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KEY BISCAYNE

The peace that was once - "at hand" in Vietnam - is now apparently closer than ever. At any rate, reports from Saigon say that President Thieu - has finally agreed to accept a proposed cease-fire. While here at home - at Key Biscayne - President Nixon was ordering a halt in the bombing against North Vietnam; also, ordering an end - to all other offensive military action.

The President's move - "a unilateral decision" said White House Press Secretary Ziegler. A decision he says is based on "the progress made in negotiations between" the U. S. and North Vietnam. Ziegler adding that Henry Kissinger will return to Paris - "in the near future" - for additional talks with Hanoi's Le Duc Tho. All of which is said perhaps to presage - the initialing of a formal agreement - we hope.

WATERGATE

Four more defendants in that Watergate bugging trial decided to plead guilty today. ~~At least~~ One explaining^{ed} that he thought he was helping to fight a Communist conspiracy. With all four - finally remanded in one hundred thousand dollar bail pending sentences.

Today's action - leaving^{ed} only two defendants ~~still~~ to stand trial. G. Gordon Liddy and James W. McCord -- both former officials of the Committee to Re-elect the President.

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles - a court-ordered plan ~~■~~ for
combating summer smog ~~xxx~~ in Southern California ~~was~~
~~announced~~
~~Details disclosed~~, today - by William Ruckelshaus of
the Environmental Protection Agency. ~~Calling~~ ^{It calls} for
universal installation of anti-smog devices, mandatory
~~■~~ vehicle inspection, -- conversion of fleet vehicles
to other fuels, -- additional controls on stationery
facilities such as incinerators, also, gasoline rationing.
Much of which ^{it is assumed will} ~~will no doubt~~ be fought - right ^{up} ~~through~~
to the Supreme Court.

MENLO PARK FOLLOW LOS ANGELES

also -

~~In the same vein,~~ the results of a three
year study ^{were} announced today at the Stanford Research
Institute. The cost of air pollution in direct damage
to plants and crops - ~~is~~ set at roughly one hundred and
thirty-two million a year; which is a lot, admittedly -
but still a far cry from previous estimates ^{which} ~~these~~
^{run as high as} ~~running all the way up to~~ half a billion.

WASHINGTON

Washington again - Treasury Secretary

George Shultz ~~was~~ discussing ~~today~~ the President's decision to relax wage and price controls, ~~Shultz Shultz~~ ^{said:} "We've been very explicit on guidelines for behavior - we will intervene if people get out of line. But, "the big thing" - he continued - "is can we ~~do~~ do something about food prices? - that's what we're concerned about."

Shultz adding: "If you try to impose a ceiling on something like raw agricultural products - all you do is make ~~things~~ things worse and in ^{time} ~~a while~~ - you ~~it~~ have a shortage."

At the Vatican in Rome - Pope Paul conferred today with Israeli Premier Golda Meir - the first time ~~so~~ that the Pontiff has met with an Israeli official - in more than three years. Today's talks lasting more than an hour; ~~so~~ according to a later Vatican communique -- covering the entire "situation" in the Middle East and ~~the~~ particularly problems concerning the Holy Land. A Vatican spokesman then went on to stress, however, -- "the audience had been requested by Madame Meir" -- adding that this "does not mean or imply the ~~least~~ least change in the attitude of the Holy See -- concerning the problems of the Holy Land. Further observing that "one is dealing here - with the native and inalienable rights of three monotheistic religions."

Miami Herald ~~back~~ in Israel the worst winter storm

in ~~more than~~ twenty years; -- ~~with~~ a raging blizzard ^{raging}

^{all the way}

~~today~~ from Beersheba in the desert south to the Sea

of Galilee and

~~occupied~~ Golan Heights in the North. ~~The snow~~

~~accumulation coming to about~~ ^{a foot of snow} in Jerusalem and

more than two feet in ^{some areas} ~~other places~~. Delighting the

children - ~~we are told~~ but paralyzing ^{nearly} ~~practically~~

everything else. ~~Indeed~~ ^{It} Jerusalem's mayor Teddy

Kollek calling in army vehicles - to help open the

streets, ~~again~~. ~~A number of~~ hospitals ~~also~~ putting

plows on their ambulances - sending them out to bring

in doctors and nurses. ~~While~~ ^{With} the Israeli weather

bureau - predicting more snow within forty-eight hours.

MANILA

*The prisoner, Chinese born Lim Seng;
a printing executive age fifty two - the father of five.
He was hustled into a public court yard at Manila -
and there he looked around and said: "I see you have
a big crowd - just like a fiesta." Whereupon he was
tied to a stake and executed by a firing squad.*

*Lim Seng's death - personally ordered
by ~~the~~ Philippines President Marcos. The first
execution - under terms of ~~newly~~ newly-inacted martial
law. ^{This} For dealing in millions of dollars worth of heroin
over the past ten years. Lim Seng blamed for the
drug addiction - of at least ten thousand ~~to~~ Filipinos.*

HELSINKI

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After a recess of one month - preliminary talks on an all-European security ~~confer~~ conference were resumed today at Helsinki. The western allies presenting a formal request to the Soviet union -- a request for relaxation of Russian rules on travel and censorship; also, calling for the construction of a new Europe - based on "human contacts," cultural exchanges and a ~~wider~~ wider flow of information."

When he responded, though - Soviet Ambassador ~~is~~ Viktor Maltsev all but ignor~~ing~~^{ed} the western statement. Calling instead for a recognition of the post war status quo - along with improved cultural and environmental relations.

BRUSSELS

*The first Council of Ministers of the newly enlarged European Common Market -- was held today at Egmont Palace in Brussels; the same place where Britain, Denmark and Ireland -- formally signed their membership treaties just a year ago. Council Chairman Pierre ~~Harmel~~ Harmel of Brussels - noting that the Common Market now represents a European community of more than two ~~to~~ hundred and fifty million people. Adding that "such a Europe is ready to devote its people, to peace and to new action on a broad scale - *that is* all the strength derived from its unity."*

BLOOMINGTON

A woman's hair is her crowning glory -
so the saying goes. Now the story of an Illinois State
Coed - so proud of her hair that no doubt rescue workers
would have liked to "crown her."

Pretty nineteen year old Cathy ^{Knobloch} ~~Canoblock~~ -
one of six coeds involved in a traffic accident at
Bloomington, Illinois. Their car flipping over -
one and all escaping serious injury -- except that
Cathy's long tresses were pinned beneath the car.
When ~~the~~ police offered to cut her free - Cathy replying,
in effect, "not on your life." And there she lay ~~for~~
~~fifteen minutes~~ till a wrecker finally arrived and
lifted the car. ~~And so a hair's breadth~~ ^Q hair's breadth
escape ^{John} ~~the result~~ would you say, ~~of~~ ^A a hair brained
idea. [?]

DALLAS

When Carl Tirey was age twelve - while living at Middletown, Ohio - he accidentally touched a high tension power line. He was then taken to a funeral parlor -- everyone thought he was dead; everyone ~~ea~~ that is - except an uncle who was called to identify the body. He noticed that Carl was still breathing and quickly called a doctor. Young Carl spending a year in the hospital losing his left arm and leg - but refusing to give up.

He went back to public school - and then on to Ohio State; in college - learning how to swim - on graduation taking a job with the Ohio State Insurance Department - but also becoming a swimming coach; and later on - a member of the National Board of the Amateur Athletic Union; eventually - moving to Dallas; where ~~in 1944~~ he was still giving swimming instructions - mainly to handicapped persons - when the end came this past weekend.

*Carl Tirey - age sixty-six; a man who
lived more than half a century "on borrowed time."
And paid back his ~~debt~~ debt with interest.*