

MOSCOW

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At the Kremlin - East meets West. Soviet Premier
Kosygin conferring today - with U.S. Senator Gore of
Tennessee - also, Senator Pell of Rhode Island. Telling
the two Americans - that Russia intends to pursue a policy
of peaceful coexistence in the foreseeable future; while
striving at the same time - to achieve a balance of strength
between the world's two greatest powers.

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However, Kosygin expressing concern - about recent
statements by President-elect Nixon. Saying it would be
difficult to pursue this policy of detente - if one side
~~were to strive constantly~~
~~is constantly striving~~ for military superiority.

VIETNAM

On the Vietnamese war front - a number of enemy ⁹
rocket and mortar attacks today - on Allied military
installations guarding the northern city of Da Nang. These
following a series of nine separate but similar attacks -
on other South Vietnamese population centers. In Saigon -
South Vietnamese Premier Tran Van Huong - simultaneously
warning against the possibility of a big Viet Cong
"winter-spring" offensive. For the first time in a week
though - there were no new shooting incidents today in that

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WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW VIETNAM

Here at home - another mass Medal of Honor ceremony
~~today~~ at the White House. President Johnson presenting
the nation's highest award for valor - to five heroes of
the war in Vietnam; including one - a chaplain - ^{the} first
since ~~Korean~~ World War Two

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The President also taking advantage of the
occasion - to warn that "other bitter days and other
battles still lie ahead." Said he: "I cannot emphasize
strongly enough - that we have not attained peace - only
the possibility of peace."

PARIS FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

Meanwhile, in Paris - that "possibility" remains as remote as ever. Allied diplomatic sources reporting continued failure today - in efforts to bring about Saigon participation in expanded peace talks. Consequently, normal Wednesday peace talks - canceled once again for the third straight week.

FRANC FOLLOW PARIS

Elsewhere in Paris--the French government
wrestled today with the problem of saving the franc.

BAMAKO

— Timbuctu!

Revolution in Mali, Leftist Army officers seizing control of that sprawling West African nation today - in an apparently bloodless coup. Ousting the six-year-old government of President Modibo Keita - founding father of the former French colony - and declaring martial law.

As of now - all powers resting in ~~the~~^{the} hands of a new "National Revival" military committee. Its sole goal - said Army Major Moussa Traore - to put an end to the Keita "dictatorship." He also promised free elections - as soon as possible. Adding: "The hour of liberty has come."

BONN FOLLOW ~~PARIS~~ ^{FRANC}

Reverse side - an embarrasemnt of riches in West Germany / caused, in part, by the flight of the French franc. Forcing Bonn to move quickly today - to prevent an upward valuation of the Deutschsmark. The West German government imposing a series of "immediate tax measures" - designed to boost imports and cut exports.

Quite
~~Now there's~~ a switch!

Lady Bird Johnson versus the litterbugs. Story from right here in New York - where the First Lady today addressed a meeting of manufacturers. Decrying the fact that an estimated forty-five million tons of packaging material - ends up as litter each year. Litter that "is wasteful - as well as unlovely and costly" - said she.

How to prevent it? Easy - said Mrs. Johnson.

Urging the development of ^{the} salvageable - and thus reusable - packaging materials; ^{or} else containers that simply disintegrate - after they've served their purpose. The President's Lady saying: "Surely, it is time for ^{the} Americans - to cure the litterbug habit."

PRINCETON FOLLOW NEW YORK

More on the same - from pollster George Gallup.

Reporting a recent survey showing that Americans are nearly one hundred per cent ^{unanimous} - in their condemnation of litterbugs; or "slobs" - or "pigs" - as they are sometimes called. Of those polled though - more than half admitting that they themselves were guilty of littering at times.

Conclusion - says George Gallup: "Until the individual citizen starts thinking of himself as a 'slob' - if he drops a paper container on the street or highway or throws a cigarette wrapper on the ground - until then, laws are not going to resolve the problem."

CHARM

The White House again - a sentimental ceremony today. President Johnson paying tribute to the sixty White House secretaries - who have served his Administration. The women who have "made the impossible possible" - said he. Adding that he agreed with the late Sam Rayburn - who said that a public official was "only as good as his secretary."

As a further gesture - the President also presenting each of the secretaries with a gold charm - bearing the Presidential seal. A charm is intended "to ward off evil" - said LBJ. Adding, in effect: "Better late than never?"

How about it Warren?

How " " John?

Glasgow, Scotland - the Queen steps out. The newest pride of the British fleet - Queen Elizabeth Two - today completing her first voyage under her own power. Sailing thirteen miles down the Clyde estuary - to a waiting drydock. There to receive her final fittings - preparatory to her maiden transAtlantic voyage January Seventeen.

Along the way - the Queen crunching a couple of docks that chanced to get in her way. Receiving in return a couple of scrapes ^{side swipes} ~~totaling about~~ thirty feet in length. Nothing serious though. "A touch of make-up" - said a Cunard official - and Queen Elizabeth Two will be as good as new.