

WHITE HOUSE

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Less than nine hours after returning to the White House, President Nixon was ~~was~~ back in harness today. Discussing with key congressional leaders - the ramifications of his twelve day round the world tour. Coming out of the conference - with a firm pledge of bi-partisan support.

~~Democrat~~
Senator Majority leader Mike Mansfield -
for one - strongly ~~was~~ praising the President's so-called "declaration of Guam". His assertion that Asian nations - must provide more of their own defenses. Senator Mansfield saying "it affords a more healthy direction - for the United States and Asia."

The President also disclosed a plan afoot - to withdraw additional numbers of American fighting men from Vietnam. A plan to be announced - hopefully - ~~was~~ before the end of August.

Senator Minority leader Everett Dirksen further

reporting that "some private inspired effort" was being considered by the White House, ^{an attempt to} ~~this in an effort to~~ speed a negotiated peace at Paris.

Meanwhile, the President was getting ready for another short trip - to nearby Camp David, Maryland. There to complete work - on a broadcast address set for Friday night. An address, we are told - outlining the Administration's new domestic program.

MOSCOW

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~~By the way~~ Russian reaction to President

Nixon's Romanian visit - *little so far* ~~practically non-existent today.~~

The Soviet ~~example~~ newspaper Pravda - confining its

coverage to seven non-committal lines. At the ^(same) time,

devoting three columns - to Secretary of State William

Rogers' recent visit to Seoul, South Korea.

This - according to Kremlinologists ^{is} an

attempt to give the impression that the President's

trip - was of relatively minor importance. Also,

we are told - a demonstration of growing Soviet interest -

in the Far East outlook after Vietnam.

HONG KONG FOLLOW MOSCOW

More on the same from Hong Kong - ~~William~~ ^{Seely}

Rogers' latest ~~may stop~~ on his Asian tour; ~~where~~ the Secretary conferred ^{ing} today with top U.S. officials in the British Crown Colony, coming away with the message that Red China seems to be shifting her attention more and more away from Viet Nam. The Chinese supposedly turning instead - to their own problems with the Soviet Union.

For his own part - Rogers asserting that the U S - is more than "willing" to improve its relations with Mainland China. Citing as examples of America's good intentions - the recent relaxing of U S trade and travel restrictions. However, the Secretary admitting that Red China ~~seems~~ ^{seems} so far ^{seems} "not interested."

HANOI

Release at Hanoi. The government of North Vietnam making good today - on its promise of more than a month ago. Freeing three American prisoners of war - held captive for periods ranging ~~to~~ up to twenty-nine months. Agreeing to fly them tomorrow to Vientiane, Laos - weather permitting.

~~The trio including: Navy Lieutenant Robert Frishman - Air Force Captain Wesley Bumble of Oroville, California - and Navy Seaman Douglas Hegdahl of Clark, South Dakota.~~

CAPITOL HILL

On Capitol Hill - a new tax bill at last.

The House today giving final Congressional approval -

to a continuation of the present income tax surcharge

for the rest of this year. Rushing the measure to

President Nixon for his signature - which is expected

shortly. This following assurances from the White House -

that the Administration will support major tax reforms.

MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East - another series of gun duels today - across the Jordan River ^{as well as} across the Suez Canal, coupled with a report from Jerusalem - that Israel's position is hardening with regard to occupied Arab territory. ^{The} ~~Israeli~~ Information Minister ^{in Jerusalem is} quoted as saying that ^{Israel} ~~country~~ now intends to keep for all time - both the Golan Heights and the Gaza Strip.

^{However} ~~reverse side~~ Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan ^{also} called his own press conference ^{and announced} ^{saying he} that he is ~~not~~ opposed to permanent annexation - of any non-~~essential~~ essential territory. Giving as his reasons - one; the fact that occupied lands are of "dubious value;" and two - they only serve to incite Arab guerrilla raids.

BELFAST

At Belfast, Northern Ireland - the rains came today. A regular cloud burst - but welcome, indeed. Washing away, as it did - the bloodiest rioting in that city in some thirty years. Sending rival Protestant and Catholic ^{combatants} ~~hooligans~~ alike scurrying for shelter.

Meanwhile, police ^{were} counting up the toll - which included ^{of} more than a hundred and twenty injured - another fifty or so under arrest. Prime Minister James Chichester Clark further vowing to take "any measures necessary" to prevent a repetition of the violence, ~~to~~ ~~entertaining~~ ["] said he ["] ~~The possible use of five thousand British troops currently stationed in northern~~ ~~Ireland.~~ ["]

BONN

~~This next~~ ^{we hear} from Bonn; ~~the story~~ of an article
^{widely circulated} appearing today in the West German magazine "Der
Spiegel;" Reporting that as early as Nineteen Thirty
Eight - Britain's late General Sir Frank Mason
MacFarlane had hatched a plan to assassinate Adolf
Hitler.

As it turned out - the idea was rejected.

British higher-ups calling the ~~plan~~ plan "unsportsmanlike."
General Mason MacFarlane² later observing that "millions
of human lives could have been saved." "But in
democratic states" he added - "there is ~~an~~ in principle
an understandable, if impractical, antipathy to murder."

EL MONTE

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Another new medical philosophy reported today from El Monte, California. Called by its originator - Dr. Joseph Still - the cybernetic theory of aging. Based on the assumption that old age is all in the head - or the brain, to be more exact. Doctor Still asserting that a person begins to get old - when his brain begins to develop a time-lag between stimulus and response. The resulting "feed-back" supposedly setting off a chain reaction - ultimately affecting the entire body.

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How to correct this timing fault - that's still the big question - says Dr. Still. Adding that the solution - once it's found, could easily lengthen the average life

span anywhere from twenty-five to fifty years; and do it -
Wish they'd hurry up!) John Shafer would you say this wife
almost over night. In the process, ~~perhaps~~ giving man

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additional time "to reach a state of wisdom." ~~says the~~
~~doctor; thus putting an end to that old saw about --~~

~~"too soon old; too late smart."~~

ASBURY PARK

From Asbury Park, New Jersey comes the story today - of a man with something of a mania for cleanliness - to the point where he walked into a local laundromat, took off his clothes; and tossed them into the washing machine. Sitting there in the buff - waiting for the "spin" cycle to run its course ~~when~~ police came along and ^{Asbury} finally hauled him off to the hoosegow.

Arraigned before a judge - the man explaining ^{ed that} ~~ing~~ he washed his clothes - simply because they were dirty.

To which the Judge replied - "thirty days." Apparently coming to the conclusion ~~it wasn't only~~ ^{that something more than} his clothes ~~that were dirty~~ needed cleaning.