At the top of the news tonight the continuing saga of war and peace - Asian edition.

On the war front - Vietnam --, a U.S.

in line with established policy - American fighterminutealater was
bomber striking back. Blasting an enemy anti-aircraft
installations in their first announced attack on North

Vietnam in six months. All of which was followed shortly
by a thunderous explosion - at Saigon's giant Tan Son

Nhut Air Base.

Cabot Lodge offering today = a flexible formula for

U.S. and Communist troop withdrawals, Enemy

negotiators saying - no dice.

announcing plans to form a provisional coalition

government in South Vietnam. Something of a parting shot A at Cabot Lodge who is now enroute to join

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President Nixon at Midway Island - for that Sunday meeting with South Vietnamese President Thieu.

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Meanwhile Here at home - a report rodantram
Secretary of State William Rogers - on his recent
trip to Vietnam. Adding to speculation that a
partial US troop withdrawal to soon to be announced
perhaps at Midway, or are the Morth Vietnese tryit to beep no from pulling out? At the same time I Hubert Humphrey today in what is called a delivering a quoty major address, unquote at Philadelp
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White he was careful not to under-cut the President. However he did say he thinks Hubert Humphrey saying the time appears
right for an immediate cease fire in South Vietnam
Further urging that this be followed by free elections
open to all political groups.

Out west - still enroute to Midway - President turned briefly commuter today. By helicoptertraveling about twenty-five miles up the California Coast by helicopter to temporary from his new home at San Clement - to temporary office quarters at Newport Beach. new Director of the Veteran's Administration: Johnson of West Branch, Iowa - a former national commander of the American Legion, Whose first task -

to serve as chairman of a new "President's Committee

on I the Vietnam Veteran."

From the President's commission on violence comes today - the first of several expected task force This one is a reports. I three hundred thousand word document - asserting, in effect, that Americans have always been bloody minded; and, quote, "are likely to remain so - as long as so many think violence is an ultimate solution to social problem's."

At a later news conference though - a seeming difference of opinion between the two co-authors.

Dr. Ted Gurr of Princeton University - saying he does not believe present unrest will end up in any "massive clashes." However, Dr. Hugh Graham of Johns Hopkins warning that campus and big city violence only invites "government repression." Adding that the U.S. is basically a conservative country - with a large middle class; and "if provoked enough to respond - it will respond massively." said he.

Be that as it may - life goes on; even in

occupied territorities - often with surprising results;

as witness a discovery reported today - from the Sinai

Desert. Israeli geologists looking for oil - coming up

with something far better; a vast underground water

reservoir that has been there since preserve apparently duting back to prehistoric times.

Only a few hundred yards down rutstng hopes that

eventually the Sinai will bloom again - even as the

Negocit surely did a few thousand years ago.

"Germany doubles U-boat fleet." Sounds

like a headline from the past, doesn't it? Actually,

though, top news today in Bonn. The West AGerman

government - in fact, more than doubling its present

fleet of electric eleven submarines. Placing orders for

the construction of twelve more U-boats -- for

delivery over the next five years. These to be used for

coastal defense -- mainly in the Baltic - or so they

say.

Paris again - the Elysee Palace - a formal reception today honoring French resistance leaders of World War II. With newsmen taking the opportunity - (Po-air) to buttonhole Acting President Alain Poher. Suggesting a Kennedy-Nixon style TV debate - with front running Presidential candidate George Pompidou.

Poher's reply? "Mais, Mon" - said he "there wouldn't be any point in it any longer." And then
he added with a smile: "It's not that I have anything
against Monsieur Pompidou - it's just the people he hangs
around with."

From Chicago - a recipe for telling whether

you're middle-aged or not. This - according to

University of Chicago sociologist Bernice Neugarten; who

says that middle age - can come at any age. Defining

the middle aged person as he who says of himself:

"I am glad I'm not young again - because now I have

experience - now I know how to use my time - now I

know my point of view - now I'm at the prime of my life."

Varie expressed my present sentiments exactly)

Winner of this year's National Spelling Bee a fourteen year old Dallas girl. Pretty, perky Susan

Yoachum. - No Handy She. Runner up - another fourteen

year old; Margaret Matthees of Huntsville, Alabama who missed on the word "egalitarian." Young Miss

Yoachum's spelling that right - then cinching her title

with a correct spelling of "interlocutory."

And now for the word "B"

And now for the word "Mr. Interlocutor" -

John Shafer.

Found - another sunken Spanish treasure ship. Off the coast of Box Vero Beach, Florida, less than three hundred yards from that famous Vero Beach seaside golf course where cartoonist-philosopher Don Herold used to play. It's a Spanish galleon - believed to be the Capitana; flagship of the legendary Pleet of Galeonos -- lost in Seventeen Fifteen enroute from Colombia to Spain laden with ingots of gold and silver from the mines in the Cordillera. My National Geographic South Pole companion Otis Imboden is an on hand to photograph this - and I hope also get some of the loot!

The ship said to be nearly intact. Preserved in sand - in only fifteen feet of water, maybe one of the greatest archaeological treasure finds in Florida history.