

PITTSBURGH

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President Ford's surprise decision to pardon former President Nixon was being debated today not only in this country but right around the globe. In Washington those objecting to the pardon were led for one by Senator ~~Ervin~~ Ervin of North Carolina, who said the former President should not have been pardoned - until he had been indicted, tried and convicted. Senator Ervin adding that - "the pardon aids and abets the efforts of those - who sought to hide the truth; and thus continues - ~~to~~ the cover-up."

On the other hand the ~~Ervin~~ Republican whip, Senator Griffin was saying the former President and the nation - "would have been unable to withstand prolonged indecision." Senator Griffin adding that President Ford's decision - was a "tough one to make." "But," he added, " history will judge his action and I believe he will fare well in the judgment."

*Meanwhile the President was flying to Pittsburgh where he was booed for his first time as President. This following a speech - apparently signalling a cut back in federal support for mass transit. The anti-pardon demonstrators also chanting: "Justice died! Justice died!" But the President merely waved and continued on his way.*

*There also was an announcement today disclosing another delay in the President's amnesty decision. Spokesman Hushen saying: "It's a very complex subject - more complex than the President thought initially - and he wants to be personally involved in the entire matter; so, there will be no announcement tomorrow," as originally planned.*

BOSTON

<sup>Ted</sup>  
Senator Kennedy of ~~Massachusetts~~ went to

a rally today in Boston - protesting a federal

school de-segregation order. <sup>Where</sup> His appearance -

immediately drew ~~the~~ loud ~~boos~~ <sup>boos.</sup> The crowd, then

turned <sup>it</sup> its back on the Senator, ~~facing the nearby~~ <sup>proceeded to</sup>

~~John F. Kennedy federal building,~~ singing "God

Bless America."

When Senator Kennedy later <sup>was given</sup> getting an escort

- into the building, ~~but~~ he was followed by ~~many~~

<sup>and saw</sup> the crowd ~~who~~ threw eggs and tomatoes <sup>at him as he</sup> ~~at~~

walked through the doorway.

AMTRAK

Amtrak today ~~announced~~ unveiled a five year,  
billion dollar plan - for ~~major~~ upgrading U S rail service.  
Top priority for improvements in existing runs - from  
Chicago to Detroit, Washington to Boston, New York to  
Buffalo, Chicago to St. Louis, Los Angeles to San  
Diego.

PEKING

India's announced plan to annex the <sup>colorful, left</sup> Himalayan

Kingdom of Sikkim - was again bitterly criticized

today by Red China; <sup>This for a</sup> ~~the~~ second time - in less than

a week. Peking saying the Sikkimese people, ~~most of~~

<sup>Whom are</sup> Mongolians, will never submit to Indian colonial rule. On the

contrary <sup>Peking says</sup> they will rise <sup>and in the ensuing</sup> ~~resolutely in struggle.~~

~~Peking adding that such a~~ struggle - will enjoy

"the sympathy and support" of Sikkim's neighbors; -

<sup>meaning</sup> ~~the biggest of which is,~~ of course, Red China.

# IONIAN SEA

The Sunday crash of that TWA airliner  
bound from Tel Aviv to New York apparently ~~an~~ <sup>seems to have been an</sup>  
accident. ~~But~~ <sup>A</sup> team of U S experts - today ~~arrived~~ <sup>flew</sup>  
to the ~~crash scene~~ <sup>scene of the crash</sup>, in the Ionian Sea, ~~there~~ to  
attempt to check out a <sup>Terrorist</sup> Palestinian <sup>A</sup> claim - that the  
plane was downed <sup>their own people on a</sup> ~~in a terrorist suicide~~ <sup>A</sup> suicide  
mission. Whatever the cause ~~though~~ - all eighty-  
eight aboard the plane are ~~now~~ believed to have  
perished.

LONDONDERRY

Another <sup>new terror element</sup> ~~dreadful new ingredients~~ has been added to the continuing <sup>reign of</sup> terror in northern Ireland.

Reports from Londonderry - ~~telling~~ of the discovery of a booby-trapped ~~fax~~ ball point pen. <sup>Discovered when one such</sup> ~~The pen in~~ ~~pen~~ <sup>Experts say</sup> ~~question~~ failed to detonate. ~~Officials warning~~

~~however~~ it was built with the same technology - previously used in a flood of <sup>earlier</sup> I R A letter bombs; <sup>designed</sup> ~~and properly armed~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~could~~ explode with its first "click". <sup>with enough force to</sup> ~~The force of such an explosion - we are~~ <sup>a hand or worse.</sup> ~~not enough to~~ blow off ~~several fingers.~~



ROME

From Rome <sup>ended</sup> the story of seventy-five  
year old Rodolfo Macone; who went to his local  
social security office - to find out why his pension  
checks had stopped coming. An employee telling  
Rodolfo: "no ~~no~~ pension for you." You died last  
August, *didn't you know it?!*"

Rodolfo's plea that he was very much alive -  
to no avail. ~~Official~~ Officials refusing to review his  
~~case~~ case until he presents a <sup>legal</sup> ~~notarized~~ document to  
certify ~~ing~~ he is still <sup>alive!</sup> ~~with living~~.



Seoul follow Londonderry

~~And then there's this next from Seoul - an~~

~~estimated~~ <sup>Sawo</sup> fifteen thousand South Koreans <sup>took</sup> ~~part~~

part in another violent anti-Japanese demonstration.

These included <sup>ed</sup> ~~ing~~ some thirty ~~men~~ who ceremonially ~~each~~

chopped off one or two fingers ~~a piece~~ to dramatize

their protest.

SAN FRANCISCO

The newly elected Queen of this year's  
Italian American Columbus Day celebration in  
San Francisco a girl named Sweeny, believe it or  
not. Angela <sup>Bedelia</sup> ~~Maria~~ Sweeny, age seventeen qualifying  
for the Queen competition - by virtue of her mother  
<sup>being</sup> an Italian. If you <sup>don't agree - why -</sup> ~~think its wrong - well you can~~  
tell it to Sweeny.

And now this message.

DENVER

One of the bi-products of the womens liberation movement <sup>is</sup> a Denver newspaper called "The Big Mama Rag." For the ~~last~~ past two years it has ~~been~~ <sup>been</sup> a ~~one of the~~ leader~~s~~ in the battle for womens rights <sup>in Colorado. It announces that</sup> ~~in the Denver area. But now saying~~ the American housewife ~~is~~ is losing her battle for ~~some~~ equality. "How can you conquer an ~~op~~ oppressor," says the "Big Mama Rag" "when you sleep with him every night?"

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