

Tuesday, July 31, 1973

## WATERGATE

*In the Senate Watergate hearings, Haldeman was again the witness today; giving a detailed account of the President's March Twenty-First meeting with John Dean - as reconstructed via White House tapes; thereby disputing Dean's account - of how he supposedly told the President "all" as he put it.*

*In reality - said Haldeman - it was actually the President who was attempting to draw out Dean. "He was asking the kind of questions" - said Haldeman - "designed to find what really was involved in all of this - and what Dean knew about it." Haldeman adding, in short - the President was "trying to find out what was going on."*

## TAPES FOLLOW ATERGATE

*From the White House - an explanation today as to why Haldeman was allowed to listen to the tapes, ~~in question.~~ The President deciding - we are told - that Haldeman was the one man - "who could best assist him in determining the facts;" the one man who could do so, ~~the~~ quote - "without jeopardizing the confidentiality of the Presidential tapes."*

AGNEW

Watergate or no - the ~~work~~ work of the government carries on. This assurance coming from Vice President ~~Spive~~ Agnew. In an address today to overseas ~~men~~ representatives of the U S Agriculture Department, <sup>he said:-</sup> "Government is proceeding here in Washington" ~~he said he~~ "and new initiatives for peace are going forward." ~~Spive~~ Agnew adding that so-called "paralysis in government - is ~~an~~ only in the minds of those who allow themselves to be mesmerized by the Watergate proceedings.

ORBIT

After three days of battling space sickness -  
the three sky lab two ~~two~~ astronauts were showing signs  
of returning to normal today. Allan Bean and Owen  
Garriott - reporting themselves much improved; with  
Jack Lousma -- also feeling somewhat better. Their  
first space walk - originally set for today - has ~~been~~<sup>again</sup>  
been set back - ~~to 27th~~, at least 'till Saturday.

LAIRD

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From White House advisor Melvin Laird  
~~a defense~~ today <sup>defended the</sup> ~~of that~~ secret bombing in ~~Cambodia~~

Cambodia in Nineteen Sixty-Nine and Seventy. The former Defense Secretary saying the bombing was necessary - "to save American lives;" and "to ~~facilitate~~ facilitate U S withdrawal - from all of Indo-China."

Laird noting that on both ~~counts~~ counts the bombing strikes were successful.

~~Laird~~ <sup>He</sup> also <sup>said</sup> ~~saying that~~ the raids were carried out in secret - because of diplomatic sensitivities. Cambodia's Prince Sihanouk reportedly giving his tacit approval on condition the raids were not publicly announced. But Laird saying it was clearly "a snafu and a mistake," to carry on the pretense in a report to Congress earlier this year.

BOSTON

The death toll in that Boston jet liner crash now set at eighty-eight. And the ~~one~~ only survivor a young man said to have been burned over ninety percent of his body. At last report - in critical condition. The cause of the crash - apparently dense fog.

WHITE HOUSE

Japan's Prime Minister ~~Kakuei~~ Tanaka ~~was~~  
a guest today at the White House; where he was ~~warmly~~  
received - by President Nixon. The President telling  
Tanaka - "we warmly welcome you today as an equal  
partner - in a cause in which we are equally devoted;  
the cause of peace for the whole world - and progress  
for the whole world."

In response, Tanaka saying he was looking  
forward to discussing problems - of not only the  
Pacific area but also the Atlantic. "In this modern  
age" said he - "we should make every effort to deepen  
the understanding among people."

## BEEF

The current beef ~~short~~ shortage clear across the nation - has now reached the White House kitchen. A Washington distributor who normally supplies White House steak - today requesting a temporary moratorium on future orders. Bernard Goldstein explaining that the steaks he was getting - were simply not of sufficient quality to be sent to the White House.

In the meantime, a White House State dinner tonight - honoring Japan's visiting Prime Minister Tanaka. The problem neatly solved - by serving roast duckling.



MOSCOW

Moscow - ~~in~~ the closing session of a two day meeting - of the Soviet parliament. Main speaker - Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny; observing<sup>ed</sup> that hard struggles ~~lie~~ lie ahead  $\curvearrowright$  in efforts to obtain "a lasting and stable peace  $\curvearrowright$  right around the globe. Podgorny adding; ~~how-ever~~ however, the goal of world peace - is nearer now than ever before.

JET FOLLOW MOSCOW

Moscow again - the Russians today were  
claiming two worlds records - for their new ~~E-2-20-6~~ **E 2-26**  
winged jet. Soviet test pilot Alexander ~~Sedov~~ Sedóv -  
reportedly attaining an all-time altitude high of  
twenty-two-point-three miles. In the same plane,  
also carrying a two ton load -- to an altitude of twenty-  
one-point-seven miles.

**E 2-26**  
The ~~E-2-20-6~~ apparently "fastest with  
the mostest" and highest, too.

ZSA ZSA

Today's best laugh comes from Hollywood  
actress Zsa Zsa Gabor as reported in Earle Wilson's  
column. Miss Gabor explaining her refusal to attend  
a nudist party - saying: "Dollink, <sup>-Bill-</sup> ~~why~~ should  
I go to a party vere every voman ~~was~~ vears the same  
thing."

## MOUNTAINS

When Americans want to be alone they often head for the mountains. Now comes a report that city folk are flocking to the mountains - more than ever this year. The National Geographic noting record numbers of summer tourists - in the mountains of New England, <sup>in the</sup> ~~the~~ Appalachians, the Catskills, the Ozarks, the Rockies, the Sierra Nevada, the Cascades and so on; with land developers and ~~resort~~ resort builders - following close behind.

All of this - causing a good deal of consternation among the local residents. One mountaineer quoted as saying: "The mountains got a holt on me - but the tourists are getting a=holt on the mountains."