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FORD

On the eve of the Massachusetts primary - an official end today to the U.S. policy of detente. President Ford saying: "Detente is only a word that was coined" - it is no longer "applicable." This in an interview taped for showing - on Miami TV.

"What we ought to say" ^{added} - the President, ~~went on~~ - "is that the U.S. will meet with superpowers - the Soviet Union, China and others - and seek to relax tensions;" to "continue a policy of peace - through strength." The President adding: "If we're strong militarily, which we are - and if we continue that strength - we can negotiate with the Soviet Union, China and others to maintain that peace."

The President's remarks following ~~ing~~ repeated attacks on detente ~~by~~ by his Republican challenger, Ronald Reagan. The latter saying last week ^{that we seem to} ~~we~~ have gained virtually nothing from detente - except the right to "sell Pepsi Cola in Siberia."

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Says Pres. F - Detente no longer!
And now this -

WHITE HOUSE

In a special message to Congress, President Ford today urged a consolidation of twenty-four school aid programs - under a block grant of more than Three Billion; the money to be turned over to state and local officials - to use as they see fit, as long as it goes mostly to handicapped and deprived children. The President telling Congress: "It's time we recognized that we at the Federal level - cannot know what is best for every school child in every classroom in the country."

SENATE

On Capitol Hill - the start of hearings today on the soaring cost of auto crash repairs. Senator Moss of Utah saying the cost of replacement parts is so high - it would now cost Twenty-Three Thousand to repair a totally demolished car / that originally cost only Fifty-Five Hundred. Moss asking - why? And the answer apparently - the fact that auto crash parts are sold only through franchised dealers.

~~A spokesman for independent garagemen noting the cost of a replacement door for a GM car - is now more than the total cost of a GM Frigidaire. This is so - he insisted - because "many companies produce driers - but only Chevrolet, for example, produces a left-front Impala door."~~

ADDIS ABABA

At Addis Ababa - a meeting of the forty-seven-
nation Organization of African Unity; ~~voted~~^{ed} today - to
endorse the new Marxist regime in Angola; also, pledging
to support a guerilla campaign - to free South West Africa
and eradicate apartheid in South Africa.

ACONCAGUA MOUNTAIN

Three years ago ~~in Argentina~~ ^{was made} - an attempt by ~~an~~ ⁹
~~eight U.S. climbers~~
~~flag member U.S. team~~ - to conquer the tallest mountain
in the Americas: Aconcagua, ~~Mountain~~ - nearly Twenty-
Three Thousand ^{feet} ~~feet tall~~ - high in the Andes, ^{east of Santiago, Chile,} As they
neared the top though - ~~three~~ ^{six} of the climbers turning back;
leaving a young schoolteacher, Jeanette Johnson, and a young
U.S. space engineer, John Cooper - to carry on alone.

They never made it. Cooper's body later
discovered - with a deep wound in his abdomen. Investigators
saying - he may have fallen on an ice ax. As for Miss
Johnson - she simply vanished. ^{Now} ~~At~~ ~~by~~ a team of climbers
has ^{retrieving} ~~finally locating~~ her body ^{from} a glacier near the peak.
Returning it today to nearby Mendoza, ^{on the Argentine side of the Andes} where an autopsy is
now underway. Officials hoping to close the books at last -
on the three-year mystery of Aconcagua ~~Mountain~~ ^{the lofty Andean}
peak on the Argentine-Chile border.

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LONDON

In a London courtroom - a scene today
reminiscent of "Monty Python's Flying Circus." Twelve
of Scotland Yard's most famous detectives - charged with
taking bribes from pornography dealers. The twelve
including a former Murder Squad chief, - a former head of
London's crime-busting "Flying Squad", - and an ex-Obscenity
Squad commander; ~~if convicted - no doubt, to be called,~~

~~henceforth, "the Dirty Dozen"~~

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And now -

GENEVA

An increase in North Atlantic air fares starting ^{May} ~~November~~ ^{was} One ~~approved~~ approved today by the International Air Transport Association meeting in Geneva. The new fares - to average about Six Per Cent higher, ~~than at present.~~ ~~That's~~ ~~in regular jets.~~ If you ~~intend to~~ take a supersonic Concorde ~~though~~ - the cost ^{will be} ~~to jump~~ on an additional Twenty Per Cent.

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And now for CBS News -