

Friday, June 8, 1973

ORLANDO

*First the commencement address at Florida Tech in Orlando, Florida. For a welcome change - President Nixon telling "what's right with America."*

*Number one - said he - peace in Vietnam and right around the globe; bringing with it an end to the draft and, hopefully, the first generation of peace in this century. The President further saying the nation's spirit is strong and its position as a world leader is secure; as witness - said he the P O W's who "came back standing straight - saluting the flag of the U.S.A. - and saying, 'God Bless America'."*

*The President also taking note - of America's present monetary and energy problems; but stressing that these are due to increased world demand - and not shrinking supplies. "People in the world are living better" - he continued; "they demand more - and it is good that they demand more!"*

*The problem now - he went on - "to produce more."*

*Adding: "When America has a problem we solve it - because we have the genius here that built America and made it the great nation we are today."*

*The President declaring, in short: "There is no country I would rather live in - than the United States; and no time I would rather be graduated from college - than right now."*

*COLUMBUS FOLLOW ORLANDO*

*Acting F B I Director William Ruckelshaus - was also making a commencement address today. This one - at Ohio State, where he called for a greater control - over the F B I and its director.*

*"There must be effective oversight of all F B I activities" said Ruckelshaus - "from both the executive and legislative branches of our government." This is necessary - he continued - to insure "a wise exercise of its power;" which is "too important" said he - "to leave to the judgement of one man."*

WHITE HOUSE

Back in Washington - <sup>we hear how</sup> ~~a report today on~~  
the President <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ planning speedy action - to curb  
run-away inflation. White House sources adding  
that phase four in the President's new economic  
program - could come as early as Monday; perhaps  
including a price freeze - and an increase in  
gasoline taxes.

All of this is seen as welcome news -  
in the money markets of western Europe. Too late  
to effect today's trading - the dollar today taking  
a beating; but ~~enough~~ we are told <sup>it</sup> that it could  
carry over into a rally next week.

## EARTH ORBIT

*For the men of Sky Lab One - a new U.S. space endurance record. Astronauts Pete Conrad, Paul Weitz, and Joe Kerwin - today completing a full fourteen days in earth orbit. Second now only to the three Soviet cosmonauts - who once made it twenty-four days. Also the astronauts giving up a scheduled day off - in order to catch up on experiments previously by-passed. The sky lab finally drawing full power - for the first time since it was launched.*

## PARIS

*In Paris - Henry Kissinger conferred for more than two hours today - with French Foreign Minister Michel Jobert. What they talked about - not disclosed. Observers noting, however, that France has been mentioned as a possible successor to Canada - on the international peace keeping mission in Vietnam.*

## WATERGATE

*The Watergate hearings were in recess today - but the case was still making headlines. Convicted Watergate conspirator James McCord - demanding today a full dismissal of the charges against him or else a new trial; on the grounds of "massive efforts to obstruct justice" including alleged perjury by former Republican campaign official Jeb Stuart Magruder.*

MOSCOW

Moscow - Armand Hammer strikes again.

The seventy-five year old head of Occidental

Petroleum along with chairman Howard Boyd of

El Paso Natural Gas - announcing today a tentative

~~gas~~ agreement to buy ten billion dollars worth of

Siberian Natural Gas; assuming <sup>of course</sup> official approval

by both sides. The biggest trade yet between the

U S and Russia. The gas in question - now at

Yakutsk in Soviet Siberia. To be delivered to

Valdivostok - by means of a two thousand mile pipeline

and then - shipped to the U S west coast. Armand

Hammer saying <sup>that</sup> in "about six years - Russian natural

gas will be cooking American steaks."



## **JERUSALEM**

*For Chancellor Willy Brandt of West Germany a ninety minute press conference today at Jerusalem. Brandt urging both sides in the mid-East conflict - to negotiate a peace agreement. Adding: "We are not called on to act as an intermediary - nor are we in a position to do so; but the German interest is clear - we want to see a peaceful solution."*

*Brandt also disclosed that Israeli Premier Golda Meir has accepted an invitation; Madame Meir to become the first Israeli head of government to visit West Germany - just as Brandt was the first West German head of government to visit Israel.*

## CHERRY GROVE

*If you're a father still searching for a novel vacation idea for this summer for you and your teen-age son or daughter - this next may be just the answer. It's a new wilderness exploration and adventure program - offered by The Woodlands and Whitewater Institute at Cherry Grove, West Virginia.*

*The courses there to last fifteen days each - with youngsters spending the first week under the guidance of experienced woodsmen. Here is the unusual part: They are then joined by their fathers for the last eight days. Young and old alike - sharing in the adventure of back-packing, rock climbing, cave exploring, trout fishing, canoeing and so on.*

*The man in charge of all this - an able young man by the name of Dan Taylor; who stresses how the purpose of these courses - is two-fold. "One" he says - "to help strengthen the relationship between father and child; and two, to make this the first step on a longer journey; the*

*subsequent steps being taken at home around the dinner table when they reminisce - and then most importantly, during weekends and short vacations, when they repeat these adventures in the wilderness together.*

*That - from Dan Taylor; the head of The New Woodlands and Whitewater Institute at Cherry Grove, West Virginia. A great idea!*

## NASSAU BAY

*What's it like being the wife of an astronaut? In some respects - it seems about the same as being the wife of a traveling salesman. For proof the following from Lee Kerwin, wife of Sky-Lab astronaut Joe Kerwin.*

*"Since Joe has been gone" - said Mrs. Kerwin - "the TV has gone out, so has the air conditioning; and now a tree in the front yard - has been struck by lightning with one big limb split and hovering over the house. And Joe isn't here to cut it down." Joe's up there in outer Space!*

*Mrs. Kerwin adding: "I'm delighted with the outcome of Joe's space walk - but I wish he would come walking up the street!!" Good old Joe out there in space and at home Mamma has big problems - Bill!*

## **POCATELLO**

*Pocatello - Idaho - a quick tabulation at City Hall.*

*Mayor Bill Roxkelley discovering he has already issued this year - two-thousand-three-hundred-and-twenty-eight proclamations; I wonder why so many? At any rate, he promptly made it two thousand, three-hundred-and-twenty-nine.*

*In this one Mayor Roxkelley of Pocatello saying: "I do hereby proclaim the week of June Eleventh as non-proclamation week! - so I can get some work done!"*

*And so long † until Monday!*