

Tues. Aug. 13-68.

Three billion down - four billion to go.

That's the story from the Texas White House - where President Johnson was conferring today with budget Director Charles Zwick, trying to pare the federal budget for fiscal Sixty-Nine -- in order to comply with that Congressionally-ordered spending reduction.

The three billion ~~in~~ cuts already approved by Congress, ^{part of} the four billion ~~announced~~ the President has ~~been left~~ to cut, ~~by himself~~. The figure taking into account a recent one billion-dollar increase - in spending requirements for the commodity credit Corp - for public assistance ~~for~~ Medicaid. But where ^{will} it all come from ? That remains to be seen.



WASHINGTON FOLLOW TEXAS WHITE HOUSE

One place it won't come from - apparently -
is the new federal program of law enforcement grants.

~~Such~~ In Washington -- Attorney General Ramsey Clark
today authorized the distribution - of nearly four and a
half million; to help the various states - in detecting,
preventing and controlling civil disorders.

To be distributed ~~figures~~ on a population basis ^{with} the planned
grants ranging from about six thousand for Alaska to
nearly four hundred thousand for California. ^{This} to pay
for special police programs and projects such as riot
control training, acquisition of equipment, public
education and so on.

ATHENS

Greek Premier George Papadopoulos ^{was} the target of an attempted assassination today near Athens.

By A remote-controlled bomb blowing up a section of highway - just ahead of the Premier's speeding car.

Security men quickly seizing a man they identified as the would-be assassin - former Greek Army Lieutenant George Panaghoulis; a deserter and alleged "Fascist" - said to be working in behalf "Democratic liberals" abroad.

As for Papadopoulos - he was unhurt. The Greek strongman - merely switching to another ~~car~~ car.

KARLOVY VARY

Whatever their deep down differences -
Czechoslovakia and East Germany have apparently
decided to live and let live. Czech Communist party
leader Dubcek and East German party leader Ulbricht, ~~were~~
putting on a display of public friendliness today; breaking
the ^{the} obvious chill in ^{the} first-round talks yesterday at the
Czech resort city of Karlovy Vary.

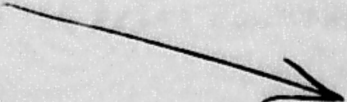
Later, Ulbricht heading for home - to the
applause of hundreds of Czechs. ^{This} In marked contrast
to his arrival when he was all but ignored. ~~Indeed, ^{the} ~~the~~~~
~~a camp to turn around from his recent visit to~~
~~Bratislava where he was publicly booed~~

SAIGON

Late
~~was~~ news from Vietnam ~~47~~ tells ~~today~~ of ~~an~~

the heaviest fighting around Saigon in four weeks.

*With U S troops cornering an estimated four hundred
Viet Cong ~~in~~ in a wooded area about twenty miles southwest
of the city. The battle claiming the lives of nearly a
hundred and ~~six~~ fifty Viet Cong - as compared with
American losses set at fifteen.*



PARIS FOLLOW SAIGON

~~Conversely - a sudden lull in the air war~~

However ~~with~~ the number of U S bombing missions against North

Vietnam ~~is~~ dropping today to a new two-month low, ~~they~~

~~say because of~~ The U S command blaming it on a tropical storm - ~~said~~

~~to be brewing over the Gulf of Tonkin.~~

In Paris though - the bombing lull coinciding with the return of Le Duc Tho - a "special counsellor"

to the North Vietnamese peace delegation. Le Duc Tho - supposedly bearing new instructions from Hanoi. ^{All this} Raising

another rash of reports - that President Johnson may

soon halt all bombing ~~of~~ of North Vietnam.

We may hear ^{more} about this ~~tomorrow~~ tomorrow, when both

sides meet - ~~is~~ for the seventeenth time.

CHICAGO

Here at home on the political front - the Democrats continue to crank up their big show coming up in Chicago. Today's preparations including a dispute - in the Windy City itself. McCarthy supporters charging discrimination - in the dissemination of convention information - also visitors passes. Charges stoutly refuted - by the Democratic National Committee.

Meanwhile, in Washington - Hubert Humphrey was receiving a report from his economic advisers, warning of a budget squeeze in January - whoever the next President might be.

MOSCOW FOLLOW CHICAGO

A somewhat related item - from Moscow;
where Richard Nixon emerges once again today - as
the Kremlin's ~~favorite~~ favorite "whipping boy."

The Soviet newspaper Trud declaring - there
"is no new Nixon and no new line for the Republican
party." Further asserting that "selection of a tandem
Nixon-Agnew ticket" is a return to the "Old ~~imperialist~~
imperialist line" of "old political leaders." Adding,
finally, that "anti-Communism - remains the cornerstone
of the Republican platform." *Moscow getting in
the act.*

AMSTERDAM

The government of Algeria was under increasing pressure today - to return that Arab-jax Hijacked Israeli airliner. The latest turn of the screw - coming from Amsterdam, where the International Federation of Airline Pilots - announced an official boycott of Algeria.

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Federation President John Bartelski - explaining that member pilots will refuse to land, henceforth, at Algiers. The boycott to remain in effect ~~as long as~~ "until the government of Algeria releases the crew of the hijacked Israeli plane."

PITTSBURGH

Coming soon - a new super-submarine; code name - seaprobe. On paper, at least ^{said to be} capable of exploring the ocean depths - more than six thousand feet down; also capable of finding and raising sunken objects - weighing more than two hundred tons.

Start of the Seaprobe construction project - announced jointly today in Pittsburgh; by the Aluminum Company of America - also Ocean Science Engineering, ~~Inc~~ Incorporated. With completion of the All-Aluminum craft - expected by early Nineteen Seventy. The Seaprobe ^{to be a} ~~promising~~ revolutionary new advance - in underwater research and exploration.

1/2 So much for the Seaprobe. Now let's see what happens when we probe Warren!

FIRES

From the U S Forest Service - a warning

today ~~ax~~ to campers and outdoorsmen. A warning that forest fire conditions ^{at present} are unusually dangerous, ^{this} for the third straight year.

~~This - in an annual review of fire damage -~~
~~Noting that "firefighting machinery - is in better better~~
~~shape than ever to meet the threat." Adding, however,~~
~~that losses from forest fires & were up nearly a hundred~~
~~and twenty thousand acres during the first six months of~~
~~this year. A figure that may be "just the prelude" - we~~
~~are told - "to an even more dangerous situation in the~~
~~West ^{nearby always} during the critical period of August and~~
~~September," and s-l-u-t-mor -~~