

GENERAL

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An American Air Force General is reported missing in action today, ~~and feared dead~~ - The highest ranking casualty of the Vietnam War, ^{— presumably —} Major General William J. Crumm -- commander of the Strategic Air Command's third Air Division on Guam - ~~was~~ lost when two B-fifty two bombing planes collided and crashed into the South China sea on their way to bomb Viet Cong targets in South Viet Nam.

~~There were~~ ^{Of the} thirteen ^{aboard} ~~on~~ the two planes, ~~and~~ seven were rescued. ~~But~~ The other six - including General Crumm -- are still missing, in the sea, ~~some~~ thirty-five miles off ~~the~~ Vietnamese coast. ^a Search ^{goes on} ~~operations are~~ ~~continuing~~, but hope faded as darkness ^{came} ~~fell~~ with no sign of the missing men. ^{This} ~~It~~ was to have been one of the last combat missions for the forty-eight year old General who was scheduled to report to Washington next month ~~to~~ to become Director of Aerospace programs.

McNAMARA

In Saigon, General Westmoreland ^{has} told Defense Secretary McNamara that American troops are "slowly and steadily" winning the war; - but ^{that} more manpower is needed. And from all assessments - McNamara was told - it will be a long and costly war. ~~It was not disclosed~~

How many additional troops General Westmoreland requested, we don't know; but he had been expected to ask for ~~perhaps one~~ ^a hundred thousand ^{more to step up} ~~to quicken~~ the pace of the war. ~~If such a request is granted, it would~~ ^{involve} ~~mean~~ at least a partial mobilization of reserves.

Heavy new fighting erupted today in the demilitarized zone where American Marines are holding back an invasion attempt by elements of five North Vietnamese divisions. Elsewhere along the border, the Communists turned loose another intense artillery and mortar barrage against American fortifications.

LEVY

Army Captain Howard Levy has lost another bid for his release on bail - pending appeal of his conviction for making disloyal statements about America's conduct of the Vietnamese war. The U S court of Military Appeals - in a unanimous opinion - ruled that bail is not available to a military prisoner. The thirty year old Captain is being held at the Fort Jackson, South Carolina, army hospital after being sentenced to hard labor for three years.

CONGO

The Congolese radio says that loyal army troops have routed rebel forces in the two northeastern Congo cities of Kisangani and Bukavu. ~~It~~ Also, ~~says~~ that defeated white mercenary troops are being airlifted out of the battle zone to southern Rhodesia. Heavy fighting is also reported in the eastern town of Kindu. ^P And here's a bulletin just in from Nigeria. The Lagos Radio reports that fighting has erupted between federal troops and rebel forces in the eastern region of Nigeria.

MARSHAL

~~The~~ Soviet Tass ~~News Agency~~ announced today that Marshal Ivan Yakubov'sky has been named Commander-in-Chief of the Joint Armed Forces of the Warsaw Treaty countries. The announcement put to rest ~~some~~ reports that Yakibovsky's appointment was being blocked because of Romania's insistence that non'Russians should be named head of the Warsaw Pack ⁺ Forces from time to time.

FLIGHT

Michigan's flying housewife - Mrs. Ann Pellegrino
- landed her Lockheed plane in Oakland, California, today -
completing ^{her} a round-the-world flight to commemorate the
thirtieth anniversary of the ill-fated ^{flight of} ~~trip charted by~~
Amelia Earhart. ^{Ann} ~~Mrs.~~ Pellegrino - a thirty year old
tousle-headed blonde who ~~strongly~~ resembles Miss Earhart -
made the global flight in twenty-eight days with a crew of
three men. She had hoped the journey might shed ~~some~~
light on the mystery surrounding the disappearance of ^{Amelia} ~~Miss~~
Earhart in her flight over the South Pacific in the summer
of Nineteen Thirty-Seven.

BIG TREE

To millions of Americans, Chief Big Tree was just a face. Nobody knew his name, even though his profile could be exchanged for candy bars and jelly beans. And the fact that his face passed through millions of hands each day didn't really matter. But to hundreds of his followers, Big Tree was a strong leader -- a man among men.

Chief Big Tree - the profile known to all - died yesterday on an Indian reservation in New York State, at the age of one-hundred and two. Fifty-four years ago he posed for artist James Fraser who reproduced the Chief's profile on the famous Indian head nickel. Big Tree went on to appear in more than twenty movies -- among them "Drums Along The Mohawk". And he was presented with the first Indian Head coin ever ~~to be minted in this country~~ -- a coin he carried to the end.

TARIFFS

The federal government is seeking to reassure businessmen, farmers and workers that they'll suffer no "serious economic injury" because of the lower tariffs ~~to~~ the United States agreed to recently in Geneva, Switzerland. But under-Secretary of Labor James Reynolds concedes that some firms and groups of workers may be adversely affected by an increase in imports arising ~~to~~ from the tariff cuts. He says Congress will be asked to make it easier for such companies and workers to obtain federal help - if they've been hurt by the imports.

Police in Thailand are blaming the country's worst railroad tragedy on a bus driver who - so survivors claim - leaped to safety from the ~~overcrowded~~ overcrowded bus just before it rolled into the path of an on-coming express train. At least forty-three were killed and dozens more injured in the disaster which occurred about one hundred fifty miles northeast of Bangkok. This tragedy came on the heels of a similar one in East Germany -- where at least seventy-^{eight}~~nine~~ persons died in ~~another~~ a collision between a fuel truck and a train.

TREASURE

Two-hundred-sixty years ago -- in the year
Seventeen-Oh-Seven -- a British Royal Navy Fleet under Sir
Cloudsley Shovell, was returning to England when the ships
ran into the rocks off the Scilly Isles of southwestern
England, in a ~~thick~~ fog. More than two-thousand sailors were
drowned. Sir Cloudsley's flagship -- The Association -- was
said to have been carrying a cargo of gold bullion worth
seven-million dollars. ^{FF} That was long ago.

Today, a team of Royal Navy divers say they believe
they've found the wreck of The Association -- and maybe all
that gold. The divers reported finding more than forty
cannons and a gold coin dated Seventeen-Oh-Four. One ~~of the~~
cannon was brought to the surface briefly, ^{altho'} ~~but~~ the divers ~~had~~
~~to~~ let it slip back. ^{is} The cannon ^{they believe will provide} ~~should carry a number, and a~~
maker's mark, ^{dates and sure} ~~that could provide positive~~ identification.

RETAKE

While thousands of his fellow Britons ~~sent up a~~
~~volley of~~ ^{ed} cheers, sixty-five-year-old Francis Chichester was
Knighthed today by Queen Elizabeth for his solo voyage
around-the-world in the ketch -- Gypsy Moth the Fourth. The
first public Knighthing ceremony in memory took place in the
quadrangle of the Greenwich Naval College -- the crowd
bursting in cheers and applause as the Queen ^{tapped} ~~touch~~ the
kneeling mariner's shoulders with a sword and dubbed him
— using as you know
Sir Francis, ~~she used~~ the same broad sword ~~that~~ the first
Queen Elizabeth gave another Sir Francis -- ~~Francis~~ Drake --
^{following}
~~for~~ his voyage around the world in Fifteen-Eighty-One.

PRIEST

A Catholic priest -- who once played halfback for his high school football team - knocked the wind out of a purse-snatcher in Atlantic City today by throwing an old-fashioned body block. Twenty nine year old father Leonard Orzechowski - who wears a crew cut and weighs one-hundred seventy pounds - said he was riding in his auto when he heard a woman screaming and saw a young man running. Jumping from his car, the priest caught up with the ~~purse~~ purse-snatcher and threw the body block - but the youth got to his feet and fled down an alley. Father Orzechowski ~~xx~~ gave chase and - helped by another man - captured the youth and turned him over to the police. The priest said he went to the woman's aid because -- as he put it -- ^{"isn't it} ~~it's~~ our obligation to help others? ^{"Especially a woman in distress?"} ~~and uphold justice."~~

Right you are Father Orzechowski!
And s-l-u-Monday!