

MIDDLE EAST

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~~At last~~ <sup>with</sup> a shaky but apparently effective  
cease-fire today - in the Middle East, <sup>are reported</sup> both sides, setting  
aside the tools of war - in preparation for another <sup>kind of</sup> major  
confrontation. This time - to see who will win the peace.

Egypt's ~~retired~~ President Nasser - ~~getting in~~  
~~first ticks~~ Calling a meeting of his cabinet in Cairo -  
to assess what he called the 'after effects of Anglo-  
American aggression.' <sup>Then</sup> ~~later~~ stressing "the importance  
of Arab unity -- in countering the effects of that <sup>alleged</sup>  
aggression?"

The inside word <sup>is</sup> that Nasser will next propose  
DeGaulle - as official mediator of the Arab-Israeli  
conflict, <sup>On</sup> the grounds that France alone of the big  
powers - can come to the conference table with clean  
hands.

Despite Egypt's disastrous defeat - Nasser also <sup>is</sup>  
said to demand withdrawal of Israeli forces to Nineteen  
Forty-Nine truce lines. Conceding only that he might accept

a United Nations presence - at Sharm El Sheikh at the entrance to the Gulf of Akaba.

Israeli response - quick and straight to the point.

From Jerusalem, Premier Levi Eshkol telling the nations of the world - that Israel cannot and will not return to conditions that existed prior to the war. Adding, therefore, that Israel itself - must be allowed to work out a peace settlement directly with the Arabs; rather than sign a U N armistice agreement- such as those that have kept Israel in a technical state of war for nineteen years.

Eshkol further charging that ~~the~~ the U N - by its "inactivity" in the face of an Arab threat - had actually encouraged Nasser to proceed with aggression against Israel. The choice now - said he - is between regional peace, true cooperation, and activities for the benefit of all the nations in the Middle East; or else -- a continuation of hatred and hostility.

WASHINGTON

Here at home - President Johnson <sup>was</sup> getting into  
the act - but just barely; with a speech today - to an  
A F L - C I O building trades convention.

"Today in the Middle East - as in Vietnam and  
in America - said the President -- "we are faced with the  
task of rebuilding; of putting together a human equation -  
where Man can live together in peace and harmony.

"Where Man can live" - the President went on -  
"as the Prophet Micah said -- every man under his vine  
and fig tree - and none shall make them afraid."

Apart from that - little comment on the lightning  
war. ~~And~~ none at all on the major question - of Israel's  
intention to keep some or all of the ~~Arab~~ territory ~~it~~ won  
last week. Indeed, White House and State Department  
spokesmen later ~~said~~ saying - the matter was too "delicate"  
to discuss.

MOSCOW

Algerian President Houari Boumedienne - a visitor today in Moscow. Arriving by plane for a series of talks with Kremlin leaders - beginning with Soviet Premier Kosygin.

President Boumedienne - first Arab leader to visit Russia -- in the wake of the <sup>2</sup> ~~the~~ mid-east <sup>Israeli blitz</sup> ~~debacle~~

Sources close to the Algerian saying he will try to find out -- "what went wrong with support expected from the Soviets." Also, whether the Soviets will now start to rebuild -- the lost Arab arsenal.

These same sources further quoted as saying:  
"The fight against imperialism and Zionism is going to be long - and we must count our enemies and our friends."

CAIRO FOLLOW MOSCOW

*Speaking of friends and enemies - a public reconciliation today between two feuding Arab countries. Radio Cairo announcing that Egypt and Tunisia - have decided to restore mutual diplomatic relations. The make-up following telephone conversations - between Egypt's Colonel Nasser and Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba.*

*The two countries at odds for more than a year - you may recall; because of Bourguiba's ~~make~~ suggestion - that the Arab world should negotiate with Israel - on the question of Palestine refugees. Even so - Tunisia providing both troops and supplies to the Arab side - during last week's fighting.*

VIETNAM

War in Vietnam - interrupted briefly today by an act of mercy. The allies sending back to North Vietnam - forty "sick or wounded" prisoners of war. Sending them back -- by way of that famous "freedom bridge."

At the same time - the Allies hinting that Hanoi might do something in return. Like send back some of an estimated two hundred American pilots - downed and captured during air attacks on the North. As yet, ~~however,~~ ~~nothing~~ from Hanoi - <sup>only</sup> ~~but~~ silence.

## SPACE

Russia's newest space vehicle - is soaring through the Heavens tonight. An unmanned space station weighing more than a ton - ~~just getting started~~<sup>of</sup> on a four-month flight to Venus.

Venus-Four attempting to duplicate the feat - of Russia's earlier successful Venus probes: Venus-Two -- that passed within fifteen thousand miles of the planet a year ago last February; and Venus Three - that crash-landed on Venus a year ago last March.

With luck - the Russians now hoping to get <sup>some</sup> first pictures -- of the surface of that mysterious, cloud-covered planet. Venus-three having failed in that assignment -- when its cameras quit working the minute it entered the Venusian atmosphere.

Incidentally, U S space scientists <sup>are</sup> planning to launch a similar probe - in just two days. Setting the stage - for another ~~race~~ race in space.

PEKING

From Red China - news today of the arrest of an Indian diplomat, charged with being a spy - for both the United States and Russia.

The accused identified as <sup>Krishna</sup> K. Raghunath - second Secretary of the Indian Embassy in Peking. <sup>The</sup> ~~Official~~ <sup>Red</sup> Chinese Radio \* saying he allegedly photographed certain military installations last week. Adding that he would not be allowed to leave Red China - until he has been "dealt with according to Chinese law."

What of Raghunath's supposed diplomatic immunity?

We don't recognize it - said Peking.



## SUPREME COURT

Today at the U S Supreme Court - final decision day for the spring term. Bringing forth - a last flurry of major rulings. ~~Among them~~

*AN* A unanimous decision declaring unconstitutional -- various state laws ~~is~~ banning mixed racial marriage; <sup>a</sup> five to four verdict upholding contempt of court convictions - against Dr. Martin Luther King and other Civil Rights leaders ~~is~~ for refusal to obey a court injunction -- against a demonstration in Birmingham in Nineteen Sixty-Three.

Also, a six to three ruling declaring unconstitutional -- a New York law permitting court-approved bugging in criminal cases. And another verdict nullifying a half-million libel award - to former Major General Edwin Walker.

In the last case, however, the court reaffirming a four hundred and sixty thousand-dollar award - to former University of Georgia Athletic Director Wally Butts, ~~the~~ - against the Saturday Evening Post.

CINCINNATI

~~A great story~~ From Cincinnati, <sup>one</sup> Especially

appropriate to the commencement season - now upon us.

Dr. Martin Luther King - whom I mentioned earlier - addressing an Inter-Faith meeting on the importance of learning. Citing education - rather than ~~the~~ violence -- as the fastest route to "first-class citizenship."

Dr. King concluding then that the slogan of the American negro should not be -- "burn, baby, burn." But rather -- "learn, baby, learn."

LAUGH

The current Middle East mix-up<sup>not</sup>/exactly conducive  
to good humor. And yet - a light touch today at the United  
Nations. With Saudi Arabian Ambassador Jamil Baroody -  
taking a verbal jab at Egyptian Ambassador Mohammed  
Awad El Kony.

Baroody beginning in typical Arab vein - typical  
the last few days, anyway. Attacking the Kennedys - the  
Rockefellers - U S treatment of Indians - and U S  
civilization, in general. Finally, turning to El Kony  
who has argued loud and long the Egyptian cause at the  
United Nations.

Baroody declaring flatly -- "that Arabs do not know  
how to use deceit or duplicity." The reason - said he -  
looking straight at El Kony -- "because they talk too much."

For fear I do that Warren, I'll say  
a-l-u-t-m.