

good morning top of the news

CONTINUED WARM WEATHER. The National Weather Service's forecast for Tucson calls for mostly sunny skies and some wind. A high temperature near 80 is expected. There is a slight chance of showers.

HEALTH AND POLITICS. The United Nations' World Health Organization is promoting 100 affiliated scientific associations to report on ways connected with Taiwan. The United States casts the only dissenting vote. The move is sponsored by China. Page 14A.

INTERIOR DEPT. NOMINATION. President Ford nominates Stanley K. Hathaway, former governor of Wyoming, to be secretary of the interior. Rep. Morris K. Udall, D-Ariz., issues a statement opposing. Mr. Hathaway's record indicates that as far as natural resources are concerned, he suffers from a few red and can only see dollar signs. Page 1C.

JACK ANDERSON. Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., generally one of the firm in defense secrecy in military matters, helped the French obtain a secret American component for a jet engine two years ago, the columnist reports. Page 6A.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY. FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley has given his approval to the methods used by agents and Alexandria, Va., police who have been hunting for a search for Patty Hearst. Page 2D.

FBI ACCUSED. The judge who presided over the trial of two Indians in connection with the Woodstock take-over says the FBI withheld information from federal prosecutors on the source of the information during the take-over. Page 5B.

SLAYING OF SCHMIDT. Two Arizona State Prison inmates are charged with slaying Charles H. Schmidt Jr. 14 in 20 times, Schmidt, who changed his name to Paul David Ashby, died 10 days after the March 20 assault. Page 1B.

VA BENEFITS INQUIRY. Four faculty members at Arizona Western College, including the athletic director, have been suspended as part of an inquiry into Veterans Administration benefits they are accused of receiving. Page 7A.

HAPPY DEATH. Leukemia claims the life of 8-year-old Terry Erolin of New River, but her family doesn't think of it as a heart-wrenching end to life. "It should be a happy ending to her pain," her mother had said. Page 12A.

PARK LAND EVALUATION. William D. Peterson of Ross Baker & Peterson Appraisers Associates, Inc., who was hired by the county, estimates the value of the total park land to be included in Catalina Park at \$130 million, \$200,000 less than the county Property Management Dept.'s estimate. Page 1B.

UA BUDGET. The Senate Appropriations Committee has recommended that the University of Arizona be granted \$53.7 million for next fiscal year, or \$80,000 less than for the current year. Page 1B.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT. Interest in student government at the University of Arizona is just below the surface, believe David Hammer, president-elect of the student body. He's banking on new interest in services to light a fire under the students. Page 1B.

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Season's Worst Storm Battering Northeast

The fiercest storm of the season battered parts of the Northeast yesterday, taking nearly a dozen lives and dumping almost 3 feet of snow in some places.

The storm extended from Canada to the Carolina and from Lake Erie to the Atlantic Coast.

It swept into the Northeast after staggering parts of the Midwest with heavy snow and contributing to the deaths of 30 persons in the Chicago area.

Meanwhile, another storm whistled out of the northern Rockies and veered northward, flooding hundreds of families out of their homes in Mississippi and Louisiana.

As the Northeastern storm churned to the east, blizzard warnings went out to residents of northern Vermont, New Hampshire and New York. The National Weather Service said 12 to 18 inches of fresh snow piled up in the area.

Heavy snow also plastered western Massachusetts, northeastern New York and northern Connecticut. Plainfield, N.Y., had

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Thieu Juggles Premiers

President Says Nation Will Fight

SAIGON — South Vietnam's president, Nguyen Van Thieu, named a new premier last night, and said his government intended to defend its remaining territory against the Communists. He blamed recent losses partially on the British Broadcasting Corporation and Voice of America.

In a 26-minute broadcast, Thieu announced that he had removed Gen. Tran Thien Khai from the office of premier and replaced him with the leader of the lower Vietnamese House, Nguyen Ka Ky.

Can has been actively associated with Vietnamese labor leaders in the past. He is not one of the country's better-known politicians.

This said that Can would lead a new "government of war and national unity," the first ministers of which have yet to be named. He said he had already accepted Khai's resignation.

The president made it clear that his government intended to fight on, and he denied rumors that he had made some kind of deal with the Communists to cede to them the northern part of the country.

He called on the people and armed forces to remain calm and steady, and to defend the remaining national territory.

This concluded that the recent catastrophic reverses suffered by his armed forces were partly the result of "corruption, and the lack of determination in many military leaders." But he said the Vietnamese people were determined to fight on.

He also blamed the loss of so much territory on foreign news agencies, publications and radio stations, especially the BBC and the Voice of America.

He charged that the two stations had "served rumors by the Communists and saboteurs in our ranks, a result of which we lost several provinces in the First and Second Corps areas (in the northern part of the country)."

He also blamed the U.S. Congress, saying: "Continued on Page 10A, Col. 7"

The Arizona Daily Star

Death Toll May Reach 200 In Crash Of Orphans Jet



The Face Of Anguish Dismayed South Vietnamese women carry surviving babies to a hospital in Saigon after the crash of a giant C-5A minutes after takeoff. Though the first official flight of orphans ended in disaster, President Ford said the airlift will continue. Military sources said there was a possibility of sabotage, but later it was discounted. (AP Wirephoto)

Joblessness Rate Increases To 8.7%

WASHINGTON — Unemployment rose today in March to reach 8.7 per cent of the labor force and the number of "discouraged workers" who have dropped out of the labor force also reached a record of 1.1 million, the Labor Dept. reported yesterday.

The number of unemployed was eight million, the highest level in 35 years, since 1.1 million were listed as unemployed in 1960, at the tail end of the Great Depression. The unemployment rate was the highest since 1941, when it reached 8.9 per cent.

The March unemployment rate was up 0.3 per cent from 8.4 per cent in February. The number unemployed was up 50,000, on a seasonally adjusted basis, from 7.3 million in February.

President Ford, responding to the news, said he will recommend a further extension of benefits for the unemployed.

Ford made the announcement in a speech last night before the San Francisco Bay Area Council, a business and civic group.

He said that when Congress returns from its Easter recess, he will propose legislation that would extend the benefits under two emergency programs, designed to help the unemployed through the recession.

In Detroit, auto makers announced that layoffs next week will drop by some 21,000 from this week. About 25,000 workers will be laid off, 20,000 indefinitely. The industry, booming output recently, has reduced layoffs from a peak of nearly 300,000 in January.

The figures for March contained one potentially helpful sign. The two separate measures of total employment — one based on a sample of households and one on payroll records — both showed the smallest monthly loss of jobs since the recession began to bit with full force in September.

Julius Shulman, commissioner of labor statistics, told the Congressional Joint Economic Committee that "for what it is worth, the limited evidence provided by the March employment figures may be suggesting a weakening of the forces of recession." Shulman stressed that "the unemployment situation is extremely serious."

Surprisingly in light of the widespread unemployment, the Labor Dept.'s adjusted index of wages showed its largest month's increase in March since the recession began to deepen last year.

The hourly earnings index rose 1 per cent last month after increasing only about half that much in the four preceding months.

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Sabotage Called A Possibility

By PETER O'DOUGHLIN

SAIGON (AP) — Rescue workers resumed their grim search today for more bodies of Vietnamese war orphans killed when a huge U.S. Air Force jet that was to carry them to America crashed in a rice paddy.

Many passengers and crewmen survived, but it was feared the death toll would be near 200 of the 318 children and adults aboard.

Washington military officials said there was a possibility of sabotage in the crash yesterday of the C-5A Galaxy. However this was discounted by the U.S. Embassy in Saigon.

The sources said there was suspicion of sabotage because the cargo doors of C-5As are built so that the pilot's controls should not be affected if the doors blow out.

But an embassy spokesman in Saigon said "everything points to mechanical failure. The pilot's report said the left pressure door blew and went through the left loading doors. They hit the tail and cut the elevators out of action."

He added that an investigation team was coming here from the United States to try to determine the cause of the accident.

U.S. officials said about 100 children and some 20 adults were taken out alive. Among

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the adults on the craft were 43 women employees of the U.S. defense attaché's office and 23 volunteers escorting the orphans. There were 243 children and 78 crew members.

Dismayful adoption agency personnel broke down and wept when questioned about the tragedy and declined to discuss plans for another mercy flight.

"We haven't even counted the surviving babies yet," said Rosemary Taylor, Australian director of the Friends For All Children, which had arranged adoptions for most of the orphans.

U.S. embassy officials said they were still "trying to clear up" confusion over identities of the victims. They said it had been determined that 210 persons were on board, and not 300 as reported initially.

It was the first official U.S. orphan airlift, and it ended in flaming disaster when the Galaxy, the world's largest operating airplane, crashed.

Authorities at the Seventh-day Adventist Hospital said 71 persons were counted dead, including 40 children, and that the bodies of 40 or more children were believed to be still in the crushed fuselage. It also was thought some of the victims had been sucked out of the craft when it fell compressor after the doors flew off.

President Ford had ordered an airlift to take 2,000 Vietnamese orphans to new homes in the United States. He said the airlift would continue until the tragic flight. He said he had planned to be at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., Monday for the arrival of the orphans.

In Manila, a U.S. Air Force spokesman said two C-54 transport jets left for Saigon today to continue the airlift and three others will leave during the day in two-hour intervals.

The plane fell in earth with the pilot trying a desperate jockey landing in a rice paddy just 35 minutes after it had left Saigon's Tan Son Nhut airbase. It had run for 21,000 feet when the cargo doors blew off the pilot lost the elevator, rudder and flap controls.

Planes of comic books, toys and a baby's bottle were strewn among the bodies where the mercy flight ended in torn metal and flames 1½ miles from the airport.

Nearly 200 million were preparing their evening meal when "suddenly we heard a big boom," one said. "We looked straight up in front of us and we saw debris flying all over the paddy field. It was a horrible thing to see."

A Vietnamese air force colonel said through the waxy field to organize rescue efforts. "Continued on Page 11A, Col. 6"

On A Stretcher, Bewilderment A dazed South Vietnamese child peers from the upper stretcher of an ambulance as it arrives at a Saigon hospital. The infant was aboard the C-5A that crashed. (AP Wirephoto)

Bitterness At Child Lift Erupts

By MALCOLM W. BROWNE  
SAIGON — "It is nice to see you Americans taking home sweepers of our country as you leave — Chas elephants and orphans," a South Vietnamese army lieutenant remarked bitterly yesterday. "The last some of them broke today, but we have plenty more."

He was alluding to the crash of a C-5A transport plane carrying more than 300 orphans, adults and crew.

"You get what you need from our country, and now it is time for you to leave, leaving to pay the final bill," he added. "Well, it's a good system, I must say."

The lieutenant was one of countless Vietnamese who feel a growing sense of desperation for their families and themselves in the belief that an erasable ally is rapidly reducing its

ties with their collapsing country. Like many others, he has been trying without success to get his family and himself out.

For a handful, such as the director general of Air Vietnam, Nguyen Tai Trong, there is always an exit. Trong, related by marriage to President Nguyen Van Thieu, was scheduled to leave today, but he was held up by a plane that was to be repaired.

Although the U.S. Embassy indicated that there would be no help in getting out Vietnamese in general, Americans who have been waiting to adopt a select group of orphans will be accommodated.

There are 25,000 orphans in institutions in South Vietnam — to say nothing of the thousands cared for by Vietnamese families — but

only 1,500 are eligible to emigrate to the United States. To qualify, a child must be under age 9 and in the care of one of seven American agencies, International Social Services, Friends For All Children, Friends of the Children of Vietnam, Catholic Relief Services, the Pearl Buck Foundation and World Vision.

All or virtually all of the 1,500 have been spoken for by American families, which will claim them as soon as they are delivered. The orphans will be issued immediate residence visas and will eventually hold citizenship.

Vietnamese, other than those with husbands or close relatives in the United States, do not have such privileges. Among the trapped are the Vietnamese employes and families of American companies, even though

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