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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

In case you hadn't noticed -- another day of record-breaking heat today for the eastern two-thirds of the nation. From the deep south to the northern plains -- temperatures hitting the nineties by mid-morning, climbing into the hundreds by mid-afternoon -- with no end in sight.

The one exception -- a surprising band of cooler weather; that moved in today -- from the Dakotas to New England. In the middle of it -- the city of Sandusky, Ohio; which was sort of flooded out -- by eleven inches of rain in a steady eight-hour downpour. A lot of other areas wish they had those eleven inches!

POWER

The Federal Power Commission has told the nation's major electrical utilities to take extra-added precautions -- to prevent against possible power failures; such as the big blackout in New York last year -- and the massive power failure yesterday in Nebraska.

In personal telegrams to some five hundred firms -- FPC Chairman Lee White emphasized the potential seriousness of the situation. Urging "optimum use of all available power resources" -- for the duration of the heat wave.

In a related development -- Chairman White today also urged Congressional approval for the creation of big power pools; with cooperating companies -- especially exempted from anti-trust laws. Hopefully -- said he -- a sure-fire prevention against any future area-wide blackouts.

ALL-STAR

Shortstop Maury Wills of the Dodgers - and Catcher Tim McCarver of the home-town Cardinals - a couple of late-starters today in the all-star game at St. Louis. Nevertheless - a couple of early finishers - as you may have heard by now.

Coming on as subs in the eighth - Wills and McCarver wrapping it up in the tenth - on a pair of singles sandwiched around a sacrifice. Giving the National League All Stars - a hard-fought two-to-one victory over the American League.

Winning pitcher - Gaylord Perry of the Giants. Loser - Pete Reichert of the Senators. Making it four straight for the National League - in only the fourth extra-inning game in all-star history.

Fresh from summit talks with Tito of Yugoslavia and Nasser of Egypt - India's Prime Minister Madame Indira Gandhi arrived today in Moscow. Her stated goal - to persuade Soviet officials to try to end the war in Viet Nam.

First formal talks - set for tomorrow at the Kremlin. Most observers ^{seem} convinced, however, that Madame Gandhi's chances for success - are frankly dim. Her visit coinciding with a rising tide of Soviet indignation - against stepped-up bombing in North Viet Nam.

Indeed, only a few hundred Muscovites ^{were on hand at} today's welcome for Madame Gandhi, As compared with hundreds of thousands - who turned out for the recent arrival of ~~French President~~ DeGaulle.

Be that as it may - British Prime Minister Harold Wilson - will soon be another visitor to Moscow. His arrival - originally set for Saturday night, but moved

up three hours today - at the request of Soviet Premier
Kosygin. This raising the possibility of three power talks
on Viet Nam, Prior to Madame Gandhi's departure for
home late Saturday. *Could all this be*

~~It is~~ a sign perhaps ~~that~~ that her mission

may not *be* in vain?
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From Saigon - a report today of stepped-up Communist aerial defenses - in the face of mounting U S attacks on North Viet Nam. Latest salvo of American air strikes - said to have come under the fire of increasing numbers of Soviet-built Mig-Twenty One jet fighters; also Russian-made - surface to air missiles. However, the only American loss - one plane downed by conventional anti-aircraft fire.

On the ground - fierce fighting today within five miles of downtown Saigon. ~~Sixty~~ South Vietnamese troops killing at least forty Viet Cong - when they encountered an unexpectedly large nest of ~~Communist~~ Viet Cong guerrillas.

American ~~officials~~ officers speculating that the Viet Cong were planning a surprise raid - on a big U. S. oil depot near the capital. This presumably in retaliation - for massive American air strikes against ^{these} oil storage areas,

~~and in the Communist North~~

WAR

Indonesia and Malaysia will formally end their three-year-old undeclared war -- in simultaneous ceremonies late this summer in the capitals of both countries. That word today -- from high government sources at Kuala Lumpur. With ratification of the official peace treaty -- said to await only the formation of a cabinet by the new government at Jakarta.

COLONEL

A retired U S Army Colonel - formerly assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff - was arrested today by the F B I. Lt. Colonel William Whalen of Alexandria, Virginia accused of spying for Russia. He's said to have sold top military secrets to two Russians - formerly assigned to the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

VERITY

Once more - a mighty triumph today in the never ending saga of man versus the sea. Forty year old Bill Verity of Fort Lauderdale, Florida - sixty-five days on the high seas - arriving safely at Fenit, Ireland, in a home made twelve foot sail boat. Smallest known craft, ever to have completed the trans-Atlantic voyage.

Bill Verity proving that it could have been Ireland's Saint Brendan who discovered America - long before Columbus or Leif Eriksen, Crossing the ocean in a twelve foot boat - just as the legend says he did - in the Sixth Century, A.D.

As for his own trip - Bill Verity reporting ^{sit} ~~ing~~ ~~it~~ ~~was~~ almost without incident. The only real danger said he - when he got lost last night off the ~~α~~ coast of County Kerry.

PLANE

Nasa Test Pilot Milton Thompson completing a highly successful first flight from Edwards Air Force Base -- in a wingless lifting body. The M-Two-F-Two -- as it's called -- a prototype of future space re-entry vehicles. Shape like a flatiron.

Released from the belly of a B-Fifty-Two -- at forty-five thousand feet:

Despite the absence of wings -- Test Pilot Thompson reducing the plane's speed from an initial four hundred and fifty miles an hour -- to less than two hundred miles an hour. (Without losing control.) And reducing his rate of descent -- from two hundred and fifty feet per second -- to less than ten feet per second.

Quite a step toward the day when a future astronaut will be able to re-enter the earth's atmosphere -- fly to wherever he wants -- Warren -- and land his spacecraft just like any other pilot.

WOMAN

The power of woman -- the power of love -- the power of positive thinking all amply demonstrated in this next from Cincinnati. The story of Dr. Larry Wood and his wife also an MD -- Dr. Beverly Wood.

Dr. Larry recently notified -- of an impending army call with his young doctor-wife informed that they would be separated for at least a year -- while he completed a tour of duty in South Korea.

No dice -- said Dr. Beverly: She herself, straitway volunteered -- for two years' service in the Army Medical Corps; first woman doctor to be accepted under a new program -- giving her the right to select her own duty station. That station? You've guessed it -- South Korea.

Dr. Larry Wood and Dr. Beverly Wood -- both to be sworn into the Army next week. Togetherness carrying all the way to rank -- they'll both be Captains.