

Thursday, June 28, 1973

LONDON

Famed billionaire Howard Hughes has been known to don a disguise now and then in order to protect his anonymity. Today, for example, a portrayal perhaps best entitled - "in again - out again Finnegan." Hughes departing his carefully guarded London hotel some time before dawn; flying to Ostend, Belgium - and then back again. Returning to his hotel - before hardly anybody knew he was gone. This - in order to comply with Britain's immigration laws. A government spokesman explaining that Hughes was first admitted - on a six month visitors visa. His six months - now up. Hence - the flight to Ostend; so he could return a "new arrival" good for six months more.

PARIS

In Paris ^{today there was} ~~again~~ a resumption of talks ~~today~~
between the Saigon government and the Viet Cong;
as provided in the second Vietnam peace agreement -
which was signed June Thirteenth. The two sides ^{altho'}
directed to settle their political differences within
forty-five days. ~~But~~ quickly demonstrating ^{ed how} they ~~are~~
^{are} still miles apart.

Saigon urging a series of steps - to
culminate ^{with} ~~the~~ national elections on Christmas Day - ~~and~~
to make it, "quote - "a day of joy." The Communist
side ^{saying this could only be} ~~replied that this was simply~~ a "new phoney
timetable." Instead, urging the election of a
~~constituent~~ constituent assembly - as early as possible.
^{Such} ~~The~~ new assembly ~~then~~ to draft a new constitution.

ROME

~~For~~^{From} the U N Food and Agricultural
organization - with headquarters in Rome - a report
today telling ^{us more about} ~~of~~ the worst drought in sixty years in
West Africa. The former French territory of
Chad, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, and Upper
Volta - reportedly hardest hit; with human suffering -
said to be ^{beyond} ~~the~~ measure ~~of~~. A U N spokesman adding
that entire populations - "are without anything what-
so-ever to eat;" further urging a worldwide relief
effort - before it's too late. These are tragic
days for Timbuctu!

MIAMI Beach

Vice Pres.

For ~~Spiro~~ Agnew - a trip to Miami Beach where he addressed today - the annual convention of Lions International. ^{In referring to} ~~The subject of~~ Watergate - ~~again paramount.~~ But the Vice President ~~choosing~~ ^{ed} to stress the positive rather than the negative.

The present Watergate hearings - ~~he~~ said he - are proving "our society is more open than ever;" also, "fiercely resistant to any encroachment - upon the rule of law or the scope of liberty."

Vice Pres.

~~Spiro~~ Agnew adding that, indeed, "all the signs point to the emergence of more open ~~societies~~ societies in ~~Russia~~ Russia and Red China; ~~too~~, and, right around the globe. Societies - said he - "living and working together harmoniously - in a more open world; ^{as he put it:-} "exactly the opposite of the supposed closed world - of 'Nineteen Eighty-Four'."

WATERGATE

Still in the news tonight - the testimony of John Dean, on and on. The witness again facing a barrage of questions from members of the Senate Watergate committee. First today - Senator INOUE of Hawaii, with a series of queries composed by the White House. And occasionally he interposed questions of his own. Dean replying at great length - often indirectly; to the point where Inouye observed time and again "the answer then is "Yes" or "the answer then is no." Dean's account of his Watergate dealings remaining essentially unchanged.

Next - Senator Ervin of North Carolina; suggesting the committee perhaps could determine the truth - only if President Nixon himself were to testify. And then Senator Baker of Tennessee attempting differentiate between that which Dean really knew - and that which he merely suspected. Followed by Senator Weicker of Connecticut and on and on and on.

With more of the same coming up tomorrow.

SAN CLEMENTE


Later, the Western White House today ruled out any appearance by President Nixon before the Senate Committee, either voluntarily - or by subpoena. Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren saying such an appearance - would be "consitutionally inappropriate."

DASH

Meanwhile, this from Sam Dash - chief
counsel to the Senate Watergate committee -- during
a brief ~~recess~~ recess. "I think Dean's testimony was
badly pierced yesterday" - said he. Adding: "In my
own mind, as far as accusing the President - which,
of course, was the main purpose of Dean's statement -
it leaves pretty much in shreds."

SUEZ CANAL

In the Middle East - attention was again mounting ~~on~~ today; as witness an Egyptian surface to air missile attack - on Israeli planes flying on the Israeli side of the Suez Canal. ~~This - according to~~ *So we hear from* Tel Aviv.



JERUSALEM FOLLOW SUEZ CANAL

Earlier, at Jerusalem, Israeli Premier

(May-er)

*Golda Meir was addressing the opening session - of the
World Jewish Congress. There saying the Arab Israeli
impasse continues - because the Arabs refuse to accept,
as she put it, "our hand stretched out in peace."*

*Madame Meir also challenging Anwar Sadat's recent
statement - that the mid-East is now in a state of
"no war, no peace". This is not true - said she. Adding:
"As long as there's no peace - there's a war on; a
war that may ^{now} break out - at any moment. [']~~now~~."*

PEKING

*From Peking - an official ~~and~~ explanation -
today - for Red China's decision to continue nuclear
testing - this -- we are told -- "for the purpose of
defense -- and for breaking the nuclear monopoly of the
super-powers." Peking adding that it thereby hopes
to achieve - its "ultimate aim;" namely - the "abolishing
of nuclear weapons".*

PRINCETON

The death of one of the most controversial figures in American ~~political~~ political history -

is reported today from Princeton, New Jersey.

The legendary Earl Browder - first to coin the phrase that "Communism^W is twentieth century Americanism

As head of the U S Communist party - guiding that movement to the zenith of its influence in the late Thirties and early forties. Along the way - running for President three times; also, serving a brief jail sentence - till he was freed to aid in the U S and Russian war effort.

Left The war ~~over~~ Browder was ~~then~~ expelled from the Communist party. *The Reds calling him* ~~for becoming a so called~~

a ~~right~~ deviationist. *And with the years* ~~later, touring the country~~

championing "~~the new industrial revolution~~" in

America. ~~Finally~~ drifting into obscurity. *Now dead at 81.*

~~In his last recorded interview - just a year~~

HERE'S TO BEN GRAUER!

At this moment atop the lofty R C A Building, some three or four hundred people, including many celebrities are involved in an impressive salute to one of the all-time greats of American broadcasting. The guest of honor - the legendary Ben Grauer, who by the way is still as handsome and young as years ago when he played on my ball team. "The Nine Old Men." At sixty-five NBC's Ben Grauer goes off the air. I wonder? I suspect we'll still be hearing and seeing him for another ten or twenty years!

At any rate, here's to Ben, who, if he didn't invent radio - at least he has played a major role in making both radio and TV one of the major success stories of all time!

RENO

A new world's record slot machine jackpot is reported today from ~~famed~~ Harold's Club in Reno, Nevada. A middle-aged woman from San Francisco who asked to remain anonymous winning more than thirty thousand bucks. The grand payoff coming on a dollar machine; following an investment -- of five hundred of her own money.

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Bill - did you ever hit the
The lucky winner later saying: "This
Jack Pot?
Was the first time I ever want anything." Adding.
"It sure is a nice way to start."

WEST BERLIN

One of the brightest of TV stars in Communist East Germany -- an attractive young lady by the name of Renate Hubig; a kind of combination Barbara Walters - and Dinah Shore; hosting a number of shows - including a Communist "hit parade" a circus review and so on. But now - suddenly missing from East German TV.

~~Annex~~ A West Berlin newspaper - explaining why.

Renate Hubig - reportedly defecting to West Germany.

There joining her fiance - a West Berlin business

man - whom she met earlier this year in the East.

Also taking along - her three year old daughter by a previous marriage. ~~Miss~~ Miss Hubig quoted as saying:

"I arrived in the West with the clothes on my back -

So, now today, I
~~With now~~ begin all over again." *And s-l-u-t-m.*