

Wed. Dec. 12-73

## ENERGY

On the energy front - a new set of rules ~~and~~  
~~are~~ set forth in tentative form - by the Federal  
Energy office.

The new ~~plan~~ plan calling for a twenty-five  
percent cut in gasoline production. This to permit  
an increase in the production of home heating oil and  
petro-chemicals and also make available - additional  
~~quantities~~ quantities of residual fuel oil used by  
power ~~plants~~ plants. All of ~~which~~ which if finally  
approved <sup>will go into</sup> ~~will take~~ effect December twenty-seventh.

Energy Czar ~~William~~ Simon stressing that today's  
proposal does not ~~include~~ include rationing. <sup>He adds</sup> ~~adding,~~  
<sup>that</sup> ~~however,~~ the amounts of gas available to consumers  
<sup>will be</sup> ~~would be~~ affected. <sup>Government</sup> Government sources  
<sup>tell us prices are</sup> almost certain  
~~to rise, what's more that prices are about to~~  
soar, perhaps as much as seven cents a gallon for  
gasoline, <sup>and</sup> ~~as much as~~ nine cents for heating oil.

**KISSINGER FOLLOW ENERGY**

~~A related item - from~~ <sup>by</sup> London, where <sup>Sec. of State</sup> ~~Henry~~

Kissinger was <sup>busy</sup> ~~urging~~ today, <sup>an</sup> ~~the creation of an~~  
international "energy action group" <sup>was set up.</sup> Its membership  
to consist of "senior and prestigious" officials -  
from the U S, Japan, Canada, and Western Europe.

**Dr. Kissinger saying: "The energy crisis  
of Nineteen Seventy-three can become the economic  
equivalent of the Sputnik challenge of Nineteen Fifty  
Seven." "The outcome can be the same" - he continued;  
"only this time the giant step for mankind will be one  
that America and its closest partners take together -  
for the benefit of all mankind."**

LONDON

The present state of emergency in Britain -  
was extended today for another month. This an attempt  
to deal with the fuel crisis & as well as <sup>their</sup> spreading  
labor problems. The latest <sup>includes a</sup> slow-down by locomotive  
engineers <sup>and</sup> all but paralyzing London commuter  
services.

Sir Michael Clapham, ~~the~~ President of the  
British confederation of industry <sup>put it this way:-</sup> ~~saying~~ "We are  
standing on the brink of a precipice." "I believe"  
he continued - "we face ~~an~~ a test of democracy - such  
as we haven't faced since nineteen forty."

**CAIRO**

*In the Middle East - Cairo = a major shake-up today in the Egyptian military command. Egypt's President Sadat firing his armed forces chief-of-staff - along with the commanding ~~gen~~ general of Egypt's second and third armies. Informed sources saying ~~that~~ all three were blamed for the "military mistake" that allowed the Israelis to cross the Suez Canal.*

**TEL AVIV FOLLOW CAIRO**

**Meanwhile, in Tel Aviv - the Israeli cabinet was scheduling a special meeting for Friday ~~to~~ to determine whether Israel will ~~in fact~~, take part in next week's Geneva conference on the Mid-East.**

**~~The~~ Israeli defense minister Moshe Dayan earlier <sup>was</sup> ~~is~~ threatening a boycott <sup>if</sup> Syria continues to stall on the fate of Israeli P O W's.**

**SAXBE**

**Attorney General Designate William Saxbe was ~~being~~ testifying in his own behalf today before the Senate Judiciary Committee. The Ohio Senator pledging to cooperate fully - with special Watergate prosecutor Leon Jaworski, who was also present. Saxbe adding that he was duty bound - to protect Jaworski from arbitrary dismissal; ~~he~~ and hoped ~~that~~ the Watergate investigation - would "proceed with dispatch." "The chips are going to have to fall where they ~~may~~ may" said he.**

## WATERGATE

On his own, Jaworski <sup>told of</sup> ~~disclosed today~~ the receipt of a number of additional tapes which he earlier had requested from the White House. Jaworski adding that ~~a~~ <sup>a</sup> member of his staff is now culling Presidential files - for, quote, "such documents as we are interested in."

How does Jaworski account for this cooperation?

"I declare, I don't know" said he. "I'm just gratified we can move forward and do our work."

## TAXES

A Joint Congressional Committee on taxation will soon be checking President Nixon's income tax returns from nineteen fifty-nine through nineteen seventy-two. The decision to proceed with a full scale investigation <sup>was</sup> announced today by committee chairman Wilbur Mills. Mills adding that hearings may be required - because "there are some facts in dispute."



**DEMOCRATS**

**Elsewhere in Washington - a meeting of**

**Democratic leaders <sup>was</sup> voting ~~to~~ to hold their first**

**mid-term national convention - ~~on~~ December sixth**

**to eighth - next year in Kansas City. Its main purpose -**

**~~that of~~ <sup>to</sup> approving <sup>e</sup> a new party charter.**

BAY OF BENGAL

~~Cyclone in Bangladesh~~ <sup>Another cyclone. This one sweeping</sup> ~~The storm sweeping~~  
~~swept~~ <sup>over the delta - the Sunderbunds,</sup> across the Bay of Bengal, ~~and on into southern~~  
~~coastal areas.~~ <sup>at least</sup> First reports -- listing ~~about~~ a hundred  
dead. <sup>But with</sup> ~~confirmed dead.~~ ~~Officials noting however, that~~ hundreds  
of fishermen ~~are~~ <sup>They say</sup> still missing. ~~Adding that the full~~  
death toll - <sup>may run into the</sup> ~~could well reach as much as two~~  
thousands, <sup>With</sup> tens of thousands more - left homeless  
and destitute.

**MOSCOW**

**Moscow - the Soviet government today announced a record budget for nineteen seventy-four. The total figure coming to nearly two hundred and sixty billion - an increase of more than six percent over last year. The Kremlin pledging its constituents - more ~~more~~ consumer goods - more housing and more food on the table.**

**TASS follow Moscow**

**Moscow again - the Soviet News Agency Tass was bitterly criticizing the U S House of Representatives for voting to deny the Russians requested trade benefits. Tass attributing the House action - to so-called "cold war champions." Adding that attempts to dictate Russian immigration policies - were "an actual interference in the internal affairs of the ~~U S S R~~ U S S R. Tass also saying the Nixon administration - "has no intention of giving up efforts designed to develop ~~South~~-Soviet American relations."**

**VISIT**

The White House <sup>had</sup> a visit today from a ninety-seven year old former Pennsylvania State Senator.

M. Harvey Taylor bearing a message from a group of Harrisburg women - telling the President they did not want him to resign. The President said to have replied: "That will never happen."

Senator Taylor later observing that President Nixon - was the hardest working President we've had in eighty years; also, - "the most abused."

**SOUTHWICK FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE**

*In the same vein - this next from Southwick, Idaho. William E. Kauder - Idaho's oldest living man - celebrating today his one hundred and fifth birthday. Along the way, observing that the Watergate scandal - has split the country wide open. "I'm beginning to think" said he - "we're back in the days of Noah - it seems like everybody is dissatisfied."*

*Doctor Kauder <sup>saying</sup> ~~adding however~~, he's voted Republican - in twenty-one successive elections; all the way from William McKinley - to Richard Nixon. "And I'll continue to vote Republican" said he, - ~~"if I get the chance."~~*

LANSING

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Governor Milliken of Michigan - the recipient  
of a letter from two co-eds living in ~~no~~ Grand Rapids.  
The girls saying they heard the first part of his recent  
radio address <sup>g</sup>urging Michiganders to conserve energy.  
But they ~~never~~ <sup>didn't</sup> heard the last part - <sup>so</sup> ~~they went on -~~  
~~and~~ would the Governor please send them a copy, - which  
he did, ~~of course.~~

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Next question: Why didn't they hear the conclusion  
of the Governor's speech? ~~The answer in the fact that~~  
~~his opening remarks were~~ <sup>so</sup> ~~simply too~~ persuasive. <sup>Bill</sup> The  
girls ~~explaining that~~ in their haste to conserve energy  
they immediately unplugged <sup>everything</sup> ~~all their electrical~~ ~~at~~  
~~appliances~~ including their radio.

## MELBOURNE

From Melbourne, Australia - the story of a broken home - in more ways ~~so~~ than one. Mrs. James Hutchings leaving her husband, Taking along their two children - and most of the furnishings they had accumulated in their plush suburban home. Her lawyers also serving notice -- she planned to claim half ownership in the house itself, ~~well,~~ for Jim Hutchings who happens to be a demolition contractor, that was just too much. So, he took one of his ~~bulldozers~~ bulldozers and simply leveled the house. ~~And I guess to you could say, Bill - it's all over now.~~