

Fri. Apr. 16 - '76

*Good Friday in the Holy City was marked today by religious rights - attended by an estimated ten thousand pilgrims; many carrying large and heavy crosses - in the annual re-enactment of Christ's journey along the Via Dolorosa.*

*The Christians were mingling with Jews who were on their way to the Wailing Wall for their passover services. Israeli troops were on guard at intersections and on roof-tops to discourage any suggestion of trouble. But we hear it was a peaceful day in Jerusalem. No incidents.*

VATICAN FOLLOW HOLY LAND

At the Vatican, <sup>tonight,</sup> ~~in Rome~~ - Pope Paul also  
carried a cross, ~~tonight.~~ ~~This~~ in a torch-light  
procession from the Colosseum to the Palatine Hill  
- from ~~the~~ whence the Caesars once ruled Rome.

Earlier though, Good Friday notwithstanding -  
the Pope sending a special Vatican commission to  
Beirut ; his ~~the~~ second attempt in less than a year -  
to end the fighting ~~there~~ between Christians and  
Moslems.

And now this M —

WASHINGTON

Most of the presidential candidates were taking the day off ~~today~~ - but Jimmy Carter, ~~was~~ still going strong, <sup>was</sup> in Washington, urging universal and mandatory health insurance, to be financed by payroll deductions and general taxes.

At the same time, <sup>making the</sup> ~~a~~ charge that medicaid health care for the elderly has become "a national scandal." Carter say it's "being bilked of millions of dollars - by Charlatans."

~~For~~ Secretary of State Kissinger ~~a trip~~  
today <sup>at</sup> Phoenix, <sup>was</sup> ~~where he~~ <sup>ing</sup> urged Americans to  
reject election year attacks - on U S foreign policy.

~~Dr. Kissinger saying:~~ "Our greatest foreign policy  
<sup>"said he,</sup>  
need - "is to end our divisions and self denigration;"  
<sup>Then he added</sup>  
<sup>"</sup>so let us not delude ourselves with fairy tales of  
America being second best - and forever being taken  
in by wily foreigners".

Dr. Kissinger also warned of the possibility  
of ~~grave~~ grave damage to the western alliance if  
any of its members admit communists into government.  
The basic reality; said he - "is that our people  
will not accept the same close and confidential  
relationship with ~~western~~ western countries - where  
Communists have been granted a major share in  
government."

MINOT

At ~~Minot~~ flood threatened Minot, North  
Dakota - ~~an expression of cautious~~ <sup>a bit of</sup> optimism. The  
weather man saying the rain-swollen Souris River -  
is now expected to crest ~~at a foot~~ lower than originally  
expected. ~~Mayor~~ ~~Reiten~~ ~~saying~~ ~~the Mayor~~ ~~says~~ ~~they~~ ~~believe~~  
~~there's a~~ ~~need~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~very~~ ~~cautious~~ ~~-~~ ~~but~~ ~~we~~ ~~are~~  
~~reasonably~~ ~~confident~~ the dykes will hold.

GULF

The death toll in the sinking of ~~that~~<sup>2</sup> off-shore oil rig in the Gulf of Mexico - row set at thirteen. They ~~victims part~~<sup>were</sup> of a group of twenty - attempting to ~~escape~~ escape the rig in a ~~one~~ survival capsule ~~but it~~<sup>that</sup> over-turned ~~somehow~~ - quickly filling with water - seven getting out - swimming to nearby tugs; ~~but~~ the rest - trapped inside.

NEW DELHI

From a spokesman for Madame Gandhi - comes  
a pledge ~~today~~ that the Indian government will not  
seek a nationwide compulsory sterilization law - ~~that is, not~~  
"for the time being." Health minister Karan Singh ~~does~~  
~~praising however~~ those states which have already  
~~passed~~ <sup>voted</sup> compulsory sterilization, ~~laws, also,~~ urging  
the states to enforce such laws - "without a  
distinction of caste, creed or community." This  
an apparent slap at both Moslems and Christians -  
who have vigorously opposed compulsory sterilization.  
Singh saying: "If the future of the nation is to be  
secured - and the goal of removing poverty to be  
attained - the population problem must be given top  
national priority."

TOKYO

Japan's annual spring labor offensive -  
was off to a flying start today. More than eight  
hundred thousand government and public service  
employees walking off their jobs in demand <sup>ing</sup> of higher  
pay; <sup>and</sup> in so doing, ~~disrupting~~ disrupting mail and rail  
service - ~~throughout~~ throughout Japan.



VAIL

The weather across much of the nation was  
balmy and warm today - for the <sup>most part - except</sup> ~~second day in a row.~~  
~~But out west~~ <sup>far</sup> - a major snow storm <sup>in the West.</sup> ~~And for some~~ -  
~~it's still skiing season - among them~~ - Sweden's  
King Carl the Sixteenth Gustav <sup>was</sup> ~~who went~~ skiing ~~today~~  
at Vail where ~~always~~ there's still plenty of snow, <sup>with</sup> ~~and~~  
more expected <sup>to</sup> ~~over~~ night.

And now this

LONDON FOLLOW BERKELEY

~~in the same vein - Prince Charles on~~  
~~England~~

~~womens lib~~ in an ~~an~~ article published today in  
Prince Charles,  
Good Housekeeping. ~~The~~ heir to the British throne  
saying: "Those idiotic women who go around telling  
all the other women to ~~think~~ think the way they do =  
basically, I think, <sup>it's</sup> because they want to be men."  
~~or, to my mind, totally wrong~~ <sup>Prince</sup> ~~and~~ Charles  
adding that "a lot of women forget <sup>that</sup> bringing up  
children is one of the greatest responsibilities ~~to~~  
any woman can ~~so~~ have."

The twenty-seven year old prince also  
saying he would like to get married at around <sup>age</sup> thirty.  
~~But then~~ <sup>That is</sup> said he - "after one has seen a great  
deal of life - met a large number of girls - fallen  
in love every now and then - <sup>and</sup> ~~one~~ know's what's it's  
all about."

When he finds out - I hope he'll tell <sup>us!</sup> ~~me.~~

And now for CBS -