

AID

Wed. Apr. 21-'71.

~~The White House~~ ^{In} another ^{major} special message to Congress, President Nixon ^{today} ~~and~~ ^{ed} urged a vast reorganization of the U S Foreign Aid program - including ~~the~~ establishment of a new U S International Development Corporation. This coupled with a combined ~~the~~ budget request for three ~~point~~ ^{billion} point two ¹ - to provide our allies with both economic and military assistance.

The President saying ~~that~~ these measures - taken together - will "distinguish clearly between our security, development and humanitarian assistance programs" thereby enabling us to define our own objectives more clearly." - ~~for responsibility and assess progress.~~ " With the end goal - said he - ~~that~~ of helping other nations "increasingly to shoulder their own responsibilities - so we can reduce our direct involvment abroad."

WHITE HOUSE

- Ping Pong diplomacy -

The White House again [^] President Nixon met today with the President of the U S Table Tennis Association. Graham Steenhoven - just back from Red China - reporting that he had found Chinese Premier Chou En Lai - "a fascinating man." Adding [^] that Chou - "had a ready wit - was a very intelligent man - and seemed to know everything that ~~had~~ had happened to us." The President, in turn, indicating that he would be glad to meet with Red Chinese Table Tennis players if and when they come to this country.

Incidentally, ^{the} ~~the~~ First Lady ~~Pat Nixon~~ also ^{met} ~~met~~ today with several members of a group called "American Women For International Understanding." And when she was told that these ladies hoped to visit Red China next year, ^{said} ~~said~~ Mrs. Nixon: ~~saying~~ "Take me along."

ALABAMA

At Birmingham, Alabama, Earth Day, Nineteen
Seventy One ^{included a welcome} ~~was marked today by a shower~~ cleansing
rain. ~~And this~~ easing - temporarily, at least - a
^{serious} ~~directly~~ air pollution; ^{perhaps even} ~~major problem in the process~~
averting a possible "disaster". Dr. A H. Russakoff
of Birmingham - a specialist in respiratory diseases
-- ^saying the situation remains "critical". But ~~for~~
^{he added, for the moment we are okay,}
~~now - said he - "we have just gotten away with it,~~
~~thank God."~~

~~More on the same~~ ^{At} ~~from~~ Estes Park,
Colorado, ^{the} ~~and announced site of that White House~~
Youth Conference; ~~where~~ Interior Secretary ~~Rogers~~
Morton, ⁱⁿ ~~addressed today~~ ^{ing} a special task force on
environment. ~~Rogers~~ ^{ed} expressing confidence - that "we
can get the job done." But he added that the U S
in general - and young people in particular - must
"have confidence in our ability to change the system"
~~or else said he announced or else "we might have as~~
~~well give up."~~

NEW YORK

~~For~~ Defense Secretary Melvin Laird ^{on} a brief
trip today to New York; ~~where he will~~ addressing a
meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers Association,
^{told how} ~~He said that~~ Russia has started ~~to~~ building
a new and extensive inter-continental ballistic missile
system; one - said he - which "must be of major concern"
to the U S. ^{one} ~~The Secretary added that~~ that this
might force us to take - additional off-setting actions;
especially if Salt talks -- fail to achieve any real
progress. ⁴ ~~"Under~~ Under no circumstances" said he -
^{will} ~~not~~ the U S "be willing to settle for inferiority."

COLOMBO

~~Arriving~~ Today at Colombo airport, in Ceylon -

a number of big Russian Antonov transport planes ~~arrived~~ with
~~bringing with them~~ troops and helicopters. -- ~~These~~

assigned to the ^{USSR's} ~~Soviet Union's~~ first fighter bomber
base in non-Communist Asia; a base ~~that was~~ established

~~just~~ yesterday ^{when a squadron} ~~with the arrival of a flight~~ of Mig
Seventeens ^{flew in.} These ^{supposedly to help subdue the} ~~intended to conduct combat~~ ultra-

leftist Ceylonese insurgents; who ~~were said to control~~

^{were said to be in control of}
-- at last report ^{at} nine different areas of ~~that country~~

^{lush, rich tropical island.}

SOFIA

At that ~~continuing~~ Bulgarian Communist Party Congress in Sofia - the main speaker today - Soviet Communist Party chieftain Leonid Brezhnev; who singled out for special ~~be~~ mention the success of Russia's new un-manned orbital station - the "salute;" calling the Soviet satellite - an "important step" in the conquest of space. ~~And this seen~~ ^{This is taken} as further evidence - that the "salute" is part of a new Soviet space effort. Indeed, space experts ~~insisting that~~ ^{say} the launch^{ing} of two or more additional cosmonauts - is now ~~be~~ imminent.

BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, England, a young American, ^{Pat Barber} ~~was~~ ~~hauled~~

hauled into court, ~~Patrick Barber charged with an~~

~~indecent act~~ - for walking along the street wearing only

a bowler and boots. That's all. ^{This} ~~Whereupon~~ he explained

~~his story~~ saying ^{it was} ~~he had done it solely~~ to win a ~~bet~~

bet. And he added that since he was a ~~cast~~ member of the

^{cast of} the Rock ^{musical} ~~musical~~ Hair - which ~~is~~ currently playing

in Birmingham - why, he was merely wearing his "working

clothes". ^{The learned British Judge,} ~~At, but the judge~~ ^{unimpressed -}

^{found him} ~~finding the defendant~~ guilty ^{and} ~~fining~~ him an amount

equal to twenty four bucks - ^{about} ~~which was~~ double the

amount of his original bet. ^{Would you say, Warren,} ~~is a~~ double for nothing?

KNOX COLLEGE

The new chairman of the American Council ~~of~~ On Education -- President Sharvy Umbeck of Knox College discusses a number of recent developments in the field of higher education. ~~Observing, for example, that~~ ^{He says} "science seems on the verge of a major breakthrough ^{by way of} ~~aiding~~ ^{for} ~~learning with~~ ^{the use of} ~~drugs.~~ ^{benificent}." Further, that ~~which~~ ^{educators} ~~have now found~~ that a person's I Q can be steadily increased, at least 'till age seventy; ~~whereas~~ ^{He also points out how} the age ~~at which a youngster reaches~~ ^{of} puberty ~~has been dropping~~ ^{by} six months every decade since Eighteen Eighty; ~~and~~ ["] This ~~fact~~ he adds - "will continue to complicate the lives of College administrators."

Incidentally, ~~Sharvy~~ ^{Dr.} Umbeck's Knox College at Galesburg, Illinois was the original inspiration for the fictional "Old Siwash"; but, at Old Siwash you ^{now} find an unusual modern outlook. That is they ^{are} attempt ^{ing} to pay

their
~~way~~ way with a series of investments in home building,
a motel, a dry cleaning establishment, oil wells, and
even a race track. Knox, one of our fine smaller
colleges.