

LT. BUICK, FISHER, FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1966

(Bohemian Grove)

GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

News of an assassination plot comes today from Bangkok in Thailand. According to Thai officials -- a Communist plot to assassinate Premier Thanon Kittakachorn -- and several of the top lieutenants.

Deputy Premier Prapas Charusathien -- one of the intended victims -- telling of the arrest of the alleged plotters who are said to have admitted their part in plans for the intended mass murder.

Reason for the plot -- said Prapas -- because "the Reds are frustrated." Because they "have failed so far -- to subversive activities in the North and South." Because they wanted to rid themselves once and for all -- of the men most bitterly opposed to Communist terrorism.

This according to Prapas -- another Communist mistake. to take our places.
For "if we are killed" said he -- there would be others

WILSON

A Washington meeting between President Johnson and visiting Prime Minister Harold Wilson was delayed fifteen minutes today. The reason -- a sniper scare.

Passers-by reporting the presence of a suspicious man near Blair House; official presidential guest residence; a man who appeared to be carrying a rifle -- wrapped in a bundle of paper.

Prime Minister Wilson's departure for the White House -- held up while police checked the report. Fortunately all an error; and with the "all clear" Prime Minister Wilson quickly on his way.

The talks between the Western leaders are described as warm and friendly: Marked as well -- we're told -- by a "high degree of understanding."

VIETNAM

From Saigon - confirmation today of the heaviest

American air attack to date - against communist North Vietnam.

U.S. officials reporting between three hundred and fifty, and four

hundred separate sorties - during the last twenty-four hour period,

against a total - of more than a hundred communist targets.

On the debit side - three American planes lost today -

over both North and South Vietnam. These a pair of jets - and ~~an~~ one

big "Huey" helicopter. One pilot presumed dead - another listed

as missing. Meantime, ground action continued - relatively light.

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HELMS

~~The spy who came in from the cold - into the harsh~~

~~glare of Senate controversy - returned weekly today to his natural~~

environment. Director Richard Helms of the Central Intelligence

Agency ^{today} ~~apologizing~~ ^{ed} personally to Senator Fulbright of Arkansas, ^e

for ^{that} a letter to the editor of a St. Louis newspaper - praising

an article entitled "Brickbats for Fulbright."

^{@ the CIA}
Helms explaining that the letter was written by a

subordinate - and he signed it without fully realizing its

significance. Nevertheless, admitting he made a mistake - and

saying he was sorry about it.

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Sen. Fulbright further observing: "We all make mistakes."

Adding if we all had to resign everytime we made a mistake - "then the whole Senate would have to resign."

against Arab terrorists. The U.S. then subsequently has given its explanation - that the air strike was retaliatory in nature, because of recent border raids by Arab terrorists.

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UNITED NATIONS

At the United Nations - the United States today officially "deplored" - that Israeli air raid on Syria early this month. At the same time - criticizing Syria - for failing to secure its border against Arab terrorists. The U.S. thus apparently accepting Israel's explanation - that the air strike was retaliatory in nature; because of recent border raids by Arab marauders.

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Toward that end - Sisco urged the strengthening of U.N. Palestine truce machinery; which incidentally - has long been blocked by the Soviet Union.

THANT FOLLOW UNITED NATIONS

Meanwhile, U.N. Secretary General U Thant held a surprise meeting today - with Soviet Communist Party Leader Leonid Brezhnev. The two men conferring for two hours - in Brezhnev's office at the Kremlin.

According to diplomatic sources - the main topic: whether Thant is acceptable to Russia - for a second term as Secretary General of the U.N. The same sources saying that Thant was promised Soviet support - but there will be no announcement until next month. You may recall ^{that U-} Thant had said earlier he would agree to a second term - only with full support of all the world's great powers.

The subject of Vietnam - also under discussion - we hear, ^{with} ~~but~~ no sign - of a change in Soviet policy. Premier Kosygin - in previous talks - having firmly rejected Thant's plea for a compromise peace plan.

GROMYKO FOLLOW THANT

The same hard line - put forward today by visiting Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko - in a news conference at Tokyo. Gromyko denouncing what he called - the U.S. "war of aggression" in Vietnam, ^{and} Promising increased Russian support - for, as he put it, "Hanoi's righteous struggle to liberate Vietnam."

Gromyko next asked whether Russia- as co-chairman of the Nineteen Fifty-Four Geneva conference on Indo-China - would consider re-convening the conference; perhaps to serve as a forum - for Vietnamese peace talks. Gromyko's answer; "we have no intention of attending such a meeting" - said he - "because it would just be a camouflage for further aggression by the United States."

LUCI

Like brides-to-be down through the ages - Luci Baines Johnson is getting a lot of free advice these days. This next - perhaps the best of the lot. A recipe - recently received at the White House; said to be a sure-fire formula - for a long and happy marriage.

Basic ingredients included - and I quote; "one cup each of consideration and courtesy; two cups full of flattery, ^{carefully} concealed; and, the milk of human kindness; - one gallon of faith ^{in God, and each other;} ^{also} [^] and one large cup of blindness to each other's faults."

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For best results - we're told - mix well and serve with a dash of spice - and just a pinch of in-laws.

NUTS

From Brooklin, Massachusetts, near Boston -- the story today of would you call it, a nutty approach to crime?

Druggist Abraham Margolist -- telling of a visit by two young men; one of whom -- immediately began haggling about the price of peanuts. And when that subject was exhausted -- continued haggling about the price of walnuts.

The druggists patience finally exhausted -- both men left the store. Margolist thereupon discovering that his open safe -- had just been rifled. Four hundred and fifty bucks-gone.

And that I guess is neither walnuts nor peanuts and
s.l.u.mon.