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U.S. ATOMIC SUB MISSING

Unified nuclear

PARIS (AP) The 15 NATO nations, including France, have agreed to set up a unified nu-clear command that would include air and sea strike forces, highly qualified sources re-ported Wednesday night. The French agreement fore-hadowed creation of a NATO nuclear force-composed of na-tional contingents-when NATO

tional contingents—when NATO foreign ministers meet in Os-tawa May 22 to 24. "It's 90-per-cent certain that the plan for an inter - allied smutimational nuclear force will be accepted -officially at

Ottawa," one senior French of-ficial commented,

"But it is important to note that France is not accepting the spirit, or indeed any part, of the sals which arose out of the muedy Macmilian meeting in Qualified sources reported the decision on the multinational force wher United States Secretary Rusk addressed the NATO permanent council on current moves to establish a nuclear force within the framework of

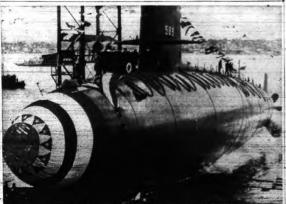
USE U.S. NUCLEAR SUBS

submarines, now assigned to the Mediterranean, will be placed in the multinational command under U.S. Gen. Ly-

France's agreement to participate in this command does not mean President de Gaulle will throw French national nuclear resources into the NATO pool, as the British have does with their Whomber Jorce. Il means only that the two French aguadrons, now based in West Germany, will join the unitied comman, will join the unitied comman, will go and a command the comman of the comman o

MORE CO-OPERATIVE

De Gaulle is understood to France intends to press forward with its policy of developing a national nuclear deterrent. He



Blueprint for peace outlined by Pope

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Wednesday's was the first in history addressed to non-Catho-lics as well as Catholics and the eighth of Pope John's 4½ year reign.

To all men of good will," he

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Gordon enemy

This photograph shows the launching of a nuclear attack submarine of the same type as the U.S.S. Thresher, which was' reported lost late last night in the Atlantic



proximate position in the south of Nova Scotia where the U.S. atomic submarine Thresher is missing. The sub had been conducting deep diving tests about 220 miles east of Boston, (AF Wirephoto map),

Oil slick sighted 129 aboard; high

winds hamper search

WASHINGTON - The United States atomic submarine Thresher, the world's fastest and deepest diving submarine, "appears to be lost" in the Atlantic with 125 men aboard. The U. S. navy said late last night an oil slick was sighted

The Thresher had been conducting deep diving tests about 220 miles east of Boston.

The navy said the Thresher had not communicated since submerging shortly after 9 a.m. Wednesday morning.

Pearson prepares for call

OTTAWA - While Prime Min ister Diefenbaker's immedia plans remained in the shadows Wednesday, the clear light of day began to shed light on the plans of the man expected to ducted following an succeed him to the country's top overhaul. political post possibly within a

Pearson.

While there is a possibility that the nuclear submarise has formed and meding through an immediate pile of correspondence, Mr. Pearson admitted that he would begin work on the trust of dining by a Thorna cablet this weekend.

The Thresher is the first attack submarine of the atomic class and is rated the world's fastest and deepest diving submersible.

This would be the first major accident involving an atomic submarine of the U.S. Navy.

The Thresher was accompanied by the submarine rescue vessel Skylark, a routine procedure when submarine tests and trials are con-

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Laotian situation quiet ... but tense



Suffers heart attack

seneral Vanier suffered a mile leart attack Tuesday and has cancelled official engagement for the next six weeks, gover-ment House announced Wedne

oay mgns.

Gen. Vanier, Canada's Governor-General since Sept. 18, 1869,
will be 75 on April 23.

The announcement from Government House said:
"The Governor - General is
very sorry to announce that he
is forced to cancel official en-

a very mild heart attack and has been ordered to rest. "His doctors state, however, that otherwise his excellency will be able to carry out his du-ties as Governor-General."

STEEL BREEZE

The price line in the United States steel industry was broken Wednesday by one of the smaller producers. The big question now: What

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To follow British system?

PAY FINAL By DON HANRIGHT TRIBUTE

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ATOMIC SUB OVERDUE

Steel freeze over in U. S.?

CONDITION CRITICAL

New contract is signed

Council offers

fellowships

New Home Recipe Reducing Plan

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-Says Douglas

RCN ships

standing by

Arab unity

OBITUARY

Voting age is defeated

RCN ships standing by [see below left] The navy in Halifax said Wednesday night ships of the Atlantic Command were standing by in case the United States Navy asks for Canadian assistance in the search for the missing atomic submarine Thresher.

Also ready to sail was the British submarine Auriga, based here as part of the UK's 6th submarine flotilla

However, no request from the U.S lavy has been received and no Canadian warships had sailed for he search area about 120 miles south east of Yarmouth on he southern Nova Scotia tip

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