

PRESIDENT FOLLOW SAIGON

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~~And then - there was a xbaa the head man himself.~~

~~President Nixon~~ <sup>today</sup> addressing ~~today~~ a meeting of the U S Chamber of Commerce, ~~There stating that~~ <sup>said</sup> "the worst inflation - is behind us; and I am determined" ~~he~~ <sup>added -</sup> ~~said he~~ <sup>λ</sup> "to see to it that it stays behind us."

~~But~~ The President ~~drawing~~ <sup>got</sup> his biggest applause - following a brief reference to Vietnam. "Our goal" - said he - "is a total withdrawal of all American forces; ~~and~~ one "that will assure the return of our prisoners of war - and will give the South Vietnamese a chance to prevent a Communist take-over." And ~~let there be no mistake -~~ <sup>- he went on -</sup> ~~said he~~ - we are following "a policy which will achieve that goal."

The President further stating that "faith in the American future - has never been misplaced and it is not misplaced today;" for "in dealing with the future of this country" said he - "if you want to be a realist -

*you have to be an optimist." And he added that "two centuries of struggle have earned us a right that is not in our Constitution - but a right that permeates our national life; the right to be confident in our own ability - to shape the future."*

SAIGON FOLLOW MIDDLE EAST

~~At the same time~~ <sup>Ed</sup> Saigon - Army Secretary

Stanley Resor <sup>was</sup> conferring today with General Abrams.

A spokesman adding that Resor will later visit -

all four <sup>of</sup> South Vietnam's regions. ~~Resor's~~ <sup>His</sup> visit

also coinciding with a sudden resurgence - in enemy

shelling attacks; more than fifty over the past twenty-

four hours; and six of these - directed against American

bases. The U S command reporting ~~though~~ no fatalities

and no serious damage.

MIDDLE EAST ~~FOLLOW AMHERST~~

Meanwhile, Secretary of State ~~William~~ Rogers was flying to Europe today - enroute to the Middle East; there to attempt to speed an interim agreement - on the reopening of the Suez Canal; one that would lead, hopefully, to a permanent peace - between the Arabs and Israelis.

~~Sec.~~ Rogers taking with him - U S Mid-East trouble-shooter Joseph Sisco; also, the best wishes - of Democrats and Republicans alike. Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield - for one - saying he has ~~already~~ always supported administration policy with regard to the Middle East - and still does.

COMMISSION FOLLOW PRESIDENT

We hear of  
~~In the same vein~~ a report ~~today~~ from a special

Presidential commission headed by Henry Cabot Lodge;  
a report endorsing -- the so-called two China policy;  
that of admitting Red China to U N membership -  
while still supporting the prerogatives of Nationalist  
China.

That such a development could prove both awkward  
and discordant - the Lodge group readily admits.  
But it adds that this would permit the exposure of  
the Peking government to the ~~an~~ open forum of the  
U N, to world public opinion, to the free press,  
to the ways of the free world; and therein lies "a greater  
hope ~~is~~ for Peace" ~~we are told~~ <sup>said he</sup> -- than that offered  
by "continued isolation."

WASHINGTON

today saw

In the nation's capitol  $\lambda$  the start of a second  
straight week of anti-war protests - with the latest  
influx of demonstrators -- admitting to a new militant  
zeal; ~~and~~ Their ~~ultimate~~ goal - we are told - ~~that of~~  
to ~~stopping~~ cold "the normal functioning of the government."

ADMINISTRATION FOLLOW WASHINGTON

*Reverse side*

~~if anything though - the new wave of protests~~

~~was achieving a reverse effect; with administration~~

spokesmen fanning out across the land today - indeed,

right around the globe; *launching* ~~fighting back with~~ a solid

news offensive - that would not be stilled.

## NEW ORLEANS FOLLOW ADMINISTRATION

Case in point - New Orleans. An address today by Vice President ~~Spive~~ Agnew who stoutly defended F B I Director J Edgar Hoover. Calling him a "dedicated steel-willed public servant - with twenty twenty vision" on national security and crime.

~~to~~ The Vice President adding that criticism of <sup>J. Edgar</sup> Hoover - comes "mainly from Presidential aspirants;" those - said he - "who apparently foresee some political accretion from the radical left. If they challenge the integrity of the F B I's long time director.

As to the charge that ~~was~~ J. Edgar, at seventy-six, is "too old" - why, that's sheer nonsense said ~~Spive~~ ~~Spive~~ Agnew. Observing that three Supreme Court Justices are over seventy - also, fourteen congressmen, and twelve senators; including Louisiana's own Senator Ellender age eighty. The Vice President stating that "you don't judge a man's work or his competence - by his age."



## SUPREME COURT

*From the U S Supreme Court - a hotly contested five to three decision today - upholding the right of a community to bar the construction of public housing - by means of a local referendum.*

*This - reversing a lower court ruling; one that was based, oddly enough - on an earlier Supreme Court decision with regard to public housing. However, Justice Black - speaking for the majority saying the earlier case related directly to racial discrimination - whereas this one does not.*

AMHERST FOLLOW ~~NEW ORLEANS~~

Next stop - the University of Massachusetts -  
Amherst, Mass. Housing and Urban Development  
Secretary, George Romney addressing a conference  
sponsored by the New England Council, <sup>today was</sup> contending  
that President Nixon's new revenue sharing program -  
would truly return "power to the people!" and this -  
said he - "at the local level - ~~where~~ where  
people have greater opportunity to influence spending;"  
where they can deal with their own ~~to~~ elected officials -  
<sup>as he worded it,</sup>  
rather than <sup>^</sup> "some bureaucrat hidden away in the bowels  
of government."

**PAROLE**

Washington again - on the second try - a parole today for Billy Sol Estes. The one-time boy wonder of the Texas farm world - having served six years of a fifteen year sentence for mail fraud and conspiracy. Now to be free again - <sup>but</sup> ~~except that he's~~ barred from engaging "in any self-employment or promotional type activity - without specific prior approval.

## ROME

Here's one -- Rome -- a band of burglars ransacking a local bar. According to the owner - ~~a fellow by the name of~~ <sup>one</sup> Giovanni DeSantis -- also stealing his pet parrot; the same bird - he claims - which then turned up in the hands of a customer - Corradino Viennese. At which point - there was a terrific ~~brass~~ brawl. ~~At which~~ Both men ending up in court. Corradino Viennese - claiming he had just ~~just~~ bought the bird from a friend. And the ~~no~~ matter now rests squarely with a Rome judge - who will try to decide who did what and to whom.

Incidentally, police conceding that the parrot itself could resolve this whole mess <sup>haven-</sup> - except for one thing -- it just won't talk.

MOSCOW

The flight of Russia's Soyuz Ten spacecraft -  
cut suddenly short this past weekend - as you no doubt  
know. ~~and~~ The reason - apparently - an ~~airborne~~ attack  
of space sickness; with the victim - Rookie Cosmonaut  
Nikolai Rukavishnikov.

However, the Kremlin censoring any attempt -  
to ~~state~~ state that this was truly the case. Soviet  
Space doctor Boris Yegorov merely stating that -  
quite a few problems of engineering and cosmic  
psychology remain "to be solved."