



ALEX QAISON-Sackey, Ghana's foreign minister, delivers to President Johnson a secret message in the chief executive's White House office Friday. The foreign minister said the message, from Ghana President Kwame Nkrumah should advance the cause of peace in Viet Nam. (AP Wirephoto)

## No Plans Made To Bomb Hanoi, Johnson Tells Ghana Official

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Johnson conferred Friday with Ghana's foreign minister and indicated to him that the United States has no present plans to bomb Hanoi. Johnson met Foreign Minister Alex Quaison-Sackey, who brought a personal message from President Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana. Johnson promised a prompt reply and the White House said all details will be made public later. Bill Moyers, White House press secretary, read to reporters a rather cryptic statement that related to the question of possible bombing of Hanoi. Moyers reported that Quaison-Sackey said "that because of the bombings of North Viet Nam by American planes, Hanoi has expressed some concern about the president of Ghana coming to Hanoi." Moyers, who later said he does not know whether Nkrumah plans to visit Hanoi, said further in his statement: "The president stated that concern (about bombings) was unnecessary because there is no U.S. military action against Hanoi. As the president said, 'not a bomb has fallen there.'" REPEATS VIEW Johnson, Moyers reported, repeated to Quaison-Sackey "what he has said on so many occasions—that the quickest way to peace is by aggression from the North to cease." The press secretary said Johnson told Quaison-Sackey that "when the aggression ceases, military resistance will cease." Moyers said the question of peace negotiations was not discussed during Johnson's 15-minute session with Quaison-Sackey. Quaison-Sackey, who also is president of the United Nations general assembly, did not talk with White House reporters. Nkrumah is a friend of President Ho Chi Minh of North Viet Nam and received a letter Thursday from that Communist leader. It is assumed the message Quaison-Sackey delivered was connected with the letter from Ho but U.S. officials expressed initial doubts that it would do much to break the deadlock over holding negotiations to end the Viet Nam war. CARRIES MESSAGE Talking with reporters before going to the White House, the diplomat said: "I am not to say anything about the message. I am only a messenger." But at the same time, he said the communication should "advance the cause of peace" and added: "I'm always optimistic."

## Bomb-Laden U.S. Aircraft Crashes Into Main Street

SAIGON (AP)—A bomb-laden U.S. B-57 Canberra jet, shot up in a raid against the Viet Cong guerrillas, crashed and spread war's havoc Friday on a main street of Nha Trang, South Viet Nam. A spokesman said at least 12 Vietnamese civilians were killed. Elsewhere other planes, combat troops and U.S. destroyers carried on a campaign officially reported to have inflicted on the Viet Cong in July their heaviest casualties for any one-month period of the war. A U.S. military spokesman said the guerrillas "may well have lost a division of troops." That could mean 10,000 men. Seventy-four persons, including eight Americans, were reported injured by the plunge of the twin-engine plane into Nha Trang, on the South China Sea 200 miles northeast of Saigon, and the subsequent fire and explosion of four of its 250-pound bombs. Officials said four buildings were destroyed and several damaged. FLYERS IT SILK The Canberra's two crew members had escaped safely, bailing out after taking what Maj. Gen. Gilbert L. Meyers of the U.S. Air Force called "every precaution to try to safeguard lives and property." One of the precautions was to set the automatic pilot to drop the crippled craft into the sea. But for some reason—apparently a damaged engine—the plane wheeled off course. Other diplomatic sources suggested that the Ho letter, brought to Nkrumah by a Ghanaian emissary just returned from Hanoi, did not mark any notable change in Ho's refusal to talk peace on terms demanded by Washington. These sources indicated that Nkrumah was using the occasion nonetheless to urge moves for a peaceful settlement. Women, Children Leaving Hanoi WARSAW (AP)—Women, children and the aged have been removed from Hanoi, capital of North Viet Nam, in anticipation of U.S. air raids, the Polish government television reported Friday night. "Only men remain in Hanoi," Polish tv correspondent Jerzy Telpi said in a voice report from Viet Nam. "However, the Americans have so far not arrived. The people are quiet and administration is orderly."

## Technical Fault Picked As Air Disaster's Cause

By BEN WARD  
OTTAWA (CP)—A DC-8F jet that crashed near Montreal 21 months ago, killing all 118 persons aboard, probably was forced into an excessive dive because of a technical fault and hadn't enough height to recover. That was the essence of a 9,500-word report issued Friday by a one-man federal inquiry that investigated the crash, Canada's worst air disaster. "It is concluded that the actual cause of the accident cannot be determined with certainty," Mr. Justice George Chailles of the Quebec Superior Court reported. But he added that "the most probable cause" was a fault in the plane's automatic pitch trim compensator that forced the nose up. The pilot's efforts to overcome this situation put the plane into a dive from which it was impossible to recover in time. The huge Trans-Canada Air Lines (Air Canada) jet plunged straight into the ground from a height of between 5,000 and 7,000 feet and blew to bits in the early evening of Nov. 29, 1963. It had seven crew members and 111 passengers making a regular "businessmen's special" flight to Toronto. It crashed only five minutes after it began thundering down the runway at Montreal International Airport. The chain of technical events which Mr. Justice Chailles described as the most probable cause of the tragedy is no longer possible on DC-8 jets. In September of 1964 the Douglas Aircraft Co., producer of the plane, made changes that limit to one-half of one degree the amount of nose-down trim a pilot can apply to the horizontal stabilizers. Formerly it was two degrees, or four times as much. Similar alterations were made in the Boeing 707, the DC-8's chief rival in commercial aviation. Under the technical circumstances that the report described as the probable cause of the crash, the pilot would be plunging earthward with his two main control devices combatting each other. The elevators would be in an "up" position and the stabilizers "down," jammed there by the air pressure. His only remedy was to release his pull on the control column, momentarily causing a steeper and faster dive but unjamming the motor on the stabilizers. TOO NEAR EARTH In other documented incidents of excessive jet dive it has taken at least 13,000 feet to accomplish this pull-out procedure. The Montreal jet was about 6,000 feet short of that requirement. The circumstances of the Montreal crash were identical with one three months later near New Orleans and let to a joint Canadian-American study. It included flying tests with DC-8s.

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# Early Start Scheduled On High School in City

## AIMED AT SEVEN STATES

## NO MAIL, PLANS NO INCOME TAX

## PWC Action Forces Move

### Negro Voting Measure Is Signed By Johnson

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Johnson signed his Negro voting rights bill Friday and set the stage for racial equality in the United States must turn to "a different battlefield" to overcome legacies of oppression. Johnson promised swift and certain enforcement to put the ballot, "an important instrument of freedom . . . into the hands of millions." He went to the U.S. Capitol to address the cabinet, Congress, civil rights leaders and Americans generally and to sign the bill in the elegant president's room. It was in this room, 104 years ago to the day, that President Abraham Lincoln signed into law a bill freeing slaves who had been pressed into civil war services for the Confederacy. A statue of a brooding Lincoln was at Johnson's shoulder as he faced television cameras and radio microphones with a message for American Negroes: "You must register. You must vote. And you must learn, so your choice advances your interest and the interest of the nation."

### Actor Everett Sloane Dies

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Everett Sloane, 55, one of the most durable of Hollywood character actors, died Friday in his Brentwood home. Cause of death was not immediately known. Rated one of the finest in the business, Sloane first came to Hollywood with Orson Welles' Mercury theatre group when they made the movie Citizen Kane.

## Huge Maine Fire Out Of Control

WHITNEYVILLE, Me. (AP)—Maine's biggest forest fire in recent years defied control Friday night. The fire, which began in a peat bog Wednesday, now has moved on a four-mile front some 7 1/2 miles from its origin, has jumped the Machias River in the southeastern part of the state, about five miles from the bog, and also moved across Maine highway 192 in several sections. Some 200 men, using bulldozers and aided by water bombers from Quebec, were seeking to encircle the perimeter of the blaze with a fire line. The fire is headed in a northeasterly direction, pushed by southerly winds of 5 to 10 miles an hour, towards Centerville, Whitneyville, and Northfield. Residents have been alerted for protection of buildings and possible evacuation. The area in question lies about 50 miles southwest of the New Brunswick border. If the fire does cross Maine highway 192 on a broad front, it would then be in a 50-mile area of woods that has few roads. Sixteen died in the blaze; 19 were in hospital; 2,500 made homeless; property losses totalled \$30,000,000; eight communities were reduced to ashes, 1,068 dwellings destroyed, and 200,000 acres of forest land blackened.

## BORROW PLANES

In Augusta, the state capital, Forest Commissioner Austin Wilkins said the state has secured the temporary use of two water-bombing planes from the province of Quebec, each capable of dropping 1,000 gallons of water at a time. Maine's two water bombers can only unload about 125 gallons on each pass over the fire. Wilkins said he has arranged for ground assistance from Massachusetts, New York and Connecticut under the northeastern forest fire compact. He said 15 portable power pumps and 26,000 feet of hose are scheduled to arrive from these states today. Governor John H. Reed told reporters in Augusta that the situation now is a very serious one. Other fires out of control included a 1,500-acre outbreak at Little Fork, about 23 miles northeast of Chipman, a 15-acre flareup at Sabbies River in Northumberland County and fires near Salmon River Road in Kent County and Nixon Brook in Albert County. Meanwhile, forests in nine New Brunswick counties were closed to travel at midnight Friday. They were: Kent, Westmorland, Albert, St. John, Charlotte, Kings, Queens, Sunbury and York.

### NO MAIL, PLANS NO INCOME TAX

MONTREAL (CP)—After 16 days of the mail-less postal strike Mrs. R. W. Stedman, daughter of late cabinet minister C. D. Howe, plans action with the decisiveness of her father. She will use what she called "the most potent weapon a private Canadian citizen can have," she said Friday, and won't pay her income taxes "on the grounds that the government is not providing the service for which I am paying." "I've had it," she said bluntly. "I am paying for a service I am not getting. This is unjust. I am deciding now that I will not pay taxes next spring and that's that."

## Postal Union Meeting Due Today In Montreal

MONTREAL (CP)—The headquarters of striking postal workers in Montreal has called a general meeting of the 4,100 strikers for 2 p.m. today in east-end Plateau Hall. A spokesman for the strikers said Friday night the meeting was called so that postal workers could hear a report from strike leaders on their talks with cabinet ministers in Ottawa. The spokesman was unable to say what the strike leaders would recommend or whether the postal workers would be called upon to vote on any recommendations. Earlier Friday, there were reports of a verbal exchange on the picket lines as strikers ridiculed the work of newly-hired part-time employees in Montreal's post offices. Revenue Minister Benson had said Montrealers could begin picking up their own mail at regional post offices once the non-union part-timers catch up with the huge backlog of mail spawned by the strike, which began 17 days ago today. "They'll have a heck of a job doing that," commented a strike spokesman when told about the catching-up job faced by the newcomers.

## Flee Homes Before Fire

FREDERICTON (CP)—Several residents of Brunswick, a community of less than 100 persons about two miles east of Chipman, evacuated their homes Friday as a forest fire—one of nine new outbreaks reported in New Brunswick and one of five out of control—pressed closer. The 4,500-acre blaze was burning through slash and timber on a front reported as seven miles long and two miles in width at its widest point. Other fires out of control included a 1,500-acre outbreak at Little Fork, about 23 miles northeast of Chipman, a 15-acre flareup at Sabbies River in Northumberland County and fires near Salmon River Road in Kent County and Nixon Brook in Albert County. Meanwhile, forests in nine New Brunswick counties were closed to travel at midnight Friday. They were: Kent, Westmorland, Albert, St. John, Charlotte, Kings, Queens, Sunbury and York.

## U.S. Warned Not To Send More Troops

By Reuters  
The Soviet Union warned the United States Friday against sending another 50,000 American troops into Viet Nam—an action which, it said, would tend to widen the war. At the same time, the Viet Cong made their first open appeal to North Viet Nam for military reinforcements to counter the U.S. decision to send the 50,000 troops. The Moscow statement followed a walkout of U.S. Ambassador Foy Kohler from a Kremlin reception because of criticism by Premier Kosygin of U.S. policy in Viet Nam.

## AT HIROSHIMA

HIROSHIMA (AP)—A crowd of 300,000, perhaps three times the number killed in the world's first atomic bombing, stood quietly here Friday marking the 20th anniversary of the Japanese city's holocaust. The observance took place in Hiroshima's Peace Park at the atomic cenotaph, a memorial to the thousands killed in the Second World War attack of Aug. 6, 1945. A typhoon, whose rains held off until after the ceremony, discouraged the usual anti-bomb rallies. Vendors offered ice cream and gold fish as a new list of 400 names of atomic victims was placed in a concrete receptacle under the cenotaph. It brought the Japanese death list to 61,447. Japanese estimated the toll of dead and maimed at 200,000. American officials say perhaps 80,000 were killed. The typhoon, which battered the city most of the day, washed out noisy anti-bomb demonstrations by outsiders that have marked the observance in past years. CITY BUSTLING Now a bustling and prosperous city, Hiroshima's population is 250,000 persons. It was 400,000 when the bomb was dropped. To about four-fifths of the population, the bombing is not a personal thing. Over the years, the anniversary has become tinged with a carnival atmosphere, mixed with the real grief of 93,000 survivors and their relatives. At 8:15 a.m.—the moment 20 years ago when a U.S. B-29 dropped the world's first nuclear bomb—the city came to a standstill. Sirens, gongs and church bells sounded. Until late at night, after Typhoon Jean had hit, people milled around the memorial monument. Leftists carried slogans saying "America get out of Viet Nam." The Viet Nam war was a chief topic of Communist and socialist anti-bomb rallies. Russia sent no delegates to the rallies but Communist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev sent a message assuring the Japanese that the Russians were "thoroughly determined" to prevent nuclear war. The 1945 bomb, an infant by today's standards, produced a fireball 95 feet in diameter, with searing temperature of 300,000 degrees centigrade. Destruction was total for a radius of nearly a mile.



## Typhoon Washes Out Anti-Bomb Rallies