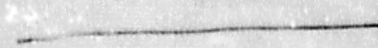


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The President spelled it out in big red letters today -- in his long-awaited report to the nation. "This -- is really war" -- said he. And "if we are driven from the field in Viet Nam -- then no nation can ever again have the same confidence in our promise or protection. And an Asia so threatened by Communist domination -- would imperil the security of the United States itself."

So said the President -- at his White House news conference. Backing the words, moreover -- with a promise of men. An additional fifty thousand U.S. fighting men -- to press the war against the Communist Viet Cong. And with more to follow -- as needed. No call-up of reserves just yet -- but draft calls were doubled to meet the new emergency.

The President emphasized, however, that the United States is ready and willing -- to discuss at any 

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The new U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations -- Arthur J. Goldberg -- presented his credentials to Secretary General U Thant here at UNHQ this evening -- and gave him a letter from President Johnson asking the Secretary General to continue his efforts to find a peaceful solution in Viet Nam. The two men spent well over an hour together -- a great deal more than a courtesy visit -- talking about the Dominican Republic and the UN's financial problem as well. Afterwards, Mr. Goldberg fielded reporters questions most discreetly -- living up to his new title as Ambassador -- even though he said he has a very soft spot in his heart for his old one -- Mr. Justice.



**REACTION FOLLOW PRESIDENT**

**First Communist reaction, oddly enough - from that Seventeen-nation Disarmament Conference at Geneva. Where ~~the~~ Soviet delegates warned today that the latest U.S. move - would have "grave consequences" in Viet Nam. And also make disarmament negotiations - just that "much more difficult".**

VIET NAM

Meanwhile, a tragic mistake - with Buddhist monks and nuns the innocent victims of ~~the~~<sup>THE</sup> war in Viet Nam.

By accident - allied dive bombers today attacking a mountaintop Buddhist monastery. At Ba Gia - about forty miles southeast of Saigon. Survivors later streaming down the mountainside - bearing the broken bodies of their fellow communicants.

The toll - at least two dead - ten wounded. All Buddhist monks - cut down by allied rockets - as they worked in the monastery gardens.

## APPOINTMENTS

*Turning to the domestic front - two new appointments also disclosed by President Johnson - at his news conference today. That of Abe Fortas - as his first nominee to the Supreme Court. And that of John Chancellor - as new director of the Voice of America.*

*Fortas - a partner in what is perhaps Washington's best-known law firm - Arnold, Fortas and Porter. Before that - a longtime public servant. Also - one of the President's oldest and closest friends. Chancellor - a prize-winning radio and television reporter, Who has covered the White House for NBC - for the past year.*



## MEDICARE

The Senate today gave final Congressional approval - to the Administration's six-and-a-half-billion-dollar Medicare bill. Viewed by many as the most significant piece of welfare legislation - since enactment of Social Security.

Already approved by the House - the bill now goes to the President for his signature. [ one of  
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first of its provisions - a seven per cent raise in  
old age benefits - expected to take effect by/September ]  
~~first~~. The bill eventually to provide full hospital  
care under social security - for an estimated nineteen  
million Americans sixty-five and over. ]

## GREECE

The Greek political pot boiled over again today - with an American woman at the center of the new controversy. Mrs. Margaret Papandreou, formerly of Elmhurst, Illinois - daughter-in-law of ousted Premier George Papandreou - accused by the Greek press of "scandalous conduct." Upon publication of a letter she wrote - to friends in the United States.

The letter urging American intervention - in the current Greek political crisis. To help form a strong government - and to prevent what she called - "a military takeover."

Mrs. Papandreou's only defense so far: It was a personal letter - ~~she~~ <sup>she</sup> said/- not intended for publication.

Economic expert Edward Heath -- a forty-nine-year-old bachelor -- today took formal command of Britain's Conservative Party. Vowing to end once and for all -- "the muddle and incompetence," as he put it -- of Prime Minister Harold Wilson's Labor Government.

His first official act -- a promise to include his predecessor in the new "shadow" cabinet. The ex-party chieftain -- former Prime Minister Sir Alec Douglas-Home -- expected to assume the role of party spokesman in foreign affairs. His specialty -- before he became Prime Minister in the last conservative government.



CAIRO

From Cairo, news today that more than half of the West German scientists - employed in Egypt's aircraft and rocket programs - have just quit their jobs. About Two hundred of them - said to be returning home - because they haven't been paid in nearly two months.

Why - not made clear. But in any case - it's apparently the death knell to Egypt's ill-starred dream - of attaining <sup>eventual</sup> air supremacy over the <sup>entire</sup> Middle East.

A story of the birds and the bees - comes to us today from East Berlin, of all places.

It begins with the Communist police - summoned to investigate a complaint about a man - said to be riding a train with no pants on. Sure enough - there he was. But his explanation - well, it was a honey.

The shorts-clad man - reporting that he was a beekeeper. On his way to a laboratory with a sample of bees for examination - when they got out of their box and got into his pants. To get rid of them - he quickly stripped off the trousers - and shook them out the train window. When just then - another train thundered by - and his pants were swept away.

Explanation accepted - case closed.

Now a word from Warren  
Moran

STILLWELL

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From Fort Bragg, North Carolina - a report ~~today~~ that Brigadier General Joseph W. Stillwell is back on the job - almost as good as new. The son of fabled "Vinegar Joe" Stillwell of World War Two - a legend in his own right. After surviving a four-thousand-foot fall last April - when his parachute failed to open properly during a training <sup>jump</sup> ~~exercise~~.

Traveling at about Sixty miles an hour when he hit the ground - General Stillwell suffered a broken back, seven cracked ribs, a ruptured spleen, and assorted additional fractures. Not to mention the fact that his ankle bones - were driven right down to the bottom of his feet.

So | has the accident soured him on parachuting?

Not on your life. "There's nothing wrong with parachuting" - said the General. "It's just the landing."

That's the news -  
As Lt. Col. says - so long until Thomas