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CAPITOL HILL

For President Johnson - the beginning of the end.

At nine tonight - the President presenting his final
State of the Union message to a Joint Session of Congress -
also, a nationwide radio and television audience. Setting
in motion a chain of events -- that will culminate Monday
in the inauguration of Richard Nixon - as the thirty-seventh
President of the United States.

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LBJ's address expected to ^{sum up - be} ~~more than~~ in effect -
a final tally on his five years in office, coupled with
a summary of the plans and problems - that he now bequeaths
to his successor and the nation.

KEY BISCAYNE FOLLOW CAPITOL HILL

Meanwhile, Richard Nixon was secluded today - at
Florida.

Key Biscayne, [^] Putting the final touches - to his own
inaugural address. Attempting to set the tone of his
Administration - and, hopefully, rally the nation behind
his programs.

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WASHINGTON

Washington again - Senator Harris of Oklahoma was elected today - the new Democratic National Chairman. Succeeding Lawrence O'Brien - by unanimous vote of the Democratic National Committee.

His first job - ^{an}~~an~~ assignment from Vice President Hubert Humphrey, titular head of the party; who urged a total reform - of campaign financing. Said Hubert Humphrey: "It is wrong, wrong, wrong to go around seeking contributions from the few rich - for a campaign you say is for the many."

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PEARL HARBOR

A grim scene in mid-Pacific. The U.S. Aircraft Carrier Enterprise taking part in naval maneuvers today - about seventy-five miles off the coast of Hawaii; when suddenly - an explosion and fire aft; followed by about a dozen secondary explosions - on the ship's flight and hangar decks.

First reports - indicating at least a dozen dead - maybe a hundred injured. A Navy spokesman appealing for emergency blood donations - even as medical helicopters from Pearl Harbor were rushed to the scene.

LEWISBURG

Convicted atom-spy Morton Sobell - suddenly a free man again today; walking out of a Federal Penitentiary at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania - after serving eighteen years of a thirty-year sentence.

Sobell - you'll recall - the man who conspired with Julius and Ethel Rosenberg - to give Russia the secret of the atomic bomb. Winning parole seven-and-a-half - months ahead of schedule - when he was given credit for time served while awaiting sentencing.

CHICAGO-SPACE

For our
~~Here on our own shores~~ America's three Apollo

Eight astronauts ~~were enjoying~~ a tremendous reception today in Chicago. While high overhead - Russia's latest Soyuz-Four was ^{*somewhere up there*} buzzing around the earth.

The Soviet craft - a one-man spaceship. According to the Kremlin - attempting a "complicated" mission.

Just what - it didn't say. However, Western experts - predicting an eventual space link-up, ~~this seen~~ as a first step-- toward the establishment of a Soviet space station.

GENEVA

Geneva - a meeting of the United Nations Narcotics Commission; receiving tonight a confidential report - telling of a sudden increase in the worldwide use of illicit drugs. The report noting that U.S. traffic in marijuana - is "a source of grave concern;" "having been "taken over by criminal elements - with virtually inexhaustible sources of supply."

To combat this ~~situation~~ - the report urging "long terms of imprisonment for drug traffickers; on the grounds that fines alone - are inadequate punishment."

AYLESBURY

The last of Britain's "great train robbers" -
arraigned for sentencing today at Aylesbury, England.

Bruce "The Brain" Reynolds - who masterminded the job -
getting twenty-five years of hard labor. ~~being~~

Said "Bruce-the-Brain"

~~substantive~~ "I'm glad it's all over - anyone who thinks
crime pays must be mad."

BEIRUT

In the midst of crisis - the Mid-East looks ahead. With a report today from the American University at Beirut -- telling of development of a revolutionary new dry land wheat. One that calls for half as much seeding while it yields double the ordinary crop. As such, a potential boon to the arid Middle East - as well as other low rainfall regions of the world. Art Linkletter should try that in Western Australia. Lebanon now expects to double its total wheat production - within a matter of three years, because of what our people have done at the American University at Beirut.

By the way - the new strain of wheat is called "Najah." Which means - in English - "success."
As ~~the~~ you know nothing succeeds like "Najah."

TRUDEAU

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Prime Minister Trudeau of Canada - the current "talk of London" - we hear today. First, because of his challenge to the "establishment" - at that Commonwealth Prime Ministers Conference. Second - and more important - because of his refusal to adhere to British rules of statesmanship.

For example, Trudeau was caught up in a traffic jam - en route to the parley's formal opening session - so he jumped out and walked. "Shocking" - said the British. Later, he addressed a press conference - wearing tweeds. "After all, country clothes..." - said the British. The bachelor prime minister - has also dated some London beauties. The press ~~is paying special attention to~~ ^{paying special attention - to} a so-called "tete-a-tete" with a Canadian-born blonde divorcee.

Trudeau himself ignoring the furor - except for the last. Telling reporters: "You should try a tete-a-tete sometime - with a Royal Canadian Mounted Policeman and a Scotland Yard detective watching over you."

Sympathize with Prime Minister Trudeau, Warren?

LONDON

*Here's one perhaps best titled - the decline
and fall of the Sultan of Zanzibar.*

*The Sultan as you may have heard, was law
unto himself until a revolution in Zanzibar five years
ago. Of late, the Sultan residing in London - where he
recently split with his wife, Princess Anisa. In Moslem
fashion - the Sultan telling his Princess: "I divorce
thee! I divorce thee! I divorce thee!" Three times you
say it - and that's it!*

*Only trouble - it didn't take. Princess Anisa
not only refusing to recognize the divorce - she's now
taking the Sultan to court - charging non-support.*

The lady, at least - has learned fast.