back~~ pounding enemy targets ~~back~~ in the northernmost sector of South Vietnam. Attempting to head off an apparent Communist build-up near Cam Lo -- just south of that D M Z.

HANOI

~~A related item:~~ Cambodia's deposed <sup>Prince</sup> Sihanouk

-- arriv<sup>ed</sup>~~ing~~ today at Hanoi. Flying in from Peking -

in an apparent effort to build North Vietnamese support for his so-called "national unity front" in Cambodia.

Sihanouk also conferring at length with the Soviet

Ambassador to Hanoi. -- ~~but about what we can only~~

guess.

## SOUTHERN LEBANON

In the strife torn Middle East - the focus again turns to Southern Lebanon; where Arab troops clashed today with Israeli forces - just across the border from ~~that~~ <sup>attack on an,</sup> ~~Israeli school bus attack of~~ last week.

Beirut calling the Israeli advance - an apparent attempt to take and hold Lebanese territory, ~~adding,~~ <sup>and saying</sup> ~~however,~~ the Israelis were driven off - after a <sup>3 1/2 hr</sup> battle, ~~that lasted three and a half hours. Practically all of~~ <sup>Most of</sup> which - is denied in Tel Aviv. Israeli officials calling the incident - a brief skirmish; and an attempt to secure "two special corners" - suspected of harboring Arab guerrillas.

In any event, the clash pointing up the current intensity of feeling between ~~Arabs and~~ <sup>the</sup> Israelis <sup>and their neighbors</sup> ~~further~~.

<sup>This is</sup> reflected in a ~~na~~ Nato report today - ~~calling~~ <sup>present</sup> calling the ~~Mid-East situation now~~ perhaps the most dangerous trouble spot in the ~~entire~~ world.

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<sup>on</sup>  
~~Turning to~~ the domestic front - the ~~Nixon~~

Administration ~~today~~ today asked for a whopping increase in the national debt ceiling; an increase of eighteen billion - that would raise the total figure to a record three hundred and ninety-five billion. Treasury Secretary ~~David~~ Humphrey telling a House ~~and~~ committee this was made necessary - because of a sudden deterioration in expected tax revenues.

## CAPITOL HILL FOLLOW HOUSE

*Meanwhile, House and Senate Democratic leaders were holding a press conference - there assailing administration economic policy. Senator Mike Mansfield and Congressman Carl Albert - accusing the President of promoting simultaneously both inflation and recession. They also urged standby wage and price controls - as one means - at least - of attempting to cope with the situation.*

## WALL STREET FOLLOW CAPITOL HILL

All this serving as a sort of prelude - to another dismal day on Wall Street; with the New York stock market suffering its biggest one day drop - since the death of President Kennedy. The Dow Jones industrials - plunging nearly twenty-one ~~points~~ points ending up at six-forty-one - ~~the~~ lowest figure since Nineteen Sixty Two.

## CAMPUS

*The White House again - an announcement ~~today~~ that President Nixon will appoint this week - a special commission to investigate campus violence; with the study expected to place special emphasis - on recent deaths at Kent State University in Ohio and Jackson State College in Mississippi. We are also told there's a possibility - the panel will be headed by Doctor Milton ~~S.~~ Eisenhower of Johns Hopkins University; who would thus take up where he left off last year - as the head of President Johnson's commission on violence.*



## SUPREME COURT

*Elsewhere in Washington - the Supreme Court today declared unconstitutional a federal law; one that previously prohibited a wearing of a U S military uniform in a stage or screen performance - if the character wearing it tended to discredit the Armed Forces. This in connection with an anti-war skit - presented in the streets of Houston - back in Nineteen Sixty-Seven. The high court agreeing unanimously that enforcement of said law would constitute a clear violation of the first amendment guaranteeing freedom of speech.*

## LAKE GEORGE

At Lake George, New York - a meeting of the American Association <sup>of</sup> ~~of~~ public opinion research this past weekend, Hearing, among other things, a report on black attitudes, the nation over - as compiled by a West Coast research firm over the past eighteen months. The study said to show that most blacks feel they are making "at least ~~relative~~ relative progress" - toward achieving economic equality with white Americans. It adds that this feeling - "is buttressed by optimism and anticipation about more to come."

Reverse side - black militant leaders drawing their strongest support - from those at the lowest end of the economic scale. On balance though - the great majority of blacks opposing violence to attain their goals. Indeed, the more successful financially - reportedly placing greatest emphasis "on individuals or family striving" rather than race.

POINT BARROW

From Point Barrow, Alaska <sup>comes</sup> a report ~~today~~

heralding the end of an era: <sup>This because of</sup> ~~with~~ mass acceptance

of the snowmobile - <sup>they tell us</sup> which really proved itself this ~~was~~

past winter - <sup>They say</sup> ~~supposedly~~ making the dog sled as obsolete

as the ~~igloo~~ igloo. <sup>sad news indeed,</sup> And the Alaskans themselves - ~~some~~

<sup>of them -</sup> couldn't be happier - we are told. The snowmobile said

to have liberated the <sup>back country</sup> populace from winter isolation -

for the first time in history! - Taking children to school -

hauling groceries - delivering mail - taking everybody

down to the <sup>movie</sup> theater on Saturday night. The snowmobile is

~~even~~ used now - to herd ~~the~~ reindeer - to check trap-

~~lines~~ lines <sup>and -</sup> to travel from rig to rig up in the new

oil fields on The North Slope.

Even Point Barrow - the largest Eskimo

community in the northland - reportedly switching now

almost entirely from dogs to snowmobiles. Civil leader

Ebn Eben Hopson observing: "There's no question that

snow machines have made a ~~lot~~ better life up here."

And he adds: "cleaner, too." <sup>But John, I'm still for the</sup>

the bushes of the land!

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## LENINGRAD

Astronaut Neil Armstrong - America's first man on the Moon - the star attraction at a space conference held ~~xxx~~ today at Leningrad in the Soviet Union. More than a thousand scientists and Soviet guests - giving him a standing ovation when he was first introduced. He was also besieged by photographers and autograph seekers while making his way to the podium. Neil Armstrong later ~~discuss~~ discussing technical details of his flight and then ~~he~~ answered <sup>ing</sup> questions, including one that asked his reaction - on looking ~~lx~~ back at the earth from way up there on the Moon. The U S spaceman saying he couldn't help wondering - how such a tiny island in space could have "so many problems."