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The new Miss U.S.A. - as you've doubtless heard by now - lovely Michele McDonald - an eighteen-year-old high school senior from Butler, Pennsylvania; who said, during the finals of the competition, that the one person in the world she would most like to meet and talk with - was President Nixon.

That wish - now fulfilled. At the President's

invitation - young Michele paying a call today at the Florida

White House. <sup>There</sup> For twenty minutes or so <sup>she</sup> discuss <sup>ed</sup> ~~ed~~ a

variety of matters; among them - the fact that she now has an

~~unusual~~ <sup>unusual</sup> opportunity for foreign travel. The President reportedly

telling Miss McDonald - to get to know the people in the lands

she visits. Which <sup>is not so</sup> ~~should be~~ difficult. - if you'll just go and meet them.

## CREDIBILITY FOLLOW KEY BISLAYNE

The Florida White House again - an attempt today to counter the effects of a poll - results of which were just published; a poll said to show a growing "credibility gap" - over ~~Administration~~ <sup>Administration</sup> conduct of the Vietnam war.

Not so - said the White House. Adding that the Administration - "is releasing complete, detailed information on our policy in Indochina." White House Press Secretary Ziegler further expressing confidence - that "the American people <sup>do</sup> understand the course of action the President is following <sup>to</sup> to bring the conflict in South ~~Vietnam~~ <sup>East Asia</sup> to a conclusion - to reduce the U.S. forces there."

## NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Connecticut - in the murder conspiracy trial of Black Panther leader Bobby Seale and his co-defendant Mrs. Ericka Huggins - a hung jury today. After six days of deliberations - the panel telling Judge Harold Mulvey it was "deadlocked on all nine charges." Adding - in writing: "We feel it is in vain - to continue deliberating." Whereupon the judge was left with no recourse <sup>except to</sup> ~~to~~ declare a mistrial.

Thus ends the longest and most expensive trial - in the history of Connecticut. State's Attorney Arnold Markle stressing, however <sup>that</sup> ~~that~~ there will be another trial - "absolutely." ~~on the~~ <sup>while</sup> ~~mean~~ the two defendants <sup>are</sup> ~~returned~~ ~~again~~ to jail - pending a bail hearing tomorrow.

# CHATTANOOGA

After three straight nights of violence - armed National Guard troops were patrolling the streets of Chattanooga today; Attempting to stem <sup>More</sup> a black <sup>violence</sup> ~~rampage~~ marked by twenty-nine firebombings, <sup>and</sup> a number of sniper attacks. <sup>There have been</sup> ~~also~~ some two-hundred-and-sixty arrests.

All this - apparently starting with a rock music festival; when the group billed <sup>to be featured in</sup> ~~as star of~~ the show - failed <sup>Says</sup> to appear. Chattanooga's first black councilman in modern times; ~~admitting though~~ "I just can't ~~really~~ figure it out."



## CAMRANH BAY

The big U.S. air base at Camranh Bay in South Vietnam <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ once considered the safest place in all the war zone. The place where they took all the V.I.P.'s - up to and including former President Johnson.

~~Nevertheless,~~ a band of Communist infiltrators -  
sneaking <sup>ed in there</sup> ~~ag their way in~~ today, <sup>and</sup> ~~Setting~~ off a series of explosions  
- in a sprawling supply dump, ~~Thereby~~ sending <sup>up</sup> in flames -  
nearby two million gallons of aviation fuel. <sup>No one injured.</sup> ~~The only saving~~  
~~grace. Almost miraculously - nobody hurt~~

NEW DELHI

In India's Assam State - over the weekend - an  
alleged cross-border shelling attack from nearby Pakistan ~~was~~  
followed today by a major speech, ~~from~~ India's Prime  
Minister Indira Gandhi, <sup>telling</sup> ~~who told~~ a packed Parliament - that  
the Pakistani Army was guilty of "wanton destruction;" adding  
that world powers - have so far ignored the situation; which  
means - said she - that "we shall be constrained to take all  
means necessary - to ensure our own security." Tonight we

~~At the same time, the Press Trust of India reporting~~

hear the <sup>on the</sup> Indian Army ~~troops in~~ Assam border, <sup>has been</sup> ~~areas - have now~~  
<sup>put</sup> ~~been placed~~ on full alert.

TOKYO

From Tokyo <sup>we hear</sup> ~~a report today~~ the U.S. is ~~officially~~ urging -  
a revaluation of the Japanese yen. This <sup>to</sup> ~~we are told - to~~  
help ease the U.S. balance of payments deficit; also, ~~to~~ help  
solve - the current international monetary crisis, <sup>that</sup>  
~~Japanese sources adding that the U.S. is stressing~~  
~~the value of the yen has remained unchanged since Nineteen~~  
~~Forty-Nine, further claiming that the yen~~ at its present  
exchange rate of three hundred and sixty to the dollar <sup>the yen</sup> ~~is~~  
grossly undervalued. All of which <sup>may mean</sup> ~~could~~ mean <sup>higher prices</sup>  
~~shortly~~ on all Japanese-made goods <sup>coming over here.</sup>

## JERUSALEM

~~This next~~ <sup>we hear</sup> From Jerusalem, ~~telling~~ of a kind of -  
reverse women's liberation movement; ~~with a growing number~~  
~~of young~~ Israeli girls - said to be ducking that country's  
universal military draft, ~~doing so~~ on the grounds that it  
violates their religious scruples.

As for the ~~man~~ <sup>man</sup> though - quite a different story.

Indeed, young Israeli males are not only accepting military  
conscription - we are told - but actually seeking it; as, for  
example, the case of one young man - with a bona fide  
physical disability - who carried his appeal all the way to the  
Ministry of Defense. In the end, convincing authorities there  
was no alternative - they just had to let him in.



## PANAMA CITY

At Panama City in the Republic of Panama - a

bizarre race today between two crowded buses; trying to see which could make it first - across a giant bridge over the entrance to the Panama Canal; ~~except that one~~ <sup>and failed to</sup> ~~never~~ make it.

~~at all.~~

The "losing" bus - smashing through guard rail;

plunging about a hundred and fifty feet - to the ground far

below. Of forty-three passengers - only five survivors; and

~~even these~~ ~~at last report~~ in critical condition.

~~Here at home again - death came today to former~~  
*the final chapter today.*

*For* Senator Dodd of Connecticut, *Thomas J. Dodd* - a one-time

FBI agent and later an attorney in the Justice Department;

building a reputation in the field of civil rights - that

eventually led to his appointment as chief prosecutor at the

Nuremburg war trials. This serving as the base for a

political career *just about* that ~~finally~~ fell apart when he was censured

by the Senate *Y* for allegedly converting to his own use - a

Hundred and Sixteen Thousand in campaign funds. ~~Now the~~

victim of an ~~apparent~~ heart attack - age sixty-four.

## ATLANTIC BEACH

*Coming next September at Atlantic Beach, Florida -*

*a pretty new "schoolmarm;" namely - Julie Nixon Eisenhower.*

*So announced today - by the White House. ~~Will~~ Julie to teach*

*a class of about thirty fourth-graders - while her husband,*

*David, <sup>will be at</sup> ~~is assigned to~~ the nearby Mayport Naval Station.*

## BRISBANE

For the first time ever - an Australian aboriginal<sup>es</sup>

has been elected to the Australian Federal Parliament.

Neville Bonner - age fifty-eight - winning a special election held in Brisbane; thereby qualifying to fill a recent vacancy

- in the Australian Senate, Australia's Upper House. For a

man the offspring of Stone Age parents - <sup>quite a</sup> ~~a great~~ leap forward,  
at least a 19,000 year leap, Don.



## POTATOES

*From the U.S. Food and Drug Administration - a ruling today that so-called "Idaho potatoes" can't really be Idaho potatoes - unless they come from Idaho. Also, that so-called "Louisiana hot sauce" can't really be such - unless it comes from Louisiana. This - in keeping with new "truth in packaging" regulations.*

*Ah, but what about "Swiss cheese" - that doesn't really come from Switzerland? Well, that's okay - says the FDA. Why so? Because it's "generally understood" - we are told - that Swiss cheese can come from almost anywhere, even Wisconsin!*