

HILLSBOROUGH

Thurs. Feb. 21st. '74.

In the Hearst kidnapping case - another ransom demand, as no doubt you've heard by now. The so-called Symbionese Liberation Army - demanding the distribution of an additional Four Million in free food. Warning if the Hearst family does not "comply precisely" - all communications will be broken off. Adding: "Should any attempt be made to rescue the subject prisoner or to injure our captive soldiers - the subject is to be executed immediately.

ATLANTA FOLLOW HILLSBOROUGH

Meanwhile, in Atlanta - the search goes on for Atlanta Constitution editor Reg Murphy. A group calling itself the "Revolutionary Army" - earlier claiming credit for Murphy's abduction. But why - and what they hope to gain - still a mystery.

ENERGY

The governors of at least two states have now gone to court - in an attempt to gain additional allocations of gasoline. With this in mind, Federal energy czar William Simon was meeting today with members of the National Governors Conference, and admitting that shortages - have reached a critical level in some states; adding, but corrections are being made to ensure each state of "an equitable share."

↳ Said Simon:

^ "We need to work together."

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW ENERGY

At a White House Cabinet meeting President Nixon said Simon was making every effort to improve allocation procedures, with a good chance of avoiding rationing."

SUEZ

In the Middle East - Israel today withdrew the last
of its troops - back across the Suez Canal. This followed
by a report from Cairo - that Egypt will soon resume full
diplomatic relations with the U.S.; probably next week -
when Dr. Kissinger again ^{Pays Egypt a} ~~comes to~~ call.

MEXICO CITY

At Mexico City ~~an address today by~~ Secretary of State
Henry Kissinger - at the opening session of an inter-American
meeting, ^{was} ~~by Kissinger~~ urging the creation of a "modern
framework - for effective cooperation" between Washington
and Latin America. Stressing, however, that such an
endeavor - is a two-way street. "If the U.S. is not to
presume to supply all the answers" - said he - "neither
should it be asked to bear all the responsibilities."

LONDON-PARIS

In the bullion markets of Western Europe - the price of gold continues to soar; in London, hitting an all-time high - of over One Hundred and Fifty-Six dollars an ounce; and in Paris a record One-Sixty-Two.

WEST PALM BEACH

Mrs. Rose Kennedy - the eighty-three-year-old matriarch of the Kennedy clan - is a patient today at a hospital in West Palm Beach, Florida; a victim of recent headaches - now said to be the result of a minor stroke.

Doctors stressing, however - the damage was "quite minor." Adding that Mrs. Kennedy will probably be home again by Friday - and no doubt quickly resume her busy schedule.

COPENHAGEN

*Exiled Russian author Alexander Solzhenitsyn -
was heading by train today from Zurich to Copenhagen. At
least one report saying he plans to meet his wife and family
there - and then travel on to Norway. The writer's Swiss
lawyer ~~further suggesting that this may, indeed, be the~~
~~case. Observing that~~ ^{saying} the Nobel Prize-winner - "has always
planned to settle in Norway."*

SALT LAKE CITY

At Salt Lake City - a meeting of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping; hearing today from Senator Moss of Utah - on a recent photograph of Mount Ararat, taken from a space satellite.

The Senator noting a tiny speck - about fourteen thousand feet up. Observing: "It's about the right size and shape - to be Noah's Ark." A conclusion that could be verified - said he - by Skylab photos being processed right

now. I hope my son Sen. L. T. Jr. in Alaska, is listening. Years and years ago he climbed Mt. Ararat and brought back a stone on which he said the Ark ran aground!

GATCH

**Where is Balloonist Thomas Gatch? Has his free
balloon come down in the Sahara, or is it being blown off
course maybe backwards to South America?**

CHICAGO

Feel tired? Rundown? Old before your time?

Then this next - is perhaps just for you. It's a report of a new "miracle cure" - as set forth today by a prominent Chicago physician. Dr. Joseph Poticha prescribing, quite simply - "a new romance."

Why so? Because - says he - "a new romance can produce miraculous cures ^{for} many physical ailments - which have been aggravated by the emotional state of the patient."

Dr. Poticha adding that "love over fifty-- is just as

beautiful and wonderful as love at any age." ^{Bill,} would you say Dr. Poticha is a wise, wise man?