

OPA-LOCKA


Fri. Nov. 8-68.

Good Eve - Ev-b-dy. Date line Opa-Locka.

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The victor meets the vanquished. Purpose - to bind
up the nation's wounds. President-elect Nixon and Hubert
Humphrey - agreeing to a "get together" today at Opa-Locka,
Florida, about ten miles northwest of Miami.

This "unity" parley - reminiscent of a similar
meeting back in Nineteen-Sixty; between Richard Nixon -
and John F. Kennedy, the then-President-elect. Only
this time - it was Nixon who initiated the conference.

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~~Phoning~~
~~calling~~ Hubert Humphrey from his vacation retreat at
Key Biscayne ^{to} extending the invitation. With the
Vice President ~~quickly agreeing to stop~~ ^{stopping} off - en route
to his own vacation in the Virgin Islands.



ADD OPA-LOCKA

Meeting ended - the two men appearing at a joint news conference. Richard Nixon stressing: "This is a time when we must unite the country." Hubert Humphrey adding: "We have set an example here - that I hope others will follow."

KEY BISCAYNE

By the way - another congratulatory telegram was received today at Key Biscayne. Soviet President Podgorny wishing the President-elect - "fruitful work" in his new "high post." Adding that he hopes a Nixon Administration - "will see a further development of relations between the U.S.S.R. and the U.S.A. - in the interest of the Soviet and American peoples - in the interest of strengthening world peace."

SAIGON-PARIS

Meanwhile, the search for peace in Vietnam ^{became} ~~was~~ ~~tangled~~ ^{tangled} still further today. In Saigon - South Vietnamese President Thieu offering up "a new formula;" supposedly aimed "at helping the Paris talks get out of stalemate" - but achieving apparently just the opposite.

48 Thieu's proposal - that South Vietnam rather than ^{the} United States - must head the negotiating team at any full-fledged Paris peace conference. With a second proviso that North Vietnam rather than the Viet Cong - must negotiate for the Communists.

First reaction - from Paris; ~~where~~ a North Vietnamese spokesman called the Thieu plan - a complete "absurdity." Washington later expressing similar doubts - nevertheless, taking ^{what} encouragement ^{it could} from the fact that Thieu ^{seems} ~~has~~ ^{to have} finally moved off dead-center.

WASHINGTON

From Stockholm news today of a delayed
Washington again - the exodus begins. President
Johnson today accepting the resignation of Treasury
Secretary Henry Fowler - also, that of Undersecretary of
State Nicholas Katzenbach. The White House further
indicating more soon to come - as the Johnson Administration

draw ever-nearer the end of the line.
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similarly fled to Sweden in recent years - this the first
such Soviet defection of late. With Swedish officials
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STOCKHOLM

From Stockholm, ~~comes~~ news today of a delayed reaction // to that recent Russian occupation of Czechoslovakia. Five Russian soldiers - members of the original Soviet occupation force - defecting to Sweden in protest against the Czech invasion.

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GENEVA

While the new Mr. and Mrs. Aristotle Socrates Onassis were honeymooning today in the Aegean Islands - good news from Geneva. The Metropolitan of the Greek Orthodox Church - bestowing his warm blessings on the couple. Unlike the Vatican - calling them "two legally married Christians" - both "deserving of respect." Adding that the Kennedy-Onassis union is "valid for - and to be defended by - the whole Orthodox Church."

The Metropolitan's words - doubly important; inasmuch as he also serves as a leading negotiator - in Ecumenical discussions between the Greek Orthodox and Roman Catholic Churches.

CAP MARTIN

For Scotland Yard's veteran super sleuth - Tommy Butler - it's eleven down and one to go. At Cap Martin, England - Detective Superintendent Butler arrest^{ed}~~ing~~ today - the alleged mastermind of Britain's Seven Million-dollar "great train robbery." Thirty-seven-year-old Bruce "Brain" Reynolds surrendering meekly - after five years of dodging police - also, underworld extortionists.

That leaves only one 'of the "great train" gang - still at large. Ronald Biggs - who recently escaped from prison - after Butler was instrumental in sending him up for thirty years. However, the Superintendent is delaying his planned retirement from the force - hoping to make it a clean sweep.

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You may recall - *this same* it was also ¹Tommy Butler - who earlier this year arrested James Earl Ray at London Airport. Just one of hundreds of arrests over the years - that have made him Britain's top detective. In the ~~words~~ of one

of his superiors - a "twenty-four hour copper with the
brain of a university professor - and the memory of an
elephant."

NEW DELHI

In India - present population about five hundred million and climbing fast ^{as} the battle for birth control begins to pick up steam. New Delhi announcing plans today - to put slogans and symbols on some five thousand state-owned railroad locomotives. Trains that will now carry a birth control message the length and breadth of Hindustan - to the effect that "two or three children are enough." ^{Warren - this train} If nothing else - ~~the~~ plan proving ~~itself~~, they are on the right track.

GENOA

Genoa, Italy - the story of Senora Carmella Fucci.

Sentenced to jail some four years ago for selling contraband cigarettes ~~— but she didn't go to jail! At the~~
~~except that she never went.~~

time ~~she was~~ ^{and} expecting a child ~~Senora Fucci took~~

advantage of an old Italian law - sparing ~~from confinement~~

recent mothers or mothers-to-be. Another year - another

baby; again and again - until it seemed her sentence might

be delayed in perpetuity. ^{Now -} ~~was~~ a routine annual check

disclosed this week ~~that~~ Senora Fucci, for the first time

in years, was not expecting.

~~So to jail goes~~
~~the woman who smuggled cigarettes; who seems to have~~
So, at long last to jail goes the lady ^{who smuggled}
^{cigarettes} ~~who seems to have~~ decided, after all,

she'd rather switch than keep up the fight.