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TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN

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Veterans Day, ~~Nov~~ Nineteen Sixty-Nine - a study today in contrasts.

On the one hand - millions of Americans were taking advantage of the occasion - to express their full support of U S policy in Vietnam. Among them - Donald Johnson - head of the Veterans Administration who represented President Nixon - in ceremonies ~~at the~~ at the Tomb of the Unknowns. Johnson urging the great "silent majority" - to join in a "declaration of love for, and faith in, our great country."

Another pro-Administration speaker - General Omar Bradley - the nation's only living five-star General; who told a crowd at Los Angeles - that the U S can leave Vietnam "only with honor". <sup>Gen.</sup> Bradley further observing <sup>that</sup> "it is now this generation's turn - to "keep the faith" that has sustained the U S for two hundred years. And he added: "~~too~~ "Too many of us have not learned yet - that freedom is not free."

~~Reverserside~~ ~~is~~ speed up in preparations

~~for massive~~ <sup>Some</sup> anti-war demonstrations <sup>are</sup> set for later

this week. Also, a series of bomb blasts today in

New York - supposedly in sympathy with the anti-war

movement.

VIETNAM

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While ~~this~~ was going on - the war itself was  
again heating up; with American B-52s pounding enemy  
targets ~~today~~ from one end of South Vietnam to the other.  
This in ~~an~~ response to a series of enemy attacks - seen  
as the first wave of a new winter offensive.

UNITED NATIONS

For the <sup>19<sup>th</sup> time in 20 yrs</sup> ~~twentieth straight year~~ - Red ~~ex~~ China

~~was~~ again denied ~~today~~ a seat at the United Nations.

This year's six days of debate -- ending in a vote of fifty-six to forty-eight, against Peking -- with twenty-one abstentions. Which means that Chiang Kai Shek's Formosa government - will continue to hold the <sup>only</sup> China seat for another year - at least.



MANILA

The Pacific again - ~~Ferdinand~~ Marcos ~~was~~  
a land-slide winner ~~today~~ - in his bid for an unprecedented  
second term as President of the Philippines. Polling  
nearly two thirds of the vote in the climax to a six  
months campaign marred by some sixty deaths. Whereupon  
he immediately announced plans to withdraw from Vietnam  
the Philippines entire fifteen hundred man contingent.  
These returning troops - to fight the mounting threat  
of Communist Huks in central Luzon - said he.

CAPE KENNEDY

Cape Kennedy - a tentative go-ahead today from the weather man. Barring a sudden change - ~~clearing~~ the Apollo Twelve <sup>to</sup> ~~for a~~ blast-off Friday morning, ~~exactly~~ as planned.

Meanwhile, the men of Apollo Twelve - were easing up on their rigorous training schedule. Dick Gordon, for one, telling reporters: "We've been ready for a long time." And ~~was~~ he added: "If the hardware holds together - I think we'll be able to do the job."

JERUSALEM

In the Middle East - Egyptian and Israeli jets clashed today in an aerial dog-fight, <sup>with</sup> ~~As sixam usual~~ both sides claiming victory. At the same time, the Israeli cabinet was meeting in special session at Jerusalem. According to newspaper reports <sup>they were</sup>  $\lambda$  considering the possibility of <sup>some sort of</sup> "smashing reaction" in response to increased ~~in~~ Arab-guerrilla activity.

## WASHINGTON FOLLOW JERUSALEM

*Here on our own shores - an attempt today to counter recent ~~the~~ propaganda charges from Cairo and Moscow. The U S State Department saying it "strongly opposes" service by American citizens - in any foreign army, including that of Israel. A spokesman adding that such service ~~would~~ was clearly "contrary to the foreign policy interests of the U.S.;" for it raises, said he - a "continuing misapprehension" about U S policy in the Middle East.*



Instead of continuing on from Bangkok from where I gave you a brief bit <sup>of color</sup> about boxing in Thailand, I'm going to invite you to come with me right around the world. Each night -- whenever possible -- I'll pass on what you might call a world flight brief.

We were launched this time from San Francisco by George Mardikian, the man whom President Eisenhower sent all over the world to reorganize the kitchens in our embassies. And, ~~he did~~ the same for army bases. In San Francisco he put us aboard <sup>an</sup> ~~a Trans-Pacific~~ plane. <sup>P</sup> To you it may not seem startling; but to me it is, that some of our international pilots have been flying around the globe so long that they are ready to retire. <sup>an</sup> This ~~one~~ <sup>one</sup> our pilot was Captain Stan Griffin who has been flying planes across the Pacific, ~~Ocean~~, and on around the world, for twenty-nine years. He's gray-haired and almost ready to retire. <sup>P</sup> If you were an around-the-world airman where would you make your home <sup>upon retirement?</sup> ~~when you retire?~~ Stan Griffin, and ~~a few~~ other veteran

airmen have selected the Fiji Islands, in mid-Pacific. As you probably will recall it wasn't so long ago that the inhabitants of the Fiji's were looked upon as just about the most ferocious of all cannibals; and now these American airmen ready to retire, have gotten together and built a two hundred room hotel that they call the Royal Fijian.

There were three pilots in the cockpit and the youngest had a different idea about what he would choose for his Shangri-la. A footnote ~~about~~<sup>on</sup> that tomorrow, maybe.

1/2 Stew Metz - where would you look for your Shangri La?

LONDON

Britain's Queen Elizabeth - the poor little rich girl, was all but assured today an eventual raise in her ~~million~~ million plus annual allowance. This by virtue of an announcement - from Britain's Prime Minister Harold Wilson; setting up a special, "select committee" - to review, as he put it, the "delicate matter" of the Queen's finances. In so doing, ~~Wilson~~ <sup>the Prime Minister</sup> explained <sup>ing</sup> ~~in~~ ~~typical political gobbledey gook~~ <sup>did you know -</sup> - that a million bucks these days "just ain't what it used to be".