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PHILADELPHIA

At Philadelphia's historic Constitution Hall - an historic occasion today. President Nixon signing into law - his long-awaited thirty-billion dollar revenue sharing bill; whereupon he declared - "the new American revolution is truly under way!"

How so? By virtue of the fact - said he - that "revenue sharing will give hard pressed state and local governments - the dollars they need so badly; at the same time - he continued - giving "them the freedom they need - to use those dollars as effectively as possible."

The President adding that Americans "are fed up - with government that doesn't deliver " But he added: revenue sharing can change all that - and finally "close the gap between promise and performance." Making sure that "power - will begin to flow back to the people again."

PARIS

On the peace front - Paris - a newspaper report says it's practically all set; the U.S. and North Vietnam - supposedly in the last stage of negotiating a new three point peace plan; one that could lead to a cease fire - perhaps within a week or ten days.

This causing a flurry of excitement on the stock market. However, Washington says - it just isn't true.

DIPLOMAT FOLLOW PARIS

Paris again: Today death claimed the French diplomat who was injured last week during a U S bombing raid on Hanoi. Pierre Susini - who had been the chief French official in North Vietnam - succumbing to severe burns as well as severe abdominal damage.

PENTAGON

Here at home - the Pentagon said it may have been a U. S. bomb - the one that hit the French legation in Hanoi. Stressing, however, that only a mechanical malfunction - could have caused this. A spokesman saying of the pilots involved: They knew what their target was; and it wasn't the French legation. In any event, Secretary of State Rogers today sent to Paris his "profound regrets and personal condolences."

SAIGON FOLLOW PENTAGON

Meanwhile, in Saigon, Henry Kissinger was conferring again with South Vietnam's President Thieu. A later statement saying: "Both sides continued a discussion of the general situation - and the Paris peace talks." Unofficially though, Thieu was quoted as saying both he and President Nixon - had refused a Communist proposal for a cease-fire and a coalition government.

FIGHTING

On the fighting front - government troops recaptured the hamlet of "An Thanh"; eight miles north of Saigon. While farther North - enemy troops were again cutting vital Highway One .

Today's major ground action was in the Central Highlands where a force of about five hundred Viet Cong - today attacked a town; all but over-running government defensive positions - when U.S. air ^{support} helped turn the tide. U.S. bombers hitting the attack force - in relays, at times, less than fifteen minutes apart.

STOCKHOLM

In the Nobel Prize Awards for chemistry and physics - an all-American cast today. The winners in chemistry - Doctor Christian ~~Arch~~ Anfinsen of the National Institute of Health along with Doctor Stanford Moore and Dr. William Stein, both of Rockefeller University. ~~with~~ The winners in Physics - Professor Leon Cooper of Brown ~~University~~ University -- Professor John S. Chrieffer of the University of Pennsylvania - and Professor John Bardeen of the University of Illinois.

URBANA follow Stockholm

~~By the way~~ This ~~marking~~ Professor
Bardeen's second nobel prize. He also won in
fifty-six ~~4*~~ for his work in developing transistors.
In light of what happened today - something of an
irony. The professor ~~was~~ failing to arrive
at his office on time. Telephone calls trying to
reach him proving in vain. So a car was finally
sent over - to pick him up. The Professor's
colleagues discovering he was late - because his
"electric eye" garage door just wouldn't open.
Something wrong with a transistor. They hustled
him off anyway and when last ~~was~~ seen - ~~was~~
Mrs. Bardeen ^{was} ~~was~~ trying to fix that danged door.
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HOT SPRINGS, VIRGINIA

Hot Springs, Virginia; ^{at} a meeting of the

U S business council; ~~which~~ a majority of the

nation's leading business men ^{are} were endorsing

unabashedly the President's wage and price controls.

~~And~~ **This - a complete turn around from last year.**

Council economists were also predicting ~~today~~ -

"a strong economy over the ~~next~~ foreseeable future."

ALASKA

Up in Alaska - another day of intensive searching - for that missing plane ~~carrying~~ carrying Hale Boggs, Nick Begich and two others. And now the latest - a report tonight that search planes have sighted, "-- wreckage and life jackets."

WICHITA

This next - ~~well nigh~~ incredible; ~~and~~
~~yet~~ ^{but} they say it's true.

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In a recreation room at Wichita State University - in the presence of other students - an unidentified man grabbing a young coed; placing a rag "with some kind of chemical on it - over her mouth." When she passed out - dragging her behind a sofa; removing her clothes - piling them neatly in a corner. Whereupon the girl came to - started screaming and only then did anyone come to her aid. Several male students - finally chasing off the would-be attacker.

Why did they wait so long? ^{Bill?} ~~At least~~
~~one possible explanation - from~~ ^{Says} Wichita ~~to~~ detective Robert Crawford: - "I guess" ~~said he~~ - "they thought it was just a couple of lovers."

BONN EAST BERLIN

By mutual agreement between Bonn and East Berlin - twenty-five East German women were given permission today - to move permanently to West Germany. The women in question - there to wed their West German sweethearts; men with whom they've been in love - for years and years; men for whom they have already borne eighteen children - who will also be going along.

Berlin Wall or no - it seems -- love will find a way.