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Notes on People

Thant Back at Desk

Back from a vacation in Bermuda after suffering a dizzy spell in New York three weeks ago, Secretary General Thant returned to work declaring that he was "fully recovered." Mr. Thant, who is in his 10th year as Secretary General, the longest the post has been held by one person, said his decision to retire at the end of the year was "irrevocable." Would he accept a draft if a tangle developed choosing his successor? "I don't think so."

porter—"Nixon will appoint Scali a Presidential aide." Editor—"My God, I thought he just let him out of the stockade."

After six months in Congress, Representative F. Drinan, a Massachusetts Democrat, is in Washington for the summer. He is a life member of the American Bar Association.

Feeling the hot, humid air of the plains around Rawalpindi, Henry A. Kissinger, President Nixon's national security adviser, spent the day at Nathiagali in the cool hills of northern Pakistan. Although he was described as "feeling slightly indisposed," Mr. Kissinger had lunch with Gen. Abdul Hamid Khan, chief of staff of the Pakistani Army. Mr. Kissinger, on a global tour, was said to have discussed with the general the curtailment of United States military aid to Pakistan after civil war erupted in East Pakistan in March.

Col. Reid W. Kennedy, the military judge at the trial of Lieut. William L. Calley Jr. told a group of lawyers in New York a less-than-solemn anecdote about the aftermath of the trial. He said that the day after President Nixon had ordered Lieutenant Calley's release from the Port Benning, Ga., stockade, a newsman heard of the President's intention to appoint John Scali, then with the American Broadcasting Corporation, to the White House staff. The reporter called one of his editors, and the conversation, according to Colonel Kennedy, went: Re-

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