## WHITE HOUSE

President Ford today talked about some of the terms of his new SALT agreement - with Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev. He says both sides have now agreed to a "rigid ceiling" - on total numbers of bombers and missiles; a ceiling somewhat "less than the Russians had planned - and slightly above what the Americans were planning."

The new agreement said he provides adequate security for both of us. Adding,

"If we hadn't agreed to this we would have had a new arms race of unbelieveable cost."

ULAN BATOR follow White House

At Ulan Bator, an address today by Leonid Brezhnev marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Mongolian Peoples Republic, The Russian teader class - also discussing the new Salt agreement - saying the US and Russia have made "a considerable step forward" in the quest for world peace.

But, the situation in the Middle East - is becoming

WENEX, "ever-more explosive" -- said he; adding that

this is due to what he called "the brazen provocative

policy of Israel, with support from outside." That

tast-- apparently meaning the US.

In Washington, on the domestic front, President
Ford today signed the bill providing twelve billion over
the next six years for mass transit aid. The President
saying he "considered this legislation a top priority;" and
he congratulated "the Senate and House - for acting so
quickly and so decisively."

Later he vetoed a second bill to provide a twentytwo-point-seven percent increase in veterans educational
benefits. The President noting that such a bill - would
have added another "half billion dollar load to the already
over-burdened tax payer."

In the same vein the President to sending a head a sent a message to Congress - urging budget cuts of more than four and a half billion this year. These Reductions "are essential;" said he - in order to show that we really mean business in fighting inflation.

A second tentative agreement in the two week old U.S. coal strike was rejected today by the United Mine Workers bargaining council. A spokesman proposed wage increase, "not enough."

But the council later did agree to submit the tentative pact to a full union vote. This following a blast of criticism from U M W President Arnold Miller - and a meeting with the chief of the Federal Mediation Service.

In the Watergate John Mitchell today, on stand in his own behalf. The former Attorney General said he rejected three times - the plan that eventually led to the Watergate bugging. The last time "as I recall" - said he "I threw the paper back at Jeb Stuart Magruder and said, 'not again!" Mitchell adding that Magruder, his depaty campaign director - then "took his papers and left."

Giant Mutual of Omaha has just been ordered

to pay more than five million - to a roofer totally

disabled in a fall that at Pomona, California. The

jury award to sixty year old Michael Egan - apparently

the biggest ever in a personal injury case; here in the

US or anywhere else

In the wake of those IRA we bombings yesterday in London jittery Britons today were placed on crisis alert. Police urging private citizens to "be as vigilant as possible - and report anything that arouses their suspicion." At the same time, a clamor in Parliament to bring back the death penalty - for so-called "terrorist" offenses.

At Tulsa, Oklahoma - a seminar on aging. Doctor

Leonard Hayflick of Stanford University - observing

that one in every ten persons is now sixty-five or over.

Further saying: "At the current rate of medical progress we could become a race of centenarians within two

generations."

Another speaker - the head of the National

Research Foundation on Aging - one Charles Johnson;

observing that most present-day research - deals with the problems of the aged rather than the process of aging.

Johnson adding: "The polio people put some of their money into research and conquered polio," so said he, why can't we do the same for aging?

Hear hear! and now this message....

America's oldest living pilot - a kidkka title perhaps in some dispute. But one of the claimants eighty-six year old C. R. "Sinnie" Sinclair of Muskegon, Michigan -- who recently celebrated his fifty-ninth anniversary as a flier,. From rickety bi-planes to speeding jets -- "Sinnie" Sinclair has seen it all and he has only one regret - "If I were only a half century younger" said he "I'd be an astronaut."