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HINDUSTAN  
UNITED NATIONS

In the meantime, the U.S. is pushing its  
At the United Nations - a U.S. another attempt today  
to still the guns of Hindustan. U.S. Ambassador Bush -  
urging speedy passage of a draft resolution offered by  
Argentina calling for an immediate cease-fire and troop  
withdrawal - to end the fighting between India and Pakistan.  
On the political front, President Jimmy Carter  
Bush telling his colleagues: "Let us act - simply to save  
lives and re-establish peace." Further expressing hopes for  
adoption - "possibly by this afternoon."

But the measure is due for prolonged debate; in part  
because of stalling on the part of India - backed by the Soviet  
Union. The U.N. Secretariat will have a special night  
session tonight; followed by day and night sessions tomorrow.

## HINDUSTAN

**In the meantime - Indian troops continuing their drive into East Pakistan, today captured the key towns of Jessore and Sylhet - and on the main approaches to the capital Dacca.**

**Meanwhile, the Pakistanis were pressing their attack on Kashmir. On the political front - President Yahya Khan announced an end to his one-man military rule; agreeing to set up a new coalition government - as of December Twenty Seventh; the better - said he - to help press the Pakistani war effort.**

**PEKING**

**From Red China comes - a charge today that Russia is employing so-called "gunpower" diplomacy - in the present Indo-Pakistani conflict. This - said Peking - "by instigating the Indian government - to proceed unscrupulously along the road of military venture." The Red Chinese adding that Russia's goal - is simply "to further control India; and thus expand its sphere of influence in the sub-continent - and the Indian Ocean."**

**As for India's recognition of the Bengla Desh rebel government - that - said Peking - merely exposes India's plot to annex East Pakistan.**

## WARSAW FOLLOW PEKING

Meanwhile, Soviet chieftain Leonid Brezhnev, addressing a meeting of the Polish Communist Party Congress in Warsaw; said Russia was was greatly "grieved" - by the outbreak of hostilities in Hindustan. Then adding that "the Soviet Union speaks firmly - in favor of ending the bloodshed - in favor of a peaceful settlement."

But there can be no question, said he - as to what caused it all. And that - he continued - Pakistan's "bloody suppression of the basic rights and expressed will - of the population of East Pakistan."

## **NEW DELHI**

**Some forty members of the Indian Parliament were demonstrating today in front of the U.S. Embassy in New Delhi. They were shouting: "American imperialism - down, down." Also, "long live Indira Gandhi" - and "long live Bengla Desh." A spokesman for the demonstrators saying they were protesting what he called - "America's hostile anti-India activities."**

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## MIDDLE EAST

*From the Middle East - comes a report that Egypt has ordered the evacuation of all non-essential women - living in cities along the west bank of the Suez Canal. This - according to Cairo - a precaution against the possibility of renewed hostilities.*

*From Tel Aviv - a report that Golda Meir's Washington trip - was apparently a complete success. The lady premier said to feel - that she had a favorable reply to her request for more U.S. jets.*

## BRUSSELS

At Brussels - the arrival of U.S. Defense Secretary Laird - to attend a NATO defense ministers meeting resulted in an airport press conference with - Laird pledging that President Nixon will make no cuts in American troop strength in Europe next year. At the same time - urging America's European allies to make the same commitment; "because" said he - "this will make our own action much easier - as far as the U.S. Congress is concerned."

A few hours later at a preliminary meeting of all the defense ministers an announcement was made that NATO's European members - are stepping up their defense spending by well over a billion next year. Britain's Lord Carrington saying: "This answers those critics - who say Europe is doing very little for its own defense." "But, there is no cause for complacency" - he went on. "Much still to be done"

## MARS

*On the space front - Russia today is claiming man's first ever soft-landing on Mars. This by an instrument package - supposedly parachuted from the Soviet's Mars Three space probe. Moscow adding, that "video signals received from the surface of Mars - were brief and suddenly discontinued."*



## MOSCOW FOLLOW MARS

*Moscow again - the Soviet news agency Tass attempted to summarize - the results of third round talks between U.S. and Russian space officials . Says: "Progress was made in working out coordinated technical requirements for joint systems of docking of future spacecraft - and also in planning possible joint experimental work." When, if ever, may we expect to see joint U.S. and Soviet manned space flight? So far, no prediction.*

## **PEARL HARBOR**

**December Seventh; the thirtieth anniversary of Pearl Harbor.**

**There are still those who remember. Among them, some three thousand members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association - who today were taking part in sunset services at the U.S.S. Arizona memorial; and a second service dedicating a new memorial atop the charred hulk of the nearby U.S.S. Utah.**

## **FINN RONNE - SOUTH POLE**

*I've just had a telephone conversation with the South Pole - by short wave - with veteran explorer Captain Finn Ronne. He and his Jackie are there to celebrate the Sixeth anniversary of Amundsen's arrival at the Pole, in Nineteen Eleven. Using, by the way sledges built by Finn Ronne's Norwegian Father.*

*Finn tells me we have a permanent group of fourteen scientists and Navy Maintenance people living at The Pole - in tunnels in the ice, twenty feet or so below the surface.*

*A party of thirty - including the Ronnes, flew to The Pole from McMurdo on The Ross Sea for a ceremony to commemorate Amundsen's feat. Scott as you know also got to The Pole only to find that Amundsen had been there. Then Scott and all his party died on their return journey.*

# MONTEVIDEO

NEW YORK  
At an air force base just outside Montevideo - a pistol  
duel today; between two retired Uruguayan generals - who were  
also recent unsuccessful candidates for president. Juan  
Ribas, age seventy-five, and Liber Seregni, age fifty-four -  
both using muzzle-loaders - both getting two shots apiece -  
and both missing with both their shots. Much ado about nothing  
at ██████ Montevideo. And now Warren, with much ado about  
something.

## NEW YORK

*In New York City - an announcement tonight that Howard Hughes is alive and well - and writing a book! Not just any book - but his life story; the truth - the whole truth - and nothing but. This - according to the McGraw-Hill publishing firm, which adds that it plans to bring out the Hughes autobiography - in March.*

*Obvious question: Why is he doing it? Which Hughes himself attempted to explain - in a written statement accompanying today's announcement. The famed billionaire saying that several books already written about him - have been "misleading and childish."*

*Adding: "I have lived a full life - and perhaps what may seem a strange life, even to myself. I refuse to apologize - although I am now willing to explain as best I can." That - from Howard Hughes.*