

# better each year

Indianapolis (AP) — The 18 surviving members of the "Last Man Club" gathered at a restaurant today around a quart bottle of champagne on a black-draped table.

The men are all that are left of 66 World War I veterans who got together in 1935, contributed a dime each and bought the bottle of champagne.

They vowed to meet each Nov. 11, marking The World War I armistice, until only one is alive. That last man, then will sit alone, toast his deceased comrades and drink the champagne, which is kept in a bank safe deposit box 264 days a year.

After dinner each year, the surviving members raise while the names of the deceased club members are read aloud and a waltz plays taps.

A toast is then offered to the "last man," whichever of the members he may turn out to be.

Thurman W. Marshall of Indianapolis says members traditionally greet each other with

such comments as, "Man, do you look sick," and bid farewell with, "I hope you make it next year, but I don't think you will."

Marshall, the youngest member at 72, feels he's got the best chance to drink the champagne someday. The oldest member is 83.

"It's not the party it used to be with only 16 of the original 66 left," Marshall said. "But we'll still shoot the breeze, have a nip or two, talk about old times — and the odds on getting that champagne get better all the time."

## NEW UNKNOWN

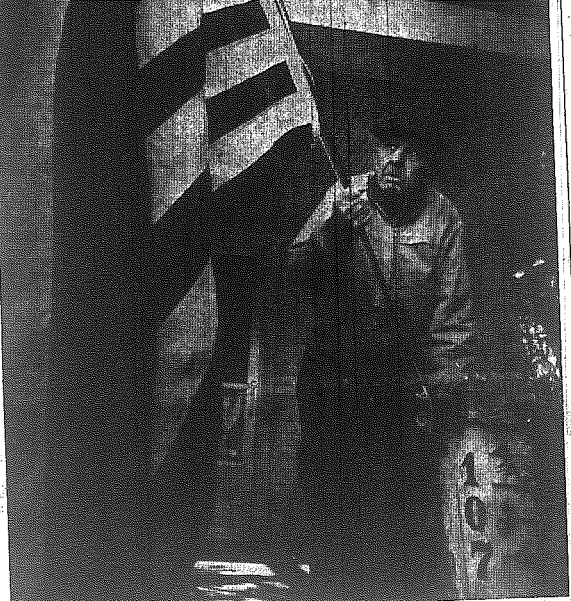
Memorial tomb may include GI killed in Vietnam

Washington (AP) — President Nixon said today an unknown serviceman killed in action in Vietnam soon may be buried at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, "we pray he will be the last," he added.

Nixon drove to the national cemetery in nearby Arlington, Va., to lay a wreath at the tomb. It was the 56th anniversary of the interment there of the unknown a soldier of World War I.

Recalling in a statement that President Dwight D. Eisenhower went to Arlington on May 30, 1958; to bury unknowns from World War II and Korea, Nixon said:

"By that time, America knew that the idea of a war to end all wars was in vain. It was clear that what we really need is a peace to end all wars."



## THE 'REAL' HOLIDAY

Today is the "real" Veterans Day, says Peter Bloom of 107 S. Lincoln Ave., not Oct. 25. Bloom, who put out his flag today in honor of the

national holiday. They are going to ask Congress to change the date back to what it was, Nov. 11.

occasion, joins a group of other veterans, mainly from World War I, who have pre-tested the change of date of the national holiday. They are going to ask Congress to change the date back to what it was, Nov. 11.

# U.N. arrive

New York (AP) — Communist China's chief delegates to the United Nations arrived at Kennedy International Airport today in brisk, sunny autumn weather.

On their 12:25 p.m. arrival from Paris aboard an Air France jetliner, the two leaders and their 20 aides were met by six colleagues, who have been making housing and office arrangements here since Monday and clusters of security personnel.

ambassador to Canada, led the first group.

The other 22 members of the delegation were to arrive on a flight later today.

## U.N. bustling to greet new members

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United Nations, N.Y.

The arrival today of the first full delegation from Communist China has produced a rare air of expectancy here.

At every level of U.N. activity more questions are being asked than answered about the impact the 50 men and women from Communist China will have on

this world body.

Friend and foe alike seem determined to give Peking the best start.

The delegation will reside in 35 rooms on the 14th floor of the Hotel Roosevelt and the hotel management is hiring a Chinese chief especially for the guests.

Friday or Monday the General Assembly will hold a special plenary session to welcome the Chinese.

At that time Deputy Foreign Minister Chiao Kuan-hua is expected to give the long-awaited policy statement on Peking's approach to the United Nations.



Chinese Deputy Foreign Minister Chiao Kuan-hua, left, waves as he leaves his embassy residence in Paris' suburb.

urban Neuilly en route to New York, where he will lead Communist China's United Nations delegation. An unidentified

aide is at right. Chiao arrived in New York today. (AP Wirephoto)

## Fair

Fair tonight, low 32 to 38, Sunny and warmer Friday, high 63 to 70.

Wednesday's high 57, low 28, mean 43, overnight low 37, 7 a.m. temperature 37 with 96 percent humidity.

Sunset 4:41 p.m. Sunrise Friday 6:34 a.m.

No precipitation Wednesday.

## Senate bickering over approval method

# High court nominations delayed

Washington (AP) — Action on President Nixon's Supreme Court nominees, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and William H. Rehnquist, was blocked in the Senate Judiciary Committee today for at least a week.

A motion by Sen. Sam Ervin, D-N.C., to report out both nominations favorably was prevented from being brought to a vote when Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., offered a substitute motion to approve only Powell's nomination.

Sen. Marlow W. Cook, R-Ky., countered by moving to lay Bayh's motion on the table. Cook later told reporters he felt strongly that the committee should act on both nominations at the same time. Sen. John V. Tunney, D-Calif., invoked a minority rule, prior to Cook's motion, to force a seven-day delay in acting on Rehnquist. Tunney said he felt the nominations should be treated separately.

Despite some talk of a possible filibuster in committee against Rehnquist's nomination, Chairman James O. Eastland, D-Miss., said he expects both nominations to be reported favorably to the Senate before Thanksgiving.

The next meeting of the committee will be held a week from today when another attempt will be made to get action on the nominations of Powell, a Richmond, Va., lawyer, and Rehnquist, an assistant attorney general.

Tunney said he is prepared to approve the nomination of Powell but had not decided how he would vote on Rehnquist, who has run into sharp opposition from civil rights and labor leaders.

"Why should we rush to a quick decision?" asked Tunney. "Why not wait a week?"

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# Police patrol halls after fights at Centennial

By Dianne Rowland

Of The Courier

Police officers were patrolling the halls at Centennial High School in an attempt to curb racial violence at the school.

Two weeks of racial unrest at Centennial erupted in two fights Wednesday in which a teacher and two assistant principals were struck.

Although the school was quiet today, at least 39 students have been suspended, and four face the possibility of being expelled.

According to Assistant Principal Al Davis, two separate incidents occurred at about noon in the cafeteria filled by about 40 black students. One began when a black girl pulled the hair of a woman teacher, he said. The teacher grabbed the girl's arm

and the girl hit her. Then an assistant principal grabbed the girl and at least two black boys hit him.

At about the same time, Davis said, in the same hall another assistant principal was knocked down and kicked by at least three black boys.

This group of 40 then left the cafeteria area and went to the second floor of the school where one white girl was struck and another pushed into a locker. The group began to disband and shortly all returned to classes, Davis said.

Only "minor bruises" resulted, said Centennial principal Richard Longenecker.

No arrests have been made as of noon today, though a student knowingly assaulting a teacher or principal can face a felony charge.

Other students were suspended, he said, for disobeying rules and being in the halls when they weren't supposed to be. An announcement was made to students Wednesday morning that all hall passes would be kept to a minimum and students in the halls without a pass would be suspended.

Longenecker said the "tensions are still here today" but no other incidents have occurred. Seven Champaign policemen, four uniformed and three plain clothes juvenile officers, are in the school today, he said, and will be asked to remain as long as necessary.

Champaign police reported "all quiet" at the school today. One complaint was filed later this morning by the father of

a 16-year-old girl who claimed his daughter was attacked twice by black pupils at the school Wednesday.

Although Supt. Marshall Berner said there was "no real dominant issue" behind the trouble, students have complained of too strict attendance rules this year.

Most recently they are being "picked on" by the display of posters offering a \$100 reward for information regarding the person who assaulted Richard Squires, a handicapped student confined to a wheelchair.

Squires' parents have offered the reward for information leading to the arrest of the person who set fire to the back of their son's shirt in a restroom Oct. 29. Squires described his assailant as a black male with an Afro haircut.

Since that incident, juvenile officers have been stationed in the school almost every day, although some have made frequent stops there since school began.

Longenecker said he didn't know the exact number of suspensions. He said there is "no underlying issue (involved in the incidents) other than feelings blacks have for whites and whites have for blacks."

Davis said the racial troubles have been going on for several weeks with fires started in trash cans in girls' washrooms and white girls assaulted by black girls in washrooms and halls.

Davis said the real underlying reason seems to be the feeling on the part of black students

that they "aren't part of the school and that no one — teachers, administrators, white students — gives a damn about them."

"They feel they're in a foreign land being bused here, whereas Central blacks walk in and have brothers, sisters and parents who went there. Each day here another issue comes up to upset them."

The principal declined to describe the security measures being taken, but did say "we are doing all possible to protect students and keep the school operating and are following suggestions of the police juvenile officers and the superintendent."

Berner noted "This was not something that just occurred yesterday. For several days,

there have been indiscriminate attacks on white girls by black girls, mostly in washrooms, and it gets much came to a head on Tuesday."

Davis issued a statement to the student body Wednesday morning that all pass privileges would be ended, that anyone in the halls, without a pass would be suspended and that any further incidents would lead to a recommendation for expulsion.

Berner said there was one isolated fight between girls last week and several others this week. He said student-parent conferences with administrators will be held for those suspended and the school board will hold a special hearing if any expulsions are recommended.

He said no other such incidents

have been reported in other schools and that at Centennial, "starting with yesterday morning, we are making strong deliberate moves to make sure all students understand there are limits to what will be tolerated in their behavior and that something will be done if they don't limit it."

The suspensions all are "up to 10 days," said the principal, with the actual length set at the time of the parent conference.

Several students who were suspended Wednesday attempted to return to school today, he said, but were sent home by bus. A few others who felt uneasy about being at school were allowed to go home today.

## All-out re-election drive planned

# Nixon workers tuning up for campaign

by Gaylord Shaw

Washington (AP) — With election day precisely 52 weeks away, marching orders have been passed to the foot soldiers in the campaign to reelect Richard Nixon president. The message: "We're going to run like we've never run before."

Nixon has not said publicly that he will seek a new term and probably won't before early next year. But the ever-widening preparations for campaigning have led to a "re-election drive" for Nixon.

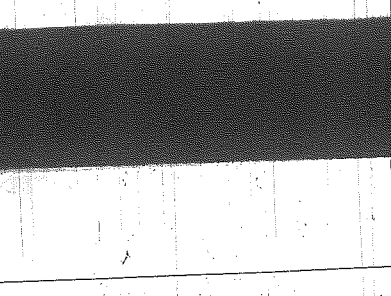
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# Courier Calendar

**Thursday**

CONCERT

The University of Illinois Chamber Orchestra, Great Hall, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m. Admission.

OF MOVIES

"When Comedy Was King," Auditorium, 8 p.m. Admission.

MEETINGS

Environment Committee of Urbana City Council, 1 p.m., council chambers.

Public Safety Committee of Urbana City Council, 7:30 p.m., council chambers.

PTA NEWS

St. Matthews School Parents Club, 8 p.m., school gym, speaker: state's attorney, Lawrence Johnson, "Ball in the Court."

Virginia Theater, "Play Misty For Me" (7:30 and 9 p.m.).

INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING

Sponsored by Illinois Folk Dance Society, 8:30 p.m., South Recreation Room, Adams Hall.

**Friday**

MEETINGS

Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, Champaign County Chapter, 9:30 p.m., Champaign Elks Club, 122 W. High St. 10:15 Executive Director Bill Darr will speak. Wives of members are invited.

Champaign - Urbana Mass Transit District Board of Trustees, 4 p.m., Third City Building.

PTA NEWS

Marquette PTA, 8 to 9 p.m., child support and carnival, country 2 to 4 p.m. Club, open lady, games, prizes, public.

Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m. Admission.

OPERA

University of Illinois Opera Group, "The Crucible," Festival Theater, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, 8 p.m. Admission.

DANCE

Benefit dance for Gemini House from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m., Friday at McKinley Foundation, 609 S. 5th St., Champaign. Features Genesis and Head Band. Admission \$1.

MOVIES

Art Theater, "Bacchante" (6:30, 9 and 10:30 p.m.).

Cinema Theater, "Wilderness Journey" (6:30, 8:30 and 10:30 p.m.).

Coed Theater I, "Joy in the Morning" (6:10, 8:05 and 10:05).