

Thurs. Apr. 8 - '71

*Good Evening Everybody!*

*In the wake of President Nixon's latest report on Vietnam - a flurry of excitement today in Washington. Touched off - at least, in part - by a report from Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott - on a special White House briefing. Scott quoting the President as saying he intends to end U.S. involvement in Vietnam - before his present term expires in January of Nineteen-Seventy-Three. This - subject to the release of U.S. prisoners of war.*

*Scott adding that the President had made it plain - he had in mind a complete and total withdrawal; which would mean no "residual force" - no military advisors - and no U.S. air support from inside or outside Indo-china. Scott observing - on his own: "This is not a Korean type situation." And he further said there can be no mistake - the President does have "a fixed date for ending the war."*

PARIS FOLLOW WASHINGTON

*Perhaps in line with this - another new development in Paris; where the South Vietnamese - with U.S. support - today urged the direct repatriation of long term prisoners of war; or failing - and here's the new wrinkle - internment in a neutral country.*

*Enemy reaction? - well, we'll have to wait.*

*At today's session - the Communist side merely repeating what it has been saying all along; charging that it's really the President - who is being "inhuman" to captured Americans; that is by not withdrawing U.S. troops.*

SAIGON FOLLOW PARIS

*This was the eighth straight day of heavy fighting at South Vietnamese Fire Base Six near the Laasian border; with the enemy death toll now put at more than twenty-two hundred - compared with South Vietnamese losses set at eighty-five.*

*Back at Saigon there was an enemy terrorist bombing today at a downtown night club popular with American troops; with enemy gunners opening up on the survivors - when they stumbled out of wreckage. Authorities later listing as dead - one American serviceman and one Vietnamese bar-girl - also twenty or so wounded.*

## PENTAGON

*Here at home again - the Pentagon was questioned today about a number of ex-servicemen - who have confessed in recent days to committing atrocities in Vietnam. This - as you know - a form of protest against the conviction of Lt. William Calley. The Pentagon admitting there apparently is no legal machinery - by which these men can be tried. A spokesman explaining that the chief problem - is one of jurisdiction; with the government finally deciding - said he - after eighteen months of study - that "the issue is moot at this stage of the game."*

COMMONS - DUNGERNESS POINT

*In the British House of Commons - another heated debate today over repeated oil spills in the English Channel, a situation further aggravated - we are told - by the recent dumping of hundreds of tons of oil near Britain's Dungeness Point.*

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*All this building toward a vote on an emergency measure - which was then passed overwhelmingly. The new law giving the British government sweeping powers - to seize or sink any ship that threatens to pollute the nation's beaches; even outside British Territorial Waters, if necessary.*

*Britain's "war on pollution" - threatening to become a real shooting war.*

## SANTA CRUZ

*The University of California's new Santa Cruz branch - one of the most liberal, one of the most innovated schools in the nation. It was developed along the lines of Oxford - with a series of separate colleges "clustered" among the redwoods. Today it was the scene of a fire that destroyed its administration building.*

*Estimated loss - about half-a-million, in damages, along with the records of individual students - many of which are irreplaceable. Police adding that the fire spread so fast - it could have been arson. A full investigation - is now under way.*

## AMMAN

*In the Middle East - at Amman - a mass exodus of Palestinian guerrillas bearing arms. This in keeping with an ultimatum from King Hussein that all such arms be removed from the Jordanian capital by midnight tonight; also, clearing the way - apparently - for the promised release of nine hundred commando prisoners. All of which was facilitated - it now develops - by Syrian Chief of Staff - General Mustasa Tlas; who arrived at Amman earlier this week to play the role of a mediator between the two clashing factions in Jordan.*

## JERUSALEM

*In nearby Jerusalem Israeli Premier Golda Meir was meeting with her top military and political advisors in an attempt to formulate an official reply to Egyptian proposals for re-opening the Suez Canal. This coming amidst newspaper reports - that Israel will agree to at least a partial pullback from the east bank of the Suez.*



TEHRAN FOLLOW JERUSALEM

Meanwhile, Egypt's Foreign Minister, -  
Mahmoud Riad, was stopping off today at Tehran enroute  
to Moscow. There he stated that Egypt has offered  
Israel - a permanent peace in the Mideast. Riad adding  
that if the Israelis "use their heads instead of their  
muscles" they will accept it.

## RAMSTEIN

*U.S. Air Force base, Ramstein, West Germany.*

*another victory today for women's Lib; in the person of a WAF Sergeant by the name of Cheryl Sampson, who now becomes the first expectant mother in the European command ever to receive permission to have her baby and remain on active duty. This taking into account - we are told - certain mitigating circumstances; one of which is the fact that Sergeant Sampson's husband - another Air Force Sergeant - is also stationed at the same base. An Air Force spokesman, adds that Sergeant Sampson's case clearly reflects "a general relaxation of service conditions" throughout the Armed Forces.*

EAST BERLIN

Over in East Berlin, the Communist East German government, - through its Youth Movement, - today approved the wearing of so-called "hot pants".

This in spite of an observation that "only those who are tall and super thin - who really have a good figure will cut a good figure in them."

But one thing they will not accept - say the East Germans - that's the term "hot pants"! Indeed, the government ruling that they shall be called just what they are; "shorts". Bearing out, I presume you'll say, Warren, that a "rose by any other name".

FAYETTEVILLE FOLLOW RAMSTEIN

At Fayetteville, North Carolina, the all-

American soap box derby - formerly an all-boy

52 competition - has just admitted for the first time three

girl racers. This following the threat of a lawsuit -

from a mother of one of the girls; Carol Forbes -

a divorcee - who also is president of the local chapter

of the National Organization for Women. Miss Forbes

- her maiden name - contending in her own words that

"little girls must be allowed to aggressively compete

with boys on an equal level - or they will not be able

to aggressively compete when they are women." And

solong until tomorrow.

BALTIMORE

At Baltimore, a Federal Judge orders the  
5 1/2 release of an eighty-five year old chap sentenced to  
prison five years ago - at age 80 - sentenced for an  
attempted sexual attack on a school teacher.

Baltimore's Judge Harvey, a modern Solomon,  
explaining his verdict - noting that the prisoner was  
half blind and partly crippled at the time of the attempted  
rape. Adding, in effect, Warren, this is one case where  
there may have been a will - but, no way! Age 80!

6 Just my age - 80. Yes, a will - but no way! Oh well.

*EBS asked  
to have this one  
dropped!!!?*