

Tuesday, November 20, 1973

TOKYO-COPENHAGEN

In Japan - a ban today on the "late, late show" on TV. In Britain, the government again asking: "Is this trip really necessary?" In Copenhagen - a secret meeting of Common Market Foreign Ministers. All these aimed at coping with a worldwide energy crisis - the result of the Arab oil cutback.

While here at home - energy Czar John Love is suggesting that all service stations - may be ordered to close on weekends. "Of course," said he - "people can always gas up" ahead of time; "but it would still be a step toward curbing driving on weekends."

STOCKS FOLLOW TOKYO COPENHAGEN

At the same time - the New York stock market —
^{again}
~~taking another beating.~~ The Dow Jones industrials -
dropping nearly eighteen points. Coupled with yesterday's
plunge of nearly twenty-nine points one of the biggest
two ~~day~~ day declines in market history.

CHICAGO

From the National Safety Council comes today - an extra special reason for limiting driving speeds to fifty miles an hour. The Council noting that ^{above} ~~after~~ fifty--one's chances of death double with each additional ten miles per hour.

"So at seventy" - we are told - "you have four times the chances of death - as you do at fifty."

MEMPHIS

President Nixon travelled today to Memphis - where he briefly addressed a cheering crowd, of ~~about four thousand~~. The President saying: "As a result of our policies - America is at ~~at~~ peace throughout the world for the first time in twelve years; we have the lowest ^{un-}employment in peace time ⁱⁿ in eighteen years.

He also noted in passing -- the existence of ^{the} ~~an~~ energy crisis. "But the greatness about America;" said he - "is when we've got problems we just get out and solve them."

The President later meeting privately - with members of the Republican Governors association. — ~~And then - back to Washington~~. telling the Governors - he was sorry if he had "added to their burdens." Also saying: "If there are any more bombs - I don't know about them."

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SENATE

The nomination of Gerald Ford as Vice President -
was approved unanimously today by the Senate Rules Committee
The formal draft of the committee's recommendation - to be
completed over the Thanksgiving recess; which means there
could be a floor vote in the Senate ⁴ perhaps as early as
next Tuesday. In the House - ^{maybe} perhaps a week ^{later.} ~~after.~~

MANSFIELD

In services held in the Capitol Rotunda nearly ten years ago - it was Mike Mansfield who delivered the eulogy to the fallen JFK. It was ^{Sen.} Mansfield again who paid tribute to the late President - in a poem today entitled: "John Fitzgerald Kennedy - a Remembrance." Mansfield saying, in part:

Ten years after, it is all remembered and more:

An assertion of human decency

A trust of freedom

A confidence in reason

A love of country

A kindled hope for the nation.

This was John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

This is John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Ten years after.

TEDDY

*From a doctor who examined twelve year old
~~The~~ Teddy Kennedy - a report today that there is "an
excellent chance" his cancer has been arrested. Dr.
Philip Caper saying: "We are working on the assumption
that the cancer has not spread - and that no future
treatment is indicated."*

PHOENIX

The U S Ambassador to the U N - a patient today at the Arizona heart institute in Phoenix. John Scali undergoing open heart surgery - for the removal of blockage in his coronary arterial system. His surgeon later quoted as saying: "Everything looks good - he ought to do very well."

CAIRO JERUSALEM

In the Middle East - an Egyptian protest today against the construction of an Israeli bridge - across the Suez Canal. Cairo calling this - a "very serious violation" - of the cease fire agreement; one that "constitutes a major change" - in the engineering and structure of the canal."

~~Meaning~~ *Meanwhile, the Israeli cabinet ^{was} meeting in emergency session in Jerusalem, taking up the "quote delicate" problem of how to ~~distinguish~~ disengage Egyptian and Israeli troops.*

BALLINA

For those three balsa rafts floating from South America to Australia - the end of the journey today.

Australian naval vessels towing two of the rafts - into the Queensland small fishing village of Ballina. The third of the rafts also under tow - when it began to break up in heavy seas. Its four crewmen completing their ~~journey~~^{trip} - aboard another Australian naval ship.

From Guayaquil, Ecuador, to Ballina, Australia - in just under six months. ~~Truly~~^{Another} fantastic voyage.

EARTH ORBIT

*In the flight of America's Sky Lab three -
the big problem today was adjusting to weightlessness.
Scientist astronaut Ed Gibson saying that entering a
room sideways or upside down - left ~~him~~ him at first
completely disoriented. Adding that it was "very hard"
-- even "to tie your shoes."*

BENTSEN

A new name was added today - to the list of Democratic Presidential hopefuls. Senator Bentsen of Texas saying he plans to test the political waters during the coming year; and then decide whether to run - on the basis of "whether it is a realistic thing." Bentsen observing that "the place where a man can do the most for his country - is right down at the White House."

MARSHALS

Washington again - the nation's oldest Federal law enforcement agency - has finally gone coed. The U. S. Marshal's Service - more than a hundred and eighty years old - today accepting its first female deputies: Jacqueline Bailey, age thirty-eight, of Washington - and Joanne Neely, age twenty-four, of Oxon Hill, Maryland.

The new deputy marshals - women, yes, but lawmen, too. A spokesman saying: "They will have the same training and responsibilities as men - they will be treated exactly the same."

NEW YORK

A study of shoplifting in the nation's nearly twelve hundred discount stores - is reported today from New York. The annual loss from pilferage and petty thievery in these stores - set at Eight Hundred and Forty-Five Million; or more than two-and-a-half per cent - of all retail sales. This the equivalent of a "hidden tax" - costing the average American family about a Hundred and Fifty Bucks a year.

The study also notes, however, that store owners - are now showing a greater willingness to prosecute. The number of arrests last year - coming to more than a hundred and fifty thousand.

MILWAUKEE

In the State of Wisconsin - the start of another deer hunting season, as of this past Saturday; and now - a report on the "bag." Officials saying the toll thus far - has already included at least eight deer hunters. One ~~who was~~ accidentally shot - and seven who died of heart attacks.

VASSAR

A new attempt to trace the development of world trade - is reported today from Vassar College, ^{up the Hudson at Troughbasset,} Dr. Curtis Beck using infrared spectra studies ~~A~~ to determine the source and age of amber artifacts dating back to the second millenium B.C.; from there - attempting to determine how they were made, bought and sold; how the early trade routes were first established - between prehistoric Europe and ancient Asia.

Why amber? Because it was one of the few items from the North - mainly around the Baltic Sea - that was widely sought by the rest of the world. King Solomon supposedly sealing his books - with a ring of amber. It was also highly prized - even in Rome. The naturalist Pliny once observing that "a very diminutive human effigy made of amber - has been known to sell at a higher price than living men."

ST. JAMES

At Saint James Palace in London - a public display of Princess Anne's wedding gifts; including furs, laces and satins - along with silver goblets, serving trays and so on. More than a thousand gifts - in fact, all but one.

The one missing item - a three-year-old chestnut gelding. A Palace spokesman explaining ^{Bill, how} it was "not the thing for the carpets."

MOUNT WAIALEALE

The wettest spot in the world - Mount Waialeale on the Island of Kauai in Hawaii; from whence ~~comes~~ a report today that total precipitation this year - will come to more than four hundred and fifty inches; or enough to cover a three-story building - and then some.

on the Island of Kauai
Mount Waialeale - ~~the salt of the earth~~, where it doesn't

~~even~~ ^{just} rains - ~~but~~ it pours.