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ENERGY

On the energy front an address today by Gerald Ford to the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. The Vice President paying tribute to the American public for cooperating whole-heartedly "in the greatest conservation effort in peacetime history." "They are cooperating" said he - "because they understand what's at stake here; jobs, production, income investment - all of which translate into prosperity for everybody."

Gerald Ford also saying the administration's energy drive - has but one major goal; "to maintain jobs - and keep production levels high." "So far" - he continued - "we have been able to keep economic dislocations - to a minimum." And he added: "The prospects are excellent that we can meet this crisis without any really serious disruptions."

PIPE LINE FOLLOWS ENERGY

A number of environmental groups disclosed today - a decision to accept at last the inevitable. Spokesman James Dean saying the environmentalists - will not challenge the constitutionality of the new Alaskan oil pipeline. This - we are told - on the advice of lawyers A who ^{told them} ~~said they~~ such a challenge would surely fail.

ASWAN

*Secretary of State Kissinger - was up the Nile -
down the Nile some would say - back at Aswan today
discussing with Egyptian President Sadat - the latest
Israeli views on troop disengagement along the Suez
Canal. Said Kissinger to reporters: "The gap is narrowing."
His aides adding that, indeed, an agreement is now
"seventy five to eighty percent" complete.*

*Kissinger tonight again in Israel praising both
sides - for their "constructive and positive manner."
"If this spirit can be maintained" said he - "there may
be hope that this area which has suffered so much -
may at last find peace."*

WASHINGTON

The mystery of the missing segment of
Watergate tape - was still ^{an}~~an~~ issue today in the court
room of Federal Judge John Sirica. As yet - no
solution. Judge Sirica saying he may have no choice
but to ~~do~~ turn the matter over ~~on~~ to a Grand Jury.

JAKARTA

Tens of thousands of Indonesians were raging through the streets of Jakarta today; the second straight day of massive riots - sparked by a visit from Japan's Prime ~~Min~~ Minister Tanaka. Police using teargas and automatic weapons - in an effort to restore order. First report - telling of several dead and scores wounded.

Through it all though Tanaka attempting to ~~maintain~~ maintain an outward calm. When questioned by reporters - saying -- "there were ~~don~~ demonstrations elsewhere - but I don't get irritated." Tanaka also observing, matter of factly: "Jakarta is green - and the climate is better ~~low-low~~ than I thought."

DUBLIN

Northern Ireland's Bryan Faulkner flew today to Dublin - to confer with Premier Liam Cosgrove of the Irish Republic, to discuss "matters of mutual concern." This said to include as "top priority" - a joint crackdown on the cross border operations of I R A terrorists.

Their meeting ended - Faulkner and Cosgrove later issuing a joint statement. "It was agreed" they said - "that any threat to the lives or property of people in Northern Ireland - is a threat to democratic institutions in Ireland as a whole - and must be confronted as such."

BILBAO

Political unrest in Spain - led to two more bombings today. The first - at Deusto University; the second, at Autonomous University; both in the city of Bilbao - Spain's seething Basque region. No one hurt - but total damage coming to more than half a million.

MOSCOW

Over the West German radio station Deutsche Welle - a reading of passages from Alexander Solzhenitsyn's new book, "The Gulag Archipelago" today was beamed directly to Russia; with the Soviets jamming the signal; resuming a practice halted some months ago.

In Moscow Solzhenitsyn's wife was saying the Soviet secret police - have begun a "war of nerves" against her husband. This said to include a series of phone calls -- denouncing the author's work; also, a call from an undertaker - asking if the family had any business for him.

CHARLOTTE - AMALIE

Governor Evans of the Virgin Islands has been waging a campaign - aimed at restoring the islands' image as "America's paradise." But now, is it another case of "paradise lost?"

Police at Charlotte Amalie reporting the death of thirty-five year old Alfred Rothenberg - shot in the chest and stomach while hailing a cab. Rothenberg visiting the islands with his wife Barbara who was also shot in the stomach. The couple's assailants said to be two youths who at last report were still at large.

ROME

Rome police today ~~more~~ arrested three men - in connection with the kidnapping and mutilation of J Paul Getty the Third. The three in custody said to have come from ~~San~~ Calabria, an impoverished region at the toe of the Italian boot. Police also ~~recovered~~ recovering an undisclosed amount of cash - apparently part of Getty's two point nine million dollar ransom.

NEW YORK

Two of the biggest stars of the New York Yankees in their late lamented glory years - were named today to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Famed center fielder Mickey Mantle winning election in his first year of eligibility; only the seventh man ever so honored. While pitcher Whitey Ford - his one time side kick ^{is} _^ making it into the Hall ^{on his} ~~his~~ ~~second~~ second time around.

CAPE TOWN

From Cape Town - a report today that South Africa's newborn sextuplets - continue to thrive. They've also been given ~~new~~ names: David, Jason, Grant, Nicolette, Emma, and Elizabeth. But the ~~babies~~ babies' parents Mr. and Mrs. Colen Rosenkowitz ^{are} ~~λ~~ still refusing to talk with newsmen or even allow pictures. This explained by the fact that a South African publishing firm - has already acquired exclusive rights. The purchase ~~price~~ price ^{to be, of around} said ~~to have come to nearly~~ a hundred and twenty thousand bucks.

SANDHURST

Britain's Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips have now been married only two months; but their new home - at Sandhurst military academy already has been equipped with a nursery.

Not that the Princess is expecting - oh, nothing like that. A friend explaining that since the house was being redecorated - the newlyweds decided to have a nursery - that is "while the workmen were there." This same friend adding that Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are merely "taking a long term view of things."

Any of you listening like Princess Anne, "taking that long view?"

CAMBRIDGE

You probably have heard about John Wayne's visit - into "most hostile territory?" That being Harvard University. Where the Duke received a special award - from the Harvard Lampoon; two brass spheres - euphemistically called the "male masculinity award."

"Duke" Wayne described his Harvard reception - as quote "like having lunch with the Borgias."

And, solong until tomorrow.