

STEEL

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The threat of a nationwide steel strike -- averted at Pittsburgh, — today[^] for at least four months. The strike put off by an extension of the steelworkers' existing contract -- with a temporary but immediate pay increase.

The compromise calling for an eleven-and-a-half cent pay boost per hour -- effective through ~~August~~^{September} First. With negotiations to continue in the meantime -- toward a totally new contract. However, the steelworkers remain free to strike thirty days after August First -- if no settlement has yet been reached by that time.

VIET NAM

There is no need for the use of nuclear weapons in Viet Nam. That word today from Defense Secretary McNamara. Putting the damper on anonymous weekend reports -- that the United States was weighing the possible use of atomic weapons in Viet Nam.

McNamara asserting that "there is no military requirement for the use of nuclear weapons in the current situation." ("And so useful purpose can be served" -- said he -- "by speculation on remote contingencies.")

Adding, however, that America will continue its bombing of Communist North Viet Nam -- and enlarge its sea patrol. (The Defense Secretary emphasizing that these have proved "effective" means -- of disrupting North Vietnamese supply lines to the south.)

Sec. McNamara also confirmed a report from Saigon -- the one that a regular combat unit of the North Vietnamese Army -- has now infiltrated into South Viet Nam. But this --

said McNamara -- is a clear indication that the Communists
have already "used up or dried up" -- their supply of military
recruits in South Viet Nam. Communist losses over the first
four years ^{or} -- said to total eighty-nine thousand men.
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UNITED NATIONS FOLLOW VIET NAM

~~The~~ use of atomic weapons ^{was} ~~λ~~ also under discussion today at the United Nations. There -- the first session of the U.N. Disarmament Commission -- since Nineteen Sixty. And there, too -- Russia offering ^{ed} ~~ing~~ to join in an international pledge -- that it will not be the first to use nuclear weapons. Nothing new in that. But the Russian proposal ^{is} ~~λ~~ considered highly significant at this time -- in view of rising East-West tension over Viet Nam.

FLOOD

The raging Mississippi today battered at reinforced levees and dikes -- ~~hopefully~~ ^{that} still protecting ~~the quadracity~~ ^{a four-city} metropolitan area of Iowa and Illinois. The ^{metropolitan} industrial complex -- embracing Rock Island, Moline and East Moline, Illinois -- on one side of the rampaging river. Davenport, Iowa -- on the other.

Two thousand persons already driven from their homes -- with hundreds of volunteers racing from one danger area to another -- in an attempt to prevent wholesale flooding. A ~~veritable~~ wall of sandbags -- thrown up around the Davenport water works. Meanwhile, the river still climbing ^s -- and is expected to hit a record crest of twenty-two-and-a-half feet -- sometime Wednesday.

KLAN

At Hayneville, Alabama -- those three Ku Klux Klansmen today pleaded innocent -- to the Civil Rights murder of Mrs. Viola Liuzzo. The three men also granted separate trials -- the first of these to begin next Monday.

The defendants accompanied to their hearing today -- by Robert Shelton -- Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan. Shelton later voicing a veiled threat -- against the undercover agent for the FBI -- who turned them in. Said Shelton -- "a man who lets the greed of money push him like this -- that same greed will bring his destruction." That from the Imperial Wizard -- of the Ku Klux Klan.

RIOTS

Two violent anti-American demonstrations -- today in the Far East. One in Phnom Penh -- the capital of Cambodia. The other in Tokyo.

At Phnom Penh -- a mob of some two thousand screaming students -- attacking the U.S. Embassy there with rocks, ink bottles and rotten tomatoes. Smashing virtually every window -- from the second to the fourth floors. Tearing down the Embassy's American flag -- and trampling it in the street.

The demonstrators protesting an article -- in an American news magazine. The article alleging -- among other things -- that Cambodia's Queen Mother Mossamak -- operates a string of bordellos on the outskirts of town.

In Tokyo -- more than twenty-five thousand Left Wing students -- swarming through downtown streets -- in an attempted march on the U.S. Embassy there. This a protest -- against U.S. policy in Viet Nam. The demonstrators met, however -- by four thousand, five hundred steel-helmeted police. ~~At least twenty~~

DOMINICAN

Near chaos reigns tonight in the Dominican Republic -- with rival military factions still battling for control of the government. The civilian junta headed by Donal Reid Cabral -- overthrown over the weekend. The fight now ^{to determine} ~~over~~ whether ousted President Juan Bosch -- will be permitted to return from exile -- to resume office. In the confusion, at least twelve persons killed so far -- with no end in sight.

That Tunisian call for Peace with Israel--and the resulting desert backlash--said today to have destroyed completely--what little remained of Arab unity. Cairo sources reporting that Tunisian President Bourguiba--now almost certainly will NOT send a representative to the next Arab Summit Meeting. Indeed, other Arab countries now said to be increasingly reluctant--to have that meeting take place at all.

Meanwhile, Bourguiba's Israeli peace bid is seen as part of his own long-range plan for the Maghreb--a grouping of Arab nations in northern and western Africa. Bourguiba supposedly anxious to disassociate himself from the Israeli problem--which he regards as essentially a Middle Eastern problem. He is said to dream of one day joining Morocco, Algeria, Libya and his own Tunisia--in a Western Arab Federation that would be known as the Greater Maghreb.

Just one problem. Israel won't cooperate. In the

latest news from Jerusalem -- Israeli Premier Levi Eshkol --
reject^s~~ing~~ Bourguiba's ~~latest~~ peace plan. The proposal that
Israel permit Palestinian Arab refugees to return to their
homeland -- in return for Arab recognition of Israel.

(Eshkol asserting that the well-being of Palestinian
Arab refugees -- demands ~~that~~ they remain among their own people)

PARADE

From Berlin -- East Berlin, that is -- news today of plans for an unprecedented parade. The Russian and East German armed forces -- to march together through the same streets -- that once rang to the hob-nailed boots of Nazi Germany. It's to be the first time that soldiers of the two nations -- have ever held a joint parade in East Berlin.

This remarkable demonstration of Communist solidarity -- set for May Eighth. In case you ^{may} have forgotten -- that's the Twentieth Anniversary of V-E Day. The Russians celebrating -- Victory in Europe. The East Germans celebrating . . . ^{What} ~~was~~ they call ~~it~~ "Liberation Day."

If nothing else -- the occasion ^{may} ~~that perhaps~~ proving once again that -- everybody loves a parade. Behind the Iron Curtain -- "everybody" meaning absolutely--everybody -- or else, ^{Fuck}

INDIA

India today ordered a general troop mobilization -- amid reports of new fighting in the Rann of Kutch. This the desolate border area, on the Arabia Sea -- where Indian and Pakistani troops have clashed repeatedly in the past ~~few~~ few days. In the latest skirmish -- a tank-supported brigade of Pakistani troops was said to have smashed six miles inside Indian Territory. The New Delhi government calling it -- "a very serious situation."

Karachi calls the Indian reports -- greatly exaggerated.

A government spokesman adding that Pakistan's divisional military commanders -- although currently assembled in the city of Rawalpindi -- are not planning a war. "They are" -- said he -- "simply playing golf."