

**MONTREAL**

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Mike Wallace**

Montreal, Canada with it's population of more than a million - was a city practically wide open today; with many of its three thousand policemen - taking part in a demonstration demanding higher pay.

In the end - provincial policemen were called in to fill the gap. By then though - bandits had already robbed three banks; and city traffic - it was - to put it plainly - a mess.

## **EAST BERLIN**

**The sound of goose-stepping troops was heard today in Berlin - East Berlin! The hob-nailed boots of Communist soldiers, sailors and airmen - beating out a salute to the twentieth anniversary of the German Democratic Republic, a military parade - attended by East German Communist Party Chief Walter Ulbricht - also, Russia's Chairman Brezhnev.**

**Across the border in West Berlin - a prompt Allied protest; accusing the Soviets of violating the divided city's demilitarized status - in permitting such a display. Russia's response - just as prompt. Asserting that East Germany is a sovereign nation - that it can do as it pleases.**

## SOLOMON - MIG

*A Cuban pilot flew a stolen MIG-Seventeen back to Cuba today, ending an episode that has embarrassed the Pentagon - and pointed up a chink in this nation's electronic armor. That Russian-built plane, you'll recall, was flown - at little better than wave-top level - to Homestead Air Force Base in Florida on Sunday. The Cuban pilot was seeking asylum - and he landed his MIG within sight of the plane President Nixon was about to board for a return flight to Washington. The Cuban pilot flew his plane all the way from Cuba at altitudes of less than forty feet most of the way - and thus avoided detection. Today, in Washington, the Pentagon acknowledged limitations in detecting the approach of planes which fly at such low levels. Officially, the Pentagon plans no public review of its air-defense procedures, but reports coming from Washington indicate there will be plenty of private discussions in coming days.*

## **TURNER**

*The Army's former top policeman - is sticking to his guns. In testimony before a Senate subcommittee - Major General Carl Turner said, in effect, yes, I took several hundred guns confiscated by the Chicago and Kansas City police departments and then sold them. And General Turner - the former provo marshall - also admitted he never paid income tax on his gun-scale profits, which he estimates at Sixty-Eight-Hundred dollars for the past five years. He had now filed an amended return. Turner told Senator Abraham Ribicoff's subcommittee - the police chiefs in Chicago and Kansas City KNEW they were giving the weapons to him for his personal use. Those police chiefs will tell their side of the story to the subcommittee tomorrow.*



## WHITE HOUSE

*For weeks, if not months - Congressional Democrats have been calling Richard Nixon - a "do-nothing" President. Today - the President returned the compliment. He announced his plan to send a special message to Congress next week. A message, in effect, telling the Congress to stop the "foot-dragging" - and get busy on his legislative program.*

*The President's intentions were made public by House Republican Leader Gerald Ford and Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott - after a meeting at the White House. Scott cited draft reform, in particular - as the President's number one priority item; adding that the Chief Executive also intends to fight for his program - dealing with "the cities, crime, welfare, revenue sharing, postal reform" and so on. Both men asserted that "something must be done" - to break the present Congressional logjam.*

## ATLANTIC CITY

From Melvin Laird - an expression of hope today at Atlantic City. The Defense Secretary ~~telling~~ <sup>told</sup> an AFL-CIO <sup>that</sup> convention - the Nixon Administration is "on the path" to ending the war in Vietnam; that it will be ended, hopefully - "in the shortest possible time, <sup>or</sup> without abandoning our basic objective."

<sup>Laird -</sup>  
This - said ~~he~~ - by means of a dual approach; continuing ~~to~~ press for peace at Paris - while striving for increased "Vietnamization" of the war. He stressed, however, - <sup>that</sup> ~~the~~ plan must have the "support of a united people." Adding: "The enemy needs to know - that time is not on his side."

## MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East - Israeli jets hit hard today at Egyptian targets on the Gulf of Suez. Returning "an eye for ~~an~~ eye" - in the wake of that ~~massive~~ Egyptian air strike yesterday - against Israeli targets in the occupied Sinai. Israeli jets also hit ~~the~~ Jordan - in reprisal for Arab artillery attacks.

Earlier, Israeli Premier Golda Meir - returned home from her trip to Washington, ~~telling~~ *and told* her countrymen that President Nixon - "understands our problems." And he will "see to it" - she added - "that the ability of Israel to defend herself will not fall short."

## JERUSALEM

*In Jerusalem, Denis Michael Rohan pleaded guilty today to setting the fire that destroyed part of the Alaska Mosque in that city, last August.*

*Rohan said that he set the fire because it was the will of God - but he rejected the charge of desecration - and his attorney said that Rohan was not legally responsible because at the time of the fire, Rohan suffered from a mental disease which made him incapable of lucidity during his actions."*



## KENNEDY

*Treasury Secretary David Kennedy - conceded today the unemployment picture is probably going to get worse - before it gets better. Kennedy, in testimony before a joint House-Senate economic subcommittee, said the administration's anti-inflation fight is going to put more Americans out of work. But he refused to say just how many more jobless - the administration will tolerate. The Labor Department ~~re~~ reported a four percent unemployment rate for September - reflecting the biggest monthly gain or loss <sup>--</sup> in nine years. The treasury secretary tempered his outlook by promising the administration will strike for the lowest possible level of unemployment consistent with price stability.*

## PEKING

Russian and Red Chinese officials will be meeting again soon in Peking ~~in~~ in an effort to resolve the continuing Sino-Soviet border dispute. This, according to an announcement today - from Peking. Which further suggested that both sides withdraw their troops from disputed areas - until the situation is ~~finally~~ settled. The report added that Soviet Premier Kosygin's recent visit to Peking - ~~had~~ been instrumental in reopening negotiations.

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## MADRID

For the men of Apollo-Eleven - a tremendous welcome today in Madrid. Astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Mike Collins - receiving ~~ed~~ the plaudits of hundreds of thousands. The greatest outpouring of emotion - since former President Eisenhower visited Spain a decade ago.

Indeed, the astronauts were practically overrun by their admirers- during the laying of a wreath at a monument to Christopher Columbus. The crowds ~~breaking~~ <sup>broke</sup> through police lines briefly - when the astronauts hailed Columbus as ~~their~~ <sup>then</sup> colleague in the discovery of new worlds.

This is O.W.  
for C.F.