

Monday, August 6, 1973

EARTH ORBIT

For two of America's Sky Lab Two astronauts - a walk in the sun today - in the black void of space. Rookie spaceman Owen Garriott and Jack Lousma - raising a new sun shade atop their huge space station - re-loading film - in their sun-watching telescopes; and checking the sky lab and their own Apollo shuttle craft - in hopes of pin pointing the causes of various and sundry problems. The worst of these - now a cooling system leak in the Sky Lab itself - one that could shorten their mission - and possibly force a revision in plans for Sky Lab Three.

WATERGATE

again
~~In the Senate Watergate Hearings~~ - L Patrick

on hand once more. The
Gray ~~was again the man in the hot seat today. The~~

ex-F B I chief, ex-navy captain saying at one point:

"In the service of my country, I withstood hours and hours of depth charging, shelling, bombing, - but I never expected to run into a Watergate; and, I ran into a buzz-saw - obviously."

Gray also retelling how ~~how~~ he burned those secret Hunt papers - ~~supposedly~~ supposedly at the request of Joh. Dean and John Erhlichman. I had to believe they were acting for the President - said he. I made that assumption. ~~But~~ But in fairness and decency and honesty - he continued - "I've got to say I just can't testify under oath ~~no~~ that the President ordered them to do this." He added what's more that had he asked for a written order - he didn't think he "would have gotten that order."

WHITE HOUSE

The White House - President Nixon signed into law today a new three year extension of the federal law enforcement assistance administration - thereby providing as he put it - "the opportunity and the money - everything we need" - to assist state and local communities ~~with~~ strengthening their law enforcement operations.

The President also noting that crime ~~was~~ was down - about three percent last year; the first such decrease - in fifteen years. Adding: "This is a program we're all proud of - and it's done the job."

PANTS FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

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Incidentally, the President appearing completely relaxed -- through all ~~stages~~ of this; so ~~much~~ much so that he even took note of the fact that U P I reporter Helen Thomas - was wearing pants instead of a dress. "Reminds me of China" - said the President. Then asking: "Do you ~~not~~ prefer them - actually?" Miss Thomas for her part - said to be "somewhat abashed." She managed to tell the President, however, that Chinese women are moving more toward western dress. The President replying by saying: "This is not said in an uncomplimentary way - but slacks can do something for some people and ^{for} some it can't." He added quickly: "I think you do very well - turn around." She did - to roars of good natured laughter.

BAR

Elsewhere in Washington - a meeting of the American Bar Association; hearing today a "state of the judiciary" message - from Chief Justice Warren ~~and~~ Burger; who urged among other things - more judges at higher salaries - a nationwide redistricting of the courts, for more efficiency - and the creation of a so-called "mini court" to help ease the Supreme Court burden. Justice Burger also noting that last year for the first time in twelve years - the courts disposed of slightly more cases than were filed.

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- Nevertheless claiming that the courts are still being inundated - by appeals of every kind. This - in spite of attempted "screening" procedures. "It may be" said he - "that the time has come to ~~and~~ consider - whether some other alternative is available; as, for example, a procedure - requiring a litigant to secure leave to appeal.

WASHINGTON FOLLOW BAR

The A B A again - a young lawyer's section;
with the main speaker -- chairman Lewis Engman of
the Federal Trade Commission, ^{who was} urging the development
of a volunteer TV code - to govern advertising directed
at young children.

Engman going on to say that ~~such a~~ ^{the} code ⁴
should cover items such as ~~them~~ : soft drinks, candy
and snacks, many of which have little nutritional value;
also the use of premiums and contests ~~to~~ to create
artificial demand; as well as ads that encourage
children - to ask their parents to buy a certain
product.

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Engman adding that if T V continues to
~~deceive~~ "deceive" our children - if it promotes the sale
of dangerous toys or other products - if it fosters
dietary habits - which endanger their health then it
will soon find itself circumscribed by legal restrictions."

MUNCY

"Love is where you find it" - so the saying goes. Herewith, the story of two convicted killers -- who found love at Pennsylvania's Muncy State Correctional institution for women. The pair in question - both serving ~~life~~ life sentences. Mrs. Susan Feldman - the divorced mother of three [^] for killing her boy friend. Frank Zaffina - a life-long bachelor [^] for a killing that occurred during a robbery. Getting to know each other when a group of male prisoners was assigned to Muncy - to help out with some of the heavy work.

The good news coming to light with a commutation of ~~his~~ Zaffina's sentence. He'll now be eligible for parole in Nineteen Seventy-Four. Mrs. Feldman hoping that she ^{also} ~~too~~ will be eligible for parole, ~~about then~~. The couple today announcing plans to wed - just as soon as they get out.

ATHENS

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At Athens - an indication today that the government of Greece - may be cracking down at last on Arab terrorists. Government officials saying they plan to prosecute the two black September guerrillas who ~~passed~~ yesterday shot up the Athens airport. ~~The shot~~ This in marked contrast to a number of previous incidents - wherein terrorists were simply expelled to Arab ~~and~~ countries.

DASHANUBE

The newest teen-age rage -- at Dashanube in Soviet Tajikistan, western ~~ny~~ style tee-shirts; especially those - stencilled with images of the Statue of Liberty and the Beatles. A local Communist party newspaper noting today that Dashanube is being "literally invaded" by youngsters wearing such tee-shirts. Next question: "Where are they all coming from?" And the answer - we are told - a local dress factory, where an employee is said to have set up a thriving side business - stencilling tee-shirts at three rubles, or roughly four bucks - apiece. The party newspaper demanding to know: Is The situation at the dress factory really so bad - that they have to cater to bad taste?"

MARBELLA

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Dead today at Marbella, Spain - Fulgencio
Batista; the former Cuban dictator - who was ~~no~~ over-
thrown fourteen years ago by Fidel Castro; Batista
since living in Spain - on funds that he ~~was~~ earlier
spirited abroad. Now the victim - of "an apparent
heart-attack".

Fulgencio Batista - age seventy-two.

HOLLYWOOD

From Hollywood an epitaph for film hero

John Wayne. ^{one} He picked ~~it~~ himself. A Mexican expression that goes "Feo, fuerte y formal." And what does it mean? "Well, it means" says John Wayne - "he was ugly, he was tough! - but he had dignity!"

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STOCKTON

The wisdom of Solomon - is the ~~subject~~ subject of this next from Stockton, California. Mrs. Johnnie Lee Fegion - filing a divorce action against her husband Solomon. Mrs. Fegion voicing a rather common complaint - ~~about~~ charging that Solomon "chases girls". If true though - a rather neat trick ^{for} He's a hundred and three.

All of which - calls to mind my good friend Harry Hershfield - age eighty-seven; who says ^{Bill} that he, too - still chases girls. ^{same as with me -} The only trouble - he can't remember what for.

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PHILADELPHIA

A story of man's best friend - is reported today from West Philadelphia, where a blind man by the name of Louis Prather - had just ~~out~~ cashed his monthly pension checks ; walking home with his Seeing Eye dog - Tim - when suddenly he was struck over the head and robbed of everything.

Ah, but police were quickly called - and Tim though a German shepherd making like a blood hound; leading the authorities - straight to a ~~his~~ nearby home, Where they ~~as~~ arrested one Jerome Hinton, age twenty; also, recovering all but ten dollars of Prather's money. For Tim, the Seeing Eye turned private eye! - mark it - "case closed!"