

WHITE HOUSE

Fri. Sept. 10-71

President Nixon met today with the nation's top labor leaders including some who have been ~~active~~ critics of his new economic program: They spent some two hours advising the President ~~4~~ on ~~just~~ what should come next after the present ninety day ~~long~~ wage-price freeze.

<sup>the session ended</sup>  
When ~~it was over~~, President Meany of the A F L - C I O told reporters: "We made our position clear," and the President's reaction? "Well, he listened" - said Meany. Then as the A F L - C I O leader got into his ~~car~~ limousine he added: "We've said for months - we'll cooperate with anything that's fair and equitable."

Also present was Leonard Woodcock head of the United Auto Workers. His statement to the press was that the labor leaders were all grateful - to have their views solicited.

*We hear the President neither sought nor received - ~~such~~ a no-strike pledge. Said Woodcock: "It was just not feasible at this juncture."*

HANOI-DACCA

In North Vietnam - also <sup>in</sup> East Pakistan -  
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flood, famine and pestilence were running wild today-

<sup>and</sup> according to reports reaching the outside world - were  
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claiming a dreadful toll; with <sup>the</sup> a number of dead  
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in North Vietnam - ~~already~~ already set at more

than a million; and the number ~~was~~ threatened in

East Pakistan <sup>put at</sup> an estimated twenty-five ~~to~~ million.  
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SAIGON FOLLOW HANOI-DACCA

~~In the case of North Vietnam - this, apparently~~  
largely because of this there has been  
~~accounting for~~ a brief lull in the Indo-China war -

with Saigon troops remaining virtually unopposed

today - in the <sup>out</sup> big sweep up near the D M Z.

Meanwhile ~~back~~ in Saigon - another milestone in  
the Vietnamization program. The U S Air Force

turning over to South Vietnam -- its ~~entire~~ entire

fleet of ~~heavy~~ A.C. - one nineteen "shadow"

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gun <sup>planes.</sup> ~~ships~~ These <sup>are</sup> the biggest twin engine ~~tax~~ air

transport<sup>s</sup> in the world; <sup>and-are</sup> capable of firing ~~up~~ up to

six thousand rounds a minute; with the help of

on board computers and special electronic gear. Said to be

~~amazingly~~ accurate - day or night.

*THIEU follow Saigon*

*On the political front - South Vietnam's President Thieu defended today his conduct in office. Adding that should he find himself one day "intolerable to the American government" - then he would have "no other choice but to resign."*

*Thieu also saying he would likewise resign - if so requested by the South Vietnamese military - "I have told the generals" - said he - "if you would like to have a coup; I will step down; but <sup>he added:-</sup> they don't want that - the Vietnamese people are tired of coups."*

## PENTAGON FOLLOW THIEU

Here at home - Vice President ~~Spice~~ Agnew presented the Medal of Honor - posthumously -- to five Marine heroes of the ~~xxx~~ war; Corporal ~~Emilio~~ Emilio De LaGarza of East Chicago, ~~Indiana~~ Indiana; Corporal Miguel Keith of Abilene, Texas; Corporal James How of Liberty, South Carolina; Corporal Richard Anderson of Houston; - and ~~Bo~~ PFC Bruce Carter of Miami Springs, Florida.

Today's presentations raising to fifty-four - the number of marines receiving the nation's highest award for valor while serving in Vietnam. ~~quite~~  
~~a record!~~

WEATHER

As for the weather picture along the east and gulf coasts - ~~in a word, "fantastic."~~ This according to the U S hurricane ~~at~~ center <sup>at</sup> ~~in~~ ~~the~~ Miami ~~which adds that~~ the present massive weather system is one of wheels within wheels; including, at last report, two full scale hurricanes - and another perhaps aborning.

~~The worst of these~~ Hurricane Edith <sup>was</sup> ~~which~~ <sup>running wild</sup> ~~crashed~~ today <sup>^</sup> across the eastern coast of British Honduras and may be headed next - for the

Yucatan peninsula. <sup>Also</sup> ~~And then there's~~ Hurricane Fern <sup>^</sup> ~~swept~~ <sup>swept</sup> ashore at Matagorda, Texas early today, <sup>with heavy rain across part of</sup> ~~currenting~~ ~~raining~~ ~~and~~ ~~raining~~ ~~itself~~ ~~out~~ ~~from~~ Texas <sup>and</sup> <sup>^</sup> on into Louisiana.

As for the latest entry, <sup>she's called</sup> ~~that's~~ <sup>^</sup> Finger; and <sup>is now some</sup> ~~tropical depression~~ <sup>^</sup> ~~about~~ three hundred miles

south of Bermuda. ~~No immediate threat - we are told~~ ~~but only time will tell.~~

MANCHESTER

~~At~~ Manchester, Vermont; <sup>at</sup> a federal judicial conference today, ~~with~~ the main speaker, <sup>^</sup> Chief Justice Warren Burger, ~~who~~ charged that undue delay in the handling of <sup>a</sup> small number of "notorious" or "spectacular" criminal cases - has undermined public confidence in the whole ~~just~~ judicial system.

"What is desperately needed" <sup>said</sup> - ~~he~~ ~~mentioned~~ - "is to have a few of these serious cases brought on for trial in sixty days after indictment; with appeals then disposed of - in another sixty days. The Chief justice adding: "It can be done" - if we just get rid of "some of the non-essential frills and luxuries - and get on with the substance - which is fair and speedy justice."



ARJAN

From the village of Arjan in Soviet Siberia -  
comes <sup>a</sup> ~~the~~ report ~~today~~ of another ~~remarkable~~  
archaeological find. Soviet scientists unearthing  
the burial mound of a Scythian chieftain - dating  
back to Seven Hundred B.C. This including the  
remains of not only the chieftain - but also his  
wife and her personal bodyguard, who were buried  
with him; ~~as such - we are told - containing~~ <sup>Also</sup> gold  
pendants and plaques; - ~~the~~ Nephrite and silver plates -  
ornaments of turquoise; - cast bronze spearheads,  
daggers and sheaths; <sup>as well as</sup> ~~also~~ a number of fire striking  
devices; - yokes made of deer horns; - and, remnants  
of valuable ~~skins~~ furs. ~~All in all - says~~ <sup>calls it</sup> The  
Soviet news agency Tass <sup>calls it</sup> one of the most important  
<sup>of recent</sup> ~~as~~ archaeological discoveries, ~~in recent history~~.

The Scythians - you may recall - once the  
greatest fighting force on earth; with an empire

stretching from Central Asia - all the way to

Syria and <sup>Palestine</sup> ~~Arabia~~; due largely to the

introduction of a new weapon <sup>—barren—</sup> which they alone

possessed at the time - ~~and what was that? Simply~~

armored cavalry.

PAT

The White House again -- First Lady Pat Nixon discusses life with the President. This - in ~~the~~ making ~~of~~ a TV documentary; ~~with Pat Nixon saying~~ <sup>She says</sup> her role as the President's wife <sup>is</sup> something like living in a goldfish bowl <sup>with</sup> the most difficult part ~~of~~ ~~it~~ - having to be guarded all the time. ~~Pat Nixon~~ ~~saying that, indeed,~~ Her oceanside patio at San Clemente <sup>she says</sup> is "the only place" ~~in the world~~ where she and the President can ~~be~~ <sup>seem to be</sup> unguarded "at the present time."

The First Lady also disclosed a passion for ~~garden~~ gardening - with her favorite flower the little Marguerite. Further ~~reporting~~ that the White House is off limits - to all three of the President's dogs. ~~Why so?~~ Because - said she - "we're protecting it for the people."