

WHITE HOUSE

Thurs. Jan. 24-74.

For the second day in a row - President Nixon has pledged an all-out battle to retain his office. This - in a meeting with House Democrats. The President saying it was "unthinkable" - that he would resign. Adding that he intends to fight this thing - "right down to the wire."

The White House also stressed again today the President's refusal to meet personally - with members of the Senate Watergate Committee, as requested. Press Secretary ~~Ron~~ Ziegler saying: "Our position has not changed."

WASHINGTON

From the former head of the White House

*"plumbers unit - a plea of guilty today. (eagle)
Egil "Bud"*

krohg

Krogh admitting his role in the break-in more than

two years ago - at ~~Daniel Ellsberg~~ ^{the} Ellsberg's psychiatrist's

office. The defendant quickly sentenced - to a minimum

of ^{six} ~~six~~ months in jail. Krogh later issuing a statement

saying: "I received no specific instruction or authority

whatsoever regarding the break-in from the President,

directly or indirectly."

KILOMETER ONE OH ONE

**The final details of that Egyptian-Israeli
troop disengagement 4 were signed, sealed and delivered
today at Kilometer One Oh one on the Cairo-Suez
road. This coming simultaneous - with an Israeli
pull-back; marking the first time in seventeen years
-- that Israel has withdrawn voluntarily from captured
Arab lands; a fact duly noted - by General Ennio
Stilasvuo, the commander of U N peace keeping
forces." "I would hope" said he - "that history
may record one day ^{that} the initial ~~one~~ step toward
understanding, reconciliation and peace in the ~~world~~
Middle East began here at Kilometer One Oh One."**

EDUCATION

President Nixon says he still hopes to consolidate thirty "Great Society" programs originally fostered by the late President Johnson. Also, urging an additional appropriation of nearly three billion - over previous allocations.

The President giving "highest priority" to a call for "advance funding; so state and local authorities - can plan their programs with greater certainty."

EARTH ORBIT

As of one-forty six and fifty-three seconds tomorrow morning, eastern time - America's Sky Lab Three astronauts will become the world's most experienced space men. Jerry Carr, Ed Gibson, and Bill Pogue will then complete sixty-nine days, fifteen hours, forty-five minutes and thirty seconds in space; or one second more than the previous record - held by veteran astronaut Alan Bean.

Round and round they'll continue to go - setting a new mark with each tick of the clock.

NEW DELHI

President Tito of Yugoslavia arrived today in New Delhi - for the start of a two-week state visit to India. Prime Minister Indira Gandhi - had a bad cold so President V. V. Giri was on hand to ~~present~~ praise the eight-one-year-old Tito as "a tireless champion of the cause of world peace, friendship and understanding:" also, "a leading elder statesman - of the non-aligned world.

LONDON

From the Union of South Africa - the world's
greatest gold producer - a warning today that gold prices
will continue to soar. In effect, a self-fulfilling prophecy
- the price of gold immediately jumping Seven Bucks on the
big London bullion market. Ending up - at a Hundred and
Forty-One Dollars an ounce. — *Q with a 30 I. 1100 up to 160.*

~~Incidentally,~~ The world's biggest gold cache - is not
in Fort Knox, ~~as you might expect,~~ ^{It's} but right in the heart of
New York. More than twelve thousand metric tons of the
precious metal - stored in the vaults of the Federal Reserve
Bank. Sent ~~there~~ for safekeeping - by the government of
some eighty nations right around the globe. Its total value -
at today's prices - an estimated Sixty Billion.

WEST PALM BEACH

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JANES

From Janes of London ^{earlier} a report ~~today~~

that Russia is planning to build - the world's first
~~airship~~ nuclear powered dirigible. Janes saying the
Russian air ship is designed to carry a hundred and
eighty tons of freight - or eighteen hundred passengers;
at a cruising speed of about a hundred and ninety
miles ^{an} ~~per~~ hour. Its range - virtually limitless.

CLARK

Frank A. Clark, County Parson is quoted in the pages of Quite Magazine Bill, as saying: "It's comforting to see how much of what we failed to do - wasn't worth doing anyway."

FORT WAYNE

*First, a salute to CBS Radio Station W-G-L -
Fort Wayne, Indiana; today celebrating its Golden Anniversary
- fifty years of broadcasting . ~~And~~ now ~~for~~ that final item.*

HOLLYWOOD FOLLOW FORT WAYNE

It comes from Hollywood. Comedian Bob Hope -
discussing soaring prices ^{Philosophized as follows:-} "Unless the Administration does
something about inflation ~~and fast~~ - ~~says Bob Hope~~ -
"the odds are two to one - that five will get you two."