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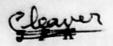
with House and Senate Republicans from New York again exploring the possibility of Federal loan guarantees - to help save New York City from default. An indication - we are told - that there has been some movement on the President's part. Spokesman Ron Nessen saying: The President will make a statement on this some time tomorrow.

After much controversy, the Senate finally approved today - a new one hundred and twelve point five billion dollar defense spending bill; a measure that now goes to a conference committee - to iron out the minor differences. Both houses agreeing though to moth ball the nation's only safe guard anti-

The full Senate today approved overwhelmingly
the nomination of Donald Rumsfeld as Secretary of Defense.

The final vote: Ninety-Five in favor - and only Two against.

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After seven years as a fugitive abroad
former black Panther leader Eldridge Cleaver finally

returned today to the US. - On arrival at JFK in

Lewas

New York Immediately placed under arrest.

Earlier saying he'd rather face prison in California
than live any longer like "a fish out of water."

Regarding sources, Attorney General Levi saying: "It's very hard to detect and catch criminals. When you do, prosecutors use their discretion not to go ahead with the case - witnesses don't want to appear - and judges, who are harassed anyway, don't sentence."

be cut - "when people decide they've had enough of it;" when they make it known "they do want a criminal justice system - that does require a penalty of those who commit serious crimes."

A crowded restaurant in the fashionable

Was

Chelsea district of London, the target tonight

of another IR A bombing attack. Police saying 2

manyther thirty were injured, at least six seriously.

The body temperature of Franco dropped today to ninety-three degrees; with his doctors attempting to slow
down his bodily functions - in order to stem internal
bleeding and it worked - for the time being, at least. A
spokesman saying this will not lead to a recovery - "but will
prolong his life a little."

Thai and Laotian troops were again blasting at each other today - from opposite sides of the Mekong River near Winth Vientiane. The battle that began yesterday resuming today - when Thai commandoes attempted to recover the body of a Thai sailor from a sunken gunboat.

and now for C -

UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim

Lodo announced plans to leave this Thursday - on

a trip that will take him to Syria, Lebanon, Jordan,

Egypt, and Israel. Waldheim saying his main goal

is that of extending the mandate of UN peace keeping

forces - on the Golan Heights. The UN's present

six months mandate is due to expire at the end of the

month.

Committee Counsel also introducing part

of the letter - supposedly sent many anonymously by

the F B I to Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King.

The writer three three threatening to expose Dr. King for

conduct as yet unspecified - if he went ahead with

plans to accept his Nobel Peace Prize - further,

suggesting that many suicide might be the only way out.

From the National Health Federation, a private emels organization a report recently saying the fluoridation of U.S. water supplies - may have caused an increase in cancer deaths. From the National Cancer Institute, a government such an agency - a report today calling the alleged cancer-fluoridation link - pure bunk.

This on the basis of studies - involving a number of U.S. cities, both big and small. The Cancer Institute saying it "found no trends in cancer mortality - attributable to the consumption" of fluoridated water. Adding, indeed, in communities with high levels of natural fluorides in the water - there were actually fewer deaths, from cancers of the brain and nervous system.