

Tuesday, September 24, 1974

PRESIDENT

In the nation's capital - President Ford versus rising crime. At a meeting of the international association of chiefs of police the President announced plans for a new Federal State program to keep track of professional criminals and speed their prosecution.

"We must take the criminals out of circulation. We must make crime hazardous and very costly; we must insure that a swift and prolonged imprisonment - will inevitably follow each and every offense" - said he.

"Only then" added the President - "will we deter others - from pursuing careers of crime."

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW PRESIDENT

Back at the White House Nato Ambassador

Rumsfeld was named today as an assistant to the

President, To succeed General Haig recently named

the new Nato commander. But he ~~will~~ will not be

called Chief of Staff, ~~as Haig was~~. Spokesman Ron

Nessen further stressing ^{that} Rumsfeld will reorganize

the White House staff "in his own way." Nessen

adding: "It's the Ford White House now; - not a Nixon

White House."

NICOSIA U N

At Nicosia - Greek and Turkish cypriots

today exchanged ~~another batch of~~ ^{more} prisoners. At the U. N.

~~U. N. - D*~~ ^{Sec. of State} Kissinger launch^{ed} a personal effort to

bring peace to Cyprus; meeting with the foreign ministers

of Greece, Turkey and Great Britain.



ADD TO NICOSIA

→ The House, ^{which was} ~~meanwhile~~ passing a measure
to cut off all military aid to Turkey, ~~to do so~~
unless there is "substantial progress" in removing
Turkish troops from ~~the~~ Cyprus.

MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East - Israel was marking ~~today~~ the first anniversary of the ~~Yom~~ Yom Kippur war. The commemoration - including massive military maneuvers on the Syrian frontier - also, a so-called "pre-emptive" air strike -- against Arab guerrilla ~~positions~~ positions in Lebanon. Israeli officials vowing that never again ~~would~~^{would} Israel be the victim of a ~~surprise~~ surprise Arab attack.

BEIRUT FOLLOW MIDDLE EAST

Meanwhile, the Arab press ^{was} reacting ~~angrily~~ to yesterday's oil speeches by President Ford and Secretary of State Kissinger. - One Beirut newspaper calling the U S statement - "tantamount to a declaration of war." Another claiming that the U S was threatening "to seize Arab oil by force."

But official comment ^{was} virtually nil.

Cairo for example merely saying the Ford and Kissinger statement ^{is} "will remain under study for the time being."

CARACUS FOLLOW BEIRUT

The flap over oil prices was also making waves today - in Venezuela, ~~the~~ single largest supplier of U S oil. A spokesman for Venezuela's President Perez saying oil consumers and oil producers - are now on the verge of "an international confrontation." Adding that present tension is likely to get worse - before it gets better.

ABU DHABI

~~And now~~ The latest: The ruler of oil rich Abu Dhabi on the Persian Gulf, ^S saying oil producers would be willing to cut oil prices; but only if western nations - would similarly reduce prices on food stuffs and other products.

HONG KONG

The British Crown Colony of Hong Kong -

^{is having}
~~now in the midst of~~ its worst drought in eight years.

As a result, authorities today ordering a water cut
off for all residential users -- ^{between} ~~from~~ ten P M ^{and} six

~~at~~ A M daily. ~~They add that~~ phase two, ~~is~~ if necessary,

^{and will}
will begin in two weeks, ~~limiting~~ water ~~supplies~~ to

only eight hours a day; ^{Then,} ~~and~~ ^{by} phase three ^{by} October

^{could cut it down to}
Thirty ~~only~~ ^{four} hours a day.

ST CLOUD FOLLOW HONG KONG

Here are home again - the advent of fall was accompanied by a ~~killing frost~~ ^{heavy} frost throughout the mid-west. The mercury dropping as low as eighteen degrees - at St. Cloud, Minnesota. ~~The resulting~~ ^{This means much} damage to ^{the} corn, soya bean and other crops. - ~~an estimated seven hundred million.~~

~~A farm spokesman in Washington adds that the new law - could have a tremendous psychological effect.~~ ~~The combination of heavy spring rain, a dry summer and now an early frost - could be - has, virtually "traumatized the psyche of the market place."~~

SAN PEDRO SULA

~~Tons and tons of~~ Relief supplies' from all over

the world - were being poured into storm stricken

Honduras today. The big problem ^{is} ~~now one of~~

distribution. ^{Some} ~~Officials saying perhaps as many as~~

(eight thousand ~~storm~~ survivors are still stranded without

food or water; ^{and some areas are} ~~many if not most in the San Pedro Sula~~

~~area~~ accessible only by air.

LISBON

A fire of undetermined origin today swept the oldest wing ^{of} ~~in~~ Portugal's ~~former~~ Ajuda Palace at ~~Lisbon~~. The blaze destroying about five hundred paintings, ~~th~~ including several by Goya and Rubens. The Palace's curator - calling the loss - "incalculable."

KREMLIN

At the Kremlin - the U S and Soviet Union today signed an agreement aimed at encouraging two-way tourism. This including the creation of a joint panel to ease the way both ways.

NEW YORK

The giant Ford Foundation a colossus of philanthropy ~~had~~ ^{had} assets as recently as a year ago - ~~of some~~ ^{of some} ~~an estimated~~ three billion. ~~But~~ now - due to decline on Wall Street ~~it's~~ ^{its} down to a mere ~~two billion.~~ ^{two billion.} ~~And thus a~~ ^{Much will be} ~~said about this at a~~ ^{said about this at a} ~~meeting of the funds,~~ ^{meeting} trustees, tonight and tomorrow in New York.

A Ford spokesman saying they plan to consider budget cuts - running perhaps as much as fifty percent. ~~Adding that possible disillusion of the entire Foundation is yet another option.~~

LONG BEACH

Former President Nixon was reported today to be under-going "anti-coagulation therapy" at ^{the} Long Beach, ~~California~~ ^{California} hospital, ~~in California~~. His doctors ~~saying~~ ^{that} so far he has responded well.

The former President also receiving a flood of mail and about fifty bouquets of flowers ~~that were passed on to other patients.~~ ~~the latter -- then given to the hospital's section.~~ ~~But~~ The former President ~~issued~~ ^{ed} a statement - saying he was "very pleased by the flowers and well wishes."

CINCINNATI

*The kidnapped daughter of a Cincinnati
broadcasting executive - is back home tonight, safe
and sound. Four year old blond, blue eyed ~~Abigail~~
Allison Mēchem - found unharmed in a suburban motel.*

SENATE

Nelson Rockefeller's ~~many~~ millions ~~are~~ were
discussed again ^{discussed} ~~the chief bone of contention~~ ^{at} ~~in~~ today's ~~second~~
~~day~~ of confirmation hearings. The Vice Presidential
nominee conceding at one ~~point~~ ^{that} point [^] his wealth and
of that ^{of} his family could lead to potential ~~conflict~~ conflict
of interest. But he insisted - this would be "no problem."
"I was brought up to ~~be~~ be honest - and therefore I
don't anticipate any conflict." ~~she~~

And now this mes —

COLUMBUS

America's oldest convict was celebrating his ninety-ninth birthday today - in the Ohio Penitentiary Medical Facility at Columbus. John Webber ~~originally~~^{was} sentenced to life nearly fifty years ago ~~A~~ for killing his infant daughter during a family argument. ~~Since~~ Eligible for parole but ~~he~~^{with} ~~simply had~~ no place to go, Prison superintendent S. M. Patterson say~~ing~~^s. "He feels this is his home - ~~he~~ likes it here - ~~he~~ wants to die here."