

SALUTE

Wed. Apr. 15-'70.

<sup>First</sup>  
~~Next~~ a birthday salute to two of our CBS

Radio affiliates - both celebrating today their thirty-fifth  
anniversaries; W-P-A-Y at Portsmouth, Ohio - and  
W-M-F-D at Wilmington, North Carolina. ~~Happy Birthdays~~

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## SPACE

In the flight of Apollo-Thirteen - ~~the~~ tension continues to mount, - ~~as you no doubt have heard by now.~~ Space officials discovering today that the crippled mooncraft - is slightly off course in its return flight; discovering, indeed, that it will miss the earth entirely - dooming the three men aboard - unless its path can be changed in time; which - under normal circumstances - ~~would~~ would be a relatively simple matter.

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*much time as possible - to plan and carry out this next maneuver. They can do it late tonight - or else tomorrow morning - whenever they decide they<sup>a</sup>re ready. And then - if all goes well - splashdown Friday afternoon.*

*In any event, Lovell observing today: "I'm afraid this is going to be the last moon mission - for a long time."*

Meanwhile, President Nixon today postponed his report to the nation on Vietnam - originally scheduled for tonight. The White House setting it up instead - for sometime the first of next week. White House Press Secretary Ron Ziegler explaining that the President "doesn't want to pre-empt television time - while there is a concentration on the safe return of Apollo-Thirteen."

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TEL AVIV-AMMAN

In the Middle East - at Tel Aviv - U.S. Assistant

Secretary of State ~~Joseph~~ Sisco conferred today with

top Israeli officials. <sup>— right</sup> At the ~~same~~ time <sup>When</sup> Israeli jets

were hitting twice into Egypt. <sup>The</sup> ~~As for~~ Sisco's peace

mission <sup>doesn't seem too promising.</sup> ~~was concerned - hardly an encouraging development~~

~~Even less encouraging, I'm afraid - this next from~~

<sup>at</sup> Amman, in Jordan - the Secretary's next stop <sup>where</sup> ~~where~~

<sup>a</sup> relatively peaceful anti-American demonstration -

suddenly erupted into a full-scale riot, ~~today~~. Before it  
was over - the protestors smashing windows, burning cars  
and generally ripping apart a U.S. Information Service  
library.

CAIRO

~~By the way,~~ Cairo reported today that Sisco's earlier visit there - had failed in at least two main respects; ~~in that there was~~ <sup>with</sup> no agreement on a peace plan - nor ~~was there~~ any agreement to restore U.S. and Egyptian diplomatic relations. ~~For what it's worth though~~

- Cairo added that there would be further talks between the U. S. and Egypt.

TAY NINH-DAK SEANG

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In Vietnam - a horde of enemy troops poured across the Cambodian border today; attacking U.S. and South Vietnamese units near Tay Ninh - and also Dak Seang. They were ~~quickly~~ beaten back <sup>with heavy loss;</sup> ~~though - in the process,~~ ~~losing~~ more than fifty men.

Elsewhere in Vietnam - the U.S. Fourth Infantry Division today turned over its headquarters to the South Vietnamese Army; ~~the by making~~ ~~This making~~ the fourth such transfer - since the start of the U.S. Vietnamization program.

SAIGON FOLLOW TAY NINH-DAK SEANG

And another

~~New this~~ An enemy rocket attack on Saigon - the

second in less than three days. Enemy gunners pumping

~~at least three~~ Soviet-made missiles - into the heart

of the city. ~~Luckily though~~ Two of the three shells

falling harmlessly; ~~and the third~~ ~~we are told~~ leaving

~~just~~ two injured.



STOCKHOLM

~~A related item from~~ <sup>at</sup> Stockholm; ~~where~~ the

Swedish Immigration Board today granted asylum <sup>to</sup> to twenty-two more A<sup>m</sup>erican deserters and draft-dodgers.

That <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ makes some four hundred, ~~in all~~ now living in Sweden.

~~It appears, however, that the~~ <sup>But these</sup> American <sup>deserters</sup> ~~malcontents~~

~~may be fast~~ <sup>seem to be</sup> wearing out their welcome. ~~A simultaneous~~

~~government~~ <sup>Q</sup> report today noting that more than a hundred

of the <sup>m</sup>U.S. ~~"refugees"~~ <sup>have</sup> ~~have~~ already been charged or

convicted in connection with crimes committed in Sweden.

~~These said to include a group of~~ <sup>of them</sup> fifty-three ~~of~~ allegedly

the main suppliers of LSD and other "strong drugs" on

the Swedish black market.

WHITE HOUSE

When the French first discovered the Great Lakes - back in the Seventeenth Century - they were amazed at nature's bounty. Indeed, Lake Huron was considered so fresh, so pure - they called it "the Sweet Sea."

From sweet to sour - <sup>in</sup> ~~distance~~ ~~of~~ three hundred years ~~so~~ President Nixon noted today - in another special message to Congress, ~~urging~~ urging as a first step in cleaning up the Great Lakes - an immediate ban on the dumping of polluted dredge waste. The President urging instead - the creation of inland dumping areas; funds for which would come half from the Federal government - and half from state and local governments.

~~intending~~ The President also said he intends to present some time next year - a plan for <sup>stopping</sup> ~~blocking~~ ocean pollution as well.

HOBOKEN FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE

~~Speaking of which~~ - Dr. Jacques Piccard, ~~the~~  
famous undersea explorer - ~~a guest speaker~~ at Stevens  
Institute of Technology, Hoboken, New Jersey, ~~Dr.~~

~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> discussing his observations during a recent dive -  
~~some thirty miles~~ <sup>out</sup> at sea - ~~at a depth of~~ <sup>at a depth of</sup> ~~about~~ <sup>about</sup> eight hundred feet. ~~deep~~

A student ~~later~~ asking the scientist - whether he had seen  
any signs of pollution down there. <sup>Said</sup> Dr. Piccard; ~~replying~~

"Yes - we saw an old beer can."

LONDON

Here's one - the case against thrift - in the <sup>early</sup> days of marriage. Professor Maurice Preston of the University of London - telling newlyweds it's foolish to start right out saving for a "rainy day." And the main reason - said he - in the fact that a young husband's income - and possibly that of his wife - will soar "astronomically" in the years ahead. Preston adding that later on - when you begin to think about retirement - that's the time to start saving.

The professor also makes a case - for "planned obsolescence." Observing: "There is no objection in principle - to a young couple's buying something to last a lifetime." But buying something that wears out quickly - said he - you can probably replace it with "something even better ~~still~~ in a few years."

~~Warren, as our resident newlywed - would you care for equal time?~~

## TAOS

From Taos, New Mexico <sup>came</sup> a story ~~today~~ telling of the problems that census-takers are running into - as they try to check out a number of surrounding hippie communities. For example, a census-taker asks a hippie: "What's your name?" The hippie answers: "George!" The census-taker says: "George what?" The hippie says: "Peace, brother."

~~Another typical case - that of~~ a young hippie who listed himself as "head of the household;" the girl with whom he was living - as "a friend of the head of the household;" and their five-year-old offspring - as "daughter of the friend of the head of the household."

Summing up, a census official asserting that the great majority of the hippies - "are anti-social, anti-government, anti-establishment; in fact, anti-everything - except food stamps."

BOSTON

*Here is an appropriate*  
~~Appropos of the date~~ April Fifteenth ~~a brief~~

item from Boston; where an elderly gentleman - ragged and worn - was arraigned today for the twelfth time this year on a charge of drunkenness. Judge Elijah Adlow about to pronounce sentence - when the defendant interrupted him - saying: "Please don't send me away, your honor - I haven't made out my income tax yet."

Okay - said the Judge - sentence suspended. And the fact that "you're going to pay your income tax" - he told the tattered defendant - "why, that's the best news the President will hear this week."