

INDO CHINA

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On the war front - southeast Asia - vital
Highway one between Phnom Penh and Saigon ^{— now} declared
officially "cleared"; with U S and South Vietnamese
forces ~~A~~ who began a sweep of that main artery just
two weeks ago, ^{today} arriving ~~today~~ at a point less than
three miles from the Cambodian capital. South Vietnam's
General Do Coa Tri there declaring - it would not
be necessary to proceed any ~~farther~~ further; which
apparently means the Communist threat to Phnom Penh
- has been all but nullified, at least for the time being.
General Tri adding that this will clear the way for
any Vietnamese nationals living in Cambodia who still
wish to return to their native land.

The effects of Allied operations in Cambodia
-- were also readily apparent today in the northeastern
section of ~~the~~ ^{the} country; where a Communist force -
was attempting to battle its way toward Laos. This -
~~was~~ ^{is} a desperate effort to open an escape route -

in the face of advancing U S and South Vietnamese troops.

SENATE

Here at home - Senate Majority leader

Mike Mansfield ~~is front and center~~ today ^{was} Attempting

to rebuild support for ~~that~~ ^{the} proposed Senate measure -

aimed at limiting U S operations in Cambodia. Mansfield

~~asserting that~~ ^{saying} such legislation - would strengthen rather

than weaken the President's hand. He predicted ^S ~~what's~~

~~more~~ the measure will pass.

KEY BISCAAYNE folow Senate

From Key Biscayne ~~through~~ a somewhat
different view. The Florida White House charging that
passage of the Senate measure - would constitute an
infringement on the President's constitutional
responsibility as Commander in Chief; ^{and} in the process
sorely limiting his ability to protect ^{our} ~~American~~ troops ^{now}
~~currently~~ operating in Southeast Asia. White House
Press Secretary Ron Ziegler adding: - ~~if there remained~~
~~any doubt~~ - the President stoutly ^{opposes} ~~opposes~~ any such
action.

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ADD TO KEY BISCAYNE FOLLOW SENATE

~~And later on - back~~ ^{also} in Washington - Chairman

John Stennis of the Senate Armed Services committee ~~was~~
voicing strong support of the President's stand.

~~Asserting~~ ^{Saying} that the Senate proposal if passed - would
cost American lives and also ~~reduce~~ reduce the

President's bargaining power to "absolutely nothing."

~~Said Sen.~~ ^{Said Sen.}
Stennis ~~adding, therefore~~ it's "an affront to reason
and to the President."

PRESIDENT FOLLOW KEY BISCA YNE

Meanwhile, the President ~~himself~~ - was conferring with ~~a number of top level aides. Among them,~~ John Ehrlichman, his chief advisor on domestic policies - also, Henry Kissinger, his chief advisor on foreign policy, ^{and others.} Topics including - besides the war in southeast Asia - increased violence in the Middle East - the flagging state of the nation's economy - and especially ^{the continuing campus} ~~campus~~ violence, and

~~In connection with this last the President~~ ordering a full investigation ~~of the situation~~ at Jackson State College, in Mississippi; where two were killed and fifteen injured - in racial clashes early today. The President's staff was ~~also~~ also combing a six volume report - dealing with the recent violence at Kent State University - where four died.

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CARBONDALE follow President

~~Now this:~~ An explosion today in a house near
the campus of strife-torn southern Illinois University -
Carbondale, Illinois. The blast injuring three -
at least one of them seriously. The victims - students;
~~all, including~~ one a nineteen year old coed. Police
saying the blast was apparently triggered by an
explosive device -- packed in a suitcase. Adding that
the house was also found to contain a number of
unexploded dynamite sticks in addition to several guns.

GENERALS

~~The White House again~~ President Nixon

nominate two women Colonels -- to become the first

female Generals in U S history. Colonel Elizabeth

P. Hoisington - Presently director of the Womens

Army Corps; Colonel Anna May Hayes - presently

— these two
chief of Army nurses along with eighty male Colonels -

now to get their first stars.

WALL STREET

Elsewhere on the domestic front- a dramatic comeback today on Wall Street; with the New York Stock Market staging its best showing in two years.

The Dow Jones Industrials - jumping more than seventeen points along the way, topping the seven hundred mark again - finally ending up at seven oh two.

MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East - Egyptian and Israeli jets again clashed in aerial combat today - high above the Suez Canal. Tel Aviv later claiming - ~~that~~ three Soviet made Egyptian Migs ~~were~~ shot down; which makes a total of eight ^{in a week,} ~~planes that Arabs have reportedly lost just this week.~~

~~A related item:~~ Beirut ^{is} denying ~~today~~ earlier ~~reports~~ reports that Syrian troops have taken up positions in Lebanese territory. Asserting that the supposed Syrians - were actually Arab guerillas travelling in Syrian army trucks. Beirut saying this was clearly permitted - by that all-Arab-Cairo agreement of last year.

DETROIT

Detroit, Michigan - final services today for
Walter Reuther, President of the United Auto Workers.
Mourners present including ^{many} ~~the high and mighty~~
from labor, business and government as well as thousands
of ~~ordinary~~ working men; with millions more pausing
briefly in ~~the~~ tribute to their fallen leader, in plants
and factories ~~close~~ across the land.

Eleven speakers, in all -- eulogizing the
fiery labor chieftain. Whitney Young of the National
Urban League asserting that "all Americans - and most
especially the blacks, the poor, the underprivileged -
have lost a champion." Senator Hart of Michigan
adding that Reuther represented throughout his ~~entire~~ life,
the poor, the powerless, the old, the sick and the
weak. "History will treat him kindly" said the Senator -
"not because he had such a large constituency, but
because he served it so well."

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~~This next - from~~ Charlton, England; ~~where~~
~~a young housewife by the name of~~ Trudy Mundell - has
just been awarded some six thousand bucks for injuries
suffered in an ~~automobile~~ accident. ~~The lady's claim~~
~~was~~ ~~contended~~ ^{and} - that she had since become
a compulsive talker. Her husband confirming ~~this~~ ^{it} -
telling the court; "the only time she ever shuts up ~~now~~
is when she's ~~at~~ eating." Her lawyer adding:
"She used to be afraid to voice her opinion - ~~but~~ now
She ^{always} ~~is constantly~~ butting ⁱⁿ in." Trudy herself conceding
~~though~~ - it's a mixed blessing. ^{Said she: -} "At least, nobody can
^{and she said it Warren -} say I'm shy any more" - ~~said she~~ - again, and again,
and again, - ~~like a broken record.~~

Here's one - Thor Heyerdahl rides again!

The story - from Safi, Morocco; where the famed

Norwegian ~~with~~^{sea}-explorer - has just completed the

testing of a new papyrus raft; that done - announcing

plans to set sail^l by Sunday; ~~and thus begins his~~^{on a} second

attempt -- to prove that the early Egyptians ~~could~~ could

have discovered the new World long before Columbus.

~~By the way,~~ Thor Heyerdahl ~~is~~ again

accompanied by ~~the~~ the same eight member multi-national

crew -- which made the²~~at~~ earlier try. The voyagers

hoping to reach land-fall in Latin America - some time

around the first of August. Thor's first papyrus raft -

christened The Ra - you may recall. And this one -

Rah rah ~~for Ra-Two~~ for Ra-Two,
Ra-Two; ~~as opposed to Rotten, we hope.~~

We hope Thor makes it! And ~~al~~ - ~~McM~~