Friday, April 25, 1975

SAIGON

At Saigon another attempt today to form a new government. South Vietnam's President Tran Van Huong - meeting with Big Minh; attempting to arrange it so that General Minh can head a delegation to arrange a peace with Hanoi.

There are some still willing to fight to the end; among them, former Vice President Nguyen Cao Ky - who told a Catholic rally today: "Our backs are against the wall - we are fighting for our very survival; so, let the cowards go those who are leaving with the Americans and let those who love South Vietnam stay and fight. "

Here at home the Senate today approved

a compromise bill ~ providing for more than three

hundred million in humanitarian aid to Vietnam; and,

at the same time , also urging the President to evacuate

all Americans forth-with.

But The House was not in session today; r

and any So action there is to be delayed at least

Until till next Tuesday.

And now —

In a special message to congress - President

Ford today requested a five year extension - of the

present general revenue sharing program.   The President

noting that revenue sharing, as originally instituted

by ~~Richard~~ Pres. Nixon - has proved "a resounding success";

over the past three years - returning about nineteen

billion in federal taxes to states and local communities.

The President, ~~later travelling to~~ at Yale ~~University where he's making~~ will make tonight a tough-law and order speech - calling for speedier trials - more judges and prosecutors and mandatory ~~a~~ jail sentences for "~~virtually~~ all ~~of those~~ convicted of violent crime."

OKLAHOMA CITY

Former Governor Hall of Oklahoma ~~at~~ today was

sentenced ~~today~~ to three years in prison. ~~, This~~ He had been

~~at a brief hearing in Oklahoma City - where he was~~

convicted earlier of taking part in an inter-state

bribery and conspiracy scheme. ~~But~~ His co-defendant

W W "Doc" Taylor of Dallas - getting only eighteen

months.

More than a hundred of the world's richest and ~socalled~ wisest men, ~from both public and private life - were gathered~ were today at Cesme, Turkey; ~there~ to discussing world problems, such as inflation, ~and~ the Middle East - ~at~ and so on. This is the twenty-second annual Bilberberg conference; ~so~ named for the Dutch Hotel ~-s~ in which it was originally held.

American delegates ~by the way,~ including ~banker~ David Rockefeller, World Bank President Robert McNamara, - White House aide Donald Rumsfeld - ~as~ assistant Secretary of State Arthur Hartman - and former ~Under~ Under Secretary of State George Ball.

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VENICE MILAN

At Venice, the lace-like marble facades of

historic buildings on the canals are slowly being eaten away

by fumes from nearby chemical plants.

But Vatican art experts tell of a new aluminum

based substance that applied to bricks, mortar or stone,

gives them a transparent but steel hard coating. So maybe

this may solve the problem.

ZVYOZDNI GORODOK

At Zvyózâni Goródok in the Soviet Union -

U S and Russian spacemen today completed their

joint training - for their joint space ~~so~~ flight three

months hence. ~~They also hold~~ *Also at* a joint news conference -

They were all speaking in both Russian and English. ~~The latter~~

~~somewhat influenced, however, by the fact that U S~~

causing astronaut Tom Stafford was born in Oklahoma. ~~~~

Russian cosmonaut Alexei Leonov ~~~~ ~~observing~~

to say "I now speak three languages - Russian, English and

Oklahoman."

CONCORD

In the New Hampshire State legislature - a

hearing today on a bill to require brown paper wrappers - on

such magazines as Playboy, Penthouse and many more. This

as part of a drive to prevent the public display - of,

"indecent" pictures and articles.

Consideration of the bill was held up when copies

of the magazines were not there for examination. An aide to

the Governor had been expected to bring them along and ~~failed~~ to

do so, because said he: "My wife won't let me have them

around."

And now....

New York's famed master builder Robert Moes ~~s~~ *- the target of a number of* many *bitter attacks* ~~over the past year or so two, Now at last a response. This~~ *in a speech at Saratoga,* lashed out at ~~New York - where Moses tore into~~ *all critics;* ~~his own included,~~ Said he "Critics ~~"the critics" - said he -~~ "are ~~the~~ Eunuchs" ~~of the world - "~~who know how it should be done, but not how to do it."