

Draft Doubled; 50,000 More Men For Viet



New Appointees

President Johnson poses with Abe Fortas, right, named new Supreme Court Justice, and John Chancellor, nominee as head of Voice of America. See stories Page 4.

LBJ Promises Death, Desolation To Aggressors

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Johnson gravely told the nation Wednesday he is sending 50,000 more Americans to South Vietnam to deal the Communists "death and desolation" that must be the path to a just peace. Johnson said monthly draft calls will be more than doubled, from 17,000 men to 35,000, to help increase U.S. forces in Vietnam from 75,000 to 125,000 troops. Johnson said he is sending the new Air Mobile Division, a helicopter-borne force of nearly 18,000 men, to Vietnam. With other forces to be dispatched now, he said, the 50,000-man buildup will come almost immediately. "Additional forces will be needed later, and they will be sent," said Johnson. He added, in a news conference statement: "This is the most agonizing and painful duty of your President." Johnson said he has told Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg to ask that the United Nations use all its resources and prestige "to find ways to halt aggression and bring peace in Vietnam." Johnson also: — Named his old friend and adviser, Washington lawyer Abe Fortas, to succeed Goldberg as a justice of the Supreme Court. Time and again, Johnson said,

Highlights Of News Conference:

- Viet Nam**
Draft calls to be doubled to replace 50,000 additional troops being sent to Viet Nam.
- Peace**
Peaceful settlement of the Viet Nam crisis to be sought through the United Nations.
- Supreme Court**
Abe Fortas to be appointed to Supreme Court, succeeding new Ambassador to U.N. Arthur J. Goldberg.
- Voice of America**
John W. Chancellor, NBC White House correspondent, appointed director of the Voice of America.
- Gardner**
John W. Gardner selected from a field of 40 or 50 to be new secretary of health, education and welfare.

Governors Back Johnson; To Get D.C. Briefing Today

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (AP) — The National Governors' Conference overwhelmingly endorsed President Johnson's move to increase U.S. forces in Vietnam Wednesday. Two Republicans balked. After Thursday the governors will go to Washington aboard a presidential jet for a personal briefing by Johnson. Some of them will take along openly expressed support for more details on plans and policies. Only Gov. Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon and George W. Romney of Michigan said "no" against a resounding roar of "yes" votes for a motion endorsing the position of the President and in support of the principals he enunciated. The chief executives of the states listened and watched while Johnson, on television, told why we are in Viet Nam, what the goals are and new steps that are being taken — to boost military manpower in the threatened little nation and to double the draft call at home. For the most part, some with reservations, both Republicans and Democrats supported the President in comment afterward. There are 33 Democratic governors, 17 Republicans. The governors interrupted the President in comment afterward, there are 33 Democratic governors, 17 Republicans. The governors interrupted the President in comment afterward, there are 33 Democratic governors, 17 Republicans. The governors interrupted the President in comment afterward, there are 33 Democratic governors, 17 Republicans.

House Votes To Repeal Union Shop Contract Ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted 221-203 Wednesday to kill state laws that ban union shop contracts — a bill destined to deliver a major Democratic election campaign pledge to organized labor. But as the measure headed toward expected tougher going in the Senate, its opponents declared, "The battle has just begun." They said the bill was reintroduced through the House under "flag rule" procedures. AFL-CIO President George Meany, after watching the vote from the House gallery, said it "represents a very important step in bringing justice to American workers." The bill was supported by 200 Democrats and 21 Republicans. It was opposed by 86 Democrats and 117 Republicans. The vote climaxed three days of debate on the most controversial labor measure before Congress in many years — repeal of Section 14(b) of the Taft-Hartley Act which permits states to ban union shop contracts. The repeal measure would allow states to ban such contracts and prevent all states from enacting such laws in the future. Union shop contracts require all employees covered to join the union after they are hired. The 19 states are Arkansas, Arizona, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Nevada, Nebraska, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia and Wyoming. Meany said the repeal measure "will contribute immensely to stabilized labor-management relations, the goal President Johnson has set for himself." Continued on Page 25; 5th Col.

Draft Hike To Make Deferments Difficult

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stopped-out draft calls may make it more difficult for young Americans to win deferment from military service. Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey said Wednesday. Lt. Gen. Hershey said he foresees no change in deferment policies. But he added that local draft boards probably will apply the new rules with a little more rigidity. He said they estimated that Selective Service has a manpower pool of about 80,000 youths "examined and accepted for service and ready to go." He said this number does not include any 1A married men between the ages of 19 and 26 nor any 1As who underwent examinations at the age of 18. "We have that pool and I am confident that we are examining more men than we are taking in," Hershey said. "But I worry about the examining. I guess the armed forces will be expanding their examining staffs and facilities. I understand that." Continued on Page 25; 5th Col.

Senate OK Heads Medicare Bill To President Johnson

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate clinched Wednesday a fight that began 39 years ago by approving a bill that would expand the Social Security system to provide a new health care program for the 19 million Americans aged 65. The vote was 70 to 24. The measure, which won House approval Tuesday, now goes to President Johnson. The President, who had placed the highest priority on the legislation, is expected to sign it into law this week. Social Security benefits under existing programs will go up, and payroll taxes will increase next year. The \$1.5-billion measure contains the broadest expansion of the Social Security system since the original law was passed in 1935 under the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Congress, at that time, beat off a proposal to include health care benefits for the elderly in the legislation. This week's action was a referendum for the House and Senate. Both had approved the bill by 3-1 margins earlier, but with many differences. A conference committee of the two chambers produced the compromise measure that won congressional passage. The House vote was 307 to 116. Quick presidential action on the bill is expected, congressional sources said, so that the increases in Social Security benefits would begin in September. To ensure that, Johnson must sign the measure by Aug. 1.

Senate Confirms Lodge's Nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate confirmed by voice vote Wednesday President Johnson's nomination of Henry Cabot Lodge for a second tour of duty as ambassador to South Vietnam. Lodge, whose nomination was approved Tuesday by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee after he briefed its members for nearly three hours on the Viet Nam crisis, plans to return to Saigon the middle of August.

To Attend Briefing Today Reed Endorses LBJ Policy On Viet Nam

By DONALD C. HANSEN
State House Reporter
MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Maine Gov. John H. Reed strongly backed President Johnson's Viet Nam policy Wednesday, saying, "The President deserves the instant backing of all governors on Thursday." Reed, who will fly to Washington Thursday for a Presidential briefing, told the National Governors' Conference that "there is no time for half-splitting." Reed made his motion to have the Governors' Conference back the President's policy shortly after listening to Johnson's press conference. The President said that U.S. troops in Viet Nam would be increased to 125,000, an increase of about 50,000. Reed strongly backed a motion of Gov. Carl Sanders, D. Georgia, to support the President's policy in Viet Nam. Reed's statement for support of the President's policy came after Oregon Republican Gov. Mark Hatfield issued a statement of "concern" in which he spoke of "national leaders who resign themselves to policies that accept the potential sacrifice of millions of their people." Continued on Page 4; 6th Col.

Surfing In Maine Grows On Wave Of Popularity

By BRADFORD F. ANDERSEN
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Surfing has grown in a tidal wave of popularity along the Maine coast, inundating many local beaches. Surfer Joes and their beach-bunnies brought the foam-borne sport to Fortune's Rock, near Biddeford Pool, nearly three years ago. Since then, surfing has managed to gain enthusiasts on even the calmest wavefronts. The wild-eyed cult that gave birth to the craze has transformed its following into an earnest group of sportsmen. Coast of Maine surf jockeys don't "bum it" like some of their wild California counterparts who caused parents to shudder. Most are college students, although some of the heartiest followers are high school youth. Surfing Jargon has followed the boards, but exposure to the sport has not been restricted to the surfers and their "wax-head" women. Surfing music is equally big with lead-injected beach areas and for surfers. It is the national network of music shows featuring the teen beat of Dan & John, the Surfers and the Beach Boys. Around crowded beaches, surfers and talk the sport



Riding The Waves At Higgins Beach

enjoy their sport under the jaundiced eye of association members. Local residents fear for the safety of their children, disapproving of the surfers' "unusually near enough to save a person in trouble." One Scarborough policeman familiar with the problem praised the surfers as "an unrecording safety factor." He said, "A beach without lifeguards should be happy to have experienced surfers in the water because no one else usually near enough to save a person in trouble."

Straw Hat Theater
"DEEP WATERS"
Erving Pinner set along rugged Maine Coast with
Dana Andrews
Jean Peters
9:30 P.M.
Channel 13

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