

Thurs. October 12, 1972

ATLANTA

President Nixon's visit today to Atlanta, Georgia is perhaps the high point of his campaign, so far; but more than that - it proved to be one of the major triumphs of his entire political career. The President drawing a rousing ticker-tape reception - from an estimated half a million Atlantans. This in a city with a population of only a million and a half - quite a turn-out! And those who came - were overwhelmingly friendly. The route of the President's motorcade punctuated by repeated cheers such as "give 'em Hell, Richard!" "Keep bumpin' 'em"! and "we're on God's side, too!"

The President later appealing for support - from Republicans and Democrats alike. "We will be guided in this campaign" - said he - "by our hopes and ideals and not by our fears and hates." And he added - "the idea of dividing the North and the South - is now, as this/election will demonstrate, over forever.

BOSTON

Meanwhile, his opponent, in Boston, was pledging, if elected to name as his Secretary of Defense - one of four "doves" who served under LBJ; either Clark Clifford, Cyrus Vance, Paul Warnke or General James Gavin.

The Democratic nominee later flying to Minneapolis and St. Paul; on to Fargo, North Dakota; and then to Seattle.

CAPITOL HILL

In Washington, Congress was beginning its annual rush toward adjournment. The Senate quickly approving the nomination of General Abrams as Army Chief of Staff. In the face of a liberal lilibuster - also agreeing to shelve until next year a proposed anti-busing bill. While the House - finally approved the President's long sought revenue sharing bill.

VIETNAM

The last of these ^{the villages near} ~~hamlets around~~ _^ Saigon
that were captured by Communist forces ^{are} ~~-~~ now once
again in government hands. Saigon troops completing
the job by retaking today - Xom Suoi and An Hoa;
both - about fifteen miles north of Saigon.

In the air war - the U S command
reported ^{ed} ~~s~~ a hundred and eighty strikes against North
Vietnam; ^{Because of heavy monsoon rains} ~~Because of~~ ^{this} ~~some~~ somewhat
less than usual. A U S spokesman adding that the
~~significant~~ cutback was in no way related - to the
destruction of the French legation to Hanoi. "We will
continue to do " - said he - "what we have to do."

PARIS

On the peace front - after four days of secret talks in Paris - Henry Kissinger flew back to Washington. Observers noting that Dr. Kissinger was "smiling broadly" as he boarded his plane. We are also told - he'll report direct to the President later tonight.

STOCKHOLM

~~The winner of~~ This year ^{the} Nobel Prize
in medicine ^{goes to} an American and ^{to} a Briton. Dr. Gerald
Edelman of Rockefeller University in New York -
and Dr. Rodney Porter of Oxford, ~~University in Britain.~~
So announced ~~today~~ in Stockholm. The two men cited
for studies in antibodies - studies that were separate
but equally brilliant; thereby, laying the ground-work
we are told - for the first "truly rational research in
~~basic~~ immunology."

BELFAST

At Belfast in Northern Ireland - a British army raid on a protestant drinking club ^{was} quickly followed by a massive protestant back-lash.

Protestant mobs - raging through the streets of Belfast, tearing up a Catholic church - setting fire to an adjoining meeting hall - also, setting fire to Catholic shops and a factory - as well as cars and busses. Later, attacking three police stations - with bombs, stones and rifle fire. In addition, a rampage of sniper attacks - and at least one police beating. ^{That) was} ~~No one killed though - for all that happened~~ ^{in all this} a seeming miracle.

VATICAN

A new catechism introduced recently in Roman Catholic high schools in Holland, is an admitted attempt to "demythologize" religion; among other things, questioning the nature of the eucharist, the holy trinity, even whether Jesus was actually a "God".

The Vatican issued an order today - instructing the Bishops "to make it their precise and grave duty to withdraw the catechism - immediately."

DALLAS TEXAS

A meeting of the American bankers
association ^{today} ~~hearing~~ from computer ~~magnate~~ magnate
H. Ross Perot - who called for a return to rugged
individualism; in the process, decrying the attitude
of some modern youth.

Take the internal combustion engine -
said H. Ross Perot. "These kids" - he went on -
"decide it pollutes the atmosphere so they bury a
car;" where "fifty years ago" - he continued - "their
counter-parts with laboratory equipment pitifully
crude would have regarded this as an opportunity;"
~~an~~ an opportunity said he - "to devise and
develop a better way of providing motive power -
without polluting the atmosphere."

TRIPOLI

comes
From Radio Tripoli λ an announcement

~~today~~ that Libya is reinstituting Islamic penal law - which means that henceforth: Thieves over eighteen years of age will be punished by the chopping off of one of their hands ; an armed robber who kills - will be punished by death ; whatever the extenuating circumstances ; and an armed man who robs without killing will be punished by the chopping off of the right hand and the left leg. ~~And so it goes with~~ Law, ~~and~~ order and justice, Libyan style - swift, sure and final.

VIENNA

Dr. John Howell of the University of Houston ^{was} the main speaker today at the twenty-third international astronautical congress in Vienna; ^{there} discussing for the first time - the details of a plan he was asked to draw up for the U S space agency; a plan to serve, hopefully, as the blueprint - for the first permanent colony on the Moon.

Number one says Dr. Howell - it will have to include both men and women - so naturally he adds - there will be babies, nurseries, schools - the whole works. Indeed, this colony will be ^{almost} ~~completely~~ independent ^{of us} here on ^{5/2} ~~of~~ earth; ~~to do so~~ "It will have its own government - its own police force, its own economy."

^{the Moon people will}
~~As for food, the colonists expected to~~
raise their own - mainly in hot houses. Dr. Howell adding that an earlier plan ^{suggested} ~~that~~ they might live mainly on ~~more~~ mushrooms. ^{This was abandoned,} ~~was quickly abandoned.~~

Why? Because it was found - said he -
that "adequate nutrition would require, an intake of
one ~~h~~ hundred and sixty pounds of mushrooms per
day per person." - Want to live on the Moon, Bill?

CHEROKEE

The headquarters of the eastern Cherokee Indians is at Cherokee, North Carolina. Their tribal newspaper, The Cherokee One Feather, is calling for an abolition of Columbus Day; which used to be celebrated on this date. Why the complaint? Because - says The One Feather - Columbus came late - also came to the new world as a conqueror, and as a trader in Indian slaves. Columbus Day - is a "racist insult" to Indians, say One Feather!