

WASHINGTON

Tues. Oct. 27-70.

For President Nixon ~~4~~ a brief trip today
to the U S Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs;
where he signed into law - a comprehensive new anti-
drug bill. The President observing that "in every house
in America - in every school - in every church - the
nation faces a major crisis in the ~~inxx~~ increasing use
of drugs among our young people. And he added ~~the~~
hope that the "whole nation" will now join the federal
government - in an effort to curb drug abuse. This -
said he- "to save the lives of hundreds of thousands
of our young people ~~4~~ who otherwise would be hooked
on drugs and physically, mentally, morally ~~dxstbx~~
~~dxstbx~~ destroyed.

PALM BEACH FOLLOW WASHINGTON

Later on, the President ^{took off from} ~~leaving~~ Washington -
on the first leg of a final coast to coast campaign tour.
^{This to}
~~The President's schedule including~~ stops tonight ↗ at
Palm Beach and Miami in Florida; ~~Coming up~~ tomorrow -
Longview and Dallas in Texas. And then - in rapid
— ^{stops in}
succession ↗ Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, Arizona, Utah,
Nevada, New Mexico and, finally, California; where the
President plans to cast his own ballot next week - at
San Clemente.

Incidentally, the President's Communications
Director, - Herb Klein, - ~~who is accompanying him on~~
~~this trip~~ ^{When} asked to name the most important issue this
year, ^{replied: —} ~~Herb Klein says,~~ no question - it's "support for
the President."

MOSCOW FOLLOW SINOP

Meanwhile, the Russians ^{are} still holding ^{the} ~~three~~
three U S Army officers - who ^{accidentally} ~~strayed~~ ^{ed} across the
Turkish frontier ^{and} landing ^{ed} their light plane in Soviet
Armenia. ~~However, the~~ U S Consular officials in
Moscow - who have talked with ~~the~~ the three ~~men~~ -
~~now~~ blaming ^{it all} ~~the incident~~ on a freak ~~gust of~~ wind
^{that} ~~was~~ apparently blew the plane off course. A U S
spokesman saying: ~~It was~~ "clearly ^a ~~the~~ pilot's error
"nothing more, nothing less."

~~In the war news~~ ^{CAMB} From Southeast Asia _λ a report
~~today~~ that Communist forces in Cambodia now include
a number of North Koreans. This - according to
Cambodian Intelligence; which bases its contention on three
separate clashes - allegedly involving North Koreans;
also, claiming to have intercepted - "numerous" radio
transmissions in the Korean language. The North
Koreans further said to be operating mainly in the area
of Kirirom Dam - only about fifty miles southwest of
Phnom Penh.

QUITO

~~Still~~ Another political kidnapping. - ^{This one} reported ~~today~~
from Quito, the ^{Lefty Andean} capital of Ecuador. A so-called
terrorist "commando" group - seizing General Caesar
Rohon Sandoval, ~~the~~ ^{the} chief of Ecuador's Air Force. The
government of Ecuador - immediately ordering a round-up
of known dissidents. At last report ~~though~~ the general
still missing. All this coming in the midst of Ecuador's
Air Force Week - celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary
of The Equadorian Air Force.

LONDON

Britain's Prince Charles ^{was the headline} ~~the main~~ speaker

today at a British conservation conference in London;

where he strongly urged the adoption of ~~max~~ emergency

measures - to protect ^{the} British coast ~~from~~ from the

threat of oil pollution. The Prince noting that "thousands

of sea birds - were washed up dead or dying this year

and last." Adding that he recently visited a seaside

resort - where "you ~~could~~ could hardly walk on the

beach without getting covered in oil. The Prince's

remark^s follow~~ing~~ the wreck of a giant tanker last

week -- off Britain's southern coast; a tanker that

is still aground ^{and from which more} ~~having already leaked more than~~

^{than} ~~exceeded~~ a hundred thousand gallons of ~~max~~ crude oil ~~has~~
leaked so far.

~~London again an attempt today by~~ Britain's Prime Min. ^{intends} Edward Heath [^] to fulfill his campaign promises. ~~of~~

~~earlier this year. The Prime Minister~~ ^{Today he} presenting ^{ed} to

Parliament - a series of proposed economic reforms; including - number one - a cutback in welfare spending.

This coupled with a planned cut-back in corporate and income taxes - the first such reduction in eleven years.

Heath setting the potential savings to British taxpayers around eight hundred million ^{pounds sterling} a year. [^]

However, the Heath plan ~~draws~~ an immediate protest - from Laborite Roy Jenkins, ^{Who says the P.M.} ~~a former~~ ^{is way off base,} Chancellor of the Exchequer, ^{the people} who noted that ~~British~~ would

have to pay more for medical services - if the govern- ment's program ~~is~~ ^{is} enacted into law. Adding that it will also mean the end of free milk for infants and primary school children. Jenkins branding the Heath plan - an example of "petty dogmatism and short-sighted materialism."

SINOP

For the second time in eight days -

plane I guess this is not
a Soviet ~~aircraft~~ hi-jacking. Turkish sources saying
this time a ~~today - the~~ Russian plane ~~was forced to fly to the~~
with 4 defectors fled from
Russia across the Black Sea to
Turkish ~~Black Sea~~ port of Sinop.

STOCKHOLM

Another trio of Nobel prize winners, -

~~announced today in~~ Stockholm, ^{announcing} For Chemistry - French

born Doctor Luis LeLoir -- who now lives ~~and works~~

in Buenos Aires, Argentina. For physics - Dr. Louis

~~Meel~~; Meel, of France and Dr. Hannes Alfvén of the

University of California at San Diego. ~~The latter~~ -

Dr. Alfvén, a Swede by birth, ~~but he~~ left his homeland

~~land~~ in Nineteen Sixty-Seven - following a feud with the

Swedish government over the peaceful application of

nuclear power. Dr. Alfvén moving briefly to the Soviet

Union - and then coming here to continue his work. He's

also the author of a novel - "the saga of the big

computer," ^{which describes} ~~telling of~~ a world take-over by computers

and robots.

METRIC

Speaking of government studies - a special U S commission is due to report next year - on the possible ramifications of an American switch to the metric system. However, preliminary findings already in ~~and these~~ ^{are} said to show that such a change would cost U S business, industry and government - an estimated eleven billion over the next sixteen years.

So -
~~Next question~~ Is it worth it? ~~And~~ The

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answer - apparently a resounding yes! Government experts say ~~ing~~ the change over would open new markets - ~~worth~~ worth an estimated ten billion in foreign trade every year. This because ninety percent of the world's population - now uses the metric system exclusively. Education experts add that the change over would also produce a saving in school costs ~~amounting~~ ^{amounting} ~~according~~ ^{to} another billion or so a year. This by eliminating the need to learn fractions and other complicated units of ~~metric~~ measure which now take up an estimated

twenty-five percent of all arithmetic time.

If and when the change does come - it will soon permeate practically every facet of human ~~ind~~ endeavor; in the process - we are told - forcing a radical change in U S thinking. Can you imagine a bathing beauty ^{John Shales} whose measurements are ~~for example~~ ninety-six, sixty-two, ninety-one?

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KEY WEST

*And now - a special salute to CBS radio
station W K W F -- Key West, Florida; today celebrating
-- its twenty-fifth anniversary on the air.*



PISA

From the government of ~~Italy~~ Italy ~~comes~~

a progress report today on the search for a means

of saving from collapse the fabled leaning tower of

one of the lesser wonders of the world,
Pisa, Suggestions received so far - including one

from a pair of Russian engineers^g who propose to

soak the tower's sponge-like base with a liquid substance

-- which would then be electrified, supposedly ^{to} turn ~~it~~ ^{it}

rock hard. Another suggestion - from an American

scientist - who proposes to line the tower with steel -

and then lock it in place via magnets installed in an

adjacent tower.

Also a ~~And then there's the~~ suggestion that pops

up daily - in letters arriving from every corner of the

globe. It's ■■ one word message - simply: "pray."

Amen! A-m-e-n.