

Amidst the jumble of passions in the Middle East crisis - a series of fast-breaking developments today; including first and foremost - here at home, anyway - the sending of an additional fifteen hundred U.S. Marines to join the Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean. The Pentagon calling this - a "precautionary step." Adding that the Marines would be used - if at all - only for "evacuation" purposes in the current Jordanian civil war. However, the White House noting that the safety of U.S. citizens in Jordan - is "obviously dependent to a certain extent on the stability of the present government there."

It was another day of heavy fighting in Jordan, with loyal Army troops battling Palestinian guerillas - in at least six cities, including the capital, of Amman. The guerillas apparently drawing new strength - from fellow Arab commandos streaming into Jordan from Lebanon and Syria. And the fate of those fifty-four hijack hostages in guerilla hands - still very much in doubt.

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW MIDDLE EAST

In Washington, Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir met today - first with Secretary of State William Rogers and then with President Nixon. A State Department spokesman later characterizing the talks there - as "good and cordial." White House News Secretary Ron Ziegler adding that Mrs. Meir's meeting with the President - was "very full and frank"

Late this afternoon, Mrs. Meir told a news conference that she found in Mr. Nixon a sincere desire to help Israel in any way the US can. Without being specific, she said she reached a full understanding with the President on Israel's needs for assistance.

Mrs. Meir added that Israeli peace talks with Egypt are impossible until Egypt and Soviet Russia withdraw the missiles that Israel claims they have placed illegally in the Suez Canal truce zone.

War news from Southeast Asia - tells ~~of~~ of a
breakthrough in Cambodia; / with a force of elite Cambodian
paratroops ~~ere~~ ^{ere} - racing to the assistance of a ~~Cambodian~~ ^{govt}
task force earlier trapped and surrounded. The paratroopers'
rescue charge through Communist lines - ^{made} possible by the
fast work of Cambodian engineers; / the latter hastily
reconstructing four blown-up bridges / - that had previously
blocked the advance of relief forces. / And just in time, it
appears - the trapped ~~units~~ ^{units} reporting their ammunition
low - also, their food fast running out.

BILOXI

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~~Biloxi~~, Mississippi - the scene of the ~~Natchez~~ ^{SOUTHERN}

~~Southern~~ Governors' Conference - which opens tomorrow.

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Governor Rockefeller of Arkansas ^W - who will serve as

chairman of ~~The Dixie Democrats~~ - predicting in advance

some "good earthy discussion" on the question of school

Williams

desegregation. With Governor ~~William~~ of Mississippi and

Governor Brewer of Alabama - expected to spearhead a

drive for the adoption of a strong anti-busing resolution.

TOLEDO-DANIA FOLLOW BILOXI

No doubt, the Governors will also take under serious consideration - the problem of recent attacks on police; attacks which seem to be mounting - rather than abating.

In Toledo, Ohio, a negro walked up to a patrol car early today; and shot to death a policeman inside - for no apparent reason. This leading to a police raid - on a nearby Black Panther headquarters.

Police later arrested Twenty-five-year-old John McClellan and charged him with first degree murder in the death of the policeman.

In New Haven, Connecticut, black panther Lonnie McLucas was given a twelve-to-fifteen year prison sentence. McLucas had been convicted of conspiracy to commit murder in the killing last year of a man whom the Panthers accused of being a police informer.

LONDON

The death of one of rock music's top idols -
occurred ~~reported~~ today ~~from~~ in London. Jimi Hendrix - the world's
greatest rock guitarist, according to his fans - also, a
tremendous money-maker ~~his~~ through records and personal appearances
- dead ~~today~~ at age twenty-four. Police listing as the
apparent cause - an overdose of drugs.

which disclosed a few days earlier loss in June.

CAPE KENNEDY

At Cape Kennedy - another hurdle was cleared - in preparations for the flight of Apollo-Fourteen, which is scheduled for early next year. Astronauts Alan Shepard and Edgar Mitchell - successfully going through a day-long series of tests in their newly-modified lunar lander. These aimed mainly at checking out the ship's communication system - which disclosed a few bugs during an earlier test in June.

... emergency legislation.

We'll have tonight's report from Lowell Thomas

after this message.

RAILWAY LABOR ACT

President Nixon this afternoon signed executive orders preventing a threatened railroad strike for sixty days. Mr. Nixon created a five-member fact-finding board under the Railway Labor Act. The board will examine the dispute between four unions and about one hundred and sixty rail lines. If settlements are not worked out by the end of the sixty-day period, the union still will be free to strike unless Congress passes emergency legislation.

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SUGGESTED INTRO TO THOMAS TAPE "HAWAII-PART TWO"

HAWAII

And now - it's time for another special report

Let's

from Lowell Thomas; presenting tonight part two - in a new

look at our fiftieth state. Lowell...

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HAWAII - PART TWO

Hello Everybody:

I'm still in mid-Pacific - in Hawaii. And by the way tourism is overtaking the military as Hawaii's chief source of income followed far behind by those two familiar symbols - sugarcane and pineapple. We are told now, the governor has just told me that by the year 1978 the state expects that there will be three million tourists coming here each year - a number ~~for~~ more than four times greater than the current permanent population of seven hundred thousand.

~~There are one hundred and thirty two islands here in this mid-Pacific group - islands, shoals, pinnacles and reefs that form our newest state but only seven of those islands are inhabited to any ~~great~~ extent. The main island, the largest big one, Hawaii, the largest of course, then glorious Maui, and Molokai, Lanai,~~

~~Of all the one hundred and thirty two islands, shoals,~~

Of all the one hundred and thirty two islands, shoals pinnacles, and reefs that form this newest state only seven islands are inhabited that is to any extent. Hawaii is the largest one then comes Maui, Molokai, Lanai and Oahu and Kauai and Niihau. Incidentally, costs have been jumping up ~~in~~ in this part of the world, sky rocketing in fact.

Metropolitan Honolulu which encompasses all of the island of Oahu still ranks among the ten fastest growing major cities in the United States with an increase in population of twenty nine percent over the ~~period~~ last decade.

By the way have you ever heard of a ~~new~~ sport called fluming? Well, it's a new one to me, but they do it out here. High in the luxuriant forests of Oahu's ~~the~~ Koolau Range, the flumes or large irrigation ditches carry water down from the mountains and there is where they do their fluming. Fans hop into the ~~concrete~~ concrete ditches and float on their backs to catch a free ride down the mountain. ~~In some~~

*In some places they are even swept through tunnels
and ride over aqueducts ^{and} over the valleys.*

Hawaii is one of the glorious plac^es in the world.

Come and take a look,

Solong.....