

KEY BISCA YNE

Fri. Oct. 9 - '70.

From the Florida White House at Key Biscayne
- a special Presidential phone call today to F B I director
J. Edgar Hoover. President Nixon ordering an immediate
investigation - into those three west coast ~~xxx~~ bombings
of yesterday.

The President ~~xxx~~ also pledging vigorous
enforcement of his own anti-bombing bill - which is now
nearing congressional approval. The west coast blasts
- said the White House - only serving as "further evidence
of the need for speedy congressional action.

RAVENNA

At Ravenna, Ohio - a special grand jury today completed its investigation - into the killing of those four students at nearby Kent State University. A spokesman later saying the Grand Jury would issue a ~~progress~~ report, ~~as of~~ next Tuesday. ^{with} ~~And he added that~~ indictments ~~would~~ ~~be~~ returned and ~~arrested~~ arrests made - probably later in the week.

~~For what's what it's worth though - local sources~~

We hear none ~~reporting those~~ indicted & will ^{be} ~~include none of the Ohio~~

National Guardsmen, ~~who fired the fatal bullets,~~ which

means, if true, the Grand Jury apparently holding radical ^{or outsiders} students ^χ almost wholly to blame.

CAIRO

From Radio Cairo - a defiant statement today; asserting that Egypt has no intention of removing those disputed missile sites - which it now maintains in the Suez Canal cease fire zone. Adding that if the missile sites were moved - it would be forward only ; thus to serve - quote - "the holy objective of liberating occupied territory."

This coming in the wake of a report from Beirut - that Nasser himself had decided to remove the missile sites just a week before his ~~ad~~ death. The report adds, however, that Nasser was finally forced to change his mind - under pressure from a number of young army officers.

STATE

For Secretary of State William Rogers - a rare press ~~xxxx~~ conference today; including a critical look at Soviet actions - in the Middle East, and ~~also~~ the Caribbean. Rogers asserting the Soviets have raised "very serious questions - about their intentions" in these areas; which, in turn, raises grave doubt, said he - about the good faith of the Soviets in abiding by any agreement on world problems.

SAN ANTONIO

Defense Secretary ~~Melvin~~ Laird - ~~on tour~~ today
at San Antonio, ~~where he said that~~ Russia "has already
forged ahead of the U S - in total numbers of strategic
land-based missiles."

Adding that Russia ^{may} ~~might~~ also exceed the U S
in numbers of missile firing nuclear submarines ~~perhaps~~
~~as early as~~ ^{by} nineteen Seventy Four. However he did

~~Laird did not call, however, repeat dash - did~~
not call for any speed-up in U S missile development. ^{He}
^{simply said}
~~Rather the Secretary observing~~ that President Nixon has
set as his main goal - "a transition from war to peace."

PENTAGON

~~Back~~ at the Pentagon - Deputy Defense Secretary David Packard ~~front and center~~ today, ~~with a prediction~~^{ed} that North Vietnam - will accept President Nixon's^S new peace ~~offer~~ offer; ~~will accept it~~^{This}, said he - because, quite simply, it's the best ~~that~~ Hanoi can expect under the present circumstances.

Packard observing that the Communists "can continue to conduct guerrilla warfare - to shoot up schools and that kind of activity; but ~~that~~^{it's} about all they can do," said he. Adding that the Communists are now clearly "losing ground." And, "will continue to lose ground in South Vietnam and, in the long run, in Cambodia."

INDO CHINA FOLLOW PENTAGON

~~Half a world away~~ - In Saigon - South Vietnam's
President Thieu ^{was} ~~echoing~~ ^{the} Packard's remarks, ^{saying} ~~asserting~~
the Communists have no more reason to continue to be
stubborn and not to talk seriously - if they really want
peace.

Meanwhile, the fighting continues - mainly in
Cambodia where a strong force of Communists - again
struck a Cambodian column about fifty miles north of
Phnom Penh. Enemy troops battling their way into the
village of Tang Kauk, which was also the scene of heavy
fighting last month. Same as then, the Communists ~~to~~
setting up defense positions - on the grounds of a Buddhist
pagoda in the center of town; a pagoda the Cambodians
themselves - have declared off limits to air attack.

LAPA Z

Bolivia's new leftist strong man - General

Juan Jose Torres - under increasing pressure today in

La Paz, with ~~a growing force of~~ potential counter-
~~revolutionary~~ ^{Torres} demanding the ~~formation~~ ^{just} of an
"authentically nationalist government of high moral
sensibilities."

Upshot: General Torres finally ^{ed} announcing today -
the formation of a ~~new~~ seventeen man cabinet to help him
run the country. ~~He members~~ Including six generals -
in key positions; ~~but also~~ ^{and} a number of ~~powerful~~ labor
leaders - as well as three holdovers from the ~~previous~~
regime of ousted President Ovando.

MacMillan

Recently when I was off on a trip to Alaska and to the islands in ~~the~~ mid-Pacific an old friend ~~of mine~~ departed ~~on his final journey~~, to join fellow explorers in the next world. At the time I didn't even know of it; and even though it happened a month ago I still want to pay tribute to one of the finest men I ever knew, Admiral Donald MacMillan, last survivor of the Peary expedition, the one that finally got to the North Pole.

Admiral "Mac" led thirty expeditions to the far North, and died at age ninety-five, one of the most admired men of his time.

He is survived by a ~~much~~ ^{vigorous} young widow, Miriam, who also has made many journeys to the Arctic. ^{And} she's an amazing speaker. An evening with her is an evening of excitement, high adventure - and laughter.

The New York Times in its salute to MacMillan mentioned that he personally finally made it all the way

to the North Pole when he flew there ^{in '57} with Sir Hubert
Wilkins, Peter Freuchen and Colonel Bernt Balchen.

Actually it was an aerial expedition organised by my son,

the Alaskan Lowell who has been involved in Alaskan and

Arctic expeditions since Nineteen Forty, over a period

of thirty years. In fact, MacMillan, Wilkins, Balchen,

Lowell and I, dropped a wreath ^{right} at the Pole in memory of

Peary and all the others who had attempted to reach the

Ultimate North, some four hundred of whom lost their lives ^{and}
of course didn't get there!

Admiral Donald MacMillan, one of the giants of
his era.

TREASURY

~~Here's one - a move that could mean - no more~~
~~pay checks for government employees. This by virtue of~~
~~a plan announced today by~~ Treasury Secretary David
Kennedy ^{announces} a plan providing ^{for} payroll funds ^{to} ~~be~~
credited, henceforth - directly to the bank account of
each, ~~individual~~ employee, ^{with large} ~~Kennedy estimating potential~~
savings - in paper work - and distribution costs, - ~~about~~
~~seventy-two thousand a year. Adding that it might be~~
^{He suggests} ~~a good idea - if~~ private business ~~would~~ also adopt this
practice. ~~And so,~~ another step - toward the long predicted
"cashless" society? ^{Warren} Can you & your bride
do without cash, Warren?

JERUSALEM FOLLOW CAIRO

~~Reverse side the Israeli~~ ^{Israeli faithful} ^{beginning at} ~~beginning~~ sundown
^{begin} tonight ^{that is, all} their annual observance of Yom Kippur; except
~~for~~ front line troops. - A day devoted ~~is entirely~~ to fasting,
prayer, self evaluation and repentance.

Israeli Premier Golda Meir = in a Yom Kippur
message - telling her people that "peace will come -
because it is vital to our neighbors not less than to
ourselves." "And when it comes" - said she - "enormous
reserves will be released for the advancement of our region."
~~regions region~~

— She seems to foresee a golden future
for the Near East - when real peace comes,
the peace all Americans hope for — and
a-l- Monday.