

Thursday, March 4, 1976

WARNING

President Ford and Secretary of State Kissinger were both warning Cuba today - to keep hands off in the Mozambique-Rhodesia border disputes. The President saying the presence of twelve thousand Cuban troops in Angola - "creates a very explosive situation in all of South Africa." Dr. Kissinger adding that Cuba - must "act with circumspection." "We cannot accept" said he - "that any country from the western hemisphere has the right to intervene in these crisis with military force."

Meanwhile, the government of Mozambique was seizing all Rhodesian property - in the Mozambique port of Beira. Radio Maputo also indicating that Mozambique soldiers - are now fighting side by side with Rhodesian black nationalists. And now this....

NEW YORK

Badly beaten in both New Hampshire and Massachusetts - Birch Bayh today became the third major Democratic Presidential contender to fall by the wayside; at a news conference in New York, saying he was forced to "suspend" his campaign - ~~because~~ because he was literally broke. Bayh saying: "We just got out-hustled - and out-spent."

BELLMON

By the margin of a single vote, the Senate today rejected a challenge to the Nineteen Seventy-four election - of Republican Senator Bellmon of Oklahoma. For Bellmon's opponent - former Congressman Ed Edmondson, who charged voting fraud - the end of the line.

SENATE

Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield ^{today} announced

~~today~~ he plans to retire at the end of the year.

The Montana Democrat ^{and} Senate leader for a ~~new~~ record
fifteen years - noting ^{that} he'll ~~be~~ soon be seventy-three.

There is a time to stay - and a time to go - said he.

Adding: "Thirty-four years - in Congress" is not a
long time - but it is time enough."

WHITE HOUSE

At The White House ~~again~~ President Ford today presented four more medals of honor - perhaps the last to come out of the ~~war~~ war in Vietnam. Those honored including: Admiral James Stockdale of ~~Cxxx~~ Coronado, California - for leading prison camp resistance despite torture; Air Force Colonel George Day of ~~Edgin~~ ^{Edgin}, Florida - for trying to ~~escape~~ escape from his Communist captors despite broken bones and ~~ble~~ other injuries; Navy ~~Lt~~ Lieutenant Thomas Norris of Silver Springs, Maryland - for the daring ~~rescue~~ rescue of two downed pilots deep in enemy territory; and Air Force Captain Lance ~~Biggs~~ Sijan of Milwaukee, ~~Wisconsin~~ who ~~he~~ escaped from a P O W Camp, was then recaptured and tortured but refused to talk - and later died while still a prisoner.

PENTAGON

At the Pentagon - Defense Secretary Rumsfeld

today
confirmed ~~today~~ a report ^{of} the U S ~~is~~ currently
negotiating an arms deal with Egypt. Rumsfeld saying
the sale is expected to include a number of giant
C-One Thirty ~~transport~~ transport planes and some rifles
"or" other things ~~things~~ things" an out-growth of Egypt's
wish to end its dependence on the Soviet Union as its
major arms supplier. Rumsfeld adding that he "personally"
believes - "an improved relationship between the U S
and Egypt is a healthy thing - for the U S, for ~~Egypt~~ Egypt
and the Middle East."

MONTREDON

France's long smouldering "wine war" erupted today in a bloody shoot-out near the village of Montredon in southern France. A handful of French riot police attempting to prevent the ~~down~~ destruction of a train load ^{of} ~~filled with~~ cheap ^{er} wine imported ~~to~~ from ^{Spain.} ~~Italy.~~ When they arrived on the scene ^{they were} ~~through~~ met by more than a thousand armed wine growers.

The battle that followed - claiming the life of a police commander also, a wine grower; with another thirty or so - ~~said to have been~~ wounded.

WASHINGTON

From the American psychological association -
an admission today that ~~it is now~~ malpractice insurance
was recently cancelled - following a rash of suits
charging ~~some~~ sexual abuse of female patients. Spokesman
Paul O'Brien saying the A P A's insurance firm feared
that perhaps as many as five percent of all psychologists
were having sex with patients at one time or another;
~~adding this was~~ a risk the firm felt it simply could
no longer take.

FORT WAYNE

Fort Wayne, Indiana - the scene today of an almost incredible coincidence. Two gangs of bank robbers ~~are~~ attempting to hold up the bank - at virtually the same time. Gang one escaping with three thousand bucks - when gang two pulled up in a car - and then took off in a hurry.

The second bunch doubly unlucky - in that its three members were quickly snared in a ~~big~~ police drag net. In attempting to escape - one killed and two wounded. Two of three in the ~~other~~ other gang also ^{were} captured later on the outskirts, ~~of town~~. In Ft. Wayne - a bad day for bad men.