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Humphrey Cheers; Twins Win

By FRANK WRIGHT
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — As any good politician should, Vice-President Hubert Humphrey played up to the hometown crowd Wednesday.

He sat behind the Washington Senators' dugout, first of all.

And then when he threw out the first two pitches, the traditional signal for the opening of the American League baseball season, they both went to members of the Senators' team.

Coach Nellie Fox grabbed the first one, and outfielder Hank Allen leaped high in the air to catch the second.

BUT IN SPITE of what Humphrey did for public consumption, it can be reported without fear of contradiction that his heart still belongs to the Minnesota Twins.

He led the cheers when first baseman Harmon Killebrew and outfielder Bob Allison hit home runs to give the Twins a 2-to-0 lead that held up easily behind the strong four-hit shutout pitching of Dean Chance.

(DETAILS — Sports Section.)

And afterward in the clubhouse he confided to the Twins that it was "tough out there for me today. I like those Senators. But I had to tell 'em

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Associated Press
HUBERT HUMPHREY THREW OUT FIRST BALL WEDNESDAY
At American League opener between Minnesota and Washington

150 Feared Killed as Ferry Sinks

New Zealanders Continue Search for Victims' Bodies

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (UPI) — Search crews struggled along storm-lashed beaches today in a search for the bodies of passengers and crewmen of the 9,100-ton ferry Wahine, sunk by a typhoon in nearby Worser Bay.

It was feared that the final death toll would reach 150.

Police reported at 2 a.m. today (8 a.m. Wednesday Minneapolis time) that 49 bodies had been recovered and 106 survivors were hospitalized. About 100 persons were still missing.

The sea-going car-passenger ferry was carrying about 740 persons when it foundered outside of the harbor at Wellington after striking a reef during the storm, which was described as the worst in memory. Winds were clocked at up to 120 miles per hour.

Most of those aboard were rescued by small boats that picked up men, women and children who leaped or were hurled into the sea when the Wahine heeled over near Barretts Reef.

THE STORM also caused heavy damage in Wellington and nearby areas. Prime Minister Keith Holyoake declared a state of emergency.

The Wahine was on a regular run across Cook Strait from Lyttleton on New Zealand's South Island to Wellington on the southern tip of the North Island with about 615 passengers and 130 crewmen when disaster struck.

Just outside the entrance to the harbor, the 490-foot-long Wahine crashed into the reefs. It wrenched loose with a hole at the waterline, and a tug put a line aboard.

THE LINE snapped and the Wahine floundered helplessly, dragging its anchor for several hours before it suddenly heeled over.

Martine Minister John Scott said all hope for the

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House Passes '68 Civil Rights Bill, Sends It to LBJ

By RICHARD P. KLEEMAN
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — The 1968 civil rights bill, which by 1970 will bar racial discrimination in most housing sales and rentals, passed the House of Representatives Wednesday and went to President Johnson for signature.

In a statement issued moments after the House completed congressional action on the bill, Mr. Johnson called its passage "a victory for every American."

The key House vote was 229 to 195 on the question of accepting without any change the bill that had passed the Senate March 11, by a vote of 71 to 20, after 40 days of debate. (Sen. Walter F. Mondale, D-Minn., was a co-author of the bill's open-housing provision.)

On the crucial vote, 152 House Democrats voted the aid of 77 Republicans, with many of the GOP votes recruited by Minnesota Reps. Albert H. Quie and Clark MacGregor. They were opposed by 89 Democrats and 105 Republicans.

ALL THREE Minnesota Democrats — John Blatnik, Donald Fraser and Joseph Karth—voted to accept the Senate bill unaltered. So did four of the five Republicans: Quie, MacGregor, Ancher Nelsen and John Zwach.

Rep. Odin Langen, who last week had said "no bill is so good a little more discussion won't help it" cast the only Minnesota GOP vote to send the bill to a Senate-House conference committee, a move which the bill's supporters predicted might have proven fatal.

LATER LANGEN switched his vote to support the bill's final passage, which the House voted, 250 to 171.

Other Upper Midwest congressmen voting for the measure were: Thomas S. Kleppe, R-N.D., Alvin O'Konski, R-Wis., and Ben Reifel, R-S.D.

Voting against were: E. Y.

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CREIGHTON ABRAMS — MARVIN WATSON
Appointed to new positions by the President

President Names Abrams to Lead Vietnam Forces

By CHARLES W. BAILEY
Chief of the Minneapolis Tribune Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, D.C. — President Johnson Wednesday named Gen. Creighton W. Abrams as the new U.S. Commander in Vietnam, replacing Gen. William C. Westmoreland.

At an impromptu news conference, the chief executive also announced a number of other top-level civilian and military personnel changes. They were:

Resignation of Postmaster General Lawrence F. O'Brien and the nomination of W. Marvin Watson, currently Mr. Johnson's White House appointments secretary, to succeed him.

Appointment of Adm. John S. McCain Jr., to become U.S. commander-in-chief in the Pacific, replacing Adm. Ulysses S. G. Sharp, who will retire in July.

Appointment of Lt. Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster to be deputy commander in Vietnam. The job will become vacant when Abrams, who now holds it, succeeds Westmoreland in the near future.

None of the shifts announced yesterday were surprises. Abrams had been assumed to have the inside track for the Vietnam post, and O'Brien's resignation had been widely rumored here in the past few days.

Mr. Johnson's choice of Watson to replace O'Brien was seen by most observers as the President's way of rewarding a man who has served him faithfully in a largely unsung role.

IN ADDITION to overseeing the President's schedule, Watson has served as his political liaison with the Democratic National Committee and with party leaders around the country.

He presumably will continue the latter role in his new job — postmaster-general—as he has traditionally been political operators—although Mr. Johnson's noncandidate status presumably will minimize the importance of such work.

O'Brien's future plans were not clear last night. The President said merely that he wanted to "return to private life after seven-plus years in the government." But there have been reports that O'Brien may assume a part in the presidential campaign of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, whose late brother he served for many years.

O'BRIEN and the younger Kennedy, however, have not been so close—particularly since O'Brien not only stayed on in the White House to help Mr. Johnson enact the administration's legislative program in 1964 but then accepted a Cabinet post from him after the 1964 election.

The Abrams appointment has seemed almost inevitable especially since Mr. Johnson spent more than a day talking with him recently on his

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65 STAGE SIT-IN

Byrne Would Keep AR15 Police Rifles

By FINLAY LEWIS
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

St. Paul Mayor Thomas R. Byrne announced Wednesday afternoon that he is recommending the retention by St. Paul police of three AR15 rifles purchased in January.

Byrne's announcement was greeted with dismay by about 65 University of Minnesota students and faculty members, some of whom immediately made preparations to extend indefinitely a day-long sit-in that began at about 10:15 a.m. yesterday in the mayor's reception room.

(PICTURE—Page 21.)

The demonstrators are protesting that the automatic rifles are symbolic of the oppression and injustice that they feel have been directed at the city's minority groups, particularly Negroes.

THEIR WERE indications also that the 25 or 30 demonstrators planning on continuing the sit-in also would conduct a fast to increase what one termed their "moral leverage."

Byrne also was criticized by his opponent in the April 30 city election, Mrs. Walter Butler, who said her policy as mayor would have been to return the rifles "because of the symbol they have become."

Recently Minneapolis Mayor Arthur Naftalin announced that the 10 AR15 rifles bought by Minneapolis police would be returned on the grounds that they are not appropriate for police use.

Byrne's recommendation will go to Public Relief Commissioner William Carlson, who has indicated he favors retaining the weapons.

THE MAYOR emphasized that his recommendation is

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Coalition Approves 14 Proposals

By DICK CUNNINGHAM
Minneapolis Tribune Staff Writer

The Minneapolis Urban Coalition approved 14 proposals Wednesday night in response to 14 demands from representatives of the city's minority community.

A "steering committee of the black community" will meet at 6:30 p.m. today to consider the responses, said Syl Davis, director of The Way community center, who presented the demands last Saturday.

On the key demand for representation on the City Council, the coalition presented a short-range and a long-range response.

For the short range, the coalition agreed to appoint a committee to meet with the council "to urge the selection of nonvoting representation from the minority community to sit in an advisory capacity with the council."

For the long range, the coalition said it would propose to the city's Charter Commission a charter amendment to provide for the election of an official voting representative—if the law allows it—or for a nonvoting representative if it does not.

City Council President Dan Cohen and Aldermen Richard Erdall and Donald Risk, all members of the coalition, said the feasibility of the proposal would depend on the definition of terms like advisory.

Attorney Douglas Hall, secretary of the coalition, said the U.S. Supreme Court had offered precedents for refashioning legal forms to meet human needs in the school desegregation and the one-man-one-vote decisions.

HE SAID the proposal offered Minneapolis a challenge to change the charter and try to sustain the change in the courts.

Most of the proposals were recommendations for action to the appropriate existing agencies. The implication was that the recommendations would be backed by "persuasion, community leadership and pressure," from the coalition of business, labor, government, church, social agency and resident representatives.

Two concrete develop-

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Trading Volume Soars to Record

NEW YORK, N.Y. (AP) — Trading volume on the New York Stock Exchange soared Wednesday to a record for the third time in seven trading sessions.

A total of 20.41 million shares changed hands, swamping the exchange ticker tape.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials closed with a gain of 8.21 points at 882.63 after having been up more than 15 points around midday.

(MARKET TABLES—Page 10.)

LBJ Gets Encouraging Report on Vietnam Pacification Drive

By RONALD ROSS
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SAIGON, South Vietnam — President Johnson was told during top-level Vietnam policy sessions at Camp David that the so-called pacification program has suffered much less of a setback as a result of the Viet Cong Tet offensive than had been feared.

This evaluation was contained in a secret report sent to Washington, D.C., Tuesday by Robert Komer, chief of the American combined military-civilian pacification agency, CORDS.

THOSE INITIALS stand for Civil Operations Revolutionary Development Support, the organization created last May under Gen. William C. Westmoreland's command.

"We are now on a distinct recovery curve," Komer reported to the President, who has been meeting with senior Vietnam policy advisers to lay the groundwork for talks with the North Vietnamese.

The report was presented to Mr. Johnson by the American ambassador to the Saigon government, Ellsworth Bunker. Bunker is due to return to Saigon today from talks at Camp David and in Washington.

With one significant exception, the report was a positive and optimistic evaluation of the speed with which the Vietnamese government military and police are recovering from the Tet offensive.

THE EXCEPTION, however, the end of the report, said in effect.

The Viet Cong have seriously hurt the Saigon government's administration in South Vietnam's villages and hamlets.

Before Tet, Komer reported, there were 7,239 hamlets with government-of-South - Vietnam administrations, either appointed by Saigon or elected.

As of the end of March, Komer said, there are 4,477

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Warmer Day Is Predicted

The Twin Cities will have fair and warmer weather today, according to the Weather Bureau.

The high today will be 78, with a low tonight of 48 and a high Friday of 70. Chance of precipitation is near zero today but will rise to 10 per cent tonight.

The five-day forecast for today through Monday calls for Twin Cities temperatures to average 5 or 6 degrees above the seasonal normal high of 55 degrees and low of 32 degrees.

Precipitation is expected to average about one half inch, occurring as showers and possibly thunderstorms during the weekend.

Other predicted highs for today: Minnesota, 65 to 75 north, 72 to 80 south; North Dakota, 65 to 75 north, 72 to 80 south; South Dakota, 76 to 82; Wisconsin, 60s northeast, 70s southwest.

Katharine Hepburn, Steiger Win Oscars

From The Tribune's Wire Services

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Rod Steiger, the gruff Southern sheriff of "In the Heat of the Night," and Katharine Hepburn, the sentimental mother of "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner," were named best actor and actress of 1967 at the 40th Academy Awards on Wednesday night.

The award for the best picture of the year went to "In the Heat of the Night," a realistic murder tale in a Southern town.

Supporting Oscars went to George Kennedy, the chain gang convict of "Cool Hand Luke" and to Estelle Parsons, the reluctant member of a bank robbing gang in "Bonnie and Clyde."

FORMER NIGHT club comedian Mike Nichols won selected best director for his tale of a colleguan's disillusionment in "The Graduate." Writing awards went to Sterling Silliphant for his adaptation of "In the Heat of the Night" and to William Rose for his original "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner."

"In the Heat of the Night" scored five Oscars, far from a record. Seldom in recent years have the awards been so evenly divided among the films.

Steiger's performance of the red-necked, small town policeman faced with a murder compounded by racial strife was acclaimed across the country and won the New York Critics Award earlier this year.

It was Steiger's third nomination.

Miss Hepburn, a sentimental favorite, won the best actress award for her portrayal in "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" of a mother faced with the problem of seeing her daughter involved in an interracial marriage.

IT WAS THE second Oscar for the outspoken, long-time star. She first won the award for "Morning Glory" in 1933. It was the actress' 10th nomination, tying her, with all-time champ Bette Davis.

The awards were postponed two days out of respect for the late Martin

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Steiger — Miss Hepburn
Best actor, actress

Almanac

It Could Have Been a Bulldozer

Thursday, April 11, 1865

More human drama from the Niccolet Mail. The fellow who met trouble on Niccllet Mall last week reports this hat crisis.

It blew off his head and landed in the middle of the intersection as a traffic light turned red. He and fellow pedestrians watched as motorists streamed through, carefully maneuvering around it. When at last the light turned yellow, the set faces broke into smiles that froze as one last car zipped through on the yellow light and drove flat across the hat.

100 YEARS

Strike Out the Band

Long Prairie's high school band, winner of numerous awards last year, was invited to play this year at Washington's Cherry Blossom Festival. But disorder in Washington and the death of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. interceded. During a week's trip east, not a mile was played. Read a report by George Grim below, on PAGE 22.

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