

WATERGATE

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"The mills of the God's grind slowly" -
so the old saying goes. And so too the Senate Watergate
hearings. Today in their thirty-third day they were
going off in a dozen different directions and along the
way - producing a few heated confrontations. One
dealing with a memo to witness H R Haldeman; a memo
stating that violent and obscene ~~and~~ demonstrations
would be staged - at a joint appearance by President
Nixon and Evangelist Billy Graham. Senator Weicker
of Connecticut noting that Haldeman had written "good"
at one point - and "great" at another. Demanding to
know "exactly what kind of mentality is in the White
House" - that would do such a thing.

Haldeman's response - when he was finally
permitted to answer - an attempt to explain the
circumstances. He would have welcomed such a
protest - said he - because the American people would

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thus come to understand that such demonstrations - were organized - planned and evil; and not the casual, minor, "off the cuff" event - such as reporters up to then had portrayed them.

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Under questioning by Senator Montoya of New Mexico - Haldeman also discussed the White House "enemies list", saying this was an attempt - to screen potential White House guests and entertainers - and thereby eliminate those - who might pose "any security threat or any potential embarrassment." As such - said he - it is similar to the so-called "anathema list" - which existed under the Johnson administration.

PENTAGON

At the Pentagon - a ceremony today marking the swearing in of General George S. Brown - as new Air Force Chief of Staff. The main speaker - Defense Secretary James Schlesinger; also taking this occasion - to attack recent Congressional cuts in military appropriations.

~~Said~~ Schlesinger, ~~saying:~~ "We're into the post-war follies." Adding: "It's now fashionable - as it has been in the past - to attempt to disestablish the defense establishment." ^{"But," he added} ~~But~~ "it's only "an enchanting illusion" ~~said he~~ to think "that you can cut into fat without cutting into muscle."

BOMBING

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Washington again - ^a legal maneuver aimed
at forcing an immediate bombing halt in Cambodia \neq
was rejected today by Supreme Court Justice Thurgood
Marshall. Marshall saying: "I would exceed my legal
authority - were I, acting alone, to grant this application!"
The same appeal now headed for Justice William O.
Douglas - who is vacationing in Goose Prairie,
Washington.

From President Nixon and Japan's Prime Minister Tanaka - a joint communique today; marking the completion - of two days of talks. The President and the Prime Minister expressing "their strong hope - for a stable and lasting piece in Indo-China through scrupulous implementation - of the Paris agreement "on Viet Nam. Also, reaffirming " their resolve - to assist in the rehabilitation of Indo-China."

The communique going on to ~~do~~ say that President Nixon will visit Japan - before the end of 1974; with Emperor Hirohito to return the call - at a later date, as yet unspecified.

LIEPNITH

The founding father of Communist East

Germany - dead today at Liepnith in East Germany.

*Die-hard Stalinist Walter Ulbricht- the man who built
the infamous Berlin Wall; ^{the man who did much} ~~who helped~~ to make sure [^] ~~^~~*

*~~that~~ Germany would remain divided in the wake of World
War Two. But the man who also helped ~~to~~ rebuild -
his own East Germany; making it the world's - ninth
greatest industrial power. Now - the victim of a heart
attack.*

Walter Ulbricht - age eighty.

TEHRAN

At Tehran and throughout Iran - an official "oil day" by government proclamation; including parades - public speeches - singing and dancing and so on.

This marking the advent of a new law - giving Iran, henceforth, total control over its own oil industry; also, guaranteeing an extra half billion - in annual income. The Iranian oil fields - currently accounting for roughly 10% of total world production.

After four days of baffling space sickness -
the Skylab 2 Astronauts were finally coming around today.
This apparently due in part - to a new meal schedule;
six snacks a day - instead of 'three squares.' Mission's
commander Alan Bean reporting: "This is the first time
^{since}
we've been up here - that after a meal everybody felt
good."

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The Skylab 2 Astronauts - were also given
a series of medical tests today. Results - relayed
back to earth. Doctors attempting to make sure they're
okay - before approving their first space walk.

FLORIDA KEYS

Off the East Coast of Southern Florida and on into the Keys - the big "lobster rush" is on; with an estimated twenty thousand skin divers - taking the plunge today; attempting to make the most of the opening day - in Florida's 1973 Lobster Season. At least one official saying: "I don't know how they have room - to swim down there."

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Buckingham Palace - the first detailed plans - for Princess Anne's coming marriage to Lieutenant Mark Phillips. The Princess to have as her sole attendant - her younger brother, Prince Edward, age nine - and her cousin, Lady Sarah Armstrong-Jones, also nine. Anne refusing to have bridesmaids - we hear - in order to insure that she alone is the center of attention.

SOUTHERN CHAD

*From Fort Lamy in Chad - a report today
telling of an elephant rampage in drought stricken
southern Chad. More than four hundred giant pachyderms
= thundering across the land in search of food and
water; in the process - laying to waste thousands of
acres of crop land.*

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CARIBBEAN

Back in early May - you may recall - the raft Acali left the Canary Islands. It's crew - consisting of five men and six women; hoping to sail their tiny craft across the Atlantic - all the way to Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. Mexican adventurer Santiago Genoves - who organized the expedition calling it an "experiment in human harmony."

Now comes a report - ~~the~~ experiment ~~is~~ in trouble. Genoves reporting by radio: "Some of the participants - men and women - have suffered from moral and physical states that have worried us." Also saying: "We have played a game of truth - but crossing the Atlantic is no game."

Worst of all, the Acali is now drifting helplessly - toward the Seriano and Serianillo sandbanks. These ^{are} just east of Honduras and Nicaragua - in the Caribbean. Genoves requesting an immediate tow - in order "to avoid a catastrophe." Adding: "It would

**be a shame to die - so close to the end of a hard
journey."**

The marriage of Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton - is now "kaput", as you may have heard. All that remains - we are told - the completion of a financial settlement; one of the terms of which - is reported today from Rome.

Liz getting custody of all the jewels - that Richard bought her over the years. These including the famous million-dollar Cartier diamond, ^{also} the world's most famous pearl, La Peregrina - ^{as well as} ~~and~~ assorted rings, necklaces, earrings, bracelets, broaches, tiaras and so on.

Richard Burton renouncing all claim to ~~his~~ ^{his} fame - reportedly saying: "they're Elizabeth's - I wouldn't look good in them."

LANGUAGE

It may be true - as Henry Wadsworth

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Longfellow said - that "Music is the universal language of Mankind." If such is the case though - music is apparently the only universal language. A recent study disclosing at least five thousand languages and dialects - in current usage around the globe; languages and dialects ranging from A to Z - from Abakan to Syrien. The list including eight hundred invented languages - intended to sweep the world; except - they never quite made it.

All of this calling to mind, Bill - the case of the veteran diplomat who specialized in learning foreign tongues. He could be incomprehensible - it was said - in ten different languages.

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ZOLGOGRAD-KIEV

An invasion of literally millions - if not billions of lady bugs - is reported today from Zologograd and Kiev in the ~~Soviet~~ Ukraine. The lady bug plague - said to have resulted from an unusually warm and humid summer - which is conducive to reproduction; plus an abundance of plant life - which the lady bugs feed on. This last - also leading to a ban on the killing of lady bugs; seeing as how - they are beneficial to man.

What to do then? ^{- Bill -} Well, they might try: "Lady bug, lady bug, fly away home - your house is on fire, your children will burn. Da da."