

Mon. July 8-74.

"The United States - versus Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States", ~~and~~ So began - today's historic proceedings. The Supreme Court hearing oral arguments on the question of "executive ~~privilege~~ privilege, especially ~~as~~ as it relates to ~~the~~ Watergate, ~~case~~

First - Special prosecutor Leon Jaworski accusing the President of defying ~~the~~ court orders in refusing to yield additional Watergate information; asserting that America's constitutional government - "is in serious jeopardy." Next - the President's lawyer James St. Clair accusing Jaworski of attempting to draw the High Court \leftarrow into impeachment proceedings; adding that the case "should be dismissed, - period!" And then Jaworski's assistant, young Philip Lacovara; accusing the President of engaging in a "criminal conspiracy - to obstruct justice."

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All three lawyers were also subject to intense questioning - but Jaworski perhaps the most.

Justice Douglas demanding a full explanation - of how and why the President was named an

unindicted co-conspirator." Chief Justice

Burger noting that the President in appealing his

case to the Supreme Court - was not defying the

law but actually complying with it. Justice Powell

further suggesting that a waiver of executive

privilege - could be mis-used by a "politically

motivated prosecutor" or grand jury.

No ruling so far.

~~As for the ruling - well, we'll just have~~

~~to wait and see,~~

WHITE HOUSE

Meanwhile, at the White House - an attempt today at business as usual. The President starting off his day - meeting with Vice President ~~Carter~~ Ford. The matters they discussed - said to have included "legislation and other topics."

EHRlichMAN

Former White House aide John Ehrlichman testified in his own behalf today - in the Ellsberg break-in trial. Ehrlichman admitting that he approved a "covert operation" aimed at obtaining Daniel Ellsberg's psychiatric file. Denying however, that he ever ~~authorized~~ authorized a break-in -- or even knew about it till later. Ehrlichman adding that, in fact, he was relieved of supervisory control over the White House "plumbers" ~~in~~ two months before the ^{burglary} ~~took place~~.

CONCORD FOLLOW INFLATION

~~in the same vein~~ This next from Concord, New Hampshire; where Congressman Cleveland, a Republican - was filing today for his Seventh term in The House. The Congressman noting that "government spending in excess of revenues - is a major contributing cause to inflation." Adding: "If the Congress just took a sabbatical for about two years - it might be the best thing that ever happened to this country."

NEW YORK

! A brief ten percent surcharge on imports ordered by President Nixon nearly three years ago - today was declared invalid. The U.S. customs court in New York - ruling the President had exceeded his Constitutional authority. Also, ordering the government to pay back - about five hundred million ~~to~~ collected from foreign firms. But this, too, ^{is} destined for further appeal - and eventually ^{will go to} the Supreme Court.

LONDON

For Henry Kissinger in London - a series of meetings today with top British officials; ^{This} an attempt to find ways of encouraging Arab investment in the West & to help fight inflation.

Dr. Kissinger - heading next for Madrid; where he plans to sign a mutual cooperation agreement [^] before flying home tomorrow night.

MUNICH FOLLOW LONDON

~~By the way,~~ Dr. Kissinger was ~~also~~ the

subject of a TV interview - shown today in Munich.

Some were saying

~~Agreeing that~~ a description of him as a mixture of

German systematism, French subtleness and American

energy - was, quote, "fundamentally true." Also,

~~conceding it's fairly common to have "a sort of~~

~~erotic relationship with power." But "whether it's~~

~~more so in my case than in others - I don't know"~~

~~said he.~~

SPACE

Russia's two Soyuz-Fourteen cosmonauts

- were still orbiting the earth today. After three days of weightlessness - working out with a "multi-purpose physical exercise stimulator;" attempting to relieve some muscle stiffness, - ~~and~~ apparently it worked. Mission Commander Yuri Artyukhin saying the cosmonauts performed their exercises "with pleasure."

TYRE

In the Middle East - Israeli forces tonight struck at three Lebanese ports; sinking about thirty boats - at ~~Leze~~ Tyre, Sidon, and Rasa-shakk. Israeli spokesmen saying the ~~ports~~ ports were being used as staging areas - for Arab ^{guerrilla} strikes [^] ~~into~~ into Israel.

BUENOS AIRES

the one time cabaret girl
The new President of Argentina, [^] *Maria Estella*

Peron, met today with top government officials for the first time since the death of her husband. Madam Maria Peron later announcing that Argentinian workers - will receive an extra half-months pay during the second half of July. This, in effect, a one time bonus - in lieu of requested pay increases; a means of paying workers more - while still maintaining officially, at least, a wage price freeze.

PAMPLONA

The famed "Running of the Bulls" at Pamplona, Spain - ended in serious injury today for four persons, including a young American. Douglas Grant, aged twenty-seven, of Baltimore - ~~getting~~ trampled when he fell in the path of the thundering herd; suffering two cracked ribs along with a lung injury & that will probably keep him hospitalized for ^{some time} ~~about a week~~ ^{Young} Grant later saying: "This is the first ~~time~~ - and last - run with the bulls - for me!"

now this mess -

MET

*From the Metropolitan Opera - an announcement
today telling of plans for a Spring tour of Japan.*

*The Met repertoire for the land of the Rising Sun -
to include Puccini's "LaBoheme," Bizet's "Carmen,"*

and Verdi's "LaTraviata." But ah, so? - no "Madam

Butterfly?" *Oh so! and a LUTM. This is L.T.*