

## **WHITE HOUSE**

*The White House - President Nixon met today with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko. Secretary of State Kissinger was also there. The talks they held - said to have dealt with the full range of U.S. and Soviet relations; and especially the final preparations - for the President's coming mission to Moscow.*

*Dr. Kissinger later saying there is "one outstanding issue - that still requires solution;" and that - a new SALT agreement. But "whether or not there is a new SALT agreement" - said he - "there will be a summit meeting." "There is a certainty" - he continued - "that a substantial agreement will be reached - in other important areas."*

## **JERUSALEM**

*Good Friday in the Holy Land today drew only about three thousand pilgrims - half the usual number. And these were closely guarded by Israeli troops - to prevent the possibility of another terrorist.*

*If the number were fewer - the devotion seemed to be as intense. The worshippers chanting, praying and singing hymns as they strode along the Via Dolorosa past the stations of the Cross. Many carrying crosses of their own - partially to reenact the crucifixion of Jesus.*

## VATICAN FOLLOW JERUSALEM

*At the Vatican the Pope was forced to forego a service scheduled today - in St. Peter's Basilica. The Pontiff still weak - from a recent bout with influenza. He did say he hoped to take part in an internationally televised ceremony tonight in the old Coliseum.*

## **BELFAST**

*In Northern Ireland - the IRA has declared an eight day Easter truce. For the British, troops today were raiding numerous homes - in the Catholic areas of Belfast; seizing twenty-nine suspects - most of whom were said to be young women in their late teens or early twenties. The fire bombings that wracked Belfast and three other towns this week - all believed to have been set by women.*

## **CORDOBA**

***The public affairs officer in the U.S. Embassy  
at Cordoba, Argentina - was kidnapped today by terrorists.  
The victim identified as Alfred Laun the Third of Kiel,  
Wisconsin. Argentina police saying he was also wounded  
when he made a futile attempt to fight off his abductors.***

## THE HAGUE

*This from the Hague. A young Dutch man by the name of Jacobus Philippa joined up with the German SS during World War Two. When the war ended he disappeared from sight. Later he was tried in absentia - and, sentenced to death. Over the years - all but forgotten; till he was found, this - hiding in his aged parents' home.*

*Jacobus Philippi - now fifty-six. His self-imprisonment - lasting more than thirty years. When captured - telling police he was "almost relieved." Judicial sources adding, what's more - he could be a free man within a year. This with a pardon; on the grounds that his debt to society has been payed in full.*

## **RENO**

***In the big gambling centers of Nevada - the lights go on again this weekend. Nevada's Governor, O'Callaghan today giving the OK - after talking with Federal energy czar William Simon. But only from nine to midnight Fridays and Saturdays. The rest of the time - Nevada joining the rest of the nation in saving energy.***



## **BOSTON**

***Coming up this Monday in Boston - the Annual Boston Marathon. Part of which will include a check of the runners - by a group of researchers from the Massachusetts College of Optometry who will be trying to find out whether its really true - that a person can get so tired he "can't see straight."***



## **CHARLOTTESVILLE**

*One of the newest facilities at the University of Virginia - a new Sleep and Dream laboratory. The professor in charge - Dr. Robert Van Castle, who now says that chronic depression not only causes insomnia but also hypersomnia.*

*The latter in case you hadn't guessed - a condition marked by excessive sleep. The great majority of hypersomniacs - said to be found among the young. Dr. Van Castle saying: "They simply pull up the covers - and turn off the world."*

## **CHICAGO-FOLLOW THE HAGUE**

*In the same category - strange but true - a brief item reported today from Chicago. A group of householders living near the University of Illinois Chicago campus - getting fed up with student parking violators, hired a brick layer - to wall up a car illegally parked off and on - for the past couple of weeks. The cost of the five foot tall wall - coming to more than four hundre ' bucks.*

*The returning driver of course was somewhat surprised. But he didn't seem to mind. The reason ~~was~~ apparent when the police arrived and found it was a stolen car. No wonder the driver had shrugged and walked away - and so long until Monday.*