WASHINGTON

SHINGTON Tues, dept. 2nd ys Colorado Jourge (A Washington again-a meeting of the International Monetary Fund; with President Ford-the main speaker; saying, here; "in the U. S:, recovery is well underway--and each week brings additional evidence of renewed economic health." Also saying the U.S. is well aware of its "responsibility"--in the fiscal affairs of poorer countries; but stressing the U.S. alone--cannot solve the world's economic problems.

The President "a strong economy--is the best contribution this

nation can make to another nation; no other contribution--will help as much." And this--said he--coupled "with the efforts of the developing nations to help themselves--should form the building blocks for a better life for people all around the world."

CHARLESTON

A wildcat strike that once idled some sixty-thousand coal miners-was apparently falling apart today under the pressure of heavy court fines. Union officials reporting "a major back to work trend"--in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Illinois, Alabama, Indiana, Virginia and even parts of West Virginia where the trouble all started. I've been rather up in the air today--in a manner of speaking;--high in the Rockies, at 11,000 feet--above Cripple Creek, where I lived as a boy and worked in the mines.

Mining engineers think there is still a billion or so in gold to be taken out of that spectacular area. I wish I were younger to take a part in doing this. All that gold surely could help our economy.--And, gold mining is exciting adventure.

And now ---

For Secretary of State Kissinger--a quick trip today to the Saudi - new?)Mecce, Mountain Resort of Taif; where he met briefly-with Saudi Arabia's King

Khaled. Dr. Kissinger attempting to build support -- for the new Egyptian-Israeli peace agreement he helped to negotiate; and apparently -- he succeeded.

At any rate, the official Saudi press agency--carrying a later account of the meeting; saying Dr. Kissinger "emphasized there will be negotiations between Syria and Israel--for a second-phase disengagement between the two." Her Haw Month Meanwhile; Dr. Kissinger Hying onto Amman--for similar talks with

Jordan's King Hussein.

WELLESLEY

drive home in your car!

A novel plan for solving the money problems of American cities-comes today from Babson College at Wellesley, Mass. Economic Professor Frank Genovese saying the nation's cities should sell their municipal buildings-to banks and other financial institutions and then--lease them back. Dr. Genovase claiming this would profit all concerned--and further provide "a bonanza" in real estate taxes. May be you can figure that at the you The U.S. State Department today announced plans to hire two commercial

airliners--to assist in evacuating white refugees from strife torn Portugese

Angola. Britain and France also agreeing to take part in the refugee airlift-

with the Soviet Union and East Germany expected soon to follow suit.

SAIGON

The City of Saigon resounded today-to one of the biggest demonstrations in all its history. An estimated quarter of a million Vietnamese men, women and children-taking part in a two-hour parade; helping to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary--of Ho Chi Minh's declaration of national independence.

In spite of its size thought the parade including only two bands and a few floats. Everyone else carrying a picture of Ho Chi Minh or a placard or panner welcoming "peace, independence, freedom." BELFAST

Northern Ireland's latest wave of sectarian violence claimed today

year old still another life; that of a thirty-seven Protestant--sho was shot to death

in a Belfast tire store; the twelfth shooting victim in Northern Ireland--

in the last four days.

DUBLIN

To the South--at Dublin--an emotional farewell today to Eamon DeValera.

Hundreds of thousands of mourners--lining the route of his funeral procession;

thousands more weeping openly--as the first President of the Irish Republic

was laid to his rest.

In keeping with DeValera's last wish--there was no graveside oration.

"Let me be remembered"--said he--"by what I did--not by what people say about me."

DEIROIT

A Federal Grand Jury in Detroit today began an investigation--into

the strange disappearance of ex-teamster boss, James Hoffa. The first two

(Jack-a-loney) witnesses: Joseph Giacalone and Vito Giacalone, son and brother respectfully,

of reputed mafia king-pin, Anthony Giacalone.

SENATE

From a Senate Subcommittee on ageing--a report today listing nursing homes as, quote--"number one on the list of unsafe places to live." This because of fire hazards--said to claim more than five hundred lives in nursing homes each year.

SHELBYVILLE

The world's tallest woman, nearly seven and a half feet tall--Sandy Allen of Shelbyville, Indiana; just back from Rome--where she played a small part in Federico Fellini's new film, "Casanova". Sandy playing a giantess gladiator--who enjoys a brief love affair with movie "Casanova" Donald Sutherland.

Next question: How do you make love--to a seven and a half foot tall gladiator giantess? And the answer, of course--very carefully.

and now

ST. PAUL

The death of Francis Okie, age ninety-five, inventor of the world's first waterproof sandpaper--is reported today from St. Paul. Okie's "Wetordry" sandpaper--the first major new product from the Three-M Company back in 1920; helping to revolutionize--the abrasives industry.

He also invented a sandpaper-especially made for shaving; but thata bit of a bust. The shaving sandpaper so quick and smooth--its users often taking off a layer of skin along with their whiskers. Fid You ever $Try \pm 7$.

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