

*Tuesday, August 28, 1973*

**NEW DELHI**

*At last, an agreement between India and Pakistan - officially ending nearly two years of open hostility. The new pact - following eleven days of intensive negotiations at New Delhi; calling for the repatriation of ninety thousand Pakistani prisoners of war - also, a hundred and sixty thousand Bengalis left stranded in Pakistan. The agreement further providing that pro-pakistani moslems still in Bangladesh will now be given free transport to Pakistan.*

HYDERABAD follow Orizaba

Meanwhile ~~mother~~ nature was also continuing to take a ~~heavy~~ toll in Pakistan. The ~~my~~ number of deaths there from nearly a month of flooding now set at more than three hundred. Pakistani officials calling this - "the worst flood of the century", ~~and~~ with the worst of ~~the~~ <sup>it</sup> ~~worst~~ ~~may be~~ yet to come.

The ~~giant~~ Indus River - still ~~climbing~~ climbing at the rate of about eighteen inches a day. Overflowing its banks today near Hyderabad; and, farther south threatening to inundate the industrial city of Ghar. Officials saying the next twenty-four hours - will be crucial.

# ORIZABA

Earth quake in Mexico - ~~as no doubt you've~~  
~~heard by now. The main shock~~ measuring seven on the  
Richter Scale; <sup>and</sup> jolting ~~million~~ millions ~~and~~ along a two  
hundred mile strip extending from Mexico City to the  
Gulf of Mexico. <sup>Much</sup> ~~But the worst~~ damage ~~of all~~ in Orizaba -  
a city of about fifty thousand southeast of Mexico City,  
where a twelve story apartment building - was knocked  
flat. A Mexican Red Cross official saying: More than  
a hundred persons asleep inside - were killed instantly. —  
more than 500 killed in all.

## STOCKHOLM

That five day siege at Stockholm has finally  
ended <sup>and</sup> ~~Best of all~~ on a happy note. Police drilling a  
~~number~~ number of holes today into the bank vault where  
two desperadoes were holding four hostages; three young  
women - and a young man. ~~Police~~ Then ~~the~~ pumping in a  
barrage of tear gas. The two gunmen - surrendering  
without a shot. A police spokesman ~~saying~~ later saying -  
~~in~~ in comparison with all that went before - "it was  
quite undramatic."



DETROIT

In the contract talks currently in progress in Detroit - first, a union proposal; presented to each of the "big three" auto makers - for study and comment. Today ~~at~~ a counter-proposal - the first so far; coming from Chrysler ~~Corporation~~ - this year's principal strike "target". Chrysler offering a wage increase ranging from eleven to twenty-three cents an hour. Noting that such an increase would be "well within the President's phase four ~~and~~ guidelines."

Union reaction - coming quickly from U A W President Leonard Woodcock. The company offer - said he - is not only "well within" the President's guidelines - "it is well, well, well, within the guidelines."

Woodcock adding: "This offer is not only disappointing - but a mockery of collective bargaining and the strike deadline now just two weeks from Friday."

NEW ORLEANS

For the Vice Chairman of the Senate Watergate Committee a speaking engagement today in New Orleans.

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Senator Baker of Tennessee saying: "I do not believe there is a constitutional crisis in the U S" - just "a constitutional confrontation." And, I do not think for one moment" he continued - "that the institution of the Presidency is being injured." Baker also disagreeing with quote - the prophets of doom who say the fabric of America is being rent asunder - the greatness of the nation ~~is~~ being ~~lost~~ destroyed - the energy and dedication of our people ~~is being~~ stultified."

"My ~~an~~ answer to all that - is rubbish," said Senator Baker. Adding: "We are doing the one thing that America has always done best - and that is coming to terms with the challenge instead of retreating from it."

## BELFAST

Britain's Prime Minister Heath arrived today in Belfast - ~~for~~ the start of a two day visit to northern Ireland. His arrival promptly noted - by a crowd of jeering Protestant women - the ladies carrying placards that read: Traitor! and, Go Home! Also accusing Heath of "selling out" to minority Catholics.

Sky Lab.  
~~BOSTON~~

In the mail I received today - a rather provocative letter from one Richard Wethern up in Boston. Dr. Wethern questioning the value of ~~the~~ so-called earth ~~resources~~ resources studies - such as performed by the Sky Lab Astronauts. "How much more can people tell of the earth's resources from two hundred miles up" ~~he~~ asks. ~~What~~ than they can ~~up~~ right here?"

Spending billions in such a way - he continued - is simply "assinine". And he adds: "I am all for space exploration - but we seem intent on making it less meaningful than a soap commercial."

~~well, it's~~ An interesting letter. But <sup>Dr. Wethers,</sup> ~~the truth~~ <sup>Jim told, are</sup> ~~is that~~ Sky Lab - ~~essentially~~ earth resources studies ~~are~~ already proving of inestimable value; not only in scientific research but also in dollars and cents. From their vantage point in space - the Sky Lab astronauts commanding a broad sweep of the earth's surface with the



help of supersensitive cameras and other special instruments. Thus spotting vast mineral deposits heretofore unknown - tracking down ~~faults~~ faults that could lead to an ~~an~~ early earthquake warning system - detecting crop blights in <sup>their</sup> ~~the~~ early stages before <sup>having</sup> ~~has~~ a chance to spread; - determining the full scope of air and ~~water~~ water pollution, helping ~~to~~ chart the growth of our metropolitan centers to improve ~~our~~ urban planning and so on and so on. The list ~~is~~ virtually endless.

~~It might be well to note - what's more,~~

~~that~~ Prior to the U S and Russian space programs - more than half of the earth's land surfaces were unmapped and virtually unexplored. And many in fact, - still are,

## ROME

As you may have heard - the government of Denmark is helping to ~~be~~ finance a new film called "the Loves of Jesus Christ." As you may have also heard - the Danish project has already been criticized - by leading Church officials up to and including Pope Paul. And now - the latest. Person or persons unknown - ~~is~~ hurling gasoline bombs into the court yard of the Danish Ambassador's residence in Rome. And ~~then~~ as they fled ~~is~~ flinging about leaflets saying ~~Among~~ other things: Denmark - the pig-sty of Europe. The leaflets signed: "Catholics against the ~~the~~ Danish government ~~who~~ <sup>that</sup> financed the blasphemous film."

## BOULDER

Boulder, Colorado the guardian of the boy  
who won this year's national soap box derby admitted  
today it was all his idea to fix the <sup>2</sup>face. Ski boot  
manufacturer Robert Lange saying: "I determined that  
he should build and install a magnetic nose - so as to  
be competitive with the professional cars he would racing  
against." Lange adding that "rule violations are common -  
because of poor inspection and lack of supervision."  
Insisting, ~~but~~ nevertheless that his son's car which won  
last year - was absolutely "clean".

**WEST STOCKBRIDGE FOLLOW HYDERBAD**

**A tornado; all but leveling a truck plaza at West Stockbridge, Mass today. Police listing ~~at~~ four dead and about forty injured.**



## PRICES

So you think American food prices are high!

Maybe so.

~~Well, you may be right - but then again,~~ <sup>But</sup> consider

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this ~~next~~ from Paris. ~~It's a report today~~ on the prices French housewives are currently paying to feed their families! ~

~~For example,~~ a can of tomato paste - sixty-seven cents; a head of lettuce - sixty-nine cents; a half pound of butter - ninety-two cents; a dozen eggs - a dollar twenty four; round steak - two fifty a pound. Bacon - three forty a pound; and laundry soap - economy size three-seventy a box. ~~In addition, the~~ Price of gasoline - ~~running~~ a buck and a quarter a gallon.

~~All, far higher than we normally pay here~~

~~And this in a country where a buck, even devalued~~

~~is still far harder to come by,~~ <sup>Oh yes, and</sup> The median wage in

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<sup>Bill is</sup> France ~~f~~ barely half of what it is here in the U S.

LAS VEGAS

After nineteen years in the Senate - and nearly  
forty years - in all, in public office - Senator Alan  
Bible of Nevada is calling it quits. The Senator announcing  
his retirement - ~~at~~ a press conference held today at  
Las Vegas. ~~calling~~ <sup>he says it</sup> His decision <sup>he had</sup> one to which ~~have~~  
given much thought, ~~and consideration.~~ Adding, ~~how~~  
~~how~~ <sup>and that</sup> ~~however~~ at age sixty-four - <sup>he</sup> ~~honestly~~ believes  
it is time to step aside."