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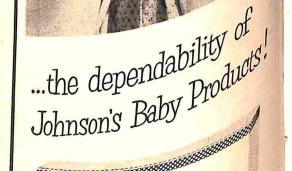
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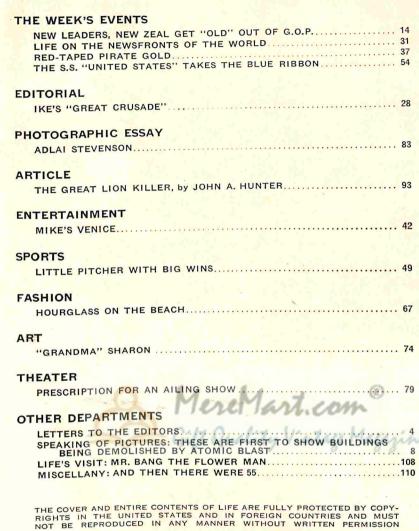
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Photographer Arnold Newman took this week's cover a month ago when the candidate took time out from seeing the delegates to sit for the first color portrait since his return to the U.S. The picture completed one part of Life's preparations for last week's Republican convention. LIFE already had portraits of three others, and these, together with a picture of the superliner S.S. United States, were engraved into covers ready for the presses the moment the convention ended. The picture of S.S. United States, prepared in case the G.O.P. was deadlocked at press time, appears on page 59.

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