

Wed. Apr. 3rd. '74.

The President and Mrs. Nixon are said to owe nearly half a million in back taxes. Most of it - on the grounds that the President's deduction for a gift of his Vice Presidential papers - "should not be allowed." This from the Joint Congressional Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation.

Congressman Mills of Arkansas, who served as Committee Vice-Chairman does say quote: "the judgement of the Committee" itself is still to come. Adding that he hopes the President will "abide - by whatever the Committee decides."

WHITE HOUSE

As for White House reaction - so far none.

Meanwhile, business as usual. The President today proclaiming April - "Cancer Control Month".

Observing that "victory may come by inches" - but cancer eventually will be conquered. The White House also saying the President still plans to visit - both the Soviet Union and Western Europe sometime this year.

REINECKE

Elsewhere in Washington - California's

Lt. Governor ~~EA~~ Reinecke was indicted today - for allegedly lying to a Watergate Grand Jury. At

Sacramento - Reinecke immediately proclaiming his innocence and Vowing to remain in the race - for the Republican nomination for Governor of California.

Also, saying he plans to seek a change of venue - so the trial can be held in California before the June primaries. Reinecke saying: "I don't think anyone gets a fair trial - in Washington, D. C. these days."

ACAPULCO

Acapulco again - Henry Kissinger was mixing business with pleasure today. Interrupting his honeymoon with the former Nancy McGinnis - long enough for talks with Mexican Foreign Minister Emilio Rabasa. The latter presenting Mexican proposals for a new treaty - regulating the entry of Mexican farm workers into the U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO

In the Hearst kidnapping on the West Coast - another bizarre development. A San Francisco radio station - today playing a tape of a voice identified as that of Patricia Hearst. The kidnapped girl supposedly casting her lot - with her abductors, the so-called Symbionese Liberation Army. Saying that rather than accept her freedom - she has "chosen to stay and fight." Fight for what she doesn't say.

WOODLAND HILLS

One of America's great character actors of the past half century - has passed away in Woodland Hills, California. Douglas Dumbrille - a veteran of more than a hundred films; usually playing villains, - bankers, - or priests. Perhaps best known as the High Priest in "THE TEN COMMANDMENTS." Also appearing in "THE LIVES OF A BENGAL LANCER" - "MR. DEEDS GOES TO WASHINGTON" - and the Phil Silvers comedy series on TV.

Douglas Dumbrille - age eighty-four.

HOUSTON

Heavyweight boxing champion George Foreman
- was back in Houston today; ~~there to visit~~^{with} his
ailing mother. ~~Along the way, also~~ Discussing his
plans to fight Muhammad Ali for five million - in the
Republic of Zaire in Africa.

Why Zaire? Why not - said Foreman.

Adding: "I would jump out of an airplane - and fight
Ali for five million." Next question: Did he think
he could win? Foreman replying: "Is an elephant
heavy?"

CHICAGO

*Chicago - a national conference on aging;
hearing a report today - on sex and the senior
citizen. Dr. Robert Butler of Howard University saying:
"The evidence clearly points to a continuing physical
capacity and sexual desire throughout life - (even into
the advanced ages." Adding that many elderly men and
women - can and do raise "the art of love making" to
new levels of satisfaction.) All of which is similarly
expressed - in a new hit tune. It's called aptly:
THE OLDER THE VIOLIN THE SWEETER THE MUSIC.*

Thurs. Apr. 4 - 74.

The President's decision to pay nearly half a million in back taxes, without question - was commended today by the Joint Congressional Committee on Taxation. Senator Long especially praising the President for paying more than a hundred thousand on which the statute of limitations had already expired.

A White House spokesman later disclosing the President will probably have to "borrow some money" to meet his obligations. Adding that the President "has to completely reassess his financial position - which has been almost totally wiped out by this."

HOUSE

From the House Judiciary Committee - a renewed request for additional White House material. The Committee also requesting a response - "no later than April 9" - next Tuesday. ~~Chairman Peter Rodino further saying the Committee's impeachment inquiry will not be thwarted by inappropriate, kangaroo legalisms or narrow obstacles."~~

SENATE

*In the Senate - an attempt today to cut off
debate - on that bill calling for public financing
of Federal election campaigns. It failed - but only
by four votes. Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield -
later saying he'll try again next week.*

~~Bill, how about a bit of
filibustering by you.~~

In Soviet Weekly, an official publication of the Soviet Embassy in London - a report today on Henry Kissinger's most recent mission to Moscow. Soviet Weekly saying that Dr. Kissinger's talks with Kremlin leaders - had all but insured the success of the coming Nixon-Brezhnev summit.

~~More of the same - from~~ ^{In} Moscow; ~~where~~

the Communist Party newspaper Pravda lashed out today
- at certain ~~segments~~ of the American press; most
notably - The New York Times and The Washington
Post; for allegedly downgrading the results - of
Dr. Kissinger's ^{recent} visit.

This an "obvious case of political sabotage"
- said Pravda. The work of "a coalition" - said to
include "representatives of the military-industrial
complex - ultra-Rightist organizations - Zionist circles
- and their agents in the American Congress. So says
the Kremlin.

WHITE HOUSE

The White House again - an announcement today that President Nixon will fly to Paris tomorrow morning; there to take part in a memorial service - for France's President Pompidou.

A spokesman stressing the President "has no plans for substantive meetings - with other foreign leaders while in Paris." Explaining: "The President believes it would be inappropriate - to engage in any ^{thing else} ~~other business~~ on such an occasion."

SAN FRANCISCO

*On the West Coast - the FBI today was said to be
conducting an all-out search - for kidnapped Patricia
Hearst. San Francisco District Attorney James
Browning - also commenting on the latest taped message
from Miss Hearst. "We are assuming" - said he -
"that what she said yesterday was said under duress -
someone holding a gun at her head or the like; or she
felt it was necessary to say those things - to get free."*

WASHINGTON

Back in Washington ~~again~~ - Interior Secretary

*Rogers Morton unveiled today - a new five year energy
research development program. "The major thrust" -*

said he - "toward our most abundant energy res^{ource}~~ources~~

*- coal;" to develop coal "for use in direct combustion -
or converted to liquid or gaseous products;" so that
by Nineteen Eighty - oil and gas will be used only "as
specialty fuels and chemical building blocks."*

ENERGY FOLLOW WASHINGTON

~~in the meantime~~ ^{while} the energy situation
~~continues to improve~~. The Federal Energy Office
~~making good today on an earlier promise~~, announcing
that gasoline allocations for every state - will now
be increased to ninety percent of previous levels.

BRANDENBERG

The death toll from the nation's worst
tornado disaster in nearly half-a-century - now set
at ^{around} ~~more than~~ three hundred and ^{fifty} ~~thirty~~. The Ohio
River town of Bradenberg, Kentucky - all but gone along
with forty of its citizens. At Xenia, Ohio - another
thirty-five dead. The trail of death and destruction
stretching from Oklahoma - all the way to Michigan
in the North and Georgia in the South.

~~The~~ Damage ~~from all this~~ set at more
than a billion dollars, ^{with the} President ~~Nixon today~~ declaring
Alabama, Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee and Indiana - all
major disaster areas.

LUANG PRABANG

For the first time in more than a decade - peace in Laos, or so it seems. Laotian Prime Minister Souvanna Phouma - agreeing today to head a new coalition government. This at ~~the~~ a meeting with his half brother, "Red Prince" Souphanouvong - at Luang Prabang, the royal capital of Laos. In the words of Souphanouvong - the biggest day in Laotian history."

BRUSSELS

At Brussels - a brief ceremony marking the 25th Anniversary - of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. The only speaker - NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns; who said that the future of the NATO Alliance - depends on the willingness of the U.S. to keep its troops in Europe; and the willingness of Europe - to help pay the bill.

KNOXVILLE

In Knoxville, Tennessee, Governor Winfield Dunn was telling of being asked by a young man - how he liked being Governor. Bill, the governor replied: "I like it." Adding: When I go home at night - I sleep like a baby; sleep for an hour - then wake up and cry for an hour - sleep for an hour, " cry for another hour and so on.