

STRIKE

L.T. - Buick, Fisher & Kears, July 1, 1965

Some thirteen thousand workers today struck the nation's second largest shipyard - at Groton, Connecticut. The Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics -- also the nation's Prime producer of nuclear submarines. The walkout following a breakdown in contract talks - at Washington.

POSTAL

Postmaster General John Gronouski today ordered the holders of second and third class mail permits - to convert fully to the use of zip codes by January First, Nineteen Sixty Seven. The Postmaster noting that these users - account for about twenty-seven million pieces of mail a year. Much of it - so-called "junk mail".

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VO T I N G

The House Rules Committee today approved at last - the bi-partisan voting rights bill, After a futile final flurry -- of southern oratory. General house debate to begin next Tuesday -- with full House approval expected before the week is out.

The bill - virtually identical to voting ~~rights~~ rights legislation - that passed the Senate in May, [^] ~~it~~ would outlaw poll taxes - prohibit the use of discriminatory voter registration tests - and provide stiff prison penalties - for anyone who tries to intimidate potential voters.

ROOSEVELT

Franklin Delano Roosevelt Junior - today bowed out of contention in the race for mayor of New York City.

F D R Junior telling a Washington news conference - that he has a "superior obligation" to remain in his present post. That of chairman - of the new Federal Commission on Equal Employment opportunity.

He added that anyway there are already five declared candidates - for the Democratic nomination for mayor. And that's a-plenty, said he.

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RUARK

Bob Ruark -- best-selling author and syndicate newspaper columnist -- died today in a London hospital; where he had been confined for the last two days.

Ruark -- a prolific and sometimes controversial writer. Perhaps best known for lively columns and his book -- "Something of Value," about the Mau Mau terrorism in Kenya. And he was only forty-nine.

VIET NAM

The government of South Viet Nam today appealed to the United States - to begin a Berlin - type airlift.

Between Saigon and five major South Vietnamese cities -- all isolated by the Communist Viet Cong.

Also from Saigon - news of Premier Ky's first public interview. In which he said he is ready to execute personally - any member of his new government found guilty of corruption or war profiteering. Ky adding that if necessary to ensure political stability - he will also ban all politicians to the provinces of Kontum or Quang Ngai, ~~These~~ scenes of some of the heaviest fighting -- of late.

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While in the war itself - a detachment of five hundred marines landed today at Qui Nhon - nearly three hundred miles north of Saigon, To help defend that coastal city - against ~~increasing~~ increasing Communist pressure.

NORTH FOLLOW VIET NAM

Meantime, Communist North Viet Nam today rejected - at least for now - a meeting with that proposed British Commonwealth peace mission. Radio Hanoi expressing doubts as to what it called - British Prime Minister Harold Wilson's - "goodwill for peace".

Whether the Communists would meet with a ~~visit~~ mission headed by someone other than Wilson - well, that remains to be seen.

INDIA

*In India - a rising tide of protest today -
against U. S. policies in Viet Nam. Marked by pro-
Communist student demonstrations - in New Delhi, Calcutta
and the ^{far south} provincial capital of Trivandrum.*

*About eight hundred students in all - involved
in the three demonstrations. Fortunately - no violence.*

*Although President Johnson was burned in effigy - both
- cities more than a 1000 mis. apart,
at New Delhi and Trivandrum. A Communist member of
Parliament later arrested in Trivandrum - for ~~speaking~~
sparking the ~~pk~~ protest there.*

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TRANSPORT

President Johnson today ordered a speed-up -- in the government program to build a new supersonic jet airliner. Detailed design of the air frame -- along with construction of demonstrator engines - to be completed over the next eighteen months, At a cost of about a hundred and forty million dollars. And that's just the beginning.

The President's decision - disclosed ~~today~~ today at a White House ceremony, At which retired Air Force General William F. McKee -- was later sworn in as the new head of the Federal Aviation Administration.

PLANES FOLLOW TRANSPORT

Meantime, in London - Britain today announced plans - to buy an undisclosed number of American fighter jets and air transports. The notice following cancellation of three British aircraft projects - that touched off a storm of protest in the British aircraft industry.

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The projected cost of the American planes - not announced. But Prime Minister Harold Wilson has already estimated that purchase of American craft - will save Britain nearly a billion dollars - in development costs - over the next ten years.

SPACE

The Federal Space Agency named Rookie Astronauts Frank Borman and James Lovell - to man America's upcoming longest flight in space. An earth orbiting mission early next year - expected to last up to fourteen days.

Borman - who comes from Gary, Indiana - to serve as command pilot. Lovell - a native of Cleveland, Ohio to attempt another "space walk". Similar to that accomplished by Ed White - during the flight of the Gemini-Four last month.

RANSOM

The story of a strange "ransom" - reported today from the South China Sea. Here's the tale:

Navy pilot Eric Schade of San Leandro, California -- crashing shortly after take-off from the American carrier Oriskany; About eighty miles off the coast of North Viet Nam. But lucky for Schade - he was plucked from the sea a few minutes later -- by the American destroyer Perkins. Lucky, too, for the Perkins - which then decided to bargain for his safe return.

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Dieb - Results of the transaction - ~~xxxxxx~~ reported by the Navy as follows: After appropriate negotiations - said the Navy - "commander Schade was returned to the Oriskany - in return for thirty-five gallons of home-made ice cream."

GAMBLE

A social note next - from Clinton, New York.

Where typewriter heiress Gamble Benedict was married today to an officer of the New York State Police Department.

The bride - ~~as~~ you ^{may} recall - heiress to a fifty-million dollar fortune; whose stormy marriage to a Romanian Romeo - ended in an annulment last October.

This time The bridegroom - Thomas F. Gallagher Junior - the son of a baseball scout for the Cleveland Indians -

It's also his - second marriage.