

Thurs. Apr. 29-71.

PRESIDENT

The big news ~~tonight~~ - ~~perhaps~~ still to come ;
with President Nixon scheduled for another broadcast
news conference - ^{tonight.} ~~in just a short time now~~ Subjects
to be covered ^{are} expected to include: "Vietnam;
the Middle East, anti-war protests, - Lieutenant Calley -
~~indeed~~ indeed, a whole host of foreign and domestic
issues. ~~that~~ you ^{will} ~~can~~ hear it ~~right~~ here - on most of
these CBS ~~radio~~ stations.

PARIS

At the peace table in Paris - another attempt to stress the prisoner of war issue; with the U S and South Vietnam both urging the appointment of a third party - possibly Sweden - to assume the responsibility for all prisoners - with the end goal of course - repatriation.

The Communist side still harping on other matters. The Viet Cong's Madame Binh stating that enemy forces were ready to stop shooting at those U S troops - "who undertake no hostile action against them." This is seen by some - as a possible cease fire offer.

America's Ambassador Bruce concluding nothing of the sort. The White House is saying: "We would be delighted if the other side were to negotiate a cease fire. But adding - this is merely "more propaganda."

ROGERS

U S Secretary of State Rogers in Paris today was conferring with French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann = on ways and means of pursuing peace in the Middle East.

Secretary Rogers later saying that he does not expect his forthcoming visit to that part of the world - to produce any dramatic break throughs, but he hopes he can "contribute to the momentum - which is already in progress toward a peaceful settlement."

Then he left for Turkey - on to Ankara.

JERUSALEM TEL AVIV

Meanwhile, Israel was celebrating ~~today~~ its
twenty-third anniversary as ~~a free~~ and ~~independent~~ independent
nation. ^{at Tel Aviv} An observance featuring ^a ~~at Tel Aviv~~
massive display of military might; including an aerial
sweep - ~~by~~ by a hundred-and-thirty-seven U S built
~~aboard~~ Sky Hawk and Phantom jets. While at
Jerusalem - Prime Minister Golda Meir, ~~was~~ saying
~~that~~ Israel is stronger than ever, ~~and she~~ added:
"As long as ~~there~~ there is no peace - and our life
depends on our might - we are fortunate to have
such might."

A SHAU

In Southeast Asia - a third straight day of
U S ~~saturation~~ saturation bombing raids -- direct^{ed} against
the A Shau Valley. This in an area - now thought to
be the enemy's last major stronghold in South Vietnam.
An attempt to clear ~~away~~ the way -- for another allied
probe; and apparently - it worked.

At any rate, South Vietnamese infantry units -
later approaching the bombed out area, ~~Along the way~~^{camp}
~~upon~~^{upon} an enemy arms cache - containing^{some} four-
hundred-and-sixty ~~one~~ mortar rounds, two hundred
rocket grenades and four thousand rounds of ammunition.

PHNOM PENH

For Lon Nol of Cambodia - the political end of the line today; with the ailing General - handing in his formal resignation as Prime Minister; whereupon he was given a special ceremonial honor, made titular Commander-in-Chief. This clearing the way for Deputy Premier Sisowath Sirik - to take over the reins of the government which he already has been running ever since Lon Nol was first stricken three months ago.

FORT MCPHERSON

Here on our own shores - Fort McPherson, Georgia
a verdict of not-guilty today ~~announced~~ in the case of
Army Captain Eugene Kotouc ^(kotouce) ~~who~~ who was thus cleared
of a charge that he had deliberately maimed a Viet
Cong suspect - shortly after that My Lai incident.

The Captain later telling reporters - he was glad
to be living in a country where we have a system of
justice such as we have in this country. Adding that
he now intends ^{s to stay} ~~to remain~~ in the army. "No doubt
about it" - said he - "it's the best damn army in the
world."
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WHITE HOUSE

The White House again - President Nixon today appointed four women to key federal jobs. The ~~fact~~^{is} including: Mrs. James Baker Spain - a Cincinnati business woman - who becomes a member of the U S Civil Service commission; Doctor Valerija Raulinaitis -- a Chicago physician -- the new Director of a V A ~~has~~ hospital in Pittsburgh; also, Vicki Keller of Oakland, California, a management consultant - and Sally Anne Payton, a Washington lawyer and a black -- both of whom will serve on the White House domestic council.

In making these assignments - the President ~~said~~^{said} ~~stressing that~~^{sex} had nothing to do with it. For the simple reason - said he - that "everyone of these women would have been appointed - regardless of the fact that they are women."

COLOMBO

From Radio Colombo in Ceylon - a government broadcast today - ~~was~~ decrying the "destructive and nihilist actions" of so-called Che Guevarist terrorists. Further asserting that these action^s had brought Ceylon - to the brink of economic disaster. Adding that unless order is restored and quickly - "this will be reflected in many ways in the life of the people. As a result of which - the broadcast indicated - Ceylon might be forced to ask for foreign aid. ~~But~~ who from? - ~~that~~ they didn't say.

SUBIACO

Italian film star Gina Lollobrigida - the subject of an expose appearing in a recent Italian magazine; the writer saying she was a virtual outcast - in her home town of Subiaco some thirty miles east of Rome; all this because her father was allegedly "a friend of the Germans" during World War Two.

To which the Subiacoese say - it isn't so.

Mayor Giuseppe Cicolini - making a special trip to Gina's Roman villa to assure her the townspeople were misquoted. While back home in Subiaco the Subiacoese Warren were plastering the town with posters reading: "We love Lollobrigida."

NEW DELHI

This next is from the New Delhi Zoo out in India; where a gift arrived recently - from the ~~people~~ people of the U S A, a female bison - a buffalo - to go along with the Zoo's male bison. In return for which - U S Ambassador Kenneth Keating was presented today - a gift from the people of India; a rare lesser panda - a female to be sent over here to become the mate of a male panda at the Washington zoo.

WATERTOWN

**And now - a birthday salute to CBS radio
station W W NY -- at Watertown, New York. W W N Y
today celebrating its thirtieth anniversary. ~~on the air~~**