

Reds Threatened With Renewed War

WASHINGTON (AP) — North Vietnam risks renewed war with the United States unless it lives up to the Vietnam cease-fire and withdraws its forces from Cambodia and Laos, President Nixon said Thursday.

He also indicated the chances of improved U. S. relations with the Soviet Union and China are threatened by what he said was continued North Vietnamese aggressions.

This fourth and strongest warning over claimed Communist violations of the Jan. 27 settle-

ment came in Nixon's annual State of the World message to Congress.

He indicated American tolerance has been tested to the breaking point and Hanoi now has two choices.

"The first is to exploit the

Vietnam agreement and press its objectives in Indochina. In this case it would continue to infiltrate men and material into South Vietnam, keep its forces in Laos and Cambodia and through pressure or outright attack renew its aggression against our friends."

By picking this path, Nixon stated, Hanoi "would endanger the hard won gains for peace in Indochina. It would risk revived confrontation with us."

This was the plainest language Nixon has used in dealing with North Vietnam since the war was supposed to have ended more than three months ago.

"The second course is for North Vietnam to pursue its objectives peacefully," he said. This would mean total observance of the Vietnam settlement, including full accounting of missing American servicemen and a removal of all North Vietnamese troops from Laos and Cambodia.

"If North Vietnam chooses the

peaceful option, the United States remains committed to better relations," Nixon said. This includes the U. S. economic aid he said is essential to a lasting peace.

Vietnam was only one of the sections covered specifically in Nixon's 232-page report. Henry A. Kissinger in briefing newsmen pleaded that they give the other sections attention:

- Efforts to improve relations with mainland China should continue, even though he realizes there will be continuing frictions over ideology and views of history.

- The United States and the

Soviet Union have taken the "essential first step in freeing" themselves from Cold War confrontation.

This means, Nixon explained, that the obstacles are cleared for long-term, substantive agreements on limitation of offensive nuclear weapons, trade, troop cuts in Europe and in efforts to solve the Middle East conflict.

- Western Europe has to realize its otherwise welcome drive for economic regionalism cannot be at the expense of the American trade position.

While Nixon pledged the United States would "never compromise the security of Europe or the

interests of our allies," it is time for the Atlantic Alliance members to stop debate and get on with new programs.

- The inevitable recovery of Japan and its immense new economic strength means a new Washington-Tokyo relationship.

- The President personally will "underscore our deep interest in Latin America—I plan to make at least one visit to Latin America this year," Nixon said.

- "America's objective in the Middle East is still to help move the Arab-Israeli dispute from confrontation to negotiation and then toward conditions of peace."

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A Loving Heart
Is The Truest Wisdom

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The Unroutine Is Status Quo For Christian Counseling Service

"Give me three good reasons why I shouldn't kill myself," says the girl on the phone.

Later, a teenager calls, asking where he can go to get a V.D. test.

"I'm stuck in the mud at the lake. Can you help me?" asks a third caller.

It's all part of the unroutine day of Crisis Helpline, a 24-hour counseling service which began here in January. Since that time the Helpline has handled over 300 calls, ranging from lonely people to potential suicides to someone with kittens to give away.

"Although we get all sorts of callers, most of our calls, about 80 per cent, are about social-emotional problems," says Paul Moore, director of Crisis Helpline.

Crisis Helpline operates from a small room upstairs from the answer, its parent organization. The answer is a nondenominational Christian organization, but the Helpline functions separately

from the Answer's evangelical efforts.

"Although our primary interest is in sharing Christ with whoever calls in, we meet their immediate need first," says Moore. "The Helpline staff is set up to take fast action when necessary."

"We have a followup program, but it depends upon the person's needs and whether or not they want it."

"We felt like the need for a counseling service was there; hopefully, we're meeting some of that need," said Moore.

"We get all kinds of calls, but from housewives more than anything else. About half of our calls are from students, with high school students outnumbering A&M students."

Fourteen people answer the phone at Crisis Helpline, Moore said. They range between 19 and 26 years old. Moore is 23.

"The staff will change some when A&M lets out, but as far as I know the Helpline will continue," said Moore.

Everyone who answers the

Helpline has to go through a program of lectures, readings and on-the-job training, Moore said. In addition, he said, they must be "a born-again Christian, and well-grounded in the Bible."

The Crisis Helpline staff must work a minimum of four hours a week, but much of that time can be spent studying or listening to tapes, he said. "It's very erratic—we may have 12 calls Saturday night and no calls the following Saturday. Sometimes we'll have four calls in two hours and sometimes a call will last five hours," Moore said.

Although calls are not record-

ed or traced, the Helpline staff does keep a log of all calls, he said. The logbook enables the staff to discover trends and serves as a check on their performance, Moore said.

The Helpline also functions as a referral service. The Brazos County Community Council has given them a list of organizations which provide social services, and the Helpline staff can generally find someone to help a caller, he said.

"This is what it's all about," said Moore.

The Crisis Helpline number is 846-7727.

26 Graduates Won't Get Degrees Here

TEXARKANA — For the first time in its history, A&M will award degrees at a location other than the main campus at College Station.

TAMU will confer master's degrees upon 26 students completing the two-year curriculum of the Maintainability Engineering at the U. S. Army Materiel Command's Intern Training Center in Texarkana Tuesday.

The ceremony will conclude the formal education of the seventh class of graduate engineers to be trained in the TAMU-U. S. Army Materiel Command's Intern Training Center cooperative program. The Intern Training Center is at the Red River Army Depot in Texarkana.

As of May 8, TAMU will have awarded master's degrees to 331 Maintainability Engineering graduates since the initiation of this program at Red River Army Depot in 1967.

The university recently granted resident credit for work taken by students at the Intern Training Center, denoting the quality of the total educational facility operated by AMC and TAMU faculty and staff. TAMU has maintained a full-time graduate faculty at Red River Army Depot, under the local direction of Dr. R. L. Street, since June, 1969.

Highlighting the 10 a.m. graduation exercise will be remarks by President Dr. Jack K. Williams and an address by Dr. John C. Calhoun Jr., vice president for academic affairs. Brigadier General Robert L. Kirwan, director of personnel, Training and Force Development for the Army Materiel Command will be the keynote speaker.

Others in attendance at the graduation ceremony will include Dean George W. Kunze of the Graduate College; Dean Fred J. Benson of the College of Engineering; Dr. Paul H. Newell Jr., head of the Industrial Engineering Department; W. R. Fabian, administrative assistant, department of industrial engineering; Captain Patrick M. Hay, Acting Deputy Commandant, U.S. Army Logistics Management Center; Colonel William E. Eicher, commander of Red River Army Depot, and the directors of the various depot activities.

Other graduate engineering curricula are conducted in the areas of product/production engineering, safety engineering and maintenance engineering. A total of 254 master's degrees have been awarded in all programs since the beginning of this educational activity at Red River Army Depot in 1967.

Martha Claims White House Started Phony 'Rumors Galore'

NEW YORK (AP) — Martha Mitchell, wife of one of President Nixon's closest associates, told lawyers Thursday that the White House leaked false stories last year that she was in an insane asylum.

"I have been at the mercy of the White House for four years, they have treated me abominably, half-crucified me, have sent lies out through the press . . . have started rumors galore about me," she said under oath in a pretrial statement, sources said.

Her deposition, taken in connection with a series of Civil suits growing out of the Watergate affair, was to be made public in a few days after she had a chance to read and sign it.

Asked who at the White House put out stories about her, Mrs. Mitchell is reported to have said: "Well, the top echelon, I presume, but that is what they did."

She reportedly said that once "Mrs. Nixon had a press conference and said she understood Mrs. Mitchell was very, very ill."



LOOKING PAST THE OLD to the new, one can get the feeling of better things to come, such as the opening of the Continuing Education Tower and a new football season. The dome of the Academic Building is in the foreground. (Photo by Gary Baldasari)

Dean Of Admissions Will Never Tell An Applicant Just 'No'

From The Houston Post
Edwin H. "Ed" Cooper might go down in the annals of Texas universities as the man who took the tears out of admissions work. The dean of admissions and records at A&M since last September, Cooper is the man who ultimately decides who should be Aggies and who should not.

Usually the formula is based on high school grades and credits and the applicant's scores on the Standard Aptitude Test (SAT), the entrance examination used by A&M and many other Texas schools.

This year, however, something new has been added. Cooper personally reviews every rejected application to be sure no mistake has been made and to determine if there is any way the applicant can come to A&M.

He describes admissions work as a very emotional experience for applicants. Writing to tell them they have been accepted, he said, is part of the fun. It is telling a person of his rejection

that sometimes require crying tissue.

"It's not because we don't want a youngster here, it's because based on his high school record and test scores we don't think he can make it right then," Cooper said.

"But an applicant is never told 'No.'"

"Tell him 'No' and what will that do to him emotionally?" the 1953 A&M graduate and long-time administrator asked.

He cited the example of a Valley resident, the son of a laborer, who finished in the third level of his high school class. The young man scored 540 on the SAT, well under the 800 minimum score and nearly half of the average score for entering A&M freshmen.

To make matters worse, the applicant did not earn high school credits for plane geometry and algebra, both required to attend A&M.

"If he did get to school he would not make it," Cooper said based on the records. "But I'm

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With this issue of The Battalion, we will begin publishing only once a week on Wednesday. We will publish only one paper during exam week and summer editor Bill Henry will take over for the May 17 edition. Good luck to all this summer.

SG Comes To Rescue

Water Bill Causes Dilemma

By VICKIE ASHWILL
What does one do when he receives a \$67.75 water bill and he doesn't even have a swimming pool?

In the case of Lalit Misra, A&M student, he contacted the Student Government (SG) Fair Housing Commission to see what advice it could give him concerning his predicament.

After several days of confusion, it was finally agreed that Dr. B. H. Nelson, apartment owner, would pay for \$40 of the bill. The Campus Chest, an SG emergency fund, has agreed to pay the balance between a normal water bill and Nelson's \$40.

Misra received his \$67.75 March water bill at the first of April and was informed that the excessive amount of the bill was due to a leak somewhere in his apartment at 402 Boyett. According to Misra, the city clerk then advised him not to pay the bill.

Misra paid for the rest of his utilities at that time. Later he received a notification warning him that if his balance was not paid in full all of his utilities would be disconnected and would not be reconnected until he paid. The notification also added an additional \$5 late charge to his bill and said if his facilities were disconnected there would be a re-

connection fee.

In the meantime, Nelson had been notified of the leak.

"I immediately called a plumber to do a thorough check of Misra's plumbing system," said Nelson. "The plumber charged me \$10 to say nothing was leaking."

The city speculated that a commode had been left running for an excessive period of time, but Misra said no one was away from the apartment long enough for such a large bill to accumulate.

The April bill for Misra's \$60 apartment amounted to \$13.75.

"What is odd," said Fair Housing Commission Chairman Barb Sears, "is that the leak would fix itself during April."

"Normally," Sears continued, "it is the responsibility of the apartment owner to pay for the normal wear-and-tear of any facility. But there is a sticky situation involved when the tenant has contracted for all the utilities."

"I have the feeling everybody wants to do what is right," said Foreign Student Advisor Charles Hornstein, "but everyone is at a loss to know what is right."

Misra pointed out that if all his facilities were disconnected, it would be impossible for him and his two roommates to study for finals.

"The worst part of the whole mess," said Misra, "is that I do not have the money to pay for even half of the bill at this time and I am being forced to pay for no fault of mine."

Arab Movie To Be Shown Friday Night

"Revolution Until Victory," a documentary film on the Palestinian Arabs, will be shown Friday at 8 p.m. in the New Memorial Student Center, Rooms 230 and 231. A panel discussion will follow.

The movie deals with the dispossession of Palestinian Arabs by the creation of Israel. It included a history of Zionism and a sequence recalling the fate of the Jews under Hitler.

The film also explores the implications of Israel's close ties with the United States and the role of oil in Mideast politics.

Weather

FRIDAY — Partly cloudy. Increasing cloudiness & chance of light drizzle tonight. High 81, low 56.

SATURDAY — Considerable cloudiness. Chances of light drizzle in early morning. High of 83.

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