WASHINGTON

Washington again - the government's top gang-buster

- center-stage today. Assistant Attorney General Will

Wilson - chief of the Justice Department's Criminal

Division, addressing a meeting of the National Association

of Attorneys General, said that we can "break the rackets
in a minimum of five and maximum of ten years."

All it takes is "public support and budgetary support
- which we have now" - said Will Wilson. Adding: "If we
don't have some national emergency to divert attention - we

can break the rackets and" said he - "we will break them."

There's an old saying - "put your money where your mouth is." At the White House - President Nixon is doing just that today. Issuing an executive order - activating an anti-pollution program that will cost more than Three Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars. This to bring all Federal facilities - including military bases - in full compliance with various state and regional anti-pollution standards; to complete the job - by the end of Nineteen-Seventy-Two.

Said the President: "Overthe past several years the Federal government has become one of the nation's worst

polluters." "Clearly" - he went on - "the Federal
government cannot be an effective leader in the battle to save
the environment - so long as this intolerable situation
continues."

Ultimate goal - he added - that "the design, operation and maintenance" of the Federal clean-up job - set a pattern for the "nationwide efforts to protect and enhance the quality of our air and water resources."

A related item: Transportation Secretary John

Volpe annojncing today - that all new jet aircraft engines

will be relatively smokeless, starting next month. Adding

that installation of anti-smoke devices on existing jet planes

- "should be substantially completed" by late Nineteen-Seventy

-Two. At the same time - said he - the nation will "proceed

with research and development efforts" - aimed at controlling

not only jet smoke but also all "other engine emissions."
All engines!

In Vietnam - where it's Thursday morning already - another Tet truce begins. The guns of war falling suddenly silent - with the start of a Communist-declared four-day cease-fire. U.S. and Allied forces - also getting set for a twenty-four-hour stand-down of their own.

Before the lull though - at least one final storm;
with a band of Viet Cong attempting to wer run an

American outpost near the Cambodian border. It turned
out to be a futile gesture. The enemy turned back with a

loss of forty-three - as against American losses set at
four.

For the fourth straight day - Egyptian and Israeli
jets traded air strikes today across the Suez Canal. Once
again - the sirens screaming an air raid alert even in Cairo,

Meanwhile, Egypt's Colonel Nasser was meeting with the Soviet Ambassador - and later addressing his Arab Socialist Union pledging to "marshal all the working forces" of Egypt - for a long and ferocious battle against the enemy!

As for the Russian note delivered simultaneously to Washington, Paris, London - still no word on the U.S. as yet. However, London sources are predicting the Western allies will all urge - a complete arm embargo on the entire Middle East.

Inter-American Economic and Social Council. Representing the U.S. - Assistant Secretary of State Charles Meyer; who told his fellow delegates Washington would have no objection to Cuba's rejoining the family of American nations; would have no objection, that is - if Cuba would just stop trying to export its revolution.

A new look at marijuana. Dr. Stanley Yolles director of the National Institute of Mental Health - tells
of recent studies in the drug field; studies that have turned
up, - as he put it, some "troublesome facts" about the
harmful side effects of marijuana.

These said to include the fact that marijuana interferes with the thinking process - also, recent memory, weakens concentration - and "subtly" retards speech. Dr.

Yolles reporting it was also found to stimulate anxieties and guilt feelings - rather than conviviality. Adding that in high doses - its active chemical constituent further "cause psyshotic reactions."

Summing up, this expert says it is "impossible to give marijuana a clean bill of health - in any discussion on the continued restriction of its use."

PHILADELPHIA

"Equal rights for men" - that's the plea today from
the University of Pennsylvania's Daily Pennsylvanian.

The p'ublication's editor-in-chief calling for establishment
of a Male Liberation Movement - as opposed to the present

Female Liberation Movement. This new organization

supposedly to lobby for legislation to get for men, at last,
equal protection under the law.

Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of all this - is the fact that the author is herself a young woman. Pretty, talented Judith Teller- who advises her sister coeds: "If you have to join a committee to be liberated - it's like the women's tea cycle all over again."

For example, the writer suggests a fine of Five

Thousand Bucks - for "any woman who espouses female

equality and then permits to pay her way on a date." Another

suggestion: "If a woman uses her anatomy to gain favors

from a man" - Warren - "she shall be placed immediately

in the draft lottery."

From Wilkesboro, North Carolina, comes a story

today - telling of a new approach to labor-management

relations. The Holly Farms poultry firm of that city - one

of the leaders in a trend to hiring so-called "industrial

chaplains." Bonafide clergymen - serving as counslers

to workers who have all kinds of business and personal

problems.

Holly Farms chief chaplain, the Reverend G. Jack
Boston; says there may be as many as one hundred clergyman
so employed today in the U.S. industrial chaplains who are
credited with cutting down absenteeism, employee turnover,
accidents, illness and so on. Said the Reverend Mr. Boston:
"We are effective - because any talk with employees or their
families is strictly confidential; we are not a part of
management - we are conduits linking employees and
management."

By the way, the International Telephone and Telegraph
has just hired four chaplains - to serve a thousand employees

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"tell it to the chaplain" - even in the Arctic.

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