

CORN

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~~On the farm front~~ continuing drought in the
U S "corn belt" with ^{new} late crop predictions. The
Department of Agriculture saying this year's corn
production while still a record will be nearly two
hundred million bushels less than originally estimated.
Agriculture Secretary Earl Butz, therefore, ordering
a further delay - in additional grain sales to Russia,
so we are sure "to be on the safe side." He stressed,
however that "we do want to sell more to the U S S R
- if we do have a large surplus.

VAIL

As far President Ford's first day of a golfing
vacation at Vail, Colorado, ^{his game} may have been put off a
few strokes by a Washington court ruling - over-
turning his recent tariff increase on imported oil.

The court admitting the President's action -
"was an honest attempt to find a solution to a difficult
crisis." The ~~question is how~~ question now, will ~~be~~
the President appeal or not?

UNITED NATIONS

**At the United Nations, as promised - the
U S today vetoed applications for membership -
by both North and South Vietnam. This in response
to the Communist~~s~~ early refusal - to admit South
Korea.**

BRAGA

The government of Portugal was forced to send left wing ~~marines~~ marines today - into the northern ~~in~~ city of Braga. The troops pushing their way through a wound-be lynch mob in order to reach twenty entrapped Communists. Then battling their way ~~back~~ out ^{with} the help of a smoke screen and percussion grenades. The fighting - leaving at least thirty injured.

LUANDA

in Africa
Meanwhile, [^]at Luanda, ~~in~~ Portuguese Angola -

the start of "operation air bridge." The Portuguese government - flying home some ~~thous~~ two thousand refugees; the first of an estimated quarter of a million white settlers - ~~is~~ now attempting to flee the West African territory,

The return of the settlers also expected to place a new [^]stain on the Lisbon regime. Observers saying they're deeply embittered over the way ~~is~~ ~~white~~ Angola has been virtually abandoned to ^{the rebel} ~~surviving~~ blacks.

CAPE CANAVERAL

At Cape Canaveral - an attempt today to launch an un-manned Viking spacecraft bound for Mars. The final count-down proceeding as planned - when suddenly, ~~the discovery of~~ a sticky valve. ^{Not} ~~Nothing~~ serious - but ~~officials saying~~ it could take a day or two to fix.

DETROIT

The case of missing ex-Teamster boss - James Hoff a is soon to go to a federal grand jury in Detroit. This by order of U S attorney Ralph Guy who said he plans to begin issuing subpoenas - Later this week - adding that those he plans to call ~~who~~ will include witnesses - who, he feels, have not fully ~~com~~ cooperated with ^{the} authorities. ~~Guy saying~~

~~"There is nothing magic about a grand jury but it does have the contempt charge if a witness refuses to testify."~~

WHITE HOUSE

First Lady Betty Ford is again the center of a controversy today - over teen-age morals. Officials saying the White House switchboard began to light up - immediately following her statement yesterday that she "wouldn't be surprised" if her daughter, Susan, had an ~~adult~~ affair. A spokesman for Mrs. Ford also saying today - she does not wish to retract her original comment; but adding ~~to~~ what she really meant was - "she would not kick her daughter out."

WASHINGTON

Washington again - Senator Sparkman of Alabama today announced the return of two million in ransom money - taken to Cuba three years ago by three skyjackers. Sparkman urging in return, "a staged removal" of the U S embargo against Cuba - ~~starting out with~~ ^{and} elimination ^{now} of all trade restrictions on food and medicine.

Remember the young American airmen who flew the "Hump", the "Hump" they called it? They played a major role in World War II, carrying ammunition, gas and all sorts of supplies from India to China. Their casualties were high — and now they have been given special medals by Nationalist China. Minister Hsi and Anna Chenault flying to Miami to do this — at long last.

NEW LONDON

Starting next July - the U S Coast Guard Academy will break with tradition - accepting women cadets for the first time. Coast Guard Commandant Admiral Siler saying ~~the~~ ^{they are} only question as of now is ~~where to house them.~~

~~Another problem though - where they'll~~
~~serve. At present, women~~ still barred by ~~federal~~
law from going to sea on coast guard ships.

TOKYO

A Japanese ceramics firm announces a method for making artificial emeralds, same color, shape, hardness and transparency - as natural emeralds, also containing much the same ingrediends but taking only six months each to produce; price - about half the real thing - and no one will know the difference. Remember when Miki Moto started^{ed} the gem world with his cultured pearls?

And now would you call this message a pearl?

NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court of India took a step today -
that could place it on a collision course with Prime
Minister Indira Gandhi. The court agreeing to hear
a challenge to ~~a~~ ^{the} new constitutional amendment ~~that~~ ^{that}
~~could~~ ^{could} nullify ~~the~~ Madame Gandhi's recent conviction
for election fraud. The hearing date - in two weeks.

LEXINGTON

The American Institute of biological sciences at Lexington, Mass, after a study of eleven hundred shark attacks around the world says the chances of being attacked by a shark are less than of being struck by lightning; but, survival rate - only about fifty percent. How to avoid shark attack? Stay out of the water, when sharks are around.