

Tues. Apr. 18-72

In the flight of Apollo-Sixteen - as you may have heard by now - ~~another brief scare today~~. Electrical interference knocked ^{ed} ~~ing~~ out the ^{space} ship's main guidance system for eighteen minutes. Luckily though - ^{at Houston,} ground controllers with the help of MIT experts. They sent were quick to solve the problem, ~~sending~~ ^{sending} up a new set of instructions - which ^{did the trick,} ~~worked perfectly~~. Astronaut John Young exclaiming: "That's the best news I've heard today."

So on and on ^{thru space} they go tonight, ^{with} The ~~US~~ moonship

- scheduled to enter lunar orbit in less than twenty-four

hours; ^{Then} ~~and~~ the next day, if all goes well, ^{there will be} another manned

landing on the moon. The Command ship is called the Caspar. The section that will land on the moon is the Orion.

SENATE

From Defense Secretary ~~Malvin~~ Laird ^{today comes} - another ~~determined~~ ^{the} ~~spirited~~ defense of U.S. bombing strikes against Communist North Vietnam. ^{See,} Laird today telling the Senate Foreign Committee - these strikes are continuing, as he put it, "at this very moment." "The authority is there to develop" - said he - "as the tactical situation warrants."

A so-called "high Administration official" - later adding that "everything is open." "We will do whatever is necessary" - ^{Whatever is necessary} - said he - "to thwart invasion" from the North.

VIETNAM

Meanwhile, enemy forces were stepping up their attacks today - on two major highways running from Saigon all the way to Cambodia. Enemy gunners - also knocking out two U.S. Navy attack vessels.

If there was ever a real ^{Viet Cong enemy} "blitzkrieg" though - that

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✓ time has long since passed. The South Vietnamese now ~~we~~ are told giving a good ~~giving~~ account of themselves - on virtually every front.

At strife-torn An Loc, for example - South Vietnam's

General Minh saying: "We expect additional attacks - maybe tonight, maybe tomorrow;" ^{-he added,} but "we are holding them - very well."

WHITE HOUSE

*The White House - President Nixon met today -
with the members of Red China's visiting table tennis team.
The President telling his guests: We know that in your
matches - there will be winners and losers; but the big
winner" - said he - "will be friendship, between the people
of the U. S. - and the people of the People's Republic of
China." I wonder if this will be known
as the Ping Pong Era?*

WASHINGTON

Washington again - an attempt today to shake loose the nomination of Richard Kleindienst as Attorney General. White House aide Peter Flanigan - agreeing to testify before the Senate Judiciary Committee; agreeing to do so - said he - insofar as his "limited involvement" with the IT&T controversy is concerned.

Flanigan also explained his previous refusal to testify - with another reference to "executive privilege." "I could not accept an invitation" - said he "calling for testimony relating to my duties as a member of the immediate staff of the President."

PRICES

Chairman C. Jackson Grayson of the President's Price Commission, a witness today before the House and Senate Joint Economic Committee, ^{stated that} ~~there saying~~, an estimated ten per cent of the nation's largest companies - are collecting excessive profits; and thus - violating the law.

Grayson went on to contend, ^{that} ~~however~~, the President's goal of cutting in half the rate of inflation - is still attainable. And he added, by and large: "We are on course!"

SAN ANTONIO

From San Antonio - a report today that former

^{LBJ}
~~President Johnson~~ is in "good spirits" - and still

"recovering ~~well~~" from his recent heart attack. ~~And~~ That

ventricular tachycardia he suffered yesterday - ^{it was} a sudden

burst of irregular heartbeats - apparently ^{it did} ~~causing~~ little if

any harm. ~~Indeed,~~ The doctors say ~~ing~~ it was picked up by an
electronic monitoring system - ^{and Pres. Johnson} ~~and LBJ~~ probably wasn't

even aware of it. But it was a warning - we are told; one

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that calls for ^{what they term} "appropriate medication" - to prevent

"something more serious."

ATLANTA

Atlanta, Georgia - a meeting of Methodist leaders
from around the globe ^{today} ~~hearing today~~ a report from a study
group - urging the adoption of a new church doctrine. This
including an open invitation to homosexuals ~~to~~ to participate
fully in church activities; also, giving ^{apparent} ~~church~~ approval - to
^{extra} ~~pre~~-marital sex as well as abortion on demand. In addition,
the report recommend^{ed} ~~ing~~ amnesty for war defectors - an
immediate ceasefire in Southeast Asia - and softer penalties
for possession of marijuana.

The Reverend Dr. Albert Outler of Dallas ^{was} ~~is~~
~~is~~ spokesman for the study group. It's recommendations -
said he ^{are} ~~is~~ "not a creed or general rule;" but rather "a new
interpretation" - in order to keep up with the times.

HELSINKI

Another session of SALT talks scheduled today in Helsinki ~~was~~ suddenly cancelled by the Soviet Union.

Conference sources explaining that Russia's Vladimir Semenov - had failed to ~~return as yet~~ ^{get back} from weekend consultations in Moscow.

Lest there be any doubt, a U.S. spokesman adding - there is no connection ^{here} with recent developments in Vietnam.

"This has happened before" - said he.

MINSK

In the never-ending search for the "fountain of youth"
- a report today from Minsk; where Russian scientists
have found that human cells - tend to accumulate excess
quantities of iron, copper, zinc and so on. Over the years -
we are told - these metals eventually clogging more and
more cells; ~~and so~~ ^{Result?} ~~the~~ ^{called} process of aging.

Ah, but wait - there's more. The Russians have
also developed a chemical substance - called ethylene-
diamin-tetracetate - or EDTA, for short. When given to
test animals - EDTA effectively flushing ^{es all that conglomerate} out their body
cells; removing the iron, copper, zinc, ^{et cetera} and so on - making
them ^{cells} appear younger, fluffier and livelier. Most of them,
anyway. ~~So, maybe~~ ^{Don} ~~we~~ ^{will} ~~live~~ ^{live} ~~longer~~ ^{longer} ~~and~~ ^{maybe} ~~so~~ ^{some} ~~day~~ ^{day}

~~What happened to the rest? Oh, they died. Back to~~
they'll find a way for us to live on ^{Don} ~~the drawing board, boys.~~

NEW YORK

A new addition to the curriculum at New York University--a course called: "Myth America in the Movies;" as seen through the eyes of "Professor" Sandra Shevey--a free-lance movie critic and women's lib advocate.

Says Ms. Shevey: "American movies have always been the enemy of the feminist movement." ^{How?} ~~This--she~~ goes on--by portraying women as stereotypes rather than real women. "The cult of the virgin"--Ms. Shevey calls it; as represented ~~by~~ down through the years--by Mary Pickford, Doria ~~A~~ Day, Marilyn Monroe and so on.

~~But~~ But there's still hope--says the Professor. Citing as one ~~of~~ of her favorite new films: "The Diary of a Mad Housewife," which raises important questions--says ~~and~~ she--like: "What's a cum laude graduate from Smith College--doing polishing silver?"