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**EMPLOYMENT NEARING END** — These employees leaving the Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. plant in Youngstown, Ohio, Tuesday, are among the 5,000 persons who will soon be unemployed after most of the plant's production is moved to Indiana Harbor.

## Some MIAs Reported Alive

Agence France-Presse

**Tokyo, Japan** — Some American soldiers officially listed as missing in action are living in Vietnam, the Japanese daily Mainichi reported. Citing unconfirmed re-

ports, Mainichi said Vietnamese authorities would like to conceal the presence of these Americans to avoid complicating negotiations on normalizing US-Vietnam relations.

The newspaper said the soldiers had deserted during the war, some to fight on the Communist side and others simply to live in hill tribe villages.

## Steel Shutdown Perils Way of Life

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around Youngstown Steel's Campbell Works (so called because it is situated in the small town of Campbell, nestling against Youngstown's southeast border).

Church spires rise as complements to the smokestacks and blast furnaces, and bars flourish on the side streets.

In other years, it was said (perhaps with some exaggeration) that 25 square miles of Youngstown (present population about 128,000) consisted of steel mills. Youngstown became as synonymous with steel as did Pittsburgh.

### Marginal Centers

But as the older mills deteriorated, companies have found it unprofitable to maintain operations and moved elsewhere. Pittsburgh and Youngstown are said, because of the obsolescence of their mills, to be marginal steel centers today. The steel industry maintains that its difficulties have been made worse by foreign competition and, to a lesser extent, by the cost of installing antipollution equipment in the older mills.

All of this had been seen coming for a long time. Still, the decision of Youngstown Sheet & Tube to move most of its Youngstown operations to its newer, more modern Indiana Harbor Works near Chicago came as a surprise.

Reacting as to a crisis, the Chamber of Commerce announced plans to step up industrial development. Gov. James A. Rhodes sent a telegram to President Carter, asking him to "curtail the impact of foreign steel imports on the economy and the people of Ohio."

The United Steel Workers Union mounted a petition drive aimed at getting the federal government to impose emergency import quotas on foreign steel and to ease pollution guidelines. A radio announcer said urgently, "If you live in this area, within the sound of my voice, you've got to sign, because we're all affected."