

Friday, September 5, 1975

SACRAMENTO

By now you no doubt have heard how President Ford had an extremely close call today; a young woman attempting to shoot him at point blank range as he shook hands with well wishers in Sacramento, California. The President's life perhaps saved only by secret service agent Larry Buendorf (boon-dorf) who leaped at the woman and wrestled her gun away - as the President ducked for cover. The would-be assassin later identified as Lynn Fromme (frahm) age twenty-six - follower of convicted murderer Charles Manson. She once claimed to be the first female member of the Manson family - and still bears the scar of an "x" she carved in her forehead during the Manson trial. Police say she was once arrested on suspicion of murder - but later released.

The President calmly proceeded on schedule - addressing a joint session of the California legislature. His

speech, ironically, included a condemnation of what he called - a "truly alarming increase in violent crime throughout the country." He went on to say: "Government should deal equally with all citizens - but if it must tilt a little to protect any element more than another - surely it should favor those who cannot afford to be robbed of a day's food money - those who lack the strength to resist - those who even fear the consequences of complaining."

One more attempt to assassinate an American President.

LISBON

For Portugal's pro-Communist Vasco Goncalves -
~~it~~ ^{it looked like} ~~apparently~~ the end of the line today. The man who
was removed as Premier last week ~~refusing~~ ^{declined} to accept
an appointment as chief of the Portuguese armed
forces. This in the face of mounting opposition from
army and air force leaders ^{that} ~~which~~ threatened to
tear ~~the~~ the country apart.

UNEMPLOYMENT

The U.S. unemployment rate - unchanged last month; remaining at eight-point-four percent - according to figures released today. Government expert Julius Shiskin however, noting an increase of a quarter of a million - in the total number of employed. Also saying the jobless rate - may have been actually lower than indicated. If true this could be the proof we've been waiting for - proof that the recession has ended - with recovery well on the way.

LONDON

A bomb believed set by I R A terrorists
was detonated shortly ~~after~~ past noon today
in the crowded lobby of the Hilton Hotel in ^{mid-town} London.

The blast killing ~~at least~~ two persons - and injuring
~~sixty~~, including four Americans. A policeman who was
~~one of the first to reach the scene~~ saying it looked
~~"like a butcher shop"~~ - This ~~marking~~ the fifth bombing
~~in and around~~ ⁱⁿ London - in the last ten days.

LAPLATA

Terrorist violence in Argentina today claimed at least eight more lives; bringing the grand total to three hundred and eighty-three since the first of the year. The latest victims including three women and two men - ~~was~~ said to be municipal employees at LaPlata. Their ~~were~~ nude and bullet-ridden ~~bodies~~ bodies found in an open field ~~near the river Plata.~~ *outside of town.*

PROVO

Chief Justice Warren Burger ~~the main speaker~~
^{in Utah} today at the dedication of a new law school at Brigham
Young University ~~saying~~ ^{said} the conduct of recent U S
trials threatens a return to "the ancient clash of
trial by combat - or ~~worse yet~~ something resembling
a bar-room brawl; adding ^{that} the time has come for U S
lawyers to ~~begin~~ ^{police} themselves - the way British
attorneys do.

"Nowhere in the world" said the Chief Justice -
"is there more fearless, more vigorous and more
independent advocacy - than ~~that found~~ in British
courts." But British lawyers - he continued - ^{are} ~~probably~~
the most rigidly ~~and~~ regulated and disciplined lawyers
in the world; not because of government or judges -
but because of "self imposed standards established
and enforced by the legal profession itself."

TRENTON

After five days out ^{of commission} ~~for repairs~~ - the water filtration plant at Trenton, New Jersey, was back in action today; once again supplying fresh water - to an estimated quarter of a million city and suburban residents. The public reaction perhaps best expressed by Mrs. Jerry Spera who said "I ^{just} can't wait to take a bath."

And now this -

POSTAL

The U S postal service finally bowed to public pressure today - announcing it will not raise postal rates ~~thirteen cents~~ till after Christmas.

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This ~~is the face of~~ a great hue and cry λ from the public, from congress, from the greeting card

Would you say yes

industry; ~~and yes, Virginia~~ λ there is still a

Santa Claus.

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