

WEATHER

Tues. Jan. 7 - '75.

Along the Atlantic Seaboard - the first major snowstorm of the season - in some places ^{being up} ~~more~~ than half a foot of the white stuff, burying roads and highways - stalling traffic, and closing schools; - this all the way from Virginia to New England. ~~It~~ Also ^{lots of snow} ~~snowed today~~ in Utah - ~~more than four inches at~~ ^{with} ~~last report and~~ heavy snow warnings ~~was~~ posted ~~tonight~~ in Kansas, Iowa, and Nebraska. ~~Old Man winter~~ ~~back on the prowl.~~

LONDON

**The finance ministers of the nine European
Common Market countries - were meeting today in
London; ~~they~~ attempting to work out a common plan -
for putting billions of un-used Arab oil dollars back
to work. The experts saying if there isn't some
sort of accommodation - the surplus ~~and~~ Arab oil
money could threaten the entire world monetary
system.**

DETROIT

Faced with a giant back log of unsold new cars - Chrysler Corporation today announced plans for ~~an~~ ~~unprecedented~~ unprecedented "sales promotion." Chrysler offering customer rebates - ranging from two hundred ~~to~~ to four hundred bucks on selected models. The new rebate plan - scheduled ~~to~~ ^{to} last two months. A Chrysler spokesman stressing "it's not a price cut in the ordinary sense" - ~~saying~~ ^{and} that, "sticker prices will remain the same."

CHTURA

Syria's President Hafez Assad - today paid his first official visit to Lebanon; conferring with Lebanese President Suleiman Franjeh - in the town of Chtoura near the Syrian Lebanese border; and there pledging Syrian support - without any reservations in helping Lebanon to ~~defence~~ defend itself against Israeli attacks. Assad saying: "What hurts Lebanon hurts us, ~~and~~ this ~~is~~ a fact with which we live."

PHUOC BINH

The war that ^{was} ~~we~~ once thought was ~~at~~ behind us -
again ^{much} ~~suddenly~~ in the headlines today. Communist
forces smashing the last vestige of government
resistance - in the South Vietnamese provincial capital
of Phuoc Sinh; thereby completing the seizure - of the
entire province of Phuoc Long; ^{This the} ~~was~~ first province to
fall to the Viet Cong ⁺ since the ~~withdrawal of~~ withdrawal
of American forces nearly two years ago. The victory
^{now} ~~further~~ extending Communist control ⁺ to ~~territory~~
^{within} ~~less than~~ thirty-five miles ^{of} ~~from~~ Saigon.

SUBIC BAY FOLLOW PHUOC BINH

**Meanwhile, the U S nuclear carrier Enterprise
setting sail today from Subic Bay in the Philippines;
with
~~at the~~ of a Navy Task Force - found for where
as yet we haven't been told.**

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW SUBIC BAY

Here at home - President Ford ~~announcing~~ conferring today with top security advisors - this in the midst of an unconfirmed report that the Enterprise might be headed ~~somewhere off~~ ^{for} the coast of Vietnam; a report quickly denied ~~however~~ by the White House.

Spokesman Ron Nessen saying the President "is concerned" by the stepped up fighting in Vietnam; ~~adding that "he~~ ^{and} " is watching the situation - closely; ^{he} but ~~stressing~~ ^{ed} that the President intends "to live up to the law" which now bars ^{any} renewal ^{of} U S military intervention in Indo-China.

The U S State Department also observing that ~~about~~ the fall of Phuoc Bink - is "a very serious matter. A spokesman ~~insisting nevertheless~~ ^{adding that} it is not a cause for "abrogation" ^{of} the Paris peace agreement. ^{and} ~~adding~~ that "we would hope the military ~~situation~~ situation winds down" before we reach that point."

TAIPEI

A new cure for drug addiction - is reported today from Taipei on the island of ^{Taiwan -} Formosa. Nationalist Chinese doctors - using traditional Chinese acupuncture saying they can thus cure the run of the mill ~~and~~ addict in four to five days; ~~and~~ the heavy user [^] in about nine days.

The trick, ~~is~~ of course, ^{to} ~~is~~ placing the acupuncture needle in just the right places. But Doctor Allen Lau, the American head of a ~~main~~ Chinese team saying ^s ~~ing~~ experience has shown there are five drug sensitive areas. ~~And~~ These - ~~and~~ - in the upper earlobe, around the wrist, just below the knee, in the calf, and just below the navel.

VAAL REEFS

The world's largest gold mine at Vaal Reefs, South Africa, ~~was~~ closed today following a riot by twelve thousand striking black workers, ^{has not reopened.} The violence leaving at least four dead and more than twenty injured.

MOSCOW

Millions and millions of Russian orthodox

Christians went to church today. The Russian faithful celebrating the birthday of Christ according to the old Julian calendar. This - in spite of official opposition.

The Kremlin today attacked the Christian religion - for the third time in less than a week; noting that many members of the young Communist league are still having their children baptized. And warning that the "battle lines against religion" remain in place. And yet, at Christmas time in Moscow - in Leningrad, in Minsk, Pinsk and Tomsk and all over the Soviet Union they went to church today.

PRINCE FOLLOW LANSING

In the same vein - this next from ~~London~~. London.

Britain's Prince Charles age twenty-six saying : "When you get to my extraordinary stage of decrepitude - one begins to look at a girl and think - 'I wonder if one could ever marry her.'

Next question: Has this thought ever struck him with regard to any one particular young girl?

The Prince saying: "Well, that would be letting too much out of the bag!" ^{They} ~~but~~ ^{rather farlambly?} adding: ~~"obviously"~~ there must be someone somewhere for me."

LANSING

From Lansing, Michigan the story of a chap they're calling one of the luckiest men in the world. Fifty year old Layton Willis - the winner of twenty thousand a year for life in a recent drawing of the Michigan lottery. Now one of twelve finalists in a second drawing with a shot at a million dollar bonanza. By the way, he's a ~~husband~~ bachelor. In the words of lottery officials - clearly, the world's most eligible bachelor. *I wonder how many young women will write to Lucky Layton?*

*That hi-jacker who demanded one hundred thousand
pounds ~~hmax~~ as a price for sparing the lives of
an airliner crew has been captured
after an ~~elaborate-fake~~ elaborately faked
flight from one side of london to another.*