

RAMBOUILLET

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From President Ford and the leaders of five other free world industrial powers - at their French summit - ~~a "declaration of Rambouillet" in effect,~~ a pledge of mutual cooperation - in fighting the world's worst recession in forty years. The big powers ~~are~~ agreeing to work together to eliminate "the ~~same~~ waste" of unemployment - to restrain inflation - to lower barriers to world trade - to increase commercial exchange with Communist nations - to stabilize international currency - to give developing nations a better break - and to reduce dependence on imported energy.

② The big powers also expressing confidence - in "full economic recovery;" a statement hailed by the President as representing "a conviction - that we can master our future."

SUPREME COURT

At the Supreme Court - a final tribute
today to retiring Associate Justice William Douglas.
Chief Justice Burger reading a letter from Douglas'
colleagues - praising his ^{(unparalleled knowledge} ~~unparalleled knowledge~~
of legal matters. Also reading a letter from
Douglas himself - in which the latter compared his
service on the court to one of his many canoe trips.)

~~Douglas~~ saying: "Those who start down a
water course may be strangers at the beginning -
but almost invariably are close ~~ones~~ friends at the
end - and parting is sad - and yet there is no parting
because each happy memory of fulfilling and ~~beautiful~~
beautiful hours - lives on and on and ~~just~~ on."

and now —

ROSE

Senator Ted Kennedy tells how his mother was walking at Lake Worth, Florida - when she was approached by an old friend - a widower. "You know" - said the man - "I'd like you to be one of my girl friends."

"Oh" - said Mrs. Kennedy - "and how old are you?"

The man replying: "Seventy-five". Said Rose Kennedy:

"Well, I'm eighty-five- you're too young for me - I'm looking for someone ninety."

And now for CBS...

washington

In Washington - a legal attempt to block
the publication of a Senate report - on the C I A.
The plaintiff in today's action -- an unidentified *CDQ*
man who said if the report is published, with his
name in it - ~~his~~ his life will be in danger. And
Judge Gesell agreeing - there is a "clear and
present danger of violence." The Judge adding *that*
~~however,~~ he had "no power of any kind - to edit
or censor congressional reports;" and so - ~~summar-~~
motion denied.

SAN FRANCISCO

A San Francisco judge ruled today that Sara Jane Moore is ~~not~~ competent to stand trial - on a charge of attempting to assassinate President Ford. The Judge's ruling based on a psychiatric^{ist's}~~ist~~ report saying Miss Moore - "does have a reasonable understanding of the charges against her and is able to assist her attorneys." The defendant ~~therefore~~ therefore, ordered to stand trial as scheduled - December fifteenth.

REYKJAVIK

At Reykjavik - a breakdown today ~~was had~~
in talks between Britain and Iceland - on North Atlantic
~~fighting~~ ^{Fishing} rights. Icelandic gun boats were then sent
out with orders to intercept an estimated fifty British
fishing vessels in nearby waters. Iceland vowing to
enforce its new two hundred mile ~~fighting~~ fishing
limit "by all possible methods." Britain warning,
in turn, it will protect its fishing boats by force,
if necessary.

MEKONG RIVER FOLLOW SAN CLEMENETE

~~In the same vein - a report today telling~~
~~of the sinking of a~~ Thai gunboat ^{sunk} ~~by~~ by Laotian gunners.
~~This on the Mekong~~ ^{on the} Mekong River - north of
Vientiane. ^{Whereupon} - Thai forces across the river ~~then~~
opening up with rockets and machine guns. ~~The battle~~
~~that followed raging well into the night~~ - ^{The} "most
serious" of a number of recent clashes between
Thailand and Laos.

F B I

~~From~~ The F B I ~~is a final~~ report ~~today~~

on crime statistics - for Nineteen Seventy Four, ^{says}

The rate of serious crime last year ^{went} up eighteen

percent, a new record. The final total ~~is~~ ^{fact,}

more than triple that of Nineteen Sixty. ^{This says} Attorney

General Levi ^{indicates} ~~saying the figures~~ "represent" a tragic

failure -- on the part ~~of~~ of our present system

of criminal justice."

BROWNSVILLE

*The final chapter in a big Texas hoax at
Brownsville, Texas. An illiterate mechanics helper named
Ernest Medders, with his wife and ten children showed up in
Muenster, Texas, in the mid-fifties; laying claim to a
nearby oil field. This on the strength of an allegeded old
Mexican land grant, which after five years was proven phony.
In the meantime, the Medders living like kings - throwing
lavish parties and taking over a ranch with borrowed money.
The Medders now owning up to more than a million
in bad debts. Now - at sixty-five - the victim of a heart
attack.*