

U.S. Mapping Ways To Speed Withdrawal

SAIGON (AP) Presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger and President Nguyen Van Thieu mapped out an allied reply to the new Communist peace proposal Sunday and explored ways of speeding U.S. troop withdrawals from Vietnam, informed sources reported.

The 2½-hour strategy meeting at Independence Palace was one of the most significant of the Indochina war, the informants said. Although details of the session were kept secret, aides to Kissinger described the conference as "fruitful."

The importance of the meeting was underscored by its length. The sources said they could not recall Thieu spending as much time with any other visiting dignitary.

The government-operated national television network, in a newscast Sunday night, said Thieu and Kissinger discussed three main subjects: the peace negotiations, the war situation in Vietnam and South Vietnam's national economy. It gave no details.

The war faded for the time being, with only a series of patrol skirmishes reported, none of them significant.

Just the same, U.S. B52 bombers kept the pressure on North Vietnamese forces massed in the northern quarter of South Vietnam below the demilitarized zone and along the Laotian border.

Up to a score of the giant Stratofortresses dropped 600 tons of bombs on suspected North Vietnamese troops concentrations, bunkers, ammunition and food storage depots, and rocket, mortar and antiaircraft sites. Some of the raids were within a mile and a half of the DMZ.

In Phnom Penh, the Cambodian high command reported that Cambodian forces sweeping vast marshlands northeast of the capital killed 38 Viet Cong and North Vietnamese in the first significant clash there in two weeks.

Road Toll Nears 400

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
An off-duty Baltimore, Md. policeman and three passengers in his auto were among those killed on the nation's highways during the first half of the Independence Day holiday weekend.

As the toll climbed to nearly 400 late Sunday, a spokesman for the National Safety Council said the toll was running "way ahead of last year." During the three-day holiday period in 1970, 540 persons died in traffic accidents.



Poughkeepsie Journal Photo

MISS CINDY DEWEY of Verbank was named queen at the Fourth of July celebration in Millbrook. Thousands watched the parade and other festivities while the weatherman cooperated with perfect weather.

Curfew Ordered In East Haven Again

EASTHAVEN Conn. (AP) — A curfew was ordered into effect Sunday after young people created disturbances during the Fourth of July weekend for the second straight year.

Mayor Frank Messina ordered people off the streets from 11 p.m. Sunday until 5 a.m. Monday. He is to decide Monday if the curfew will be continued.

Council Majority Favors Police Pact

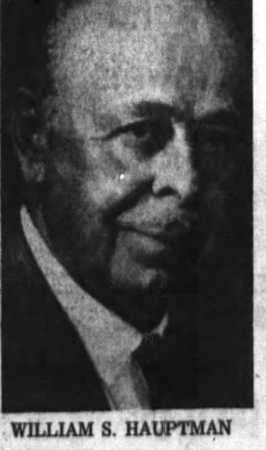
The city's Patrolmen's Benevolent Association may put away picket signs it planned to use Tuesday if a majority of the Common Council officially agrees to new contract terms today.

Picketing of City Hall has been scheduled for 8 a.m. Tuesday to focus public attention on a contract dispute between the city and the PBA.

William Hauptman Dies; Member Of County Board

STORMVILLE — Rep. William S. Hauptman, a two-term member of the county's Board of Representatives from District 1 in East Fish-

kill, died at his home Sunday morning. He lived in Stormville Mountain Road.



WILLIAM S. HAUPTMAN

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Agnew Links Pullout To Enemy Activities

SINGAPORE (AP) — Vice President Spiro T. Agnew said Sunday President Nixon hopes to speed up U.S. troop withdrawals from Vietnam if it can be done without jeopardizing South Vietnam's ability to defend itself.

Other official U.S. sources told reporters with the Agnew party before leaving Seoul that any speedup in the rate of U.S. withdrawal, scheduled now to bring American troop levels to 184,000 by Dec. 1, would be a "gamble."

There isn't any basis for feeling that my trip is related to theirs," Agnew said, adding, "I had no knowledge that Secretary Laird was going to make this trip."



SPIRO T. AGNEW

Newport Jazz Festival Halted

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) — Thousands of young people began pouring out of Newport Sunday after the 18th annual Newport Jazz Festival was halted Saturday night by gate-crashing youths.

City Manager B. Cowles Mallory ordered producer George Wein to stop Saturday night's performance after waves of young people broke through two security fences and crashed the performance.

Estimates of the crowd ranged as high as 20,000, with approximately the same number of persons inside the amphitheater Saturday night.

As the evening wore on, the two hills overlooking Festival Field, pitching tents and laying down bedrolls in preparation for the holiday weekend.

Hijacker Gives Up After 2 Days

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Grounded by Argentina's refusal to cooperate with an airplane hijacker, Robert Lee Jackson walked off the Braniff jetliner he held for nearly two days and surrendered quietly Sunday to police—his fingers raised in a V sign.

His female companion had given herself up several hours earlier.

Jackson's 43-hour hop, skip and jump escapade from Texas to this Argentine capital ended in his failure to obtain the political asylum he wanted in Algeria.

Argentina's charges against him: kidnaping and theft of an aircraft.

25 Made Homeless In City Fire

A two-alarm fire spoiled the Independence Day holiday for 25 persons who resided in a three-story apartment building at 181 Mansion St., city.

Horace H. Hopps, acting fire chief, said the fire started in a pile of automobile tires and an old television set in the southeast corner of the basement.

flames spread through the walls of the building to the roof.

conduct after she attempted to enter the smoke-filled building to rescue two dogs.



SIX FAMILIES were left homeless Sunday when a two-alarm fire swept through a portion of a three-story apartment building at 181 Mansion St. Officials in the city fire department said the fire started in the basement. No serious injuries were reported.