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STRIKE

For the first time - President Johnson intervened personally today in the air line tieup, Blocking a threatened strike against American Airlines - for a period of at least sixty days.

Shortly thereafter - the Senate Labor Committee began consideration of special legislation, designed to force an end to the three-week strike & that has already shut down five other major airlines.

However, Labor Secretary Willard Wirtz - one of the first witnesses, ~~suggesting~~ ^{ad} instead that Congress order Labor-Management negotiators - "back to the woodshed" as he put it; with a specific deadline - either to settle or else.

GOLDWATER

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Former Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona - back on the stump today in Washington. Denouncing what he called - "the big lie technique," Allegedly used by opponents - of two proposed dams in Arizona; one of which would form a huge lake - in the Grand Canyon.

Objections to the dams based - said Goldwater - "on one of the greatest campaigns of misinformation I have ever encountered - in or out of politics." The former Republican presidential nominee - asserting that the dams would supply Arizona with badly needed water. "Without" - said he - "without damaging in any way whatsoever - the grandeur and beauty of the canyon."

A few hours later - the House Interior Committee rejected repeated attempts - to block or delay construction of the dams. Final committee approval of the project ^{is} now expected some time tomorrow.

GENEVA

After months - indeed years - of fruitless disarmament talks - the United States and Russia have finally found a disarmament proposal - they can both agree on. At Geneva - the world's two greatest powers approving a draft treaty - that would ban all weapons from outer space. At the same time - internationalizing celestial bodies - to place them beyond the bounds of any national sovereignty.

The United Nations' Legal Sub-committee for Outer Space - which prepared the preliminary draft - will now begin work on the wording of a final text. This to be presented to the full United Nations - hopefully, for speedy approval - sometime this Fall.

VIETNAM

In Vietnam - another mighty U.S. air strike today - against Communist North Vietnam. America war planes blasting transportation and supply centers - in that continuing attempt to deter Communist infiltration into South Vietnam.

Two of the attacking aircraft - downed by Communist gunners. But fortunately all three crewmen aboard the planes - were quickly rescued by American helicopters.

Meanwhile, to the South - a series of hit-and-run guerilla raids - against U.S. and Vietnamese facilities. Including the second mortar attack in as many days - ^{the} on headquarters of the Twenty-fifth U.S. Infantry Division near Saigon.

In Saigon itself - Premier Ky asserted today that the United States faces a momentous decision:- The choice - said he ^{of} whether to invade North Vietnam - or whether to fight a long, draw-out war - lasting anywhere from five to fifteen years.

AUSTERITY

In London -- Britain's powerful Trade Union Congress today threw its full support -- behind Prime Minister Harold Wilson: agreeing to accept in toto his new austerity program -- including an unprecedented six-month wage freeze. Approval by union leaders -- followed hours of heated debate. This virtually assures speedy Parliamentary approval -- of Wilson's entire "Save-the-Pound" plan.

The Labor Group -- British equivalent of our own AFL-CIO -- emphasizing, however, that future compliance with the program is contingent on several points: One -- that bw-paid workers and piece-workers will be protected against loss of wages (Two -- that the government will attempt to extend the freeze -- to non-wage income such as that from stocks and bonds:) and three -- that the government will squash any attempt -- to raise prices.

CRANFORD

From Cranford, New Jersey - a story today of life, love and death; and two people who shared them all - together.

Ludwig and Anna Bleki - childhood sweethearts; who were married in their native Poland - shortly after the turn of the century. Later immigrating to the United States - where they enjoyed sixty-four years of wedded bliss.

And now the end. Ludwig (Bleki) dying at the age of eighty-three - in a Cranford nursing home. Anna - though unaware of her husband's passing - joining him in death less than two hours later.

Anna and Ludwig (Bleki) - now and forever - united as one.

MOTORCYCLES

For years - motorcycle enthusiasts have been trying to create a new image. ^{of} Safe and sane cyclists - attempting to live down the daring do of the Hell's Angels of Southern California. Trying to wipe out the memory of Marlon Brando - as "The Wild One" on a souped-up motorcycle.

Unfortunately, the image still exists - and perhaps with good reason. (Figures announced today by the Metropolitan Life Insurance at Hartford, Connecticut - confirming what traffic safety experts have suspected for a long time. A tremendous increase in motorcycle fatalities - clear across the country.)

The number of cyclists killed in traffic accidents - up sixty percent over the last three years. Primary cause of such accidents - listed as "reckless driving."

CUSSING

The Kremlin today decreed that henceforth the parents of "hooligans" under sixteen years of age - must pay out of their own pockets for the jail upkeep of their children.

For any Soviet citizen who insults another citizen - ten to fifteen years in jail - or a heavy fine. With the added proviso that insulters - will be arrested, tried and punished within one day.

This among the details of Russia's stiff new anti-crime program - unveiled today in Moscow. In addition - some other new rules we might do well to consider - here in our own country.

And, starting now - cussing is a crime in the Soviet Union, punishable by a sentence of - ten to fifteen days in jail - Warren - or a big fine.

PARIS

April in Paris - ah, delightful. But August in Paris - or most any other French city - hot, sticky and muggy. With the result that every French man who can - takes his vacation during the month of August. Business, industry and government - accordingly, grinding to a halt. All this a preface to the latest report - on a recent campaign by French President De Gaulle. A campaign to persuade as many Frenchmen as possible - to take their vacations in some month other than August. The better to keep the nation's economy - moving ahead.

The report calling De Gaulle's campaign - "something less than a one hundred percent success." Predicting, what's more, that it will be put in moth balls - at least for the next few weeks.

Reason: De Gaulle himself left Paris today - for his annual August vacation.