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INDONESIA

Another <sup>Major</sup> ~~start~~ step today -- toward eventual reconciliation between Indonesia and Malaysia.

At Jakarta -- the Indonesian government officially agreeing to peace talks with Malaysia. Foreign Minister Adam Malik saying he will meet with Malaysian Deputy Premier Abdul Razak -- as soon as Razak sets the time and place. His only condition -- that it be a neutral site.

Razak -- for his part -- cutting short a visit to North Borneo -- to return to Kuala Lumpur. There declaring he hopes to get the talks underway -- "in a couple of days."

## INDIA

An official protest today at New Delhi -- from Indian Prime Minister Madame Indira Gandhi. The First Lady of Hindustan -- charging distortion and exaggeration in published reports of food scarcity and famine in India. Reports -- said she -- that go from one extreme to the other. In some cases -- depicting mass death from starvation; in others -- denying there is any food scarcity at all.

In truth -- said Madame Gandhi -- there is a shortage of food -- over only about half of the country. With most of the affected districts -- in Northern India. But <sup>nowhere</sup> ~~now~~ -- said she -- <sup>to</sup> ~~where~~ there ~~is~~ widespread starvation.

"This situation" ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> ~~certainly~~ serious -- but "not new in India" -- said Madame Gandhi. Adding that "there has scarcely been a year -- when some part of India was not affected" by food shortages.

VIET NAM

In Viet Nam -- a lightning Communist raid today; at the Seventeenth Parallel -- separating North and South Viet Nam.

Some Five-to-Six Hundred Communist troops <sup>attacked</sup> -- ~~crossing~~ <sup>the</sup>

no man's land established by the Nineteen-Fifty-Four Geneva

Conference; in a futile attempt to <sup>strike</sup> ~~reach~~ a pair of government outposts -- in South Viet Nam.

This <sup>may be</sup> the first direct violation -- of the North-South frontier. Apparently in celebration -- of North Vietnamese President Ho Chi Minh's -- Seventy-Sixth birthday.

## SOUTH FOLLOW VIET NAM

Meanwhile, to the South -- a pitched battle in Viet Nam's war-within-a-war. Loyal government Marines clashing with rebel troops -- near a Buddhist pagoda at Da Nang. At least Five killed -- some Sixty wounded -- most of them civilians.

At the same time -- Premier Ky today clamped a blockade-- on the Buddhist stronghold at Hue. The Premier further promising to use whatever force necessary -- to put down Buddhist backed rebels.

## JAPAN

The major part of the Japanese air force -- consisting mainly of American-made Super Saber and Starfighter jets -- grounded today by government decree. After the Sixth crash this year -- involving one or the other of the ~~two~~ planes. Each of the grounded aircraft -- to be ~~thoroughly~~ thoroughly inspected; also -- the men who fly them.

You may recall -- the West Germans have had a similar rash of accidents -- involving the Starfighter. American airmen insist, however, that most of the crashes are due to pilot error -- because of insufficient or inadequate training training.

## SUPERSONIC

Speaking of America's planned supersonic transport -- as I was yesterday -- a related item today from Edwards Air Force Base in California. The giant XB-Seventy -- military prototype of the supersonic transport -- completing its toughest test to date. Flying at Two Thousand miles an hour -- at Seventy Thousand feet -- for Thirty-Two minutes, ~~straight~~. As promised -- faster than a speeding bullet -- and ~~having a problem~~ *functioning okay,*

Incidentally, surface temperature of the aircraft -- reaching a peak of Six Hundred and Twenty Degrees. Inside though -- a constant Seventy-Five.

## GREEN

The recently retired veteran Senator Theodore Francis Green -- oldest man ever to serve in Congress -- dead today at Ninety-Eight. At his home in Providence, Rhode Island.

Senator Green -- a millionaire bachelor -- son of a prominent political family. He had served as governor of Rhode Island for two terms -- before his election to the Senate at the age of Sixty Eight.

To his Senate colleagues -- a physical phenomenon and a political paradox. In his mid-Eighties -- still an expert diver from the high board of the Senate pool -- until the doctors finally made him quit. Though rich -- he was a leading proponent of New Deal and Fair Deal legislation; also largely responsible for framing the first G.I. Bill of Rights.

Serving three Senate terms in all before his retirement in Nineteen-Sixty at the age of Ninety-Three.

Senator Theodore Green -- who once said he wanted to live to be a Hundred -- and he nearly made it.

PIKE

The resignation of the Right Rev. James Pike as Episcopal Bishop of California -- formally accepted today ~~in Washington,~~ by the presiding Bishop -- of the Episcopal Church. The resignation -- to take effect September Fifteen.

In the meantime -- Bishop Pike still as controversial as ever. At his home in San Francisco -- the prelate branding a California abortion law as "evil." Calling for doctors to wage a mass "civil disobedience" campaign -- until the law is changed.



## APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of a pair of new American ambassadors -- announced today by President Johnson. Eugene Murphy Locke -- a Dallas attorney and prominent Texas Democrat -- named Ambassador to Pakistan. Career diplomat Jacob Beam -- presently assigned to the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency -- ~~named~~ <sup>our new</sup> Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

## CONTAMINATION

This next -- a real shocker. Reported by Professor William Sladen -- of Johns Hopkins University.

As you perhaps know -- the use of pesticides has spread throughout the civilized world in recent years; to the point where man and beast -- have become to a certain degree -- contaminated. Each of us -- wheather we like it or not -- slowly accumulating within our bodies -- minute quantities of DDT, one of the deadliest -- of all poisons.

Now it develops that the same contamination -- has finally spread to the most isolated place on earth; the South Pole. According to Professor Sladen -- penguins at the Pole ■ have recently beentaking an DDT; apparently carried down from the North -- by birds and fish and ocean currents.

Does this mean that Man finally has polluted -- our entire planet?

## INDIANS

From Big Bend, California -- the story today of an Indian uprising -- in the best traditions of the Early West. With a stubborn band of redmen -- scoring a stunning victory over invading pale face. 9

The battle over a dusty road -- crossing the Indians' reservation. The trouble starting when heavy lumber trucks began to use the road -- to reach valuable timber country. The Indians -- in turn -- quickly on the war path; blocking the road with logs and bulldozers. All of which lead to hand-to-hand combat -- and eventually to the courts.

The verdict finally rendered -- in favor of the Indians, who announced that beginning today -- they will charge a trucking fee of a Dollar-and-a-Half per Thousand Board feet -- for use of the road.

The Indians to get "heap plenty wampum" Warren. How!

RED

Here's a quick one -- from Bari, Italy. Firemen there were racing through the city streets -- en route to a reported blaze -- when -- they had to stop, quick -- all because their own fire truck -- had suddenly caught fire. And Solong Until Tomorrow.