

Thursday, November 18, 1971

BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, Alabama reports a third straight day of intense air pollution; with the Federal government finally exercising for the first time ever, its emergency powers under the new Clear-Act; with court orders against twenty-three Birmingham plants; telling them to stop polluting the air.

Even as the orders were being served a change in the weather brought fresh winds - and a prospect of rain. Tonight all clear in Birmingham.

PARIS

Today's session of Paris peace talks - by far, the shortest on record. This mainly because of a U.S. cut off on meaningless dialogue; so announced by U.S. Ambassador William Porter, in a twenty-three word opening statement, telling the Communist representatives: "Ladies and gentlemen, we have repeatedly made our position clear - we are awaiting a constructive reply and, therefore, have nothing further to say.

Enemy reaction: "A bit surprised - we are told - but not so much that they were too speechless to deliver another diatribe against the U.S. war policy by Hanoi's chief negotiator - the newly returned Huan Thuy. After which - Ambassador Porter merely saying: There is nothing new in your statements. You are using the same stale material I have heard since my arrival here." Whereupon he urged a two week recess to give the Communists "time to reflect" on their position. And then the meeting adjourned.

VIETNAM FOLLOW PARIS

As for U.S. ground action in Saigon it was still at a virtual stand, as it has been all week. The U.S. casualty toll for last week - again one of the lowest in years.

FRENCH LICK

At French Lick, Indiana - the start of another National Republican Governor's ~~conv~~ conference. Key-note speaker - the outgoing chairman, Governor Nunn of Kentucky; who said that President Nixon has now given the ~~the~~ nation - three years of "strong courageous precise and creative leadership;" all of it aimed - said he - at "disposing of the sad legacy of war inflation and ineptness - bestowed upon this country by the leaders and would-be leaders of the opposition party."

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Nunn ~~saying~~, ~~therefore, it is~~ time for the Republican Party to stop feeling ~~that~~ it has to defend the Nixon administration; and instead launch a counter-~~an~~ attack against those he called "the dooms-day chorus" of the ~~Democratic~~ Democrats. "Senators Muskie, Humphrey, Kennedy and Bayh - where were they" he ~~asked~~ asked - when America~~s~~ was pointed down the path of war?"

MIAMI BEACH FOLLOW FRENCH LICK

At the A F L - C I O Executive Council meeting at Miami Beach, President George Meany again attacked the Phase Two of economic controls, calling the program - "stringent and repressive," the Pay Board a "stacked deck" - like "playing with a loaded dice."

But, Meany also announced that President Nixon has been invited to address the labor session tomorrow morning; and has accepted. The White House confirming this.

SENATE

The Senate Judiciary Committee again postponed a final vote on the Nixon candidates for the Supreme Court. This to permit a full investigation of William Rehnquist's association, if any, with a right wing group in Arizona.

Later the full Senate approving - by a margin of only three votes - a new Democratic plan for financing next year's Presidential campaign. The idea being for the money to come from the tax payers - one buck from each of us on this year's income tax returns.

BUDAPEST

~~From~~ Budapest: ~~a report today that~~ one third of
Hungary's total work force, ~~is~~ now ~~in~~ idle;
~~also~~ ^{also} one third of all Hungarian school children ~~are~~
absent from class. All - because of ^{the} Hong Kong flu.
Budapest adding that Hong Kong flu - while generally
non-lethal has nevertheless, claimed some sixty victims
so far. These - we are told - mainly elderly persons ^{who}
previously ^{were} suffering from heart or circulatory trouble.

CHICAGO

For Vice President ~~Spiro~~ Agnew - a new ~~target~~
target: The United Nations. This in a departure from
his prepared text - in a Chicago speech. The Vice
President noting that the U N gave Red China a big
hand - when it denounced the U S the other day.

Adding: "That may be - but it wasn't half as
big a hand - as the hand the United Nations has had
in the pocket of U S tax payers for the last twenty
six years."

~~That~~ ^{So said} Spiro Agnew, as he moved on to

ADD CHICAGO

→ ~~Next stop~~ French Lick, ^{Indiana, where} ~~where the Vice~~

~~President~~ ^{he} told the assembled Republican Governors

-- that Maverick Republican Congressman McCloskey

of California is going broke running for President;

so broke in fact - said Spiro Agnew - ~~that~~ that he is

auctioning off his art collection; including, "quote,

"his favorite painting - Benedict Arnold crossing the

Delaware."

STOCKHOLM

From Stockholm - an announcement today that top Swedish movie director Ingmar Bergman - has taken another bride. Bergman disclosing that he was secretly married - some time ago - to the former Mrs. Ingrid Von Rosen, a Stockholm divorcee and mother of four. Bergman the father of seven by five previous marriages. Warren - the newlyweds thus boasting nearly a dozen off-spring - his, hers and theirs.

DIET

Here's one - a contention that the U.S. is currently producing a whole generation of teen-agers both over-weight and under nourished. Doctor Ivy Celender, chief nutritionist for General Mills, says today's youngsters tend to "pick" at their regular meals - and then fill up on "junk"; soft drinks, candy bars, cookies and potato chips.

The cure? Doctor Celender recommends adoption of "way out", menus - to help stir the appetite of bored teen-agers. For breakfast - a hamburger, a chocolate drink, and an orange ; for lunch: Mexican tacos, a banana milk shake and an apple; and for dinner a cheese pizza, carrot sticks, butter-scotch pudding and cola; then a snack later on - maybe cereal and milk. The good doctor contending that such a diet sounds "wild" - ^{but} he says "it's sound."