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The boundary between the United States and Mexico became a little more definable today after President Nixon and Mexican President Diaz Ordaz reached an agreement on land disputes along the Rio Grande. The accord was formally announced as President Nixon ended a two ~~days~~ day visit to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and flew to the Western White House in California for a two week stay. Basically, the agreement provides that the boundary shall be the middle of the meandering Rio Grande channel during normal flow. Where the river has more than one channel, the middle of the widest channel containing normal flow shall be the border. The Rio Grande winds along ^a fourteen hundred miles course from El Paso to Brownsville. ~~Done~~. Next, the agreement will be incorporated into a treaty which must be approved by the Senates of both nations.

MID EAST

Diplomatic sources in Tel Aviv say the Israeli government has dropped its insistence that the projected middle east talks ^{be} held at the Foreign Ministers level - and would name Israel's chief U N delegate as ^{their} negotiator, ~~at the talks.~~ ~~and~~ In still another turn-about the Israel ^{is} ~~are~~ ^{are} now ^{to be} reported willing to hold the talks in New York - since they have received U S assurances that something would be done to counter the alleged Soviet missile build-up in the Suez Canal zone. Egypt however has strenuously objected to the use of American U-2 Spy planes or orbiting satellites in policing the cease-fire agreement.

INDO CHINA

Cambodian military commanders ^{are} ~~have~~ claimed ^{ing} a victory over the North Vietnamese ~~force which reached~~ ~~a point~~ six miles north of the capital city of Phom Penh, - ~~touching off a twenty four hour battle~~ ^{The} Cambodian defenders were reported to have pushed back Communist troops driving on Phom Penh from a town on the Mekong River - ~~had~~ ^{some} killing ^{five} ~~five hundred~~ ~~of them in a five day~~ ~~battle~~ ^{fight}. Government spokesmen say a Cambodian commander ignored his wounds to lead his troops to victory.

In Washington, the Senate ~~is~~ voted unanimously to prohibit any U S financial assistance for foreign mercenaries ^{is} armies fighting in Cambodia and Laos. The amendment - offered by Senator Fulbright - was added to the nineteen billion dollar military procurement bill ~~also~~ already passed by the House. If the measure becomes law it could upset an agreement between the United States ^{to back the} ~~for~~ sending ^a five thousand regular Thai troops into Cambodia.

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DOCTORS

The Pentagon says it may be necessary to resume drafting doctors next summer unless more young physicians volunteer for military service. A sharp decline in the number of volunteer doctors noted this year ~~is~~ because - defense officials say - of a combination of factors such as hopes for an all-volunteer army next year, ~~and~~ ^{also} the prevalent anti-military sentiment among young people. At current enrollment levels, the Armed Forces require about fifteen thousand doctors.

DOROTHY

Still showing signs of ^{getting stormier} ~~intensifying~~ Tropical

Storm Dorothy ~~is~~ is moving westward across the open Caribbean tonight. In its wake - at least fifteen dead and hundreds injured or homeless on the islands of Martinique and Dominica. The storm poses no direct threat to any land area for the next twenty-four hours.

However, should ~~it~~ its present west-north-west course be maintained, some ~~island~~ island along the Caribbean's northern boundary will be directly in ~~the~~ ^{its} ~~storm's~~ path.

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In the Far East ~~another storm~~ - Typhoon

Anita + killed at least fifteen and left thousands homeless in southern Japan as it headed ^{north} on toward Hokkaido -

Japan's ^{large} northern ~~most~~ island. Winds of one hundred and ten miles an hour and torrential rains destroyed thousands of homes on the western Honshu and Kyushu, ~~islands~~.

PRICES

The cost of living rose again in July. It was five and nine ~~or~~ tenths percent higher than a year ago. It's been five years since prices actually dropped - but government observers see hope in an anti-inflationary trend, ~~which characterizes the price index~~. The prices for household utilities, public transportation, medicare and ~~ex~~ eggs were higher, but autos, clothing and salad vegetables were cheaper.

TRUCK DRIVER

Bob Smith - a twenty five year old truck driver from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania - had so much hard luck recently that he wound up in jail in Illinois. The charge attempted "theft by deception." Bob pulled into a highway restaurant near Effingham, Illinois, and the manager handed him a telegram. The wire advised him to hurry back home because his wife and child had been killed in an auto accident. Several truck drivers in the restaurant were moved to donate ten dollars or more out of sympathy for Bob in his tragedy.

But, for one truck driver present the telegram had a familiar ring. Said he - "that sounds like the same telegram I heard at another truck stop restaurant about three months ago." Then he asked Bob. "How many times do your wife and kid get killed?" Police were called "and Bob signed a confession - admitting that he had pulled off the money-raising telegraph-stunt at least three times before, collecting some three hundred dollars from sympathetic fellow drivers.

FROGS

perhaps within the next ten days - plans to send
The space agency ~~is sending~~ two bull frogs

on a nine day orbital flight around the earth to gather
more information about the effects of weight-less=ness.

A prime objective of the mission ^{which will be} the first, ~~at least~~

57 in this country ^{will be} involving frogs, ~~is~~ to learn what
effects the absence of gravity has on the inner ear.

The frogs were selected for the flight because their
inner-ear is similar to man's.

51/4 Now Warren, ^{as} I am turning my frog-like
ear in your direction —

HERMAN

Herman was a mannikin who couldn't keep a straight face - so a Philadelphia judge committed him to a youth detention home. According to ~~her~~ testimony before Judge William McLaughlin, Herman - a fourteen year old boy - fell asleep in a department store. When he awoke the store was closed and he was alone. Having nothing better to do, wandered through the store - and even began trying on ladies clothes. He finally tripped the burglar alarm and when police arrived ^{with} ~~the~~ dogs, Herman leaped up on a counter - grabbed a ladies handbag ~~and~~ and posed as a mannequin. The search went on for nearly an hour until a policeman - passing by Herman on his perch - remarked -- "my, this one looks almost human." That was too much for Herman who burst out laughing, saying: "~~You wouldn't kid me, would you?~~"