

STOCKS

Mon, Feb. 8 '71.

IN A repeat of Friday's record-breaking session - prices climbed again today on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading ~~was~~ heaviest in history. ~~Shortly before closing,~~ The Dow Jones average ^{rose} ~~was~~ _▲ ahead by more than five points. Volume ~~was~~ more than twenty ^{five} ~~two~~ million ~~three hundred~~ shares. - A new record for one day on the Exchange.

to be taped -

America's newest space heroes, astronauts Shepard, Mitchell and Roosa are headed home tonight at a speed of more than three thousand miles an hour. The home coming splash down is scheduled to take place in the south pacific tomorrow afternoon. The three astronauts held a news conference from their space ship today and for a report on that we go to ^{Steve Young at} the Manned space center in Houston, ~~and Steve Young~~

APO LLO

America's newest space heroes, Astronauts Shepard, Mitchell and ^{as you know} Roosa are headed home tonight at a speed of more than three thousand miles per hour. The big moment - the home coming splash down is scheduled to take place in the Pacific some nine hundred miles off Samoa at four-oh-five tomorrow afternoon - Eastern Time, ^{— a few mins after one P.M. Pacific Coast time.} So far the forecast is for near perfect weather. Riding with the astronauts is a collection of more than a hundred pounds of Moon rocks - as well as the future of the American space program itself.

In Moscow the Soviets announced that the eight wheeled moon buggy - which landed on the Moon last November - has gone back to work in the Sea of Rains about three hundred miles from the spot just visited by the American astronauts. The self-propelled Moon robot ~~is~~ ^{the} steered by ^{experts} a Russian ^{team} operating ^{here} ~~it~~ on earth.

INDO CHINA

First reports say ^{So, Vietnamese} ~~Allyed~~ troops are meeting

stiff resistance from North Vietnamese forces in

Laos as they ~~drive~~ drive into that country on a

mission to cut the Communist Ho Chi Minh Trail.

No American troops ~~are~~ taking part in the ^{war} land action -

according to the reports. But six U S helicopters

were shot down and two American pilots killed.

More than two hundred American planes and helicopters

are flying tactical support missions for some five

thousand South Vietnamese troops who crossed the

Laotian border into Laos. ¶ The Laotian Chief of

State Prince Souvanna Phouma -- today protested

the invasion and demanded immediate withdrawal of

all foreign troops from his country - including those

of the North Vietnamese. In Ottawa the Canadian

government reacted by calling for a re-convening

of the international control commission of Laos to

investigate Prince Souvanna Phouma's complaints.

In Washington the new fighting brought more demands that congress take action to restrict a wider American involvement in South East Asia's wars. Foreign Relations chairman William Fulbright called Secretary of State Rogers into a closed committee meeting tomorrow morning. In Saigon, South Vietnamese President Phieu promised to withdraw all his country's troops from Laos as soon as Communist supplies are destroyed and infiltration routes are cut. Meantime from London comes diplomatic reports that Russia is increasing its flow of arms to north Vietnam because of the intensified fighting.

CAPITOL

~~A~~ President Nixon sent an eighteen page message to Congress today asking for tough controls in the fight against air and water pollution. Among his proposals - a federal program for the re-cycling of ~~the~~ paper to help preserve our national forests, ^{also} improvements in pesticide control, ~~the~~ regulation of noise pollution, ⁴ further restrictions on ocean dumping, and regulations to prevent strip mining ^{Further} from _λ damaging the environment. Said the President -- ~~the~~ "the program I propose will require some adjustments by government - by our industrial and business community, and by the public. But the battle for a better environment can be won, and we are winning it."

Also in Washington, the mayors of sixteen large cities asked Congress for permission to hire the ~~unemployed~~ unemployed for public service jobs. They endorsed a bill that would provide the funds.

~~And~~ The Senate ^{today} without opposition ~~today~~

confirmed former Texas Governor John Connolly as

the new Treasury Secretary. He becomes the first

Democrat in President Nixon's cabinet, ~~and~~ ^{He} succeeds

David Kennedy ^{who is} now an Ambassador-at-large.

ULSTER

New rioting broke out in Belfast, Northern Ireland today when a British army scout car accidentally struck and killed a five year old girl near a Catholic neighborhood. Four other youngsters were wounded in a cross ~~fire~~ fire between Protestants and Catholics in that ^{embattled} ~~troubled~~ city. There are also reports that extremists are paying children to throw rocks at the British troops patrolling the streets.

CHECKS

An estimated twenty-four million dollars in checks are ~~being~~ bouncing all over the Irish Republic. The checks were written over a six month period while the Republic's seven hundred commercial banks were closed down in a dispute over wages paid to bank ~~person~~ personnel. Now the checks written in hope and cashed in faith - are being returned unpaid. Consequently many business firms are feeling a financial pinch - some of them closing down, including two travel agencies - and two manufacturing firms. Also badly hit are many super-markets, garages, movie ~~houses~~ houses and pubs ~~which~~ ^{that} served as free-lance bankers during the shut down. One bank manager says ~~it'll~~ it'll be late this month before the exact number of dud checks ~~will~~ will be known.

VALENTINE

Even though the National Post Office strike continues in Britain, it'll still be possible to send endearing messages on St. Valentine's Day coming up February Fourteenth. Radio London says a twenty-one year old blond Jill Hanson - will read Valentine greetings over the air to a musical background - and the messages - we are told - will be ~~sent~~ ^{appropriate,}

~~sent~~ What would you consider an appropriate message with a musical background, Warren?

HAIR

The West German army has decided ~~how~~ how to lick the long hair problem. Hair nets have been issued to soldiers who insist on wearing hair that hangs below the shirt collar on their uniforms. The decision came after a court ruled that officers cannot regulate hair lengths for their men. Said a defense Ministry spokesman: "We also considered a plan, requiring soldiers to ~~longer~~ braid their long hair into a pig-tail, as it was in Frederick the Great's Army. - ⁾ ~~but that's another story~~"