

Wednesday, May 8, 1974

HOUSE

From Special Counsel John Doar of the House

Judiciary Committee came a charge today that the President has submitted insufficient impeachment evidence. Doar further urging the panel - to issue a subpoena for the materials the President has refused to surrender. But the Committee's ranking Democratic and Republican members are both saying they hoped to avoid a "confrontation." Chairman Peter Rodino adding that if the President refuses to change his mind - quote, "we go with the material we do have."

JESUIT

President Nixon's Watergate ~~actions~~^{moves} were

stoutly defended today - by a Jesuit Priest who also

served as a White House advisor. Dr. James

McLaughlin saying the Watergate transcripts show

that the President - did not submit to blackmail -

that he walked a "thin line" without obstructing justice -

that he "was thirsty to find the truth, but still "had

compassion for people who were suffering."

Dr. McLaughlin lashing out at those -

who now accuse the President of ~~blatant~~ blatant

immorality. Accusation^s such as that - are "erroneous,

~~now~~ unjust and contain ~~elements of~~ elements of

hypocrisy" said he. ~~Adding~~ Adding that, indeed,

the President acted in a moral way - and more than

that, "acquitted himself with honor."

What about ^{some blue language?} ~~all the profanities?~~ That

^{was} ~~not occurred~~ in "skull sessions" said Dr. McLaughlin,

~~serving as~~ "a form of emotional drainage." Or,

"therapy" ~ wherein the President could "express

himself in freedom." Dr McLaughlin adding that ^{any} ~~the~~

^{such language} ~~President's profanity~~ - therefore, ^{had} ~~there~~ "no moral

meaning."

WHITE HOUSE

*The White House again - a denial today
that President may be negotiating an arms agreement
with the Soviets - from a position of weakness.*

*Spokesman Gerald Warren saying: "The President
never ~~approached~~ approaches any situation from a
position of weakness - and he will not approach this
~~is~~ from a position of weakness."*

NEW ORLEANS FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

More on the same from Senate Democratic

whip Robert Byrd - in a speech today at New Orleans.

*The West Virginia Senator saying he has his
"own views" about some aspects of the Watergate
mess" as he put it. Adding; ~~however, he holds "no
go brief with those who claim that a Presidential
summit meeting in Moscow might result in
some concessions solely for political purposes,~~
"I cannot believe ~~"said he~~ that any President of the
United States would risk this nation's future for
domestic political gain."*

DAMASCUS

In the Middle East - Damascus - ^{Sec 75 let}
~~Henry~~
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Kissinger met for more than four hours today -

with Syria's President Assad. He then returned to

Jerusalem - for additional consultations with Israeli

leaders. Dr. Kissinger saying: "Some progress was

made - but no agreement was reached - and, therefore,

the talks are continuing."

OTTAWA

~~Up North~~ At Ottawa - a vote of "no
confidence" today ^{for} ~~in~~ the government of Canada's
Prime Minister Trudeau for alleged "failure to propose
effective budgetary measures -- to contain an reduce
inflation." ~~Today's action~~ Clearing the way for
new Canadian elections - probably in July.

GULF

~~The giant Gulf Oil Company~~ was served

today with a notice of "probable violation"; ~~The possible~~

~~Federal Energy Administration saying Gulf may have~~

padded ^{ing of} ~~its~~ bill for imported oil, - ~~by more than~~

~~forty-six million over the past four months.~~ The

F E A adding that an investigation is ~~now~~ under way -

to determine how much ~~of said bill~~ was passed ^{on} ~~through~~

to consumers.

SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco - the ~~Randolph~~ Hearsts today

offered ~~a reward of~~ fifty thousand dollars - for

information leading to the safe return of ^{their daughters} ~~the~~ ~~kidnapped~~

~~Patricia Hearst. In a related development an apparent~~

~~threat by members of the Symbionese Liberation Army -~~

^{threatens}

[^] to kidnap one or more of the grand children of Mayor

Alioto; ^{who responds saying he'll} ~~The~~ ~~Mayor~~ ~~responding with a pledge~~

[^] to shatter their organization! to destroy them by

whatever police effort is ~~necessary~~ necessary.

MOUNTAIN AIRY

~~From~~ ^{At} Mt. Airy, Maryland ~~= the story of~~
Marvin Ridgely; ~~who tired of the rat race~~ some twenty
years ago ~~and so~~ moved to the local ^{Junk heap} ~~dump~~ there
building a house - raising eight ~~children~~ children -
living the "good life" with his wife, till she up and
left him. ~~a few years ago back~~

But wife or no - Ridgely ^{calls} ~~considers~~ ~~himself~~
himself a lucky man. "I live off the ~~no~~ waste of the
American people," said he. ^{Adding Bill:} ~~Adding~~ "I got peace of
mind, - I'm warm and ~~the~~ dry; ~~and~~ I'm happy and I
love this junk pile."

DETROIT

At a meeting of the ~~new~~ American Psychiatric

Association ~~is currently in progress~~ in Detroit from

~~whence~~ a report ~~today~~ that the most popular exhibit

~~is a twenty minute~~ ^{is an} erotic ~~sex~~ film; a movie described

as valuable ~~aid~~ in dealing with human ^{behavior.} ~~sexuality.~~

"The only thing ~~nearly~~ as popular - ^{says the report} ~~we are told~~

~~is~~ "a free coffee machine."