GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

A Two-billion-dollar government contract awarded today

-- to the Lockheed Aircraft of Marietta, Georgia. For

construction of a fleet of giant jet transports -- each

capable of carrying up to Six hundred armed troops -- each!

Or in civilian use -- up to Seven hundred passengers.

The C-Five-A -- as it's to be known -- a plane so big
that Ten of them could have handled the entire Berlin
airlift in Nineteen-Forty-Eight. So economical -- it may
one day lead to in a fifty-dollar fare -- from Los Angeles
to New York, and only Seventy-five dollars or so -- from
New York to London.

In Saigon -- Premier Ky today announced plansto ask the United States for more combat troops. To
fight the Communist Viet Cong -- in South Viet Name

Ky also disclosing plans -- for an impending government shake-up, To include the creation of a new ministry -- a Ministry of Peace and War, To combine military aims with some of the development programs -- designed to win popular support.

Meanwhile, U.S. B-Fifty-Twos from Casm -today smashed at the suspected headquarters of the
Viet Cong high command; In a jungle area some
sixty miles northwest of Saigon -- near the Cambodian
border.

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MCNAMARA

On the home front -- Defense Secretary McNamara today ordered the dissolution -- of six Army reserve divisions that include fifty-five thousand men.

Affected personnel to be assigned immediately -- to "high priority" reserve units; or to the National Guard -- if they so desire.

McNamara also ordered additional training -- for a

hundred and forty-five thousand men -- among those

aforementioned "high priority" units: to bring them to a

state of combat readiness -- in case by some chance they

are ever really needed in Viet Nam.

India charged today that Pakistan is massing a five hundred-man Ranger force -- in the border state of Rajasthan. From Pakistan -- a simultaneous charge that Indian troops -- have attacked a Pakistania outpost in Rajasthan.

Nevertheless, no new clashes reported anywhere else -- by either side. Full compliance with the U.N.-ordered cease-fire -- apparently taking hold at last.

Extreme security precautions -- ordered today in New York, To guard against possible injury to Pope Paul -- during his visit to the city next Monday.

New York police barring the public from any view of the Pope -- on his arrival at Kennedy International Airport. In addition -- all air traffic to be suspended for fifteen minutes -- while airport greetings are underway. Preparations also made to halt all traffic to the airport -- should the crush of cars make it necessary.

At the same time -- the United Nations

barring all visitors Monday, In the interest of -safety first.

TRANSPORT

At the White House -- President Johnson today put his signature -- to a new transportation bill, authorizing an immediate Federal research program -- into the development of a highly-advanced, high-speed railway system. Including conventional trains -- calable of speeds up to a hundred-and-fifty miles an hour. And maybe even futuristic underground subways -- to run at four hundred miles an hour.

First of the new equipment to be ready next fall, when the Pennsylvania inaugurates hundred-and-twenty-five miles an hour rail service -- between Boston, New York and Washington.

IMMIGRATION FOLLOW TRANSPORT

On Capitol Hill -- the House and Senate today gave final Congressional approval -- to the Administration's new Immigration Reform Bill, Abolishing the age-old national quota system -- but placing a limit for the first time on immigration from our own hemisphere.

HAYNEVILLE

At Hayneville, Alabama -- an all-white jury today deliberated for nearly two hours -- the fate of Thomas Coleman. Then -- turned him loose.

Coleman cleared of a charge of manslaughter -in the shotgun slaying of Civil Rights worker Jonathan

Daniels -- an Episcopal seminarian. Similarly cleared

of a charge of assault -- in the wounding of a Catholic

priest in the same incident.

Coleman -- a member of prominent Lowndes

County family -- who later limited his comment to just

two words. Said he: "I'm happy."

The offer so "vague and ambiguous" -- said

the State Department -- that it raises doubts about its

seriousness. But if Castro "has any serious official

proposal to make -- there are diplomatic channels

readily available." And "any such proposal -- would

be given most careful deliberation." That from

Washington.

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MAIDENS

From Sheffield, England -- news today of the formation of a new organization called -- "Maidens Anonymous."

A collection of college girls -- banded together in self-defense from the predatory male.

Maidens Anonymous asserting that -- "all men are lecherous, egotistical swine." And warning that "the blond, blue-eyed Adonis who gazes into your eyes - is not drinking in your beauty;" But rather concentrating -- on the kill.

Members who find themselves in such a situation of instructed to call a fellow member, who is honor-bound to come over -- and "attempt to give moral support."

Navum Will Maidens Anonymous Lultimate weapon in the battle of the sexes.

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At Pittsburgh -- the opening shot today in what was planned as a widespread "milk strike" -- against Pennsylvania dairies.

Some four hundred farmers who want more money for their milk -- picketing a Pittsburgh dairy; Singing hymns -- as they marched around the plant. Effectively blocking all operations -- until a flood of police arrived on the scene.

Sixty of the farmers finally placed under arrest -- but quickly released on their own recognizance pending a hearing next week. The legal speed-up -- prompted by a farmer who told the court: "I have to go home and milk my cows."

One final irony. Police in the end 2- forced

to escort name, of the farmers back to the dairy, A

they could find their way out of town.