

SPACE

Tues, Sept. 14-70,

In the bleak, black silence of space - a real cliff-hanger today - as you no doubt have heard by now. And - it's still going on. The crippled Apollo-Thirteen spacecraft swinging around the moon tonight - attempting to limp home as best it can. The three men aboard - Jim Lovell, Fred Haise and Jack Swigert - now dependent solely on their lunar lander - the Aquarius - for all water, oxygen and power. All in short supply - with nearly three days yet to go.

Veteran space official Chris Kraft - summing it up - observing: "This is as serious a situation - as we have ever had in manned spaceflight." Astronaut Frank Borman - who commanded the nation's first moon orbiting mission - adding: "Our only concern - is to get those guys home."

Meanwhile, messages of concern for the astronauts' safety - were voiced in capitals right around the globe. And here on our own shores - the Senate passing a

resolution; urging Americans the nation over to pause briefly at Nine O'Clock tonight - in prayer for the astronauts' safe return.

Senator Murphy of California - who originally offered the resolution - asserting: "I was taught when I was very young that when you are in trouble - it is not only wise to look around for help - but to look up, too."

SUPREME COURT

**The White House - President Nixon today
nominated to the Supreme Court - Federal Appeals Judge
Harry Blackmun of Minnesota; who incidentally was a
boyhood friend of Chief Justice Warren Burger - in fact
was Burger's best man at his wedding back in Nineteen-Thirty
-Three.**

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WHITE HOUSE

The White House ^{again} - President Nixon ~~today~~ announced ^S

the appointment of Admiral Thomas Moorer - to the nation's highest-ranking military post. Admiral Moorer to succeed General Earle Wheeler as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff - on the latter's retirement, effective July Second. The Admiral thus to become only the second Navy man - ever to hold that job. As for his own successor as Chief of Naval Operations - that will be Vice Admiral Elmo Zumwalt Junior, who is currently the U.S. Navy commander in Vietnam

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TEL AVIV

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco -
a visitor today to Tel Aviv. ^{He is there to} ~~Conferring~~ with top Israeli
officials - after four days of similar talks with Arab leaders
in Cairo. ^{He is} Attempting to find a solution, if any - to the
continuing Arab-Israeli impasse. On arrival, Sisco
observing that both sides - must make a greater effort
toward peace.

However, the American trouble-shooter's visit was
somewhat clouded - by the ~~the~~ simultaneous publication of a
statement from Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan;
who likened Israel's current position - to that of the U.S.
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KHARKOV

At Kharkov in the Ukraine - Soviet Communist

Party leader Brezhnev discussed the nuclear arms race.

Asserting today that Russia would "welcome a reasonable agreement" with the U.S. - at those upcoming Strategic Arms Limitation Talks in Vienna. He added, what's more, that Russia "will do its utmost" - to ensure the success of the SALT parley.

However, Brezhnev then went on to say - that the Soviets would match "any attempts - by anyone - to ensure military superiority over the U.S.S.R." "We cannot act otherwise" - said he.

VIETNAM

In Vietnam - the major ground action today was reported from a government outpost on the border of Cambodia - barely thirty miles from Saigon. A horde of Viet Cong storming across the frontier - attempting to overrun a detachment of South Vietnamese militiamen. However, the attack was quickly turned back, - with the help of air and artillery support. The enemy leaving behind some ninety dead - as compared with South Vietnamese losses set at six.

Another battle - up near the Laotian border; where a band of Montagnard tribesmen trained by U.S. Green Berets - today stormed a key hill and recaptured it from the Viet Cong; who themselves had taken it - only this past Sunday.

VIRGINIA BEACH FOLLOW PHNOM PENH

Here at home - a heart-rending decision ~~today~~.

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The wives of two American prisoners -of-war - announcing they will refuse to accept any more letters from their husbands; will refuse to accept them - as long as the letters are channeled through anti-war groups, as they have been in the past.

Mrs. Sue Shuman of Virginia Beach, Virginia, calling her husband's letters to his family - "our greatest treasures." "But the price we are paying for them in human dignity" - said she - "in having to be associated" with antiwar groups - is just "too high." Mrs. Martha Doss - also of Virginia Beach - further charged that the "dissidents" who handle ^{her} husband's mail - ~~are~~ ^{were} really attempting to undermine "everything he stands for."

From Salt Lake City - the story of a man who lived, literally, in two different worlds. Thirty-year-old Herb Bornholdt - by day, a student at the University of Utah, at night and on weekends - returning to the Utah State Prison; where he became once again - Convict Number One - Two-Three-Nine-Two.

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Herb Bornholdt coming to this double way of life - by ~~means~~^{way} of a criminal career dating back to age fifteen.

Indeed, he has already spent ten years in jail - a third of his life. His last trip though - he finally finished high school in prison. Enrolling this past fall as a full-time college student ^{at The Univ. of Utah -} under a new work-release program for inmates who have nearly served their time.

Best of all, Herb Bornholdt, Number One-Two-Three-Nine-Two, becoming recently - Herb Bornholdt, a free man. Now setting his sights - on a Master's Degree in social work. Hoping to help troubled teen-agers - who might otherwise end up in jail. And he observes: "I've had a lot of first-hand experience."

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The big fashion news in Paris this week: An international exposition of ladies' ready-to-wear for next fall-and-winter - and not a knee in sight. Participating designers from Europe, the U.S. and the Orient - concentrating on the new midi and maxi skirt lengths almost exclusively.

All of which has caused a storm of protest - in the Parisian press; especially the Communist newspaper (loo-man-i-tay) L'Humanite - which said that the models looked like "sausages" - and also called the new fashions "long, sad, old-fashioned and all the same." L'Humanite further charged that the longer styles - are aimed at "outdating women's ~~clothes~~^{clothes}," pure and simple; in the knowledge that the new "midi clothes - will cost fifteen to fifty per cent more."

John Shafer -
The Communist press asserting, in short - it's

says it's all a capitalistic plot.

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OKLAHOMA CITY

Oklahoma City - the Oklahoma State Senate today passed a money bill - appropriating some Sixty Thousand Bucks to help pay for sixty state-sanctioned celebrations. These including such sure-fire tourist attractions as: The Pawnee Indian Exposition - the Wichita Mountains Easter Service - the Rush Springs Watermelon Festival - and the Marlow Red Pork Jubilee; also, a couple of first-time events - namely, "Rooster Day" at Broken Arrow and "Dune Buggy Day" at Little Sahara Park.

By the way, the newly-passed money bill which provides for all these ^{ia} ~~x~~ officially titled the "Stomp, Dance and Festival Bill."