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ENTERPRISE NEWS

Enterprise will become the White House today at sea, 40 miles northwest of San Diego, when President Lyndon B. Johnson arrives on board for an overnight visit. This is the second stop in his cross-country tour of military installations in observance of Veteran's Day.

The Commander-in-Chief, accompanied by Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara and Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, Chief of Naval Operations, will land by helo on the flight deck at approximately 1530. About thirty-five members of his official party and eighty members of the White House Press Corps will be following the Chief Executive. As he descends by elevator from the flight deck, Mr. Johnson will be given full honors, including a 21-gun salute and being piped aboard through side boys as he enters the hangar deck.

After a short rest, the President will tour the ship, making stops for briefings at CIC, IOIC and Ready Room #4. He will also inspect spotted aircraft on the hangar bay. From the island he will observe both day and night flight operations in the late afternoon and evening.

At 0630 tomorrow morning President Johnson will participate in Veteran's Day sunrise services on the flight deck (hangar deck is the weather is bad) with Admiral Moorer, Captain Lee and Chaplain Michael. Later following breakfast, he will board a helo for NAS North Island.

Preparations for the President's visit have been two days in progress. Members of the Secret Service and the White House staff have been aboard, arranging special quarters, communications and press centers to ensure safety, comfort and the smooth function of all activities according to planned schedule for the Presidential Party.

BARBERSHOP QUARTET - All personnel interested in barbershop quartet singing are requested to report to Classroom C at 2000 today.

FOREIGN AID BILL CUT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 9 - Congressional action has been completed on a foreign aid bill, but the compromise measure sent to President Johnson is far below the amount he requested.

THREAT OF MIDNIGHT STRIKE OFF

DETROIT, Nov. 9 (AP) - The threat of a midnight strike at Chrysler by the United Auto Workers Union is apparently off. The UAW announced it reached tentative agreement Wednesday night with Chrysler on terms of a new pact covering some 95,000 hourly production workers. But the bargainers, weary by 34 hours of non-stop talks, failed to agree on a contract for 8,000 salaried workers. The negotiators went home for a rest, but were to return to the bargaining table in Detroit Wednesday. With uncertainty over the status of the salaried workers, it is hard to tell how Chrysler's auto production will fare tomorrow. Widespread local walkouts Wednesday pared car output 36% and truck production to nothing.

MORTAR ATTACK IN CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

SAIGON, Nov. 9 (AP) - American troops in the Central Highlands of South Vietnam have come under heavy ground and mortar attacks from the North Vietnamese. Field reports say two companies from the U. S. Fourth Infantry Division came under five hour ground, mortar and rocket assault. At the same time, the communists launched a mortar attack on a nearby artillery support base. The assaults were made in the area southwest of Dak To and about 270 miles north of Saigon. The communists broke contact under a counter-bombardment by U. S. artillery and air strikes. But infantry troops continued to receive sporadic fire throughout the night. Both sides suffered casualties. Less than 100 miles to the south, another base and command post of the Fourth Division came under mortar attack early Thursday. One man was killed and eleven wounded.

THREE KILLED AS BARGE EXPLODES

SAIGON, Nov. 9 (UPI) - Three persons, including two American servicemen, have been killed in the explosion of a U. S. ammunition barge in a Vietnamese river four miles north of Saigon. Two persons were wounded and five others, including two Americans, are missing. The barge was blown up by a floating mine planted by the Viet Cong. U. S. planes hit a variety of targets in North Vietnam in new raids. Among other things, U. S. jets made a concentrated assault all along the main northwest rail line that links Hanoi with Red China. U. S. pilots report numerous hits on the Lang Kay rail bridge, 113 miles northwest of Hanoi and on a rail siding nearby. The installations are about 46 miles below the Chinese border. Other air strikes were on a bridge 19 miles northwest of Hanoi and at a transshipment point 25 miles southeast of Hanoi.

CONGO SAYS PORTUGAL TO BLAME

NEW YORK, Nov. 9 (AP) - At the United Nations, the Congo has declared that the invasion of that country by white mercenaries last week should be, in its words: "Laid at the door of Portugal." The Congolese vice-minister of Foreign Relations asked the United Nations Security Council to impose sanctions against Portugal. A Portugese spokesman denied the Congo accusation. He said Portugal has never allowed its bases or territory to be used for attacks against the Congo.

MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY - Happy Birthday to the Marine Detachment on the occasion of their 192nd anniversary today.