

Tuesday, July 6, 1971

**WHITE HOUSE**

*At the White House today - President Nixon met with labor and management negotiators in the steel industry and told both sides "in no uncertain terms - "that the country's interest as well as their own - demands a constructive settlement; and not one that would make the U S steel industry even "less competitive in the world markets."*

*The President - later flying to Kansas City; there to brief about a hundred mid-west editors and publishers - on administration programs such as revenue sharing and government reorganization.*

## **ADD WHITE HOUSE**

*The President also charged that a tendency to focus on the nation's faults -- has led to "drugs, defeatism, negativism, and alienation -- especially among the young; a condition said he -- rapidly approaching the same kind of decadence that has destroyed great civilizations. But, the President expressed confidence -- that the strength, and vitality of the American heartland will prevail; thereby enabling the U S -- to lead the world to peace in our time.*

## **VIETNAM**

*In Vietnam - the Monsoon rains came today. Indeed a full fledged typhoon, Typhoon Harriet, the first of the new season. Packing winds of more than a hundred miles an hour. Stopping nearly all the fighting - ground, sea and air.*

## PARIS FOLLOW VIETNAM

On the peace front - Paris - another  
apparent enemy concession today. With the Viet Cong's  
Madame Binh telling U P I -- that Hanoi's latest  
peace proposal is not a take it or ~~leave it~~  
package; but one that can be negotiated - hopefully,  
in private. Madame Binh adding that she hopes the U S  
response - "will be positive;" for "the key to peace"  
-- said she - "clearly lies in Mr. Nixon's hands."

# HELSINKI

A fifth round of Salt talks <sup>is</sup> scheduled to begin Thursday at Helsinki; <sup>This was indicated</sup> ~~as evidenced~~ by the arrival today of chief U S negotiator Gerald Smith who said that this <sup>+</sup> could be the one.

<sup>Negotiator</sup> Smith going on to explain that the last round - at Vienna - ended on "a positive note;" leading him to expect "significant movement - both on defensive and offensive arms systems." <sup>They</sup> ~~Smith~~ adding: -  
"I am hopeful - we will reach agreement."

## **BOMBAY KUWAIT**

**For Vice President Agnew - a brief stop over today at Bombay. There at the great city on the Arabian Sea, he told Indian officials that the U S will do all it can - to help India cope with the present estimated six million refugees from East Pakistan. The Vice President then flew on to Kuwait, the rich oil Sheikdom at the head of The Persian Gulf. There he received a royal reception from that country's Crown Prince  and Prime Minister - Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber.**

**NEW DELHI Follow Bombay, Kuwait**

**Another American in India today - the President's key foreign policy advisor Henry Kissinger who arrived by way of New Delhi - for two days of talks with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and her top ministers.**

**This - amid the tightest of ~~the~~ security precautions mainly caused by recent demonstrations - over the resumption of U S arms shipments to Pakistan.**

## **CAPE KENNEDY**

*At Cape Kennedy - the three Apollo Fifteen  
astronauts were placed in semi-quarantine today; taking up  
residence - in their Moonport isolation quarters; with a  
week long count-down rehearsal - scheduled to begin  
tomorrow. The real thing - as you know - now just three  
weeks away - July Twenty-Six.*



**NEW YORK**

*Several of the nation's largest banks - raised their prime interest rate today from five and a half - up to six percent. This drawing an immediate blast - from Chairman Wright Patman of the House Banking Committee; who urged the President to utilize his stand-by credit authority - and thereby cancel the increase. White House sources saying this is not likely.*

## **MOSCOW**

**A new type of anesthetic procedure is reported today from Moscow. According to Doctor Mikhail Kuzin - the technique calls for the use of regular anesthetic drugs - to put a patient to sleep; but once he's out - then an electric current is run through his body to keep him asleep and at the same time free from pain. Doctor Kuzin adding that one advantage of the new method - is the fact that the patient can be restored to consciousness immediately after surgery.**

## **CORONA QUEENS**

*Here in our own land - and around the globe - a sense of deep personal loss today, at the passing of famed trumpeter Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong - our world-wide "ambassador of jazz."*

*President Nixon calling the great "Satch" - "one of the architects of an American art form - a free and independent spirit;" whose "great talent and magnificent spirit - added richness and pleasure to all our lives."*

*The U S State Department - which sent him on three good will tours - calling Satchmo's death a loss to millions of people throughout the world. Adding that "his music - his creativity - and his imagination - were the essence of independence."*

*Even the Soviet News Agency Tass which normally decries jazz - taking note of Louis Armstrong's passing. But the great Duke Ellington - himself a giant of jazz perhaps putting it best. "If anyone was Mr. Jazz" - said Ellington, "it was Louis Armstrong."*

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**And so the end for a street urchin from New Orleans who rose to the heights. And while his death at age seventy-one was sudden it was not entirely unexpected. Ol' Satch, himself was discussing the inevitable just a few weeks ago.**

**"When I get to them pearly gates" - said he - "me and Gabriel, we're gonna play a duet. We'll play 'Sleepy Time Down South' and 'Hello Dolly.'" Louis Armstrong - now one with the angels, Warren.**

## **DHARMSALA**

*At Dharmsala on the India side of the Himalayas, wherever free Tibetans congregate even in Switzerland, in the Maine woods and in New York City this was a day of celebration - the Dalai Lama's thirty-seventh birthday.*

*All of which calls to mind - my recent visit to Dharmsala when I asked the Dalai Lama to explain to me - how he keeps going practically night and day and he cited as the most important factor - "control of your own mind." The Dalai Lama adding: "Unless you have inner peace - your fine buildings, your good food, your handsome clothes and all the rest - really mean nothing."*

*So the Dalai Lama said to me when we were together a year ago at his Himalayan retreat in exile.*