

The SEA BREEZE



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CAPE KENNEDY.....Astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space when he left his Gemini 4 Space Craft during its third orbit of the earth. White, leaving fellow Astronaut James McDivitt behind in the Gemini cabin, gave America a major first by becoming the first spaceman in history to have his own means of propulsion. McDivitt said, "He looks great." White was equipped with a hand held "space gun," a jet device using compressed oxygen for thrust - to enable him to maneuver the length of his 25 foot life-line. He had been scheduled to leave the capsule near the end of its second orbit, but Gemini Officials decided to delay the attempt when the Astronauts radioed they were running late on the flight plan. White's "walk" began over Hawaii when the spacecraft was near its perigee, or low point of orbit, about 103 miles from earth.

SAIGON.....Communist Guerrillas raided a town only ten miles from Saigon and staged a double ambush on a Government Battalion further north. U.S. Marines routed the Viet Cong in two other engagements. Casualties in the first two battles were about 50 wounded. Armed U.S. Helicopters came to the rescue of the Vietnamese Forces twice, strafing the attacking Guerrillas. The Communists hit the town of Binh Chanh in daylight. They attacked in battalion strength against the company of Vietnamese Rangers holding the town ten miles west of Saigon. A U.S. Advisor in Binh Chanh, Lieutenant William A Howard, 25, of Dallas Texas, directed the helicopters that drove the Viet Cong back. One Vietnamese Ranger was killed and seven wounded before the Viet Cong were driven off. U.S. Planes continued their pounds of North Vietnamese targets throughout the day, bombing an army barracks, radar sites, a bridge and transportation facilities.

LEOPOLDVILLE, THE CONGO...The Congo Congolese Government Troops, led by Mercenary Commander Colonel Michael (Mad Mike) O'Hare, hacked through jungle growth in search of elusive rebel forces. Fears of a wide-spread massacre mounted. Reports here said 75 of the 109 Whites thought to be in rebel hands were massacred.

COPENHAGEN.....THE GOVERNMENT RUN ROYAL GREENLAND TRADING COMPANY ANNOUNCED IT HAS SOLD ALMOST 1,500 HOME FREEZERS TO ESKIMOS IN GREENLAND.

COLOMBO CEYLON...Dock workers unloading a cargo vessel pilfered and consumed several cartons of what they thought were viatmin pills. Authorities later revealed that what the men had swallowed were contraceptive pills.