

Fri. Nov. 30 '73

From the Pentagon ~~comes news today~~ ^{we hear we are}
~~that the U S is planning~~ to close a number of ~~the~~
 overseas military bases, ^{soon,} Defense secretary ~~James~~
 Schlesinger saying ~~that~~ some of these ~~bases~~ are
~~presently located~~ in western Europe, ^{and the idea} ~~Adding that this~~
^{will be}
~~is part of a move,~~ - to consolidate our overseas
 forces wherever possible.

The Defense Sec's
~~Schlesinger's~~ announcement ^{is} coming just
 prior to his departure for a Nato meeting, in Europe.

The defense secretary going on to note that the
^{as he termed it -}
 "stale millpond" of Nato ^{has} "has been stirred up"
 by the Middle East crisis. ^{He says} ~~Saying saying~~ he intends
 to seek a strengthened alliance - by means of a
 greater European contribution.

At the same time - ^{we are to} ~~a new policy of~~
^{our} ~~increasing the U S~~ naval ^{strength} ~~presence~~ in the Indian Ocean.

Where the Defense Sec says
~~Schlesinger saying~~

"We are well aware of the

~~in~~ enhanced interest that pertains to the Indian Ocean-

as a result of events that have occurred over the past

four weeks.

Adding that - "our visits" ^{to those seas} ~~to those seas~~

"will be more regular."

NEW DELHI

For Leonid Brezhnev - it was farewell today to New Delhi. The Russian leader flying ~~back~~ home ^{his} after [^] week long talks with ~~Indira~~ Madame Gandhi.


In the wake of Brezhnev's departure came a joint statement in which the U S figured prominently.

Madame Gandhi saying she welcomed the new detente - between the U S and Russia. Calling this an important step - toward the relaxation of tensions right around the globe.

^{Surendra Pal Singh}
India's Foreign Minister [^] also welcomed today a statement by ^{Sec. of State} ~~Henry~~ Kissinger - saying the U S will not be hurt by improved Indo-Russian relations. Surendra Pal Singh adding that the U S and India are once again learning to live together - "on the basis of equality, reciprocity and mutual interest."

WHITE HOUSE

~~The White House~~ President Nixon met *again*
today with his top energy advisors, ⁱⁿ an attempt to
develop ways and means - of ~~better~~ meeting the
present energy crisis.



WASHINGTON

Elsewhere in Washington - Eagle
Egil Bud

Crowg

Krogh was pleading guilty ~~today~~ to a one-count

civil rights violation. ~~Also~~ This a reduced charge -

in connection with the break-in at ~~Daniel~~ Ellsbergs

psychiatrist's office. The former head of the White

House ^{Pl} Plumbers unit ⁷¹ - now expected to turn state's

evidence.

CAIRO

In the ~~the~~ Middle East - an announcement
today that Egypt is reconsidering - whether to
attend that Geneva Peace Conference. Cairo giving
as its main reason - the breakdown of cease-fire
talks on the Cairo ~~the~~ Suez Road. Egypt's semi-
official newspaper Al Ahram also saying: "Egypt
will not ~~hesitate~~ hesitate to resume the war - ~~as~~ if
its procrastination."
Israel is allowed to continue with ~~its procrastination~~

JERUSALEM FOLLOW CAIRO

~~With~~ In Jerusalem - Israeli Prime Minister

Golda Meir was meeting with American Jewish leaders.

Madame Meir saying the Arabs have imposed "impossible conditions" - but Israel will go to Geneva anyway.

Adding that she, too, was concerned - about a possible

resumption of fighting. ^{Said} ~~By~~ The Lady Premier, ~~saying~~:

"I don't know - I hope not."

GREAT BITTER LAKE FOLLOW ~~TEL AVIV~~ JERUSALEM

~~And now the latest:~~ Egyptian and Israeli
troops ^{did} ~~staging~~ a brief clash today - on the west
bank of the Suez. Tel Aviv saying the Egyptians were
attempting to advance to new positions - in the vicinity
of the great bitter lake. Adding ^{that} ~~however~~ the
drive was quickly repulsed - by an Israeli counter
attack.

EARTH ORBIT

~~High above the earth -~~ America's Sky Lab

Three was re-positioned today for another photo sweep. The initial maneuver - plus return to normal - using up only eleven percent more gas than allotted; so another problem - apparently solved. Astronaut observing Ed Gibson ~~announces~~ that - "someone's done ~~the~~ their ~~homework~~ homework down there."

PORT ~~MOES~~ MORESBY

At Port Moresby - the first step in the birth of a new nation. Papua, New Guinea assuming the responsibility for its own internal affairs - as of Saturday morning, local time; if all goes well - a move expected to lead to full ~~complete~~ independence from Australia by next spring.

The new government of Papua, New Guinea is apparently determined what's more - that all will go well. In order to make sure - banning the sale or public consumption of alcohol for three days. Also, closing all hotels, restaurants and private clubs - till the middle of next week. Further, telling the country's two and a half million residents - to stay in their homes, if at all possible, at least

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till ~~the~~ Monday. Indeed, the only formality connected with the change-over; the swearing in of Michael ~~de~~ Somare, age thirty-seven, the son of a native policeman -- as Papua New Guinea's new High Commissioner. In the words of at least one ~~man~~ observer - a singularly unexciting transition.

TEDDY

The twelve year old son of Senator Edward

Kennedy was released from the Washington hospital today - thirteen days after the amputation of his right leg. Young Teddy - appearing in excellent spirits - with the help of crutches - walking unaided to his father's car. Senator Kennedy bringing along his son's most prized possession - which the youngster later displayed to newsmen; a football - autographed by the whole Washington Redskins football team.

CHICAGO

Chicago - the final session of the Four H
national congress; marked by the presentation of
Four H Presidential awards - on behalf of the White
House.

The winners - six in all; including a
brother and a sister - Doug and Marlene Most, of
Littleton, Colorado. Also, Kathy Machowski of
Richmond, Michigan;- Fred Gurley of Jefferson,
Georgia; Charles Rivara of Ribpon, California; and
Carol Byrd of Merritt ~~Island~~ Island, Florida; the finest
in the land - ^{for} ~~in Four H~~ achievement, citizenship,
and leadership.

OSLO

From Oslo - an announcement today that

Dr.
~~Henry~~ Kissinger will establish a scholarship fund -

with the money he ~~receives~~ receives as co --winner

of the Nineteen Seventy Three Nobel Peace Prize.

The new "Kissinger scholarship fund" - to help

educate the children of American service men killed

or missing in Indo China.

LEAVENWORTH

Once again

~~Here's one~~ murder in the "big house."

The story ^{this time} coming today - from Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary, where an inmate by the name of Ray Drake, age fifty of Tulsa - was killed earlier this month by a fire bomb hurled into his cell.

Officials adding - there has been no indictment indictment as yet; but ~~a suspect~~ a fellow prisoner is being held. A prison spokesman saying: "It was possibly a contract job" = the work of a hired killer. Drake apparently suspected of being an informer - or at least ~~too~~ too friendly with prison authorities.

UKRAINE

6/2 The story of a Russian sleeping beauty -
is reported today from the Soviet Ukraine. Her name
-- Nadezhda Lebedin. Doctors saying she first
took ill - back in Nineteen Fifty-two; later lapsing
into a deep sleep - that lasted more than twenty years.

Finally ~~begin~~ beginning to come around just a few
months ago. Doctors adding - she ^{can} ~~could~~ see -
she can talk, and she's now relearning to walk.

A case - said to be "extremely rare." ~~You better~~

7 ~~believe it.~~ That from the Ukraine ^{- Bill} ~~from~~
Minsk - or was it Pinsk?

ALIMONY

Chicago again - a small ~~measure~~ measure of Christmas cheer - for men serving maximum six month sentences for failure to pay alimony - or child support. Judge Robert ~~Hunter~~ Hunter ruling that such men shall be given their temporary freedom - to spend Christmas with ~~their~~ their families. ~~This~~ ^{This} ~~we are told~~ in the ~~the~~ hope "they will absorb some of the Christmas spirit and mend their ways."

+ Men