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Compromise in Cairo. Egypt's President Sadat and Libya's Colonel Khadafy - agreeing to merge their two countries "by stages;" rather than complete the job next week - as originally planned. This according to an announcement tonight - from ^{Radio} Cairo, ~~radio~~.

The compromise also providing for a one hundred man Constituent Assembly - divided equally between Egyptians and Libyans; ^{this} to be formed by Saturday - to draft a constitution for the proposed new State; and then - to nominate its first President. The Assembly's action subject to voter approval - in twin referendums to be held later in Egypt and Libya.

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In the meantime, the two nations to adopt a common currency - the Egyptian-Libyan dinar. Additionally, each agreeing to send to the other - a "Minister of Unity." His ~~sole~~ ^{sole} mission - we are told - "to follow up the building of unity."

On the eve of the first phase of U.S. withdrawal from Thailand - a nationwide address tonight by Thai Prime Minister Thanom Kitticachorn. The U.S. and Thailand have agreed - said he - "that as few American servicemen as possible" will remain in Thailand. But these shall be of "sufficient numbers" - he continued - "to handle any threat and respond to aggression." The U.S. and Thailand remaining determined - ^{he went on -} ~~said he~~ - to maintain "the security and stability of Southeast Asia."

For the first time in ten days - a terrorist bombing attack today at Phnom Penh in Cambodia.

A plastic explosive going off inside a cart - in a public market place not far from the Presidential Palace.

The blast - killing three. It was also apparently timed to coincide - ~~not~~ with a news conference held by

Cambodian President Lon Nol. ~~Somewhat early though.~~

^{Only}
~~A few~~ minutes later - Lon Nol did hold a news conference. His first - in more than three months.

The Cambodian leader calling exiled Prince Norodom

Sihanouk - "a criminal." Vowing that government

troops will defeat ^{the} Communist insurgents. "We are sure"

- said he - ~~that~~ "we will win the war."

PEKING

Tens of thousands of Chinese workers -
romped through the streets of Peking tonight. Along
the way, beating drums, ~~and~~ clanging symbols - chanting
"long live Chairman Mao;" ~~XXXX~~ and just generally -
having a gay old time. All at the urging - of Communist
party block-leaders. ^{It's described as a} A "spontaneous" demonstration
- marking the completion of the Tenth National Congress
of the Communist Party of China; which up to then -
in the West, at least, nobody knew had even started.

Simultaneous with the public demonstration -
a government communique detailing the product of the
Congress' work. This, in effect, a ringing vote of
confidence ^{for} Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En-Lai;
including an all out endorsement of improved relations
with the U.S. - ^{although denouncing the} ~~along with a denunciation of the Soviet~~
^{Hegemonism" of both the us & Russia.}
~~Union by Mao.~~ The Congress also holding elections
- to choose a new Central Committee. China-watchers
noting ~~however,~~ that top party leadership - remains
virtually unchanged.

At America's Torrejon Air Base near Madrid
- a U.S. military jet crashed today during a landing
approach. Of the twenty-five persons aboard - all but
one were killed instantly. This the second major
air crash in Spain - in just over two weeks.

WASHINGTON

In the case of President Nixon's disputed tapes and documents - an attempt today to "walk the middle ground". Washington Federal Judge John Sirica - rejecting the President's claim of executive privilege. "Not persuasive" - said he. Also, rejecting the idea of a Wholesale delivery of the tapes and documents - to a federal grand jury.

The Judge ruling instead that he alone -- should review the material in question; ^{dit} "in camera" -- that is, in private. Only by such a course said he - would it be possible to determine whether the tapes and documents - were relevant to a Grand Jury investigation; or whether, as the President maintains - their disclosure would damage the national security.

Far from being settled though - the case is only just getting started. Judge Sirica's proposed solution - having been rejected in advance by White

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The President further saying he will not comply.
House lawyers. ~~Indeed~~, the Judge delaying the effect

of his ruling for five days - in order to permit

an expected appeal; one that will no doubt ~~compr-~~

carry [^] all the way to the Supreme Court.

Washington again - a temporary order

today reinstating phase four price controls - as they

affect more than a hundred and sixty thousand brand

name gasoline dealers. This again raising the threat

that many gas stations - will remain closed over the

Labor Day weekend; ^{as a possible} a gesture of protest - ~~again~~ against

alleged intimidation.

SUSAN

The eldest daughter of Vice President Spiro Agnew - has been forced to cut short a tour of duty aboard the hospital ship S S Hope. Twenty-six-year-old Susan Agnew flying back home - after ^{a kidnap} threat ~~against~~ ~~her life~~ down in Brazil.

A spokesman for the Vice President saying:

"The Brazilian Government - thought they could take care of the situation." Adding, however, the Vice President, ~~thus~~ "as a father, wanted to take the prudent measure - of bringing her closer to home."

BARSTOW

Earlier this week - you may recall - the death of an eleven-year-old boy - a diabetic - at Barstow, California. The boy's parents throwing away his insulin - after he had supposedly been "cured" by a so-called "faith healer." This - at a local Assembly of God Church.

Now - a church disclaimer. The Reverend William Robertson, a district supervisor - saying the Assembly of God Church does believe in "Divine Healing". Adding, however: "we do not endorse or condone the throwing away of life saving medication - merely because the individual is presumed healed; we do not identify with those who take extreme positions - of failing to follow a common sense way of life."

The Reverend further observing that such an "extreme position" does not bring "any particular glory to God; nor does it reflect - to the credit of the Church."

From Dallas - the story of a new boxing program called Missy Incorporated; for girls - age six to sixteen. Missy's best all-around fighter - we are told - fifteen-year-old Brenda Duckworth; who stands five-three - and tips the scales at one hundred and eight; ^{she} the winner of all but two bouts ~~in~~ in four years of fighting against girls and boys.

Brenda herself is the first to admit, however, - she'll never make ~~it~~ the big time. Why not? Because - says Brenda - "I can't take a good shot to the stomach." How about you, Bill?

STOCKHOLM

Here's one - a postscript today - on that five day bank seige at Stockholm. Police saying the first word they heard when they broke into the vault - were those of one of the three women hostages. Miss Kristin Enmark - age twenty-one - apparently fearing for the lives of her captors. Screaming over and over: "don't kill them! Don't kill them!" Miss Enmark also quoted as saying later: "They never harmed us - I was more afraid of the police."

All of this - coming as quite a surprise . A Stockholm psychiatrist, Dr. Jan Agrell, observed though "We must understand that this woman - has been under severe stress for several days; and what she says now - may not reflect the truth or what she might feel a few weeks from now."