

Friday, October 12, 1973

WHITE HOUSE

In official Washington, right across the land, and indeed, around the globe - maybe - the suspense builds. President Nixon scheduling a nationwide broadcast from the East Room of the White House - at Nine tonight, Eastern Time. The President saying he then will announce his choice of a successor to Spiro Agnew.

Invited guests to witness the speech to include members of Congress, the cabinet, and the diplomatic corps; and - quite possibly - the nominee himself. Who will it be? What's your guess? So called "informed sources" say three of the final five names under consideration were those of former Texas Governor John Connolly, Governor Rockefeller of New York, and former Secretary of State William Rogers. For what it's worth, the President today also announced - plans for a White House dinner Monday night in honor of

former Secretary Rogers. This following a meeting - with Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott and House Minority Leader Gerald Ford. However, the President was quoted as saying only: "My choice may be somewhat of a surprise to some."

In any event - the waiting is almost over. The President's speech will be carried live - on many of these CBS Radio stations.

CAPITOL HILL FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

While ~~sitting~~ waiting, this from Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield:- "A Vice Presidential selection in either party is politics;" said he and there is no way of avoiding that reality. Mansfield adding that "Democrats and Republicans alike - are going to be confronted with endorsing a man they may have to be opposing in Nineteen Seventy-Six.

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- But he also said that Democratic Senators - are near unanimous in agreeing on one thing; that President Nixon should pick - "the best possible" man - "not a caretaker, and regardless of whether he would be a candidate in Nineteen Seventy Six."

STATE FOLLOW CAPITOL HILL

Meanwhile, ^{life} ~~the world~~ goes on. Today's turn of events - including ^{ed} ~~ing~~ a press conference by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger; ~~As might be~~ ^{with} ~~expected~~ [^] the new mid-east war ~~proving~~ of primary interest.

Dr. Kissinger saying the Arab Israeli conflict has had little effect as yet on the budding ~~U S and~~ U S and Russian detente. Adding if and when Soviet "action" has reached a point of irresponsibility - we will be very firm in making this clear ~~stand~~ -- we will not hesitate to take a firm stand." "But as of this moment" said he - "we are still attempting to moderate the crisis."

Incidentally, Dr. Kissinger also disclosing that the U S and Israel - were both aware of Egyptian and Syrian troop movements last week. ^{Said he:-} [^] "We asked U S and Israeli intelligence - to assess what might

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happen; ~~he went on~~, particularly whether there was
any possibility of an ~~even~~ imminent Arab attack.

Dr. Kissinger saying the answer was, quote - "no
chance." But, the attack came - as we know,

TEL AVIV FOLO STATE

More on the war - from Tel Aviv; where an Israeli spokesman was claiming ~~today~~ a major break through on the Syrian front; adding that Israeli troops have now reached Qtana - a "bristling" military installation only twelve miles from Damascus.

~~Also -~~
~~Reverse side~~ a Syrian communique telling of fierce tank and artillery battles - "along the entire front line." Insisting, nevertheless, that Syrian forces are still besieging the town of Oneitra - On the Golan Heights. ~~On the Western front~~ ^{IP} Egypt ^{and says} telling ~~us~~ of a major Israeli counter attack, ~~claiming~~ ~~however~~, the Israelis were driven back - with heavy losses.

BUENOS AIRES

At Buenos Aires - eighteen years after he was kicked out - the return of Juan Peron. The former Argentine Dictator - officially inaugurated today as the new President of Argentina. At age seventy-eight -- we are told - a mere shadow of what he used to be. But still, a ~~common~~ commanding figure.

Peron's wife Isabel, age forty - was also sworn in as Vice President; the first woman ever to hold such a post - anywhere in the world.

HOUSE

Capitol Hill again. Final Congressional approval of ~~that~~^{the} bill - aimed at limiting the President's war making powers. The House passing it along to the White House - by a vote of two-thirty-eight to one-twenty-three. A substantial margin - ~~no~~ but not enough to over-ride an expected veto. And so, it appears, another case - where the President's views will prevail.

F D A

*From the U S Food and Drug Administration -
an order today, effective in six months, aimed at
improving nationwide health. The F D A ordering
bakers across the land - to double the iron content
of their white bread. This on the basis of a three
year study - said to indicate that Americans are not
getting enough iron in their diets. And the main reason
- we are told - the declining use of iron cook ware.*

TAPES

5 In the matter of President Nixon's disputed
tapes - a ruling at last from the U S court of Appeals
in Washington. The seven man panel, by a five to
two majority - formulating a complicated scheme for
handling the tapes; for all practical purposes though -
~~now~~ sustaining a previous order from Federal Judge
John Sirica.- and now - it's on to the Supreme Court. 1

DETROIT

At one of the world's largest shopping centers in Suburban Detroit - ~~an~~ in anticipation of the Christmas shopping season - a special shoplifting clinic. Police attempting to alert ~~store~~ store managers - to the dangers posed by light fingered customers. The presentation including a display of about a hundred thousand dollars worth of merchandise -- from participating stores.

It wasn't donated though. Rather it ~~was~~ ~~was~~ was all stolen the day before -- by a professional shop-lifter hired by police ^{as} a sure attention getter.

PASCAGOULA

The latest and most vivid of the recent ~~U F O~~ U F O stories - comes today from Pascagoula Mississippi. A couple of ship-yard workers by the name of Charles Hickson and Calvin Parker - saying they were fishing along the Pascagoula River ^{when} suddenly ^{there} ~~the~~ ^{ed} ~~appeared~~ of a mysterious ship.

The two men saying: "It hovered about three feet off the ground and three whatever they were came out, either floating or walking and carried us into the ship. At this point - Parker apparently passing out. Hickson continuing with the story ~~but~~ ~~though~~ saying:

"The things were about five feet tall - "a pale color, with big eyes, pointed ears and pointed noses - wearing skin type clothes. Hickson added that he was then examined from head to toe with a gadget that looked like a big eye. ~~whereupon~~ whereupon he and his friend -

were both returned to the pier. Hickson also saying

"the only sound they made was a buzzing humming

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sound; [^]they left in a flash."

Quite a yarn! A hoax?

~~All of which - a bit hard to swallow.~~

~~But~~ ^A police spokesman saying: "We did everything

we knew - to break their stories." ^{BE} Adding: ^{"If} They

were lying - they should be in Hollywood."

ROSEWOOD HEIGHTS

From Rosewood Heights, Illinois the story of research engineer Ben Bisser; who, with a few friends, decided to go "all ~~ea~~ out" in developing a car - "simply for the sake of getting better mileage."

The car in question - ~~ea~~ originally a Nineteen Fifty-~~Four~~ Nine Opel ^{with} ~~But~~ most of its ~~box~~ body chopped away to reduce wind resistance. The ~~engine~~ ^{was also} placed in the rear - sideways - to accommodate a new one speed transmission. ~~the~~ Tires - the kind normally used on giant airplanes, in the back, side by side - with one wheel drive.

And the result - a new world's record.

Three hundred and seventy-six-point-five-nine miles -- on a single gallon of gas. Do you believe it?

Sounds like ^{another} a whopper!