

Mon. Oct. 22 '73 Everywhere today the topic of conversation
MIDDLE EAST has been,

the Cease-fire in the Middle East - ~~we hope~~ ^{story, any} The Arab-
Israeli ~~standdown~~ ^{cease-fire} taking effect as of twelve-fifty, Eastern-
time here on this side of the Atlantic.

On the ~~Western Front~~ ^{Suez-Sinai Front} - ~~an apparent success~~

Israeli sources reporting only random firing - with the
Egyptians "apparently deciding to finish off their clips."
To the north on what is referred to as
the Eastern Front - Syria withholding formal acceptance;
but the latest from there ^{also} telling of only scattered fighting.

The Mideast truce, if such it is ^{will be} in keeping with a

U.N. Security Council resolution passed early today. The
terms ^{we hear were} worked out by ^{Sec. of State} ~~Henry~~ Kissinger in Moscow - and later
relayed personally to Israeli officials in Tel Aviv. The
two superpowers helping to make it stick - by threatening
to cut off arms shipments to both sides.

~~Now the~~ Both Arabs and Israelis ~~are both~~ ^{are} claiming
tremendous victories. ~~but~~ Who really won? ^{Did} anybody? -
If peace comes perhaps both will have won,
~~well, it may take years before we know that.~~

WATERGATE

Here at home - the Watergate hullabaloo continues; including a speech today by a member of the Senate Watergate Committee - at the AFL-CIO convention in Miami Beach. Senator Inouye of Hawaii urging the President to resign - so that House Speaker Carl Albert can become the new President. If the President does not resign - Inouye went on - "I suggest that the Congress of the United States - should very seriously consider impeachment proceedings."

Where Inouye ^{said so sure about this} ~~was already certain though~~ - Watergate Committee Chairman Sam Ervin was still reserving judgment. Senator Ervin and Senator Baker, as you know ^{had} - earlier approved ^{ed} the President's plan for partial disclosure of ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~tapes~~ tapes. Senator Ervin now urging the appointment of a special independent Watergate prosecutor - to take up where Archibald Cox left off.

REACTION FOLLOW WATERGATE

Amidst all the turmoil though ^{there is} an indication ~~perhaps~~ that cooler heads were beginning to prevail.

At any rate, William Ruckelshaus ^{was} saying today - it would be "premature" to dismiss the President's proposal as unworkable. The fired Deputy Attorney General also expressing his support - of Cox's heir-apparent, Henry Petersen; saying he was confident of Petersen's ability - to carry on with the Watergate prosecutions.

At the same time, the Chairman of the House Republican Conference ^{was} calling for some second thoughts about impeachment. Congressman Anderson of Illinois saying ^{while} the President's actions - were "ill-advised and precipitous." ~~Adding, however,~~ that Congressional response ^{should not} be. While Senator Gurney of Florida - also a member of the Senate Watergate Committee ^{was} stating flatly that impeachment proceedings - will not get far.

SIRICA FOLLOW REACTION

~~But~~ ^{Some think} the real key to the outcome ^{may rest} ~~perhaps~~ in the hands of Federal Judge John Sirica. It was Judge Sirica, you'll recall - who set the stage for the present controversy ^{by} ruling that he and he alone - was entitled to hear the President's tapes. And Cox notwithstanding, it is also Judge Sirica who now must either approve or disapprove - the President's suggested compromise.

The matter ^{is} expected to reach him officially - when court resumes tomorrow. How ~~he~~ ^{he} will rule? ~~we'll have to wait and see.~~ For what it's worth ~~though~~, an aide to the ^{was} Judge ^{that the Judge} saying today ~~he~~ is "disturbed over the turn of events."

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW SIRICA

Meanwhile, the President was ^{spending most of the day} ~~working quietly~~ in his

Oval Office - apparently confident ~~that~~ he can ride out the storm.

~~forever.~~ When questioned about impeachment - White House aides saying: "On what grounds?" Adding that the

President - clearly "has done nothing illegal."

One of the President's top advisers ^{was} ~~also~~ saying that he may address the nation in a day or two, to explain fully -

his Watergate decision. But for now ^{we hear} ~~said he~~ the

President is mainly interested - in bringing about a cease-

fire in the Middle East. ^{And this Presidential advisor} ~~And he~~ added: "I trust that in all the

flow of news on Watergate - the delicacy of this diplomatic

achievement will not be overlooked."

JUSTICE FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

~~And~~ now the latest: ~~a~~ statement from Acting Attorney General Robert Bork - officially confirming the selection of Henry Petersen as Cox's successor. Bork saying that Petersen will take "direct charge of the Watergate case - and all related matters." Adding that Petersen "will use the evidence and the staff already assembled, as well as other department personnel - to see that these cases are pressed to a conclusion and that justice is done."

SAN JUAN

After a week in and out of a coma - cellist Pablo Casals quietly passed away today in suburban San Juan, Puerto Rico. Cause of death - listed as "massive complications from a heart attack."

The great Don Pablo - one of the foremost musicians and conductors of the Twentieth Century - age ninety-six. But right to the end - determined to keep on living and continue his work. His creed perhaps best expressed in a recent interview - when he said: "I never rest - it's a waste of time."

NEW YORK

Here in New York - the start of a three-day conference of worldwide financial leaders. Keynote speaker - ~~Chairman~~ ^{Chairman} Richard Gerstenberg of General Motors; calling U.S. wage and price controls - "an idea whose time has come and gone."

Gerstenberg adding: "It is time to give our economy's built-in system of checks and balances - a chance to work again." "The longer we try to live with controls" - he continued - "the more difficult it may seem to drop them."

DANBURY

*The famed perpetrator of the Howard Hughes
autobiography hoax - is now serving time at Danbury,
Connecticut; from whence comes today - a prison interview.*

*Clifford Irving saying he "laughed - all the way
through" the preparation of the Hughes book. Adding if he
had got away with it - he would have laughed some more;
"because I would have seen" - said he - "for about the
thousandth time in my life - that the world and its
creatures and its pretenses were absurd."*

~~*He would have laughed, you might even say, till -
all the way to the bank.*~~

BIRMINGHAM

For the famed "Lone Eagle" - at Birmingham, Alabama - a National Distinguished Veterans Award; in response to which - he made one of his rare speeches.

Charles Lindbergh observing that man is - by nature, competitive. Adding that wars have proven - the natural "extremity of competition." Insisting, however, that unilateral disarmament - is not the key to peace. "We do not have to maintain an aggressive strength" - said he - "but, any enemy must know that we can absorb a surprise attack - and still strike back a greater blow than we were struck."

LONG ISLAND

The founding of an organization called Cops' Other Partners - or COP, for short - is reported today from New York's Long Island. Its prime purpose - that of opposing coed patrol cars; for professional - and personal reasons.

COP's initial membership - including one hundred and eighty-five policemen's wives, three mothers, and one mother-in-law.

MADRID

Europe's longest-ruling head of state and his wife ^{today} were celebrating ~~today~~ their Golden Wedding anniversary.

Generalissimo Franco and his ^{wife} ~~beloved~~ Carmen - attending a special mass in Madrid. Later, hosting a small reception for friends and government officials - at El Pardo Palace, where they have lived since Nineteen-Thirty-Nine.

Coincidentally, Spanish newspapers ^{were carrying} ~~just filled with~~ stories ~~of~~ telling how the couple was wed half-a-century ago.

Francisco Franco, at the time, a dashing young Army officer - but without means. His wife - the beautiful, young

daughter of ^a wealthy merchant ^{who} ~~they~~ opposed the union -

saying it wouldn't work. ~~But so far, it seems so good.~~ ^{In marrying Franco,}

~~she~~ she sure was big in the Spanish marriage lottery!