

MIAMI BEACH

At Miami Beach - coming up tonight: The big finale. Starting out with the nomination of Spiro Agnew - once again running mate to President Nixon; to be followed by acceptance speeches from both nominees - the President's, of course, the most eagerly awaited.

White House Press Secretary Ron Ziegler saying today - the President will discuss quote, "the great issues of Nineteen-Seventy-Two; at home - and throughout the world." Also, cautioning against expecting, quote, "any major new announcements" about the war. This an attempt to refute earlier rumors about the war. In any event, we will be listening right here - on these CBS radio stations.

~~On the Democratic side - Chicago revisited~~

~~with~~ George McGovern ^{today} returning ~~today~~ to the Windy City. There ⁱⁿ addressing the national convention of the American Legion ^{he} ~~and~~ stoutly defending his proposed thirty billion dollar cut in defense spending.

With regard to his criticism of U S war policy - McGovern also saying: "Number one, with every fiber of my being - I love America." Adding: "It is the greatest nation in the world - and I would gladly sacrifice my life to serve it in whatever way I can." McGovern explaining: "It has been good to me - the son of a poor clergyman."

McGovern later stressing ^{that} ~~he~~ -- he had tried to tell the ~~legionnaires~~ ^{as he put it -} legionnaires "what sort of man I am." And he observed: "There were no hisses or anything like that." Not much applause either. But when he was done - he did get a ten second standing ovation.

DALEY FOLLOW CHICAGO

Also he had a visit with Chicago's Mayor Daley; their first meeting - since the Democratic national convention. Then - a joint press conference, where McGovern said: "I really very much wanted to see Mayor Daley and his delegation seated in Miami. But, he added, that's past history now. We are here to heal - we want to make a united front." Whereupon Mayor Daley said he was "confident Illinois will be in the McGovern column in November."

VATICAN

Overseas - the Vatican was also getting into the act today. A Vatican spokesman saying that McGovern's policy with regard to Vietnam - "does not help Mr. Nixon's peace effort." Adding that, indeed - it "is certainly helping the Hanoi government and the Viet Cong."

The Vatican also challenged what it called - the "propaganda" of those who contend the Saigon government is composed of "American puppets".

Says the Vatican! -
~~observing~~ the Saigon regime is not as stifled as ~~some~~ ^{some} would like it to be thought."

OLYMPICS FOLLOW VATICAN

*The Vatican again - first reaction to the
expulsion of white supremacist Rhodesia from the
summer Olympics. A Vatican spokesman - questioning
the advisability of said act. Further referring those
who made it - to the Biblical quotation: "Let him
who is without sin - cast the first stone." **True indeed,***

MUNICH FOLLOW OLYMPICS

Meanwhile, at Munich, another meeting of the International Olympics Committee. This one picking Britain's Lord Killanin - as the new head of the Olympic Games. The British businessman, an Irishman and an ex-newspaper writer - besting France's Count Jean de Beaumont in a two man race.

He thus becomes the successor - to retiring Avery Brundage. This means the end of an era stretching across twenty years; the "Brundage era". A controversial one? - yes. But the torch he now passes on - seems to be burning brighter than ever, and Avery Brundage, in his way has truly been a man for all seasons.

LOS PADRES

Not far from Los Angeles - two major brush fires were ~~raging~~ out of control today. The first - in the San Jacinto Mountains some eighty miles east of - near Palm Springs, L.A. The second - in Los Padres National Forest about fifty-five miles northwest of the city: a fire, at last reports, also threatening the nearby Sespe Wildlife Refuge. ~~and~~ This the ^{only remaining} ~~last~~ sanctuary of the California Condor - one of the world's largest and rarest birds.

KUALA LUMPUR

At Kuala Lumpur ^{capital of} ~~in~~ Malaysia - East meets West; with Malaysia's Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak and his full cabinet - heading out to the airport today, ~~there~~ to welcome to Kuala Lumpur - seven new Boeing 707 jets.

These to serve as the nucleus - of the new Malaysia airlines system. ^{With Tun Abdul} ~~And then~~ Razak leading an official prayer - for clear skies ahead; a prayer complete with native chants and a sprinkle of rice and holy water - all to the ^{beat of} primitive ~~beat of~~ native drums.

^{But} Strange and superstitious? ~~Well~~ maybe. But it might be well to note - the Boeing jets ^{flew} ~~spouting~~ of course ^{from} Seattle, Washington, ^{and} Governor Evans of that State sending ^{it} ~~along~~ along for good luck - ~~that's~~ ~~right~~, a totem pole.

San Remo, Italy - the final of the Lady Europe Beauty Contest - and a bit of a flop. This the result of a complaint - from West Germany's Sonya Stubbing. Fraulein Stubbing - who appears on TV beer commercials ^{in her beer drinking homeland} ~~back home~~ saying she was guaranteed she would win; all expenses paid - and so on. ^{saying Proxit Sonya and} ~~and~~ The judges [^] apparently taking her plea into account, ~~awarding~~ awarding her the unprecedented title: Extra Lady Europe.

But the real winner: [^] 21 year old blond Michelle Joelle of France - the new Lady Europe for 1972. ^{So Proxit to both Michelle and Sonya!} ~~And the way it all turned out you might say:~~
~~One for the money - two for the show - and away we~~
~~go to you to Bill.~~

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TALLAHASSEE

From the Florida supreme court - a verdict today in the case of Belcher versus Belcher. The party of the first part - Mrs. Annabelle Belcher who signed a pre-marriage agreement with her husband - millionaire Miami business man - John Belcher; forsaking her right to support payments - in the event of a subsequent separation. Said agreement - is now ruled null and void.

Reason - said the court: A husband cannot legally escape his financial responsibility to his wife - so long as they remain married. What of Mrs. Belcher's agreement to go along?

The court observing that "women are called the opposite sex - because just when you think you've fooled her, it's just the opposite." Adding in a quote from Lord Byron - Bill - that "women are made to be loved, not to be understood."

BOSTON

The word "Pedodontist" - from the Greek "pedo" - meaning child - and "odont", meaning tooth. In modern medical usage - someone who specializes in the treatment of children's teeth. Hence - the American Academy of Pedodontists which in session this week at Boston - with more than a thousand members in attendance.

The word "pedodontist" to many is a mouthful; so say the pedodontists. And there's a motion before the Pedodontists to change their name to the American Academy of Pediatric Dentists. It failed though - and a pedodontist is still a pedodontist, and so long until tomorrow.