

Thursday, June 7, 1973

EARTH ORBIT

In the flight of America's Sky Lab space station - another spine tingling adventure; with astronauts Pete Conrad and Joe Kerwin - finally succeeding in freeing the sky lab's jammed solar power wing.

The two space walkers launching their extra vehicular activity - shortly before noon. As he propelled himself into the black void of space - Rookie Kerwin quickly demanding "where the hell's the world." While the cool, veteran Conrad enjoying a glorious look at the Moon. Then - to work. The astronauts toiling nearly three hours - to complete their assigned task; much of the time - out of radio contact with the earth; sweating and straining with their hand made tools - till the wing was at least partially opened.

Space officials later reporting - the wing is successfully generating electrical power. The Sky Lab space station - getting a new lease on life.

WHITE HOUSE

Police Chief Clarence Kelly of Kansas

City, Missouri - was ~~was~~ nominated today to become the new head of the F B I. The formal announcement - coming from President Nixon; who noted that Kelly was chosen from a list of twenty-seven ~~names~~ prospective candidates; adding, however, the new successor to J Edgar Hoover - "was the first choice right along." The President saying: "The ~~Attorney~~ Attorney General and I and the Cabinet ~~agreed~~ agree that we selected the best man in the country for the position!"

Elliott Richardson was also there. The ~~Att~~ Attorney General observing that Kelly had served in the F B I for twenty-one years ~~✓~~ before becoming police chief of Kansas City; and then had taken a ~~spark~~ police force at low ebb and transformed it into an "imaginative and innovative law enforcement agency."

Richardson going on to say that Kelly has the "precise qualities - needed to run the F B I at this time.

Kelly, for his part, refusing to discuss his "plans or philosophy" prior to ~~discuss~~ testifying at Senate confirmation hearings. He did say though he hopes to be "instrumental in furthering strong cooperation" between local state and federal law officials. He also pledged to wage a relentless war against crime - along with "recognition of human rights and dignity." Adding: "I strongly adhere to those precepts".

HALDEMAN FOLLOW WATERGATE

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~~There~~ Another development: The release of a deposition taken last month - from former

White House Chief of Staff H R Haldeman; telling of attempts to unravel the Watergate mystery. ~~which~~ Haldeman saying: "There were varying reasons why a full story wasn't available" - including a lack of knowledge of what really did happen; and "at some points, at least" - ~~he~~ he continued - conflicting statements from persons involved."

Haldeman going on to say: From the time of the Watergate break in to the election - there were periodic new developments; - adding "whenever there ~~was~~ was such a development, there was a concern expressed on the President's part - usually to me - that we try to get the facts in this matter determined - and made known."

"There was a natural concern" - he went on -

"that the insinuations and ~~an~~ allegations would be detrimental to the campaign effort;" and therefore, "a desire that the facts be cleared up - so that those ~~doubts~~ doubts would not persist."

MONEY

In the money markets of western Europe -

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*the value of the dollar was up today; the price of
gold - down; on the strength ~~and~~ apparently of persistent
reports - that President Nixon may be planning a return
to wage and price controls; and thus, hopefully, ease
-- the present inflationary spiral.*

BRUSSELS

At Brussels - a meeting of Nato defense ministers; ~~with~~ the main speaker today - U S Defense Secretary Designate James Schlessinger; observing that Nato stands at a cross-roads - as it enters into negotiations aimed at achieving mutual east-west troop reductions.

Schlessinger warned^{ing}, however, that "nuclear and non-nuclear threats - continue to loom over us."

Adding: "We cannot ignore them - neither can ~~we~~ we negotiate from weakness" which makes it "essential" he continued - that Western Europe now assumes a "more ~~equitable~~ equitable burden-sharing in defense." Our Nato allies must face up to the need said he - "to help the U S address its balance of payments problem."

JERUSALEM

Chancellor Willy Brandt of West Germany

arrived today in Jerusalem - the first German head
of government ever to visit Israel, He was greeted
warmly by Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir - who
noted that Brandt had been forced to flee to Norway
during World War Two. Madame Meir saying this was
"the ~~darkest~~ darkest period for the human race - and
especially for the Jewish people."

Brandt himself then observing a moment
of silence - in memory of the six million jews who
were slain in Nazi Germany. He later said "we cannot
undo what has happened - the sum of the suffering cannot
be pushed aside from the conscience of our people."

But he stressed that his invitation to visit Israel -
had ~~been~~ demonstrated "a preference to the challenge
of the present - against the power of the past."

And he added: "Mankind would indeed be lost - were
there not such courage for a new beginning."

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note in on a visit to former shortly before World War I.

MOUNT HOOD

A remarkable story from Mount Hood, Oregon, sent to me by two former Olympic stars Gretchen and Don Fraser. A team of eleven mountaineers headed by veteran Ed Johann organizing a first climb for six youngsters from nearby Vancouver, Washington. After seventeen hours of tortuous effort finally succeeding in conquering the eleven thousand, two hundred and thirty five foot peak. What makes it most remarkable though - the six young climbers were all blind. A group of students from the state school for the blind at Vancouver who wanted to climb Mount Hood not for the view, but simply because they wanted to do it. A spokesman for the team later reporting: "They showed real guts and determination, their enthusiasm ran high even when they were so weary they could hardly go on." And, he added: "When they reached the summit - they just welled over with emotion." As well they should have!

KEY WEST

Another sea faring adventure gone astray - reported today from Key West, Dutch Sailor by the name of Jacob Jonker - who set out from Curacao back in April in a thirty-five foot sloop. Attempting to sail from the Dutch West Indies to his Dutch homeland. Then, he disappeared from sight - till picked up by the coast guard last night about twenty-five miles off Key West.

What went wrong - they're not sure. Jonker who speaks no English, was suffering from serious sunburn and exposure. The Dutch sailor did manage to indicate, he had been hopelessly adrift for many days.

OTTAWA

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HILO

Hilo, Hawaii - a victory for age and experience. Circuit Judge Benjamin Menor ruling unconstitutional - ~~an~~ a mandatory retirement age of sixty-five. This in the case of English professor Frank Nelson - who was summarily retired from Hilo College. Judge Menor asserting that said action - was a violation of ~~the~~ Professor Nelson's "right to pursue public employment." He also said: "It appearing from the evidence that Professor Nelson is professionally qualified and meets the physical and mental fitness requirements of the University, ~~so~~ he ought to be allowed to continue in his present capacity."