

RICHARDSON

Thurs. Oct. 11th '73.

From Attorney General Elliott Richardson a full explanation today of the steps leading to the resignation of ^{Vice Pres,} ~~Spiro~~ Agnew. This was being done - said he - first, in hopes "that the American people - will understand and support what has been done; " and, "second, to urge again consideration and compassion for the former Vice President. Richardson adding that Spiro Agnew "has rendered a high service - by resigning and relieving the nation of a prolonged and potentially disastrous period of anguish and uncertainty."

SUCCESSOR FOLLOW RICHARDSON

Meanwhile, the task of picking a successor.

President Nixon soliciting suggestions - from ~~Republican~~ members of Congress, Governors and others; setting a ~~short~~ deadline for such suggestions as of six tonight, Eastern Time. White House Press Secretary ~~Don~~ Ziegler saying the President will act quickly to ~~submit~~ submit his nominee to Congress.

The newest of the leading candidates by the way - ^{Minority Leader} House ~~Speaker~~ Gerald Ford; apparently the overwhelming choice - of House Republicans. ^{of the House} ~~House~~ Speaker, Carl Albert -- ~~who is~~ a Democrat, ~~of course~~, also saying ~~that~~ Ford is one man - "who I know would get House approval."

^{Then there was} ~~Richardson~~ the elimination of Elliott Richardson, by his own choice. The Attorney General, saying: "It would be highly inappropriate for me," as the Vice President's chief accuser - "to be for one moment considered as a successor to him."

MIDDLE EAST

In the new war in the Middle East - the sixth day; and again -- ~~a welter~~ of conflicting claims.

Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan - saying Israeli troops have now advanced six miles into Syria. Adding that Syrian defenses were "practically broken" with some troops retreating and others running. Dayan further saying: "I think that in twenty four hours - Damascus will be in real danger."

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But ^{was} ~~this~~ followed by a Syrian communique - conceding only that the ~~and~~ enemy had launched a counter attack." The Syrians going on to say: "our ground forces engaged him - and destroyed sixty-one tanks." Adding that "fighting - is still going on."

While ~~While~~ ^{is} Egypt on the western front - ^{is} again claiming a major victory; the "complete destruction" of an Israeli armored unit - said to have been trapped on the east bank of the Suez.

ENERGY

The White House again - President Nixon today allotted an ~~extra~~ extra one hundred and fifteen million - for energy research and ~~in~~ development this ~~year~~ year.

The total figure - now coming to one ~~trillion~~ billion.

The President saying: "A great ~~at~~ nation cannot be dependent on other nations - for resources essential to its own social and economic progress." Adding:

Our goal must be self-sufficiency - the capacity to meet our energy needs with our own resources."

Said he: -

~~that~~ "I intend to take every step ~~of~~ necessary ~~said~~

~~to~~ to achieve that goal."

KROGH

Elevator in

^ Washington ~~again~~ - the former head of the

so-called "White House plumbers" was indicted today

by a Federal Grand Jury. Egil (eagle) "Bud" Krogh

accused of making "false material declarations" while

testifying in connection with the ~~Federal~~ Watergate

Investigation.

CAPITOL HILL

On Capitol Hill - House and Senate ~~Committee~~ Conferees approved today - a compromise twenty-one-point-three billion defense authorization bill. The new version giving the administration practically everything it wanted --

What's more,
in the way of weaponry. ~~But~~ a Senate move to bring home
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a hundred and ten thousand American troops from overseas - has now been dropped.

STOCKHOLM

The winners of this year's Nobel Prize for medicine - three, in all. Perhaps the best known - Dr. Conrad Lorenz ; director of the ~~Max~~ Planck Institute for Behavioral physiology at Seewiesen, ~~Amsterdam~~ Austria. Also, Doctor Karl Von Frisch - who was last a professor at Munich University; and Dr. Nikolas Tinbergen - of Oxford University. The winning trio said to be "the most eminent founders of a new science - called the comparative study of ~~human~~ behavior."

ELLIPSE

The nation's first permanent national Christmas tree - was officially dedicated today in the Ellipse at the rear of the White House. Final selection of the new tree - following a two month search of the north-east. The winner -- a fifteen ton, thirty-eight foot blue spruce - from the farm of Charlie Atherton at Hunlock Creek, Pennsylvania; a tree that he and his wife planted thirty-~~seven~~ seven years ago, ^{When they} were first married.

Mrs. Atherton saying: "We consider it an honor, where it's going - but we'll miss it, mostly at night." And she added - "it looked so beautiful in the snow - and when car lights would shine on it, glistening in the dew."

HOT SPRINGS

At Hot Springs, Arizona - a meeting of the
National Newspaper Association - hearing an address
today - from F B I director Clarence Kelly, ~~who~~ pledged
~~that~~ the F B I will be more open, henceforth & in its
dealings with the news media. This - said he - an
attempt to dispel "allegations that cloak and dagger
~~has~~ tactics of the F B I - threaten to make it a gestapo."

BUENOS AIRES

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On the eve of his ~~co~~ inauguration as President of Argentina - Juan Peron today was discussing inter-American relations. This in an interview - published in Madrid. The former Argentine^r dictator - hinting at a possible warming up of his once-cool relations with the U S. "The new policy of Washington has become more sincere - said he -- "since the appointment of Henry Kissinger as Secretary of ~~the~~ State."

PEKING

Canada's Prime Minister Trudeau a guest today
at an archery exhibition in Peking; ^{Trudeau} ~~there~~ scoring a
bull's eye - in winning friends and influencing people.

The Prime Minister agreeing to take an archery lesson -
from Li Su-Lan, the womens world champion archer.

Delighting the crowds as he drew a bead on a target
that ~~somehow~~ somehow escaped his arrow.

By the way, the bow they were using - made in
Michigan.

ATLANTA

For the first time in the history of the State of Georgia - portraits of prominent Black Georgians will soon be hanging in the State Capital. This - by order of Governor Jimmy Carter; who also appointed a special advisory committee - to pick the first three ~~blacks~~ blacks to be so honored. The Governor ~~is~~ observing that "black children and other blacks who visit the State Capital ought to be able to see something they are proud to identify with."

LOS ANGELES

A new look at the process of aging is reported today from the University of Southern California. Dr. Vern Bengston challenging what he calls - the "myths of age." Labeling as absolutely false the idea that one - retirement is a traumatic experience - and many die soon thereafter; two - that sexual interest declines in later years; three - that I Q declines and older people find it harder to learn; and four, that old age inevitably leads to a nursing home.

Dr. Bengston challenged the fabled "puritan work ethic." Said he: "Most men enjoy work" much less than they will admit."

But the biggest lie of all - says Dr. Bengston - the popular notion that a retired person has to keep busy. "If you like painting - then paint; he goes on. If you like rug weaving - then weave; but if you prefer to sit back with a book - do so; and if you just want to loaf - why not?" How are you as a loafer, Bill?

YORK

In Britain - the Archbishop of York ~~was~~ discussing a rash of recent scandals, that supposedly "shame society." These - said he - including Vietnam and Belfast - call girls and pornography -- Watergate, and drugs. The Archbishop noting that newspapers - "have had a field day with the muck ~~made~~ rake."

But he also noted ^{how} "the world is full ~~knows of~~ ^{of beauty.}"

And he asked: "Are we ~~to~~ to concentrate only on the urge and never the loveliness; only the hate - and never the love; only the misery, and never the ~~just~~ joy?"

NEW YORK FOLLOW YORK

Also in an ecumenical vein - from New York, Bishop Sheen saying: "An atheist is a man - who has no invisible means of support."

