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## Fulbright Hits Press Reports Of Speeches

Central Idea in Talks  
Sometimes Ignored,  
Senator Declares

United Press International  
Sen. J. William Fulbright  
(D-Ark.) said yesterday that  
the press sometimes ignores  
the central idea of his speeches  
and plunges him into a contro-  
versy over a minor observa-  
tion.

Fulbright said the press has  
a responsibility to make some  
reference to the major theme  
of a Senator's speech if not to  
actually summarize the con-  
tents.

"So frequently have some  
major newspapers neglected  
to do these things that I am  
beginning to despair of having  
my ideas accurately conveyed  
through the press.

"I sometimes find after mak-  
ing a speech that my central  
point or idea has been ig-  
nored and, instead of a dia-  
logue developing around some  
policy suggestion, I find  
myself embroiled in a silly  
controversy over some minor  
observation which would as  
well have been left out of the  
speech."

In a speech to the National  
Press Club, Fulbright tem-  
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## Reports of Speeches Assailed by Fulbright

pered his criticism when he  
said his only important com-  
plaint about the press is the

failure sometimes to convey  
the essence of messages and  
not just the parts that lend  
themselves to controversy.

Fulbright said "... I hope I  
have made it clear that my  
complaint has to do with what  
is emphasized not what is crit-  
icized."

## New Town to Get Quake Survivors

Reuters  
MOSCOW, May 17—Earth-  
quake-stricken Tashkent in  
Soviet central Asia will have  
a new satellite town to house  
some 150,000 persons, Pravda  
reported today.

Observers here believed that  
many of the 100,000 persons  
made homeless after two ma-  
jor tremors hit Tashkent will  
eventually be housed in the  
new town.

The first quake hit Tashkent  
April 26 and was followed by  
another two weeks later.

## American Ballet To Tour Russia

United Press International  
The American Ballet Thea-  
ter will be the first group to  
go to Russia under the new  
1966-1967 U.S.-Soviet cultural  
exchange agreement. The  
troupe will make a six-week  
tour beginning June 15.

The State Department said  
Monday the troupe would pre-  
sent 31 performances, begin-  
ning in Moscow and including  
stops at Leningrad, Kiev,  
Minsk and Kharkhov. The  
Bolshoi Ballet, the first Rus-  
sia presentation under the  
new contract, already is tour-  
ing the United States.

The Chairman of the Senate  
Foreign Relations Committee  
said he regretted some of the  
things he said in recent  
speeches "not because of the  
meaning I attached to them  
but because they lent them-  
selves to interpretations I did  
not intend."

He said his speech on the  
"arrogance of power" was not  
about the arrogance of any in-  
dividuals who hold power "but  
about the tendency of power-  
ful nations, of which the Unit-  
ed States is the current ex-  
ample, to get puffed up about  
all the terrific things they  
think they ought to be doing  
with their power."

Similarly, Fulbright said, he  
was not setting himself up as  
an authority on the morals and  
recreational activities of Amer-  
ican soldiers when he talked  
about Saigon being a brothel.

"What I was referring to  
was the inevitable impact on  
a fragile Asian society of West-  
ern soldiers of different cul-  
ture, background, and race,  
with plenty of money to  
spend, behaving in a way that  
is to be expected of men at  
war, men whose daily lives  
are filled with hardship and  
the dangers of death."