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RESCUE

Drama in the North Atlantic -- played out today against a backdrop of driving rain -- winds up to forty-five knots -- and waves twenty feet high.

The action begins with an S.O.S. -- from the Norwegian freighter Lionne. Sinking fast off the coast of Newfoundland -- a hole in her engine room. Her captain finally ordering: -- "abandon ship!"

The British passenger liner Sylvania -- first to reach the scene. Quickly picking up the first twelve men -- to leave the ship. Then circling the Norwegian vessel -- to spread an oil slick.

Two men later lost -- when their liferaft capsized in the heavy sea. But the remaining thirteen crewmen were transferred safely to the Norwegian tanker Raila. Twenty-five saved in all -- just in the nick of time. The freighter Lionne -- headed toward a watery grave.

DOMINICAN

At last -- a real truce in the Dominican Republic. The twenty-four-hour cease-fire -- beginning precisely at noon today -- Santo Domingo time. Red Cross doctors and nurses immediately moving into the fighting zone -- to remove the dead and tend the wounded.

At almost the same time -- Colonel Francisco Caamano -- offered to resign his post as the rebels' provisional president -- if it will lead to peace. The man who branded Americans as "murderers" the day before -- adding that he is now willing to negotiate with the United States -- toward a settlement. Earlier clashes between rebels and U. S. troops were indeed -- said he, the result of unfortunate errors.

Caamano's change of heart -- explained no doubt by the fortunes of war. His forces reported on the verge of a general rout -- when saved by the cease-fire. One more indication that today's temporary truce -- may turn out to be a permanent one.

UNITED NATIONS FOLLOW DOMINICAN

Another cheering note -- in the United Nations. The

U.N. Security Council today soundly rejecting Russia's demand --

for condemnation of U.S. intervention in the Dominican crisis,

~~and~~ ^{and} for immediate withdrawal -- of all U.S. troops. On the

question of condemnation -- the Soviet delegate ^{was} voting alone.

On the question of withdrawal -- Russia ^{was} joined only by Jordan.

QUEEN

Hundreds of thousands of Bavarians cheered Queen Elizabeth today -- in Munich -- birthplace of the Nazi Party. Many in the crowds -- wearing their colorful alpine folk dress. Even church bells -- joining in the welcome.

Queen Elizabeth -- usually quite reserved, today -- in response to the roaring welcome stood in her open limousine beside Prince Philip, waving to the crowd.

More than three thousand German police -- mobilized to guard the Queen in Munich. Because of mysterious letters -- threatening her life. But if the Queen was nervous -- she kept her usual poise. Another royal performance -- by the royal couple.

CAIRO

That break between Egypt and West Germany -- well, maybe it's just skin deep. At any rate -- a report from Cairo today -- would seem to indicate as much.

Egypt said to have offered West Germany -- a forty-nine per cent interest in a new Egyptian aircraft plant. In exchange -- for new development aid. This in spite of Cairo's decision -- to break diplomatic relations with West Germany, All because Bonn -- decided to recognize Israel.

West German reaction? So far -- said to be one of - let's wait and see.

BOURGUIBA FOLLOW CAIRO

Meantime, from Tunis -- another assault by Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba -- on Egypt's Colonel Nasser. The Egyptian strongman -- talking out of both sides of his mouth -- said Bourguiba. Because the Arab world -- has no intention of further attacking Israel -- said he. Adding that Tunisia will never turn on America -- in the name of Arab solidarity. His speech -- greeted by a thunderous ovation.

VIET NAM

The government of South Viet Nam -- today crushed another attempted coup, said to have been planned -- in part -- by the Communists. Premier Phan Huy Quat disclosing the arrest-- of thirty army officers and civilians -- allegedly involved in the plot.

In the war itself -- U.S. planes today stepped up -- the tempo of their attacks on the Communist North. Eighty-three strikes in all -- against bridges, barracks, a radio station -- and two Communist PT boats. But on the ground -- relative quiet.

SPACE

The most ambitious space flight yet attempted by the United States -- scheduled for week after next. Final plans disclosed today -- by the Federal Space Agency at Cape Kennedy.

The two-man Gemini-Four -- slated to orbit the earth sixty-two times -- over a period of four days. More than triple the total space time -- logged by all of America's eight previous astronauts put together.

At the controls -- Jim McDivitt and Ed White -- from the "new breed" of astronauts. And if all goes well -- one of them will lean halfway out of the space ship. ^Q First step in the plan for an American "spacewalk" -- next time around.

~~Mark the date~~ -- June Third, ^{maybe} Another milestone in the conquest of space.

KENNEDY

Joseph P. Kennedy -- the so-called "founding father" of the Kennedy clan -- today suffered what was described as -- "a slight indisposition." The trouble -- serious enough to send relatives racing to his bedside -- at Hyannisport. However, a doctor later reporting -- that there was no cause for alarm. The elder Kennedy -- who suffered a stroke several years ago -- now seventy-six.

BEATLES

A new high in Beatlemania -- reported today from Huddersfield, England. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Green -- the proud parents of triplet boys. Agreeing to give them names -- suggested by their five-year-old daughter. So thanks to Alicia Green the three Green boys are to be christened George, Paul and John after three members -- of the famed British quartet.

The fourth Beatle -- no doubt, green with envy. But as Papa Green put it -- "who ever heard of a baby -- named Ringo?" Who, indeed?

FOAM

Good news for conservationists today -- in testimony before a Senate Sub-Committee on water pollution. Two representatives of the soap and detergent industry -- announcing that by July First they will end -- the production of so-called "hard" detergents, those that foam up in sewers -- and befoul our rivers and streams.

The "hard" detergents to be banned voluntarily -- said the soap spokesmen. In favor of new soft detergents -- that will decompose the same as other wastes.

But Congressman Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin -- apparently unconvinced, today said he still wants a law -- banning the "hard" detergents. Said he -- Don -- all the talk of soft detergents -- could be just a lot of soft soap.

MIMS

From Hephzibah, Georgia -- news today of Mrs. Dorothy Perussa. Who might be described as the world's first victim -- of Mims syndrome. Here's why.

Mrs. Perussa was driving along a highway just outside town -- when she slammed on the brakes to avoid an obstacle in the road ahead. Her car did a complete flip -- and Mrs. Perussa suffered a broken shoulder.

Where does Mims come in? The accident occurred -- on Mims Road. The car crash-landed in a field -- owned by Guy B. Mims. And the officer who investigated the accident -- he's George L. Mims. Who also owns the Mims Trailer Park -- where Mrs. Perussa makes her home.

So the next time you're in the vicinity of Hephzibah, Georgia -- remember -- Mims the word.