

Thurs, July 13-67.

President Johnson said today that General Westmoreland will get as many troops as he needs to fight the war in Vietnam. After two days of White House discussions with Westmoreland <sup>and</sup> ~~other~~ top officials, the President told newsmen -- "we have reached a meeting of the minds -- the troops <sup>that</sup> General ~~Westmoreland~~ needs and requests - and that we feel acceptable - will be supplied." When asked if the increase in ~~x~~ troops would fully meet <sup>the</sup> Westmoreland's request, the President replied - "The answer is yes." <sup>R Gen.</sup> Westmoreland is reported to have asked for one hundred thousand more men. The President went on to say that the exact number of troops and the specific countries <sup>to</sup> ~~that would~~ supply them will be determined after Westmoreland returns to Vietnam. He emphasized that he could see no need to call up the reserves.

RABBIT

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A few days ago, this letter from ten year old Judith Borden and her eight year old brother was received at the offices of the United States Steamship Line in New

York. It reads-- "Dear Sirs -- My brother and I have a pet rabbit. Her name is Sylvia. We are going to Europe

and cannot trust anybody with her. People want to eat <sup>Sylvia</sup> ~~her~~  
We have saved six dollars and thirty nine cents and have

a strongbox. Mom says we can take <sup>Sylvia</sup> ~~her~~ if you let us.

Please <sup>Sylvia is</sup> ~~take to a~~ tame ~~little rabbit~~ with a cherry on top!"

What happened? Oh

Today, Sylvia ~~the rabbit~~ is out on the Atlantic

— Warren —

aboard the luxury liner United States <sup>is</sup> riding carrot class which comes to six-dollars-and-thirty-nine cents per ocean crossing. And s-l-u-t-m,

## SHOOTOUT

One of the last of Brazil's old-time, gun-slinging political bosses was buried today in the interior of Bahia, <sup>the tropical state of</sup>

~~State~~ He lost a shoot-out in a saloon. Seventy year old

Bianor Pamponet was boss of the old cattle-farming town

of "Big Lowland." He and his son were celebrating a

cockfight victory in a saloon when a member of a rival

clan came in. Insults led to blows, ~~and~~ The three men

went for their guns; And Pamponet <sup>was cut down,</sup> ~~died of his wounds.~~

## FILTERS

The President of Columbia University - Doctor Grayson Kirk -- announced today that the University has accepted the rights to a revolutionary new cigarette filter which is designed to reduce the so-called health hazard of smoking. <sup>The eminent and scholarly</sup> Doctor Kirk says that licenses for the new filter will be offered to every cigarette manufacturer in the world. The new filter was invented by Robert Strickman, an industrial chemist who says he invested thousands <sup>developing it--</sup> ~~dollars~~ over an eight-year period, ~~in developing it.~~

## YACHT

A Japanese adventurer sailed his nineteen-foot yacht into Yokohama harbor today - completing a solo crossing of the Pacific that began a hundred and one days ago at Long Beach, California. Thirty-seven year old Ikuo Kashima told newsmen ~~that~~ he made the lonely voyage "chatting" with his pet hamster - Peko-Chan -- and dreaming of ~~his~~ his wife and pretty girls. Two years ago, Kashima made a solo voyage across the Atlantic from Italy to New York. And now, he is the first Japanese to sail across both the Atlantic and the Pacific Oceans alone.

VENICE

Can the picturesque Italian city of Venice, <sup>its teetering palaces,</sup> and its

famed canals be saved from the sea? A team of three

Dutch engineers - say - yes -- if moveable dikes are

constructed and used to keep the high seas out of the lagoons

on which Venice was built. They warn that something must

be done soon if the <sup>Queen</sup> ~~Canal~~ City <sup>home of Marco Polo,</sup> is to be saved from <sup>slowly</sup> ~~eventually~~

sinking into the Adriatic ~~Sea~~.

## CAPSIZE

At least two hundred thirty persons were reported drowned in the Ravi River in Pakistan when a load of camels panicked -- overturning a crowded boat into the swirling current. Only forty ~~persons~~ were reported rescued.

The disaster occurred on ~~the Ravi River~~ <sup>this</sup> ~~about one~~ <sup>a</sup> hundred or so miles <sup>from Pakistan's</sup> ~~from Lahore~~ number to city, made famous by Rudyard Kipling and Kim -- the Punjab metropolis of Lahore.

## SURVEYOR

*The Surveyor-Four Lunar robot is scheduled for launching tomorrow morning at Cape Kennedy - but it will head toward a section of the Moon so rough that its chances for a safe landing are only about fifty-fifty. The Surveyor's target will be the Sinus Medii - or Central Bay -- and a rotating television camera on board will scan the lunar terrain:— that's the plan.*



## HOSPITALS

The House Commerce Committee has approved legislation that would provide fifty-eight million dollars in emergency federal aid to a number of ~~hospitals which~~ <sup>financially ailing</sup> ~~hospitals,~~ <sup>hospitals,</sup> ~~are ailing financially.~~ One hundred forty-three hospitals in more than ninety communities would receive such help.

## RAILS

Six unions today withdrew their no-strike pledge against the nation's railroads, effective at midnight Saturday. High administration sources in Washington immediately expressed fear of a possible strike this weekend. The withdrawal notice went to Senate and House conferees who are trying to work out compromise legislation to head off a strike.

...the withdrawal was announced from a ballroom in ...  
...and fell into the category two days before the ...  
...to have detonated ...  
...and it's probably floating around in the Pacific ...  
...somewhere.

Question - Is this the way to ...  
...telling the truth ...  
...suffering from ...  
...or some other ...

## BOMB

An Englishman - who describes himself as a deserter from the French Foreign Legion - says the French lost an atomic bomb in the Pacific last month while they were preparing to test it. Donald Taylor made this assertion in Auckland, New Zealand, where he arrived from Tahiti as a stowaway aboard ~~xxx~~ an ocean liner. He says the incident occurred on Mururoa Atoll when the atomic bomb -- suspended from a balloon -- broke loose and fell into the sea, ~~at~~ two days before the bomb was to have detonated. "They lost it," <sup>says</sup> Taylor, ~~says~~ adding - "and it's probably floating around in the Pacific somewhere."

Question:- is this Foreign Legion deserter telling the truth, or is he suffering from Boro Boro beri beri or some other So. Sea sickness?

## HONG KONG

~~There's~~ no let-up tonight in the violent demonstrations

~~which have been~~ rocking the British Crown Colony of Hong

Kong all this week. Pro-Communist rioters -- inspired by

pronouncements from Peking -- are <sup>still</sup> throwing dynamite and

firebombs from speeding automobiles. Police fighting back

with tear-gas bombs and sawed-off shotguns. They chased

about six hundred demonstrators through the streets near

Nathan Road in Kowloon - the famed "Golden Mile" tourist

<sup>H</sup>opping area. <sup>R</sup> Adding to Hong Kong's woes is <sup>the</sup> a water

shortage. Water rationing began and almost immediately

led to violence. One man was killed and another seriously

wounded in an argument over who was first in line at a

public faucet.

ADEN

At the southern end of the Red Sea,  
As far as the continuing tension in  
Southwestern Arabia -

Seven British soldiers and three Arab civilians were  
wounded in Aden today when a hand grenade exploded near  
a hospital. ~~Although none is reported seriously wounded~~

MIDEAST

The Arab countries - ridiculing Israeli claims of humanitarian gains from the annexation of Jerusalem - have charged that American diplomatic and military aid made Israel's actions possible. The charges were made in the U N General Assembly which is debating <sup>the</sup> new Pakistani resolution -- calling on Israel to heed a U N call to return the Old City of Jerusalem to Jordan.

CONGO

*The State Department says it understands the International Red Cross is "urgently investigating" the fate of white civilians who - for several days - were held as hostages by rebel forces at Kisangani in the Eastern Congo. Some of the twenty Americans known to have been in that area may have been among the hostages -- though this is not certain. Nor is there any confirmation of reports that the rebels -- led by white mercenaries - took the hostages with them as they fled.*

TERROR

In Saigon, police report that Viet Cong terrorists have assassinated an employee of an election Council member -- apparently in an attempt to sabotage the South Vietnamese presidential elections. The employee -- a messenger -- was shot and killed by three men riding a motor-bike, ~~all escaped~~ who then vanished in that Saigon traffic.