

# THE DAILY NEWS

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## Editorial Comment

### We're Entitled To The Truth

From The Ossining Register.

SOME information, readers and their readers depend upon certain publications, such as police departments. The public has a right to expect straight information from such sources.

At midnight an incident occurred outside the Opportunity Center after. Ossining police first said that a group of condemned teenagers "left quiet police request. When returned in Saturday morning other sources that had been used to break group, police at first denied their original story, in the morning admitted they had, in fact, taken action.

First told The Citizen no arrests of any kind made Friday night. When, they finally admitted no arrests had been made after the tear gas incident.

Point of this editorial is we have a right to the

Ossining Police Department. Now, we are no longer certain and feel the public is entitled to know of our doubts.

**WE WOULD** prefer to have commended the police for a good job of maintaining the public safety. Because they have made it so difficult for us to know the facts of the Friday incident, we can only criticize and hope it is the last time such criticism is needed.

Almost daily the police of the tri-villages, Mount Pleasant and Greenburgh as well as the Thruway Troopers, after an incident has occurred, face the demand "Not for the press". Unless a premature news release would tip off a criminal that he was on the wanted list and unless such release would further interfere with police work, such requests are ignored by the police and rightly so.

What's on the police blotter is a public record and all of the people are entitled to the news. We're glad to report that such shenanigans seldom occur in our precincts.

In the past, we have questioned similar lapses and have talked them over quietly and privately with police officials. We since thought we could depend upon the accuracy of the information being given us by

### Humphrey Assesses Viet Nam

PRESIDENT Hubert H. Humphrey has put a different spin on the unrest and demands in South Viet Nam.

Minimizing the fact he struggle for power is strong, the Vice President, was described as a "line" speech to an Association luncheon Monday.

This situation also to be a "line," rather than a "front" so many have adopted it.

ear ago," he said, "there is a struggle for power, because a year ago it was very much there would be any Viet Nam. Today, both Viet Nam and South Viet

and the world know that will be a South Viet Nam. The power groups within Viet Nam are now positive themselves to see who is to run the country."

CITING AN assurance of victory which permits the expectation that any postwar government will be a viable operation, Mr. Humphrey said the jousting for power is "the best evidence that we can find today that considerable progress has been made in defeating the enemy."

Mr. Humphrey made other telling points in his address, including at least two which should have impact upon our own homegrown critics and disidents.

For instance, he denied the conflict is a civil war: "You and I know that the National Liberation Front is exactly what its terminology says it is, a front. That is the only honest word. It is not national. It liberates no one. It is a front of Ho Chi Minh from Hanoi. And he says so. The only ones who seem to misunderstand that are some folks

here, in America, where Communism becomes a matter of academic discussion rather than a matter of life and death."

AND, AS HE insisted that the people of South Viet Nam do not want the Communists to control them, the Vice President made this point: "Not one single leader of any single group in South Viet Nam has as yet defected to Hanoi or the National Liberation Front. Not one."

The message should be clear. We are in Viet Nam. We are there by invitation. We fully intend to get out, but not before the job to which we are committed is done and the people of South Viet Nam are assured of the security of their own country, governed by their own freely elected people under their own constitution.

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### A Really Growth Industry

HERE WERE only 15 computers in use in 1950, just 16 ago.

Instrument was an awe-and fearful tool whose potential for good and growth only vaguely understood by American industry and labor whose capabilities were beginning to be explored by leaders in the field.

Today there is \$7.8 billion of computer equipment in the United States, a figure that the American Federation of Information Processing Industries says could rise to \$18 billion by 1970 and \$31.5 billion by 1975.

WESTCHESTER has had a

bonus from this vast growth as the home of the key headquarters, research and office establishments of International Business Machine Corp., the greatest computer name in the world.

So it is with pride that we note the evident prosperity of this gigantic worldwide organization as demonstrated at its annual meeting Monday in Houston, Texas.

The IBM status is such that its directors not only could vote to increase its dividends by 10 per cent and to approve a 50 per cent stock split, but also to offer additional common stock to raise \$350 million to build new

construction facilities demanded by what Thomas J. Watson Jr., chairman, described as an "unprecedented backlog of orders."

SINCE Westchester has a vital interest in IBM and its future, both because of the physical structures it has brought to the county and the contribution to its civic life made by the thousands of employees now residing here, it can join joyfully in the IBM record of success and in the forecast for the future of the computer industry.

The significance of that industry is that, by its basic contribution to the efficiency and effectiveness of our economic system, it furthers human welfare.

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### FAST LIFE

by

Harry Karns

If the United States hadn't gone into Viet Nam, declares Sen. Fulbright, the trouble there would have been settled long ago. Sure, the way an encounter on a dark street is settled — in favor of the party with the mask and revolver.

Robert Kintner, former head of the National Broadcasting Co. is Lyndon's new troubleshooter. He'll find that NBC has a lot more troubles than NBC, but also a lot more power with which to solve them.

U.S. Ambassador Marian Cleveland says France is unreliable. On the contrary, you can always depend on France — to upset the apple cart.

Lyndon praises the DAR for its dedication to the past. The GOP rightwingers are dedicated to the past, also, but we haven't heard him saying anything nice about them.

"Human Sexual Response" is the name of an important new book. Have you noticed that every two or three years the researchers discover sex all over again?

A phonograph record manufacturer advertises recordings of the noises of civilization — cars, planes, motorcycles,

### Billy Graham

Q. My father is past retirement age but is still working. We are trying to persuade him to move to Florida and take it easy, but he refuses to stop working. —L.E.

A. Unfortunately, in America, we have developed the idea that our senior citizens should be turned "out to pasture" when they reach age 65. I have been in Florida and I know that picnics, fishing rods and idle days on the beach do not fill the hearts and minds of people who have lived creatively all their lives.

The happiest "old people" I know are the busiest. Even an old "race horse" bristles with excitement when he hears the starter's bugle and our aging parents don't like to sit on the sidelines either. It is difficult for a person who has never been idle to adjust to just doing nothing.

Why not let your father do what he wants to do? If he wants to go on working, let him do it. If he would rather sit "in the harness" than "on the beach," that's his own business. I'm with him.

CENSURE RARE — In this country it has been largely left to legislatures to police themselves, but, as Case has said, "history shows that they do not police themselves." Apart from a few raw election frauds, only twice in the last 100 years has the Senate acted even to censure one of its own members for any cause whatsoever.

The public disclosure principle would at least put the facts on the table for the people to judge. It would operate automatically. Also, as Case has pointed out, the satiric quick operations of

the hot number containing the sound of drifting cottonwood

### Minutes A Day

The Rev. JAMES KELLER when asked what sort of work he had, one man who boasted he hasn't had a steady job 15 years, frankly replied: "I think I like any kind of work."

He work-dodger, a 32-year-Londoner, said that he had off relief payments over years. At present he receives \$18.34 a week in welfare. I have no conscience at all," said, "and I am quite content live off the taxpayer."

Then he added: "I spend it of my time in bed, on the couch or watching television on weekends set a friend gave me persons would go so far as to upset the apple cart."

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