

NASHVILLE ~~FOLLOW FORT BENNING~~

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From Nashville, Tennessee ^{comes} a report today telling of a new hit record - "The Battle Hymn of Lieutenant Calley;" according to Nashville music sources - the fastest-selling record since "Harper Valley PTA." The Calley ballad telling of the fighting at My Lai - ending up by saying: "There's no other way to wage a war - when the only one in sight - that you're sure is not a V.C. - is the buddy on your right."

The Nashville Banner's lead editorial asks for the release of Lt. Calley. →

FORT BENNING

At Fort Benning, Georgia - ^{the} Lieutenant ~~William~~

~~Calley~~, received today from his admirers - on armload of
spring flowers - and another armload of congratulatory
telegrams. A giant "Rally for Calley" - sponsored by the
American Legion - also scheduled for tonight at nearby
Columbus, Georgia. Speakers including: Governor Wallace
of Alabama - Governor Williams of Mississippi - and
Lieutenant Governor Maddox of Georgia.

PORTSMOUTH FOLLOW NASHVILLE

Coincidentally, Marine Private Michael Schwarz
of Weirton, West Virginia - was released today from a Naval
prison at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Private Schwarz .
originally sentenced to life imprisonment - for the alleged
slaying of twelve Vietnamese women and children; a sentence
~~that was~~ later reduced though - to one year.

KHE SANH

~~On the~~ ^{In} Vietnam ~~war front~~ - U.S. troops today abandoned - for a second time - ~~the~~ ^{the} big U.S. support base at Khe Sanh, leaving behind only a few armored units - to help cover the withdrawal. This following two weeks - of non-stop enemy shelling. The last to leave ~~A~~ saying ~~that~~ Khe Sanh looked like a giant "wasteland." It's litter including ~~mainly the burned-out remains of helicopters, trucks,~~ bunkers and so on.

Meanwhile, at Phu Bai - an awards ceremony in honor of U.S. Sergeant Paul Lagenour. Remember? The ~~downed~~ U.S. helicopter gunner - who helped to rally South Vietnamese troops fighting in Laos? Sergeant Lagenour getting a Purple Heart - along with a Silver Star. Later recalling that the first thing he said - when he finally found his way back to American lines - was "yahoo!"

WASHINGTON

Here at home ^{again} - a Federal judge ruled ~~today~~ it is unConstitutional - for members of Congress to hold commissions in military reserve units. Judge Gerhard Gesell ~~thereby~~ upholding a petition - filed by a group calling itself "The Reservists Committee to Stop the War". The Judge also stating - in a footnote - that reserve officers were, as charged - "disproportionately represented" on Congressional committees "concerned with military affairs." He refused, however, to order the immediate resignation of such officers - noting that today's verdict would undoubtedly be appealed to higher courts.

NEW DELHI

As the fighting continues in ^{East} Pakistan - East versus West - the pressure also continues to build in neighboring India. At New Delhi, ~~India's~~ Prime Minister ~~Madame~~ Indira Gandhi - getting a call today from opposition leaders in the Indian Parliament, ~~The latter~~ demanding that India send "material assistance" - to help the rebels in East Pakistan. ~~While outside - in the streets of the Indian capital - a series of anti-Pakistani demonstrations.~~

~~And now this,~~ ^{ed} Radio Pakistan bluntly warning India - to stop "interfering in Pakistan's internal affairs;" adding that such action can "only lead to serious consequences - the responsibility for which would lie squarely with India."

JERUSALEM

In the Middle East - Jerusalem - Israel ^{again} stressed

~~again today its~~ willingness to negotiate with Egypt - on a possible reopening of the Suez Canal. At the same time, lashing out at Cairo for carrying on, quote, "a campaign of public declarations" - instead of serious discussions.

Jerusalem also referred today to increased fighting - between Palestinian guerillas and Royal Jordanian Army troops in Northern Jordan; ~~especially~~ noting that guns based in Syria have been bombarding the Jordanian border town of Ramtha.

Israeli ~~Deputy~~ Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon ^J "suggesting" to the Syrians - "that they remain in their own territory."

JAKARTA

Jakarta - the government of Indonesia imposes strict travel restrictions - on all foreign diplomats. This - ~~we are told - a routine order~~ ^{in advance of} ~~in preparation for~~ nationwide Parliamentary elections this summer. ~~But it also follows a number of complaints - from~~ The military commander of Central Java, ^{complains} ~~who said~~ that Soviet diplomats ^{of} ~~have~~ been traveling extensively, ~~there~~ contacting political leaders and student leaders; and often appearing uninvited - at various official functions.

DAVIS

At Davis, California - the traditional passing of
a peace pipe - followed by a "Chicano Fiesta, Indian Powow"
~~THE~~ marking the ratification of ^{an} Indian treaty, clearing the
way for tribal possession of an abandoned U.S. Army
communications base, which now becomes Deganawidah-
Quetzalcoatl University - the nation's first institute of higher
learning intended solely for American Indian and Chicano
students.

Chief spokesman for the new school - Miss Grace

Thorpe - a daughter of famed Indian athlete Jim Thorpe -

^{Just} who said of the treaty-signing: "This is our first winner in
a hundred years - the first since Custer."

This next: Howard Hughes, please note - if you haven't already. A University of Nevada scientist - contending^s that Las Vegas is sinking slowly in the West. ~~Indeed~~, Professor Richard Wyman explaining that "large areas" of the city - ~~have~~ ^{have} already sunk three feet over the past six years; adding that fully a quarter of the entire urban area - has shown signs of subsiding over the past twenty-five years, ~~and the main reason - we are told~~ ^{because of} a serious depletion of the city's underground water resources; caused by overpumping - improperly placed wells - and so on.

~~Worst of all~~ ^{Also the} says Professor Wyman - ~~that fact that~~ many new structures ^h "have been built" directly on top of geologic subsidence faults;" which means - said he - that one day the gambling capital of the Western world - ~~could just~~ ^{may go} "wash right down the drain."

^{Does this} ~~Would that~~ make it, Warren, ~~do you suppose~~ "the world's oldest, ~~established~~ floating crap game?"

NAPLES

Under the heading - "it 's never too late" - a story today from Naples, Italy; where a millionaire shipowner by the name of Achille Lauro - age eighty-four - has just taken as his bride Italian film actress Kim Capri - age thirty-five.

Achille Sauro - a man who has kept pretty much to himself the past few years. He was at one time though - the head of Italy's Monarchist Party - also, the Mayor of Naples. And one of his favorite campaign tricks - we are told - handing out left shoes to prospective voters before election day; with the right shoes to follow - after election day.

But it would seem now that young Miss Capri - has finally found Achille's heel.