

Monday, July 30, 1973

LONDON

From London comes an announcement that the Caribbean island of Granada - will soon be granted full independence. The date? February Seventh, barely six months hence. So agreed in talks last week - between the British Foreign Office - and Granada's Premier Eric Gairy.

THALIDOMIDE

London again - the final approval of Britain's long pending Thalidomide case. The British High Court, approving a payment of fifty-two million [#]-- to the parents of more than four hundred thalidomide crippled children. Thereby sealing - in the words of one attorney -- "one of the greatest tragedies of our time."

EMISSIONS

The nation's big three auto makers today were given an additional year = in which to meet new auto emission 'control standards. This by order of

~~Robert Felt~~ ^{the} acting administrator of the U S

Environmental Protection agency. The new standards now to take effect with the introduction of Nineteen

Seventy-Seven model cars. ^{We are told} ~~Felt saying~~ the extension

will not post "a significant problem" - ~~is~~ with regard

to air quality; and will make sure - that the proper

~~Utahokok~~ "technology is available."

MURUROA ATOLL

French newspapers were speculating today that France's second nuclear test in the South Pacific last week - may ~~no~~ have been a dud. This based on reports from the New ~~Zealand~~ Zealand protest Frigate Canterbury -- which is stationed off Mururoa atoll. Officials saying the Saturday explosion -- produced none of the characteristic flash and mushroom cloud. Indeed, the Canterbury reporting today that resulting radio activity was no insignificant - it could be measured only by ultra-sensitive equipment.

WHITLAM

Australia's new Prime Minister - was a visitor today at the White House. Gough Whitlam conferring for two hours with Henry Kissinger - and then meeting with the President.

In a later Washington speech - the P M attempting to soften his earlier criticism of the U S. Saying that Australia seeks to broaden its international influence -- but still keeping ^{its} ~~its~~ friendship with the U S. "We seek ^{new} ~~no~~ relationships - ^{but do} ~~we~~ not seek them at the expense of old, firm ones" - said he. Adding that "we should explore constructively the wide areas of agreement which unite us - rather than seek to emphasize those few matters on which we are divided."

TANAKA

Japan's Prime Minister Tanaka - was also a guest today in Washington. Staying at Blair House the President's official guest house - across from the White House. Tanaka spending a so-called "private day" - in preparation for his second meeting with the President in less than a year.

EARTH ORBIT

In the flight of America's sky lab - two, the astronauts ~~the~~ queasiness continues. Rookie

Jack ~~astronaut~~ Lousma, in particular - said to be "not up to par, and has been feeling ~~very much~~" and so he was instructed to take - another anti-nausea pill.

Mission commander Alan Bean later observing that he and his crew - ~~were~~ ^{are as he put it -} "not ~~be~~ working as fast as we'd like;" ~~at least, not till they~~ ^{However they soon hope to} acclimate themselves ~~to~~ ^{to} the weightlessness of space. ~~Meanwhile~~ ^{their} first three scheduled space walks ~~are~~ ^{have been} ~~already~~ postponed from Tuesday to ~~Wednesday~~ ^{Thurs, or Fri.}

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WHITE HOUSE

~~The White House~~ suggested compromise
with regard to the ^f~~se~~ disputed Presidential tapes -
has been turned down flat. As you perhaps know -
Senators Ervin and Baker suggesting ~~that~~ they -
along with special Watergate, prosecutor Archibald
Cox - should be allowed to listen to the tapes privately.
However, the White House ^{today} replying ~~today~~ in effect,
"no way".

Deputy Press Secretary Gerald Warren
saying: "The President has made his position clear
on this matter." ~~When pressed for additional comment,~~
~~saying: "I have nothing further to say."~~

WATERGATE

Is the Watergate Committee weary?
In the Senate ~~Watergate~~ hearings-- a brief

delay today for a special executive session. Committee chairman Sam Ervin and Vice Chairman Howard Baker - both urging a speedy conclusion to the ~~present~~ present phase one investigation. Over-ruled, ~~by~~ their colleagues-

~~to~~ then scheduled seven more witnesses. *This was* ~~the resumption~~
followed by ~~the~~ *the* resumption of open hearings - perhaps the most heated and bitter yet.

With John ~~De~~ Ehrlichman again in the ~~role~~
there was
witness chair *an* immediate dispute over a legal technicality. Senator Ervin finally saying that whatever the legal precedent - he questioned the "wisdom" of ~~certain~~ certain of the President's actions. Senator Baker quickly noting that wisdom or not - it was up to the full committee to decide. And so it continued - including a verbal clash between chief counsel Sam Dash and ~~minority~~ *minority* counsel Fred Thompson. To the point where ~~Sam~~ *Sam* Baker said "I ~~do~~ think what we're going through

*right now - is evidence that this committee is in fact
tired."*

ADD WATERGATE

When Ehrlichman ^{left the stand -} ~~done at last~~ the next witness
was H R Haldeman, formerly the President's chief
of staff; who read at length - from a prepared statement.
"I have full confidence" - said he - "that when the
entire truth is ~~now~~ know it will be clear to the American
people that President Nixon had no knowledge of or
involvement in "- either the watergate break-in or the
subsequent cover-up. Haldeman adding, what's more -
neither ~~did~~ did he. !

WATERGATE

Haldeman also told of listening to two tape recordings that were made in President Nixon's White House office. These - said he - disputing John Dean's sworn testimony - that the President knew about the Watergate cover-up as early as last Fall.

REHOBOTH

In the Sunday edition of the New York Times -
an advertisement called "an appeal for ~~an~~ fairness"
in connection with the Watergate case. The ad charging
that news media have "ruthlessly exploited an already
serious condition - until it has exploded into a national
crisis." The author of said ad - it now turns out -

Rabbi Baruch Korff of Rehoboth, Mass.)

The head of the New England citizens committee,
which has quickly
~~that has~~ grown from eighteen to fifty members in
less than a week.

Rabbi Korff - a man who first gained fame
back in the Forties - for his work in rescuing Jews
from Nazi Germany. ~~citing as the basis for his~~
~~current endeavor ancient "Judaic law and ethics"~~
~~which says that "when you witness an injustice and~~
~~you do nothing to correct it - you are as guilty as the~~
~~perpetrator."~~

ALIMONY

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Here's one - the case of a British divorcee -
Mrs. Terrence Brady - age twenty-one! who went to
court - attempting to get an increase in her seven
dollar and thirty-five cent a week alimony. But what
she really got - was quite a shock.

Instead of increasing her alimony - a domestic
court judge cutting it back to a mere twenty-four cents
a week. The Judge observing; ^{Bill—} "In these days of womens
lib, there is no reason why a wife - whose marriage
has not lasted long and who has no child - should have
a ~~bread~~ bread ticket for life."

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LAKE BLUFF

At Lake Bluff, Illinois - the lady fights back. Mrs. Marie Schultz - age sixty-three -- the operator of a small moving business -- refusing to yield to teamster contract demands. Though she stands only five feet tall -- personally escorting her vans past angry pickets. Along the way - answering invective with invective.

"I'm a lady completely" - says Mrs. Schultz. "But if the union calls me an S O B - she ~~But~~ continued - "well, I guess I'll just have to be one."