

CAIRO

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IN THE WAKE OF THAT ISRAELI BOMBING RAID ON AN EGYPTIAN FACTORY -
A MASSIVE OUT-POURING OF SUPPORT TODAY FOR EGYPT'S COLONEL NASSER.
HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF EGYPTIANS SURROUNDING THE ARAB LEADER -
WHEN HE ARRIVED AT CAIRO'S THOUSAND YEAR OLD AL-AZAR MOSQUE FOR *the*
REGULAR WEEKLY SERVICES. THE CROWDS SHOUTING OVER AND OVER:
"WE WILL FIGHT! WE WILL FIGHT!" AT THE SAME TIME - SHOWERING
NASSER WITH FLOWERS AND CONFETTI.

OBSERVERS CALLING THIS THE BIGGEST DEMONSTRATION - SINCE JUNE TEN,
NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN; WHEN MILLIONS POURED INTO THE STREETS -
PERSUADING
~~PERSUADING~~ NASSER TO RECONSIDER HIS SHORT LIVED RESIGNATION.

MEANWHILE, *Egyptian* ~~ARAB~~ JETS WERE BLASTING *Israeli* ~~ISRAELI~~ TARGETS - ALONG
THE SUEZ CANAL. ANOTHER IN THE SERIES OF ATTACKS THAT TODAY COMPELLED
U.N. SECRETARY GEN. U THANT - TO CALL BACK HIS TOP PEACE OBSERVER
IN THE MIDDLE EAST. U THANT CITING A "VIRTUALLY COMPLETE BREAKDOWN"
OF THE PRESENT CEASE FIRE AGREEMENT.

SAIGON

U.S. DEFENSE SECRETARY ~~MELVIN~~ LAIRD - HOMEWARD BOUND TONIGHT
AFTER COMPLETING A THREE DAY VISIT TO VIETNAM. ON DEPARTURE FROM
SAIGON - THE SECRETARY EXPRESSING OPTIMISM OVER THE PACE OF "VIETNAMIZATION".
ASSERTING: "IT'S MOVING FORWARD ON SCHEDULE IN SOME PLACES - AND AHEAD
OF SCHEDULE IN OTHERS."

LEST THERE BE ANY MISUNDERSTANDING, THOUGH - ^{Sec.}~~MELVIN~~ LAIRD SAID
HE ALSO FELT THAT "A SIGNIFICANT ENEMY THREAT REMAINS." AND HE ADDED:
"WE MUST ANTICIPATE SOME TEMPORARY SET BACKS."

HUE FOLLOW SAIGON

SPEAKING OF WHICH - VIETCONG GUNNERS WERE AGAIN BUSY TODAY -

~~UP~~AT HUE. SHELLING THE ANCIENT IMPERIAL CAPITAL - FOR THE FIRST

TIME IN TWO YEARS. ENEMY GUNNERS ALSO DOWNED TWO MORE U.S. HELICOPTERS -

MAKING A TOTAL OF SEVEN SINCE SUNDAY - NOT TO MENTION A FIXED WINGED

RECONNASCENCE PLANE. THE AIR WAR THUS CLAIMING AT LEAST TWENTY LIVES -

AND THE WEEK ISN'T EVEN OVER YET.

ATLANTA

FROM THE NATIONAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CENTER AT ATLANTA - NEWS TODAY
THAT OUTBREAKS OF INFLUENZA OR INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESSES HAVE NOW SPREAD
TO FORTY-FIVE STATES. A DRAMATIC INCREASE - OVER THE SIXTEEN OF A WEEK
AGO. THIS SAID TO REPRESENT "THE SECOND WAVE" OR "BACKWASH" - FROM
LAST YEAR'S HONG KONG FLU EPIDEMIC.

HOWEVER, DOCTORS REPORT THAT THE CURRENT OUTBREAK - HAS FOR THE
MOST PART, MISSED THE LARGER URBAN CENTERS. AND THEY ADD THAT "THE
PRESENT TREND" AT LEAST, IN MORTALITY RATE - INDICATES "A LEVELING
OFF EFFECT FOR THE COUNTRY AS A WHOLE". GOOD NEWS.

WASHINGTON

ON THE ECONOMIC FRONT - A REPORT TODAY THAT U.S. PERSONAL INCOME REGISTERED LAST MONTH ITS SMALLEST INCREASE IN NEARLY TWO YEARS.

and
~~WAS~~ *2* ~~YET~~ *X* ABOUT HALF *X* THE GAIN ~~IS~~ SAID TO HAVE OCCURRED *X* IN SO CALLED "TRANSFER PAYMENTS;" IN OTHER WORDS, SOCIAL SECURITY, UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION, VETERANS BENEFITS AND SO ON....ITEMS THAT ARE NOT DIRECTLY EARNED THROUGH EMPLOYMENT.

TAKEN WITH ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE OF LATE - THIS A SIGN - WE ARE ~~TOLD~~ - THAT THE ECONOMY DEFINITELY IS COOLING DOWN. IN FACT, GOVERNMENT EXPERTS NOW PREDICT FOR NINETEEN SEVENTY, OVERALL - THE SLOWEST PACE OF ECONOMIC GROWTH SINCE NINETEEN FIFTY-EIGHT.

KEY BISCAYNE

HEADING SOUTH TO KEY BISCAYNE - THE FLORIDA WHITE HOUSE REFUSED
DIRECT COMMENT TODAY - ON THE LATEST DISCLOSURE INVOLVING SUPREME
COURT NOMINEE G. ~~HAROLD~~ HARROLD CARSWELL. THIS - AS YOU KNOW - A REPORT THAT
CARSWELL AGREED TO CERTAIN RACIAL RESTRICTIONS - IN BUYING AND LATER
SELLING A PIECE OF FLORIDA REAL ESTATE. WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY
RON ZIGLER OBSERVING ONLY THAT SUCH COVENANCE^S - ARE NOT UNUSUAL.
"IF YOU LOOK ACROSS THE COUNTRY AT VARIOUS LEGAL DOCUMENTS" - SAID
HE - "YOU WILL FIND THIS PARTICULAR SITUATION IS NOT ISOLATED AT ALL".

ELSEWHERE AT KEY BISCAYNE - THE PRESIDENT WAS CHECKING OUT THE
FINAL DRAFT ON HIS UP-COMING "STATE OF THE WORLD" MESSAGE.
LATER ON, FLYING TO THE BAHAMA'S - PLANNING AN OVERNIGHT STAY AT
GRAND CAY.

SHAFFER FOLLOW KEY BISCAYNE

INCIDENTALLY, A REPORT TODAY THAT THE WHITE HOUSE IS ATTEMPTING TO
RECRUIT GOVERNOR ^{Ray} SHAFFER OF PENNSYLVANIA - TO A FEDERAL POSITION.
THE GOVERNOR'S PRESENT TERM ^{will soon come} ~~GOING~~ TO AN END - AND HE'S BARRED BY LAW ^{Penn}
FROM SUCCEEDING HIMSELF.

AS TO WHAT JOB HE MIGHT GET - NOTHING DEFINITE AS YET. HOWEVER,
A WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN OBSERVING THAT: "ANY ADMINISTRATION -
WOULD WANT A MAN OF HIS ~~EXPENSIVE~~ BACKGROUND AND CAPACITY."

TOKYO

THE JAPANESE SHIP BUILDING INDUSTRY - BIGGEST IN ALL THE WORLD;
WHICH ACCOUNTS FOR THE ATTENTION THIS NEXT IS DRAWING. A SEA STORY -
FROM TOKYO; NOTING THAT FOUR LARGE SHIPS - PRACTICALLY BRAND NEW -
HAVE ALL SUNK IN RECENT MONTHS IN THE SAME WATERS OFF THE EASTERN COAST
OF JAPAN; WITH TOTAL LOSS OF LIFE - SET AT FORTY-FIVE.

WHY - ^{is} ~~ITS~~ STILL A MYSTERY. NONE OF THE FOUR SHIPS HAD STRUCK
A REEF - NOR WERE ANY INVOLVED IN COLLISIONS. LEADING SOME TO SUSPECT -
IT MAY HAVE BEEN FAULTY CONSTRUCTION. IN THREE OF THE FOUR SINKINGS
THOUGH - THERE WASN'T TIME TO CHECK. AND THE FOURTH EARLIER THIS WEEK -
~~WEEK~~, THAT WAS A WASH-OUT TOO.

^ CAPTAIN HIROSHI SUMIMURA OF THE SIXTY THOUSAND TON CALIFORNIA MARU -
ORDERING "ABANDON SHIP" BUT CHOOSING HIMSELF TO REMAIN BEHIND. THE MAN
WHO MIGHT HAVE SOLVED THE MYSTERY - STANDING ON THE BRIDGE - STILL SMILING
WHEN LAST SEEN. IN TRUE NAVAL ~~COMMITTEE~~ TRADITION - GOING DOWN WITH HIS
SHIP.

INDEPENDENCE

INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI - A FORMER FIRST LADY CELEBRATES ANOTHER
BIRTHDAY. BESS TRUMAN - ~~THE~~ WIFE OF FORMER PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN -
85 YEARS OLD AS OF THIS DATE. AN OCCASION SHE CELEBRATED QUIETLY -
WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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Indeed
~~BY THE WAY~~ MRS. TRUMAN ATTEMPTED AT FIRST TO PLAY DOWN ANY
FAN FARE ON THIS OCCASION. WHEN A FRIEND MENTIONED RECENTLY THE
APPROACHING DATE ^{she said:-} ~~BESS TRUMAN SAYING:~~ "LET'S NOT MENTION IT."
LATER ON THOUGH - SHE AGREED IT REALLY IS A SPECIAL OCCASION ~~AND~~
"WHEN YOU GET TO BE 85," ^{as she put it.}

DANBURY

AT DANBURY, CONNECTICUT , TODAY - A BANK HOLD UP WITH A BANG.

THREE BANGS - TO BE EXACT. WITH BOMBS GOING OFF AT THE DANBURY

POLICE STATION - IN A PARKED CAR ABOUT A BLOCK AWAY - AND ALSO

IN A NEARBY BANK. IN ALL THE CONFUSION - TWO BANDITS HOLDING UP

THE BANK - ESCAPING WITH AN ^{(ESTIMATED THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND BUCKS.}
~~UNDETERMINED AMOUNT OF CASH.~~ LEAVING

IN THEIR WAKE - SOME TWENTY INJURED; ALTHOUGH MERACULOUSLY - NONE

DEAD. Just over the hill from my home! Warren!

1/4 Incredible!

KINGSTON

FROM KINGSTON, TENNESSEE ^{comes} THE STORY TODAY OF A BIG BUXOM WOMAN -
WHO SHOWED UP AT A LOCAL POLICE HEAD QUARTERS. MRS. RUTH HAWN -
THE MOTHER OF THIRTEEN - WEIGHING IN AT TWO-TWENTY OR SO - COMPLAINING
THAT HER HUSBAND HAD BEEN DRINKING UP AND "ACTING UP". SHE WANTED
A PEACE WARRANT FOR "PROTECTION".

OKAY - SAID THE POLICEMAN - WHERE CAN WE FIND HIM TO SERVE HIM.
"HE'S OUT IN THE CAR" - SAID MRS. HAWN. AND SURE ENOUGH - THERE HE
WAS. VESTER HAWN - "A LITTLE BITTY FELLOW," POLICE CALLED HIM -
"ALL HOG TIED" ON THE BACK SEAT. MRS. HAWN EXPLAINING: "ME AND THE
KIDS - WE JUST TIED HIM UP AND BROUGHT HIM IN."

VESTER THE MOLESTER - HOIST ON HIS OWN PETARD.