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NEWS SUMMARY, MARCH 22, 1973 (WEDNESDAY NETS, WIRES)

THE MAJOR STORIES OF THE DAY:

CPI JUMPED SHARPLY (NBC) IN FEB., UP .8 PERCENT AND THE BIGGEST MONTHLY GAIN IN OVER 20 YEARS AS "SHOPPERS' WORST FEARS WERE REALIZED" (CBS). LED NBC/CBS AND WAS SUBJECT OF LENGTHY NO.4 ABC REPORT AS WELL. ALL NETS (W/ABOUT 5:00) NOTED CPI JUMP WAS EXPECTED, AS WAS "WHOPPING" (ABC) 2.2 PERCENT GAIN IN FOOD PRICES-- HIGHEST SINCE '51. TUES. THE GOV'T. SAID FOOD WOULD GO UP MORE, SAID HKS AND WED. THE EVIDENCE WAS PROVIDED. WORST AREA WAS MEAT, FISH AND FOWL -- UP 5 PERCENT...STEIN/DUNLOP ON ABC FILM (NBC NOTED) SAID FOOD CONTROLS WERE A POSSIBILITY, BUT NOT AT THIS TIME. ON CBS FILM STEIN PREDICTED FARM PRICES WOULD DECLINE TOWARD END OF '73 WHILE RETAIL PRICES WOULD RISE MORE SHARPLY. DUNLOP EXPLAINED DIFFICULTY IN INCREASING SUPPLY BECAUSE OF AGRICULTURAL POLICY WHICH HAS BEEN HOLDING DOWN OUTPUT IN ORDER TO RAISE FARMERS' INCOME LEVELS...SMITH COMMENTARY STRONGLY URGED END TO SUBSIDIES AND CROP LIMITATIONS AS WAY TO SOLVE BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF US.

ALL NETS W/1-4 MINUTES OF VERY NEGATIVE, OUTSPOKEN REACTION ACROSS US AS PEOPLE INTERVIEWED AT MARKETS CALLED FOOD PRICE JUMP "DISGRACE, MISERABLE, AND RIDICULOUS" AND PREDICTED THEY'D HAVE TO STOP BUYING MEAT. AND NBC REPORT ON ALTERNATIVES TO MEAT SUGGESTED BY ADMIN-- INCLUDING CHICKEN WHICH WH DRAMITIZED AT PN'S BIRTHDAY DINNER--FOUND THEY ARE -NO BARGAIN" EITHER...NBC DID FIND A "SMALL COMFORT" IN ECONOMIC NEWS, REPORTING TRADE DEFICIT WAS A "LITTLE LESS IN THE RED" IN '72 THAN HAD BEEN EXPECTED. IT ALSO NOTED BLS SAYS CPI ISN'T AS BAD AS IT LOOKS BECAUSE EARNINGS INCREASED AT A FASTER RATE, BUT, ADDED CHANCELLOR, FEW CONSUMERS SEEMED TO APPRECIATE THAT.. ALL NETS BLAMED CPI FOR SHARP DOW JONES DECLINE OF 11 TO 938 W/16M VOL.

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ABC LED, NBC/CBS BRIEFLY NOTED, LIBYAN AF JETS FIRED ON USAF C-130 TRANSPORT OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS, BUT MISSED AND US PLANE DUCKED INTO CLOUD AND ESCAPED. US SAID PLANE WAS CLEARLY MARKED, AND STATE STRONGLY PROTESTED THE "UNPARDONABLE" ACTION. PLANE WAS OUT OF ATHENS AND RETURNED THERE.

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FOR 3RD TIME IN UN HISTORY, US USED ITS VETO TO KILL RESOLUTION URGING UN TO RECOGNIZE PANAMA'S "EFFECTIVE SOVEREIGNTY" OVER THE CANAL. IN A SURPRISE MOVE, AUSTRALIA VOTED W/PANAMA ALTHO ITS AMB. EARLIER THIS WEEK SAID IT WASN'T IN UN PURVIEW. FRANCE ALSO VOTED IN FAVOR. BRITAIN ABSTAINED.

ALL NETS W/FILM AS MCGONE SAID AFTER 170 CHILEAN ELECTIONS GENEEN CAME TO HIM W/PROPOSAL ITT WOULD GIVE ANY USG INSTITUTION \$1M TO HELP DEVELOP COALITION OF VOTES W/IN CHILEAN CONGRESS TO DECIDE ELECTION AGAINST ALLENDE. HE STATED HE HAD DISCUSSED IDEA W/HAK, BUT HAK NEVER CONTACTED HIM, SO HE ASSUMED THE PLAN WAS NEVER ACCEPTED BY ADMIN.

GOOD FILM ON ABC/NBC (CONCLUDED LATTER SHOW) AS RN TOLD VISITING SOVIET WOMEN GYMNASTS HE HAD WATCHED THE OLYMPICS ON TV AND NOTICED THEIR ABILITY TO LAND ON THEIR FEET--SOMETHING WASH. POLITICIANS ALSO TRY TO DO BUT NOT AS SUCCESSFULLY. COURTEOUS LAUGHTER AFTER TRANSLATION, SAID JARRIEL. RN ALSO ON FILM ON BOTH NETS SAYING "WHATEVER THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE LEADERS OF THE WORLD, WE THINK THE YOUNG PEOPLE CAN LIVE W/MIR Y DRUZHBA (PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP)." VERY AUDIABLE, GOOD RESPONSE. REASONER NOTED HOW IN THIS AREA OF GOOD RELATIONS, PRC SENT PINGPONG TO US FOR GOODWILL AND NOW RUSSIA SENDS THEIR CHAMP GYMNASTS. JARRIEL NOTED RN GREETED EACH OF 6 PERSONALLY W/MOST OF THE (PRESS) ATTENTION FOCUSED ON OLGA, 1ST AMONG EQUALS AND WHO HAS CHARMED US ON HER TOUR.

HE WAS BACK ON THE MINEFIELD BETWEEN WH AND HILL, SAID ABC REFER- RING TO GRAY'S TUESDAY DESCRIPTION OF HIS SITUATION. UNDER "HARD QUESTIONING" (CBS), GRAY "STUNNED" (NCB) SENATORS W/ADMISSION HE DELIVERED FBI REPORTS TO DEAN W/OUT NOTIFYING KLEINDIENST OR ANYONE ELSE. NEGATIVE FILM REPORTS AGAIN ON ALL NETS. NBC'S STERN SAID FOR 1ST TIME GRAY'S PERSONAL CONDUCT WAS SUSPECT AND FUTURE FOR NOMINATION "CLOUDED." CHANCELLOR SAID REPORTS GIVEN DEAN MAY HAVE BEEN DONE "ILLEGALLY." EACH DAY OF TESTIMONY DOESN'T SEEM TO HELP GRAY, ADDED CBS'S STRAWSER. GRAY ACKNOWLEDGED 1ST TIME HE SENT INFO HE WENT THRU AG, BUT DENIED UNDER EMK QUESTIONING--FOR A "GRUELING" 2 1/2 HOURS, NOTED NBC -- HE HAD CHANGED HIS MIND BECAUSE THE ADDITIONAL MATERIAL WAS DIFFERENT AND THE SORT THAT DEAN WAS ENTITLED TO. GRAY SAID HE WOULD STILL SEND REQUESTED INFO TO

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DEAN BECAUSE HE IS WH COUNSEL...AFTER NOTE THAT ENK THOUGHT GRAY'S PROCEDURE "IRREGULAR," EMK ON ABC/NBC SAID ADMISSION WAS "TROUBLE-SOME," AND QUESTION IS: ARE THERE DIFFERENT PROCEDURES FOR REGULAR VS. POLITICAL INVESTIGATIONS?...GURNEY ON CBS "DEFENDED" GRAY BUT NOTED HIS CONFIRMATION IS IN DOUBT. GURNEY DOES THINK GRAY IS QUALIFIED, THO.

SUPREME COURT APPROVED 5-4, FINANCING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS W/LOCAL PROPERTY TAXES, SAYING EDUCATION IS NOT AMONG RIGHTS AFFORDED EXPLICIT CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTION. CBS GRAHAM VISITED MEX.-AMER. FAMILY THAT INITIATED CASE AND HAD SYMPATHETIC REPORT ON FACT
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CHILDREN WILL "SUFFER" BECAUSE THEIR SCHOOL DISTRICT IS POOR AND BECAUSE OF RULING THEY WILL BE "LOCKED INTO MEDIOCRITY."..BRINKLEY HOWEVER, POINTED TO "INCREASING EVIDENCE" THAT OUTSIDE MINIMUM AMOUNT THE MONEY A SCHOOL HAS HAS NO EFFECT ON CHILD'S CHANCES FOR A "HAPPY, SUCCESSFUL LIFE." OUTSIDE FACTORS--HOME, FAMILY, AMBITION-- ARE MORE IMPORTANT...CHANCELLOR NOTED ADMIN. HAS BEEN WARNING OF POSSIBLE TAX INCREASE UNLESS ITS BUDGET IS CARRIED OUT, AND SECY. DENT MADE WARNING "MORE SPECIFIC" THAN BEFORE, PEGGING POSSIBLE INCREASE AT 15 PERCENT. DENT ON FILM W/SUCH REMARKS AND ADDED PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO SUPPORT RN OR LET WILL BE SWAYED BY A SMALL MINORITY.

ABC/NBC NOTED RN'S PROPOSAL DEATH PENALTY BE REINSTATED FOR CERTAIN CRIMES SENT TO HILL; ABC FOLLOWED W/FILM ON CONSIDERATION OF REINSTATEMENT IN COLORADO...ABC/NBX W/FILM AS W.VA. PRISON INMATES RELEASED 5 HOSTAGES UNHARMED ENDING 2-DAY SIEGE AS AUTHORITIES AGREED TO MOST OF THE PRISONERS' DEMANDS...GOV. MOORE ON BOTH NETS SAID HE EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL APPRECIATION TO INMATES FOR RELEASING GUARDS AND ADDED STATE WOULDN'T TOLERATE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT LED TO INCIDENT... ONE OF THE RELEASED HOSTAGES ON FILM SAID HE FEARED FOR HIS LIFE, BUT INMATES HADN'T HARMED ANY OF THEM...NATL. GUARD MOVED BACK IN BRIEFLY AFTER WHITES-BLACKS CLASHED WHEN BODY OF DEAD INMATE WAS REMOVED...EXCEPT FOR "AMNESTY" AND ALLOWING PRISONERS TO KEEP UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF MONEY W/THEM, THE OTHER "PERFECTLY REASONABLE" DEMANDS, IN MOORE'S WORDS, WERE MET...NBC'S ROLLINS DESCRIBED PRISON AS A "MESS" FROM THE TAKEOVER...ABC NOTED NUMBER OF PROBLEMS REMAIN.

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POW'S

NCB/CBS NOTED VC WILL RELEASE 32 POWS IT STILL HOLDS ON SAT, 4 DAYS BEFORE DEADLINE...ABC NOTED THE LAST OF THE POWS COULD BE HOME THIS WEEKEND...CBS NOTED COMMUNISTS REQUESTED US W/DRAW REMAINING

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GIS BY THIS WEEKEND.

CBS AM FILM AS RELEASED POW STOREY OUTLINED THE 5 BASIC THINGS HE THOUGHT ABOUT IN NVN--HIS "FABULOUS 5": FAITH, FAMILY, FRIENDS, FUTURE AND FREEDOM. FOR "FUTURE," HE SHOWED DOLLAR BILL WHICH HE CALLS GOOD SYMBOL BECAUSE OF THINGS THAT ARE ON IT--WASHINGTON AND "IN GOD WE TRUST." HE NOTED HE HAS SIGNATURE OF ALL POWS WHO WERE ON HIS FLIGHT TO CLARK ON THE BILL. CBS LABEL ADDED STOREY BELIEVES US WAS UNITED ON AT LEAST 1 THING DURING WAR--THE POWS AND MIA'S, WHO WERE "CATALYST" IN HOLDING US TOGETHER.

CBS' THRELKELD FOLLOWED BACHELOR EX-POW KNUTSON AS HE WENT FOR A "DAY ON THE TOWN" IN SAN FRAN. KNUTSON REMARKED ALL FOOD LOOKED SO GOOD TO HIM, BUT WHAT HE REALLY WANTED WAS HAMBURGER AND MILKSHAKE. HE ALSO THINKS MINIS ARE "FANTASTIC" AND "FUN TO LOOK AT," AND HE'S ANXIOUS TO TRY OUT NEW MEN'S STYLES. HE DIDN'T EXPECT TO SEE MEN'S HAIR SO LONG, AND NOTED CHANGE TO OPENNESS AND CONSCIOUSNESS OF SEX. FILM CONCLUDED W/KNUTSON DRIVING OFF IN A CORVETTE.

POWS IN HANOI HILTON TAPPED SECRET MESSAGES, TOSSED NOTES BETWEEN CELLS, YELLED OUT COMMANDS AND MAINTAINED IRON DISCIPLINE WHICH THWARTED CAPTORS, RETURNEE COL. GADDIS SAID.

A JOURNALIST COMM. SAYS POWS REPATRIATED TO SVN HAVE FURNISHED INFO THAT OFFERS BRIGHTEST HOPE IN 2 YEARS THAT SOME OF 19 FOREIGN NEWSMEN MISSING IN CAMBODIA ARE ALIVE... THE VNESE COMMUNITY, PARIS-BASED NEUTRALISTS, ACCUSED GVN OF HOLDING AND MISTREATING 200,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS.

OTHER INDOCHINA

ABC NOTED 3,000-MAN ARVN FORCE MOVED AGAINST COMMUNISTS BESIEGING RACH BAP BASE IN 2ND LARGEST GVN ACTION SINCE CF...NBC NOTED ACTION WAS ORDERED AFTER IMC AND ICCS FAILED TO RESPOND TO GNV REQUESTS FOR HELP... CHANCELLOR SAID CEASEFIRE IS STILL "WORKING BADLY."

DDD'S FRIEDHEIM SAID "THERE'S BEEN CONTINUING MOVEMENT ON THE TRAIL THE PAST FEW DAYS." HE WOULD NOT DISCUSS WHETHER MOVEMENT WAS OF MEN AND MATERIAL INTO PIPELINE...UPI REPORTS "KNOWLEDGEABLE SOURCES" SAY NVN INFILTRATION IS TAPERING OFF.

STATE'S PORTER SAID "IN GENERAL, THE SITUATION IS STABLE" IN SVN BUT SOLVING ITS "POLITICAL PROBLEMS MAY TAKE PLACE MORE SLOWLY THAN WAS ENVISAGED" IN AGREEMENT. NOTING "IT'S EASIER TO STOP SHOOTING THAN START TALKING," PORTER ADDED FOCUS WAS SHIFTING FROM MILITARY TO POLITICAL, BUT INFILTARION COULD LEAD TO "SERIOUS

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CONSEQUENCES." MORLAE IN SVN, HE SAID, WAS STRONG, W/THIEU DIRECTING MORE EFFORT AT IT THAN EVER BEFORE. "THERE HAS BEEN VERY LITTLE OF THE POLITICAL AND SOCIAL UNRAVELING SOME HAVE EXPECTED OR HOPED FOR." HE ALSO ASSERTED LON NOL "HAS HELD FIRM IN MOST AREAS" AND "THERE REMAINS A LARGE DEGREE OF POLITICAL STABILITY IN CAMBODIA."

SHARP SAID CANADA WILL QUIT ICCS IF LARGE-SCALE FIGHTING STARTS AGAIN, NOTING THE AGREEMENT "AS IT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT FALLS SHORT OF WHAT WE DESIRED," HE STATED "I AM NOT AT THIS STAGE PREPARED TO SAY HOW MUCH OR HOW THIS SHORTFALL WILL EFFECT FURTHER CANADIAN PARTICIPATION." HE DIDN'T WANT TO GIVE IMPRESSION ICCS WAS TOTALLY INEFFECTIVE, SPECIFICALLY IN POWS EXCHANGES AND US W/DRAWAL WHICH "WOULD HAVE JUSTIFIED ITS EXISTENCE." SHARP SAID IT'S "CLEAR BEYOND DOUBT" ONLY VIETS CAN ESTABLISH PEACE,
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UPI LEADS: "CANADA'S RELUCTANCE TO CONTINUE ON ICCS SEEMS TO SURPRISE MANY FOREIGNERS WHO HAD TAKEN FOR GRANTED CANADIAN WILLINGNESS TO HELP OUT IN VN OR ANY OTHER TROUBLED TRUCE AREA." MOST FORMER CANADIAN MEMBERS OF OLD ICC PREFER TO REMAIN UNNAMED, THO THEY SPEAK FREELY ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES. I RECALLED ICC "COULD NEVER AGREE ON ANYTHING." ANOTHER WISHED CANADA COULD HAVE PARTICIPATED IN DRAWING UP CF AGREEMENT, ADDING US THEN AND NOW JUST ASSUMED CANADA'S PARTICIPATION. THE FORMER COMMISSIONERS FIND LAOS AGREEMENT EVEN LESS ACCEPTABLE.

MIDEAST

KOPPEL SAID STATE WAS VERY PRECISE ON SOME DETAILS BUT VAGUE ON OTHERS AND WOULDN'T SAY WHAT KIND OF MISSION C-130 WAS ON THO IT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN AN INTELLIGENCE TRIP. ABC'S MAN NOTED REPORTS FOLLOWING LIBYAN CRAFT BEING DOWNED BY ISRAEL THAT HARASSMENT OF US/ISRAELI PLANES MIGHT FOLLOW. ROGERS WAS "ANGRY" AND ISSUED "SHARP PROTEST" AS HE DEMANDED TO KNOW JUST WHAT LIBYA HAD IN MIND, CONCLUDED KOPPEL.

SADAT SENT HIS FOREIGN MIN TO BAGHDAD IMMEDIATELY TO MEDITATE THE KUWAIT-IRAQ BORDER CRISIS WHICH ARAB SOURCES CALL THE WORST CRISIS BETWEEN THE 2 COUNTRIES IN MORE THAN A DECADE.

MEIR DISMISSED AS "EVIL FANTASY" CHARGES BY SADAT AND OTHER ARAB LEADERS THAT ISRAEL SEEKS TO DOMINATE MIDEAST. IN CURRENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS SHE SAID ISRAEL IS READY FOR NEGOTIATIONS ON ISSUE OF BORDERS AND WAS READY TO PULL BACK FROM SOME CF BOUNDARIES, BUT SAID ISRAEL WOULD NOT BE A "CLAT PIDGEON." SHE RULED OUT JERUSALEM, GAZA STRIP, SHARM EL SHEIKH AS NOT SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS.

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LATIN AMERICA

AP NOTED BEFORE VETO THAT IT SEEMED LIKELY ANY UNACCEPTABLE (TO US) RESOLUTION WOULD NOT GET THE 9 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES REQUIRED FOR PASSAGE AND THEREFORE A US VETO WOULDN'T BE NECESSARY.

CBS AM FILM CENTERED ON 2 CUBANS'S LAWYER WHO MAINTAINS US-CUBA HIJACK AGREEMENT ISN'T VALID IN THIS CASE BECAUSE MEN WEREN'T HIJACKING BOAT TO US, BUT TO MEXICO. THE BOAT WENT ADRIFT AND WAS PULLED TO US, HE ADDED. REPORTER NOTED THIS IS IMPORTANT TEST OF AGREEMENT. ...AP SAYS THE CUBANS AREN'T IN IMMEDIATE DANGER OF DEPORTATION, SINCE US ATT'Y WILL ONLY CHARGE THEM W/ENTERING THE COUNTRY W/OUT PROPER INSPECTION--A MISDEMEANOR--AND THE CHARGE IS ONLY FOR THEIR PROTECTION. ...51 AMERICANS ARRIVED IN CUBA AS MEMBERS OF "3RD VENCERMOS BRIGADE" TO WORK AND RECEIVE COMMUNIST ORIENTATION. IN PAST SOME VENCERMOS SAID THEY RECEIVED INSTRUCTION IN URBAN TERRORISM.

URUGUAY HAS CAPTURED 4 WHO KILLED US OFFICIAL MITRIONE IN 1970

MCCONE SAID HE VERY PROBABLY ASKED HELMS' HELP IN CHILE BUT HELMS TOLD INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE HAD DECIDED "NOTHING WOULD END PAGE FIVE BE DONE." BUT HELMS SAID CIA W/IN ITS OWN BUDGET COULD ASSIST W/"SOME MINIMAL EFFORT." .. MCCONE SAID ITT DEvised NO PLAN TO STOP ALLENDE. ALTHO HE DIDN'T SAY WHERE THE IDEA ORIGINATED, HE TESTIFIED NOTHING CAME OF THE OFFER. ...CHURCH SAYS IT'S CLEAR ITT TRIED TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC CHAOS IN CHILE. ...ON ABC, MCCONE SHOWN TELLING OF HIS OPPOSITION TO TRYING TO DEVELOP A COALITION TO COUNTER ALLENDE--THAT WAS IMPRACTICAL, HE SAID AND ITT HAD NO THOUGHT OF KEEPING ITS PLANS SECRET....CBS NOTED MCCONE SAID HE ALWAYS REJECTED SUCH OFFERS WHILE HE WAS W/CIA.
 OTHER FOREIGN AFFAIRS

ABC NOTED USSR GAVE ANOTHER GROUP OF JEWS PERMISSION TO LEAVE W/OUT PAYING THE TAX. ...THAT'S 50 EXEMPTED SO FAR THIS WEEK. AP SAYST UNUSUAL MOVES TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THE EXEMPTIONS INDICATED THEY WERE PART OF AN OFFICIAL CAMPAIGN TO OFFSET HILL OBJECTION TO THE TAX AND NOTES VICTOR LOUIS CALLED ATTENTION TO THE LATEST SUSPENSION IN AN ISRAELI NEWSPAPER. ...ABC NOTED HILL THREATENS TO HOLD UP M-F-N OVER THE TAX.IN A LONG-DELAYED DECISION, SOLZHENITSYN WAS GRANTED DIVORCE FROM 1ST WIFE, CLEARING WAY FOR MARRIAGE TO THE MOTHER OF HIS 2 SONS. IT PROBABLY MEANS ALSO AUTHORITIES HAVE CONSENTED TO LET HIM LIVE IN MOSCOW.

SOME DOD SPECIALISTS SAY USSR MAY TRY TO OVERSHADOW THE 1ST

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SKYLAB'S LAUNCHING BY ORBITING THEIR OWN SPACE STATION EARLIER.

BRADEN ON CBS SPECTRUM ASSERTED ALL THOSE PRAISING BRUCE'S APPOINTMENT "SKIP LIGHTLY" OVER HIS AGE, AND, THUS, ARE IGNORING FACT OLD AGE ISN'T WHAT IT'S THOUGHT TO BE. HE NOTED LIFE EXPECTANCY HAS INCREASED, SO NOW PEOPLE IN THEIR 70'S ARE NOT MUCH YOUNGER PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY THAN THEIR GRANDPARENTS. YET, WE GO ON RETIRING PEOPLE AT 60, EMPHASIZING YOUTH, AND POPULARIZING AGE OF 40. NOT THAT HE'S AGAINST YOUTH, BRADEN STATED, BUT "3 CHEERS AND LONG LIFE" FOR BRUCE.

SWEDEN'S FOREIGN MINISTER CRITICIZED ADMIN FOR DOWNGRADING RELATIONS OVER VN. WICKMAN SAID SWEDEN MAINTAINED NEIGHBORLY RELATIONS W/USSR AND "IT'S OUR WISH" TO HAVE THEM W/US.

DEFENSE

US MILITARY ANALYSTS BELIEVE USSR IS DEVELOPING NEW TYPE OF ICBM, BUT THEY DECLINED COMMENT ON TIMES REPORT THAT THE MISSILE WILL CARRY COMPUTERS DESIGNED TO MARKEDLY IMPROVE ACCURACY.

ABC NOTED 2 DEAD FROM F-111 CRASH OVER FT. HOLABIRD WERE FOUND, 36 F-111'S LOST SINCE '67, SAID REASONER, AT \$15M.
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US REDINESS COMMAND'S GEN. PALMER SAID US WAR-WEARINESS WILL PROBABLY SLOW ANY US RESPONSE TO MILITARY CRISIS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

SOME 5,000 CIA EMPLOYEES' PERSONNEL RECORDS WILL BE REVIEWED, LEADING TO WHAT 1 SOURCE SAYS WILL BE A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION OF "MARGINAL PERFORMERS." TIMES SAID UP TO 1,800 EMPLOYEES WILL BE RELEASED, BUT SOURCES SAY REPORTS OF SUCH A 10 PERCENT REDUCTION ARE HIGH.

DOLLAR/TRADE

DOLLAR RALLIED FROM SLIGHT DECLINE AND MADE AN OVERALL IMPROVEMENT ON EUROPEAN MARKETS. ...UPI LEADS: "MONEY EXPERTS ARE STILL NOT SURE WHETHER DOLLAR IS SOUND. NEITHER ARE PEOPLE BUYING AND SELLING DOLLARS."

BURNS SAID DOLLAR MAY BE UNDERVALUED AND PREDICTED SUBSTANTIAL 175 TRADE SURPLUS IN SPITE OF HEAVIER DEPENDENCY ON HIGHER COST OIL IMPORTS. HE PREDICTED EUROPEAN EXPORTS TO US WILL "SUFFER" IN 1-2 YEARS AS A RESULT OF NEW ALIGNMENT. ...VOLCKER SAID

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"THERE ARE SOLID GROUNDS FOR OPTIMISM" THAT NEW SYSTEM CAN BE SHAPED TO WITHSTAND CURRENCY CRISES, HE SAID THE NEGOTIATING NATIONS "COULDN'T HELP BUT BE STRUCK BY SENSE OF COOPERATION AND AGREEMENT TOWARD A COMMON APPROACH."

MILLS RECOMMENDED HILL GRANT RN BROAD POWERS TO CONDUCT TRADE NEGOTIATIONS AND RETALIATE AGAINST OTHER COUNTRIES THAT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST US GOODS OR FLOOD US W/THEIR OWN. BUT AP SAYS HE STOPPED WELL SHORT OF ADVOCATING WHOLLY FREE HAND FOR PRES, SAYING HILL SHOD BE CONSULTED AND SOMETIMES HAVE FINAL APPROVAL. ...BUT UPI SAYS, ALTHD COUCHED IN GENERAL LANGUAGE, THE MILLS PROPOSALS SOUNDED VERY MUCH LIKE THE ONES RN HAS SAID HE WILL SEND TO HILL. ADMINISTRATION

AP'S LEWINE LEADS: "INCOMPETENTS," HAK YELLS AFFECTIONATELY AT THE BACKUP TEAM THAT HAS HELPED PROPEL HIM ON MORE WORLD JOURNEYS THAN MOST MODERN DIPLOMATS." IT'S HAK'S SENSE OF HUMOR, WHICH STAFF MEMBERS APPRECIATE MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE. THE TEAM CREDITS HAK W/COURAGE, STAMINA AND BRILLIANCE AS A NEGOTIATOR. IT, IN TURN, IS CREDITED W/NEVER HAVING BEEN CAUGHT OFF-GUARD ON A SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE. THE LENGTHY FEATURE CONTINUES W/POSITIVE PROFILES ON HOLDRIDGE, JENKINS, LORD, HAIG AND J. PINEAU.

ASKED REPEATEDLY BY EMK HOW HE COULD HAVE CONTINUED PROVIDING DEAN W/DOCUMENTS AFTER LEARNING DEAN RECOMMENDED HIRING LIDDY, GRAY EMPHASIZED REPEATEDLY HE WAS RESPONDING TO A REQUEST FROM THE PRES, COUNSEL AND SAID "AS I HAVE TESTIFIED REPEATEDLY THERE IS NO END PAGE SEVEN

EVIDENTIARY MATERIAL" TO LINK DEAN TO WATERGATE. ...ABC NOTED GRAY REGARDED EMK'S SUGGESTION AS GUILTY BY ASSOCIATION.

CHANCELLOR SAID GRAY'S "STARTLYING ADMISSION" DIDN'T IMPROVE HIS CHANCES FOR CONFIRMATION. ...NBC'S STERN NOTED GRAY MADE NO EXPLANATION FOR WHY HE HANDLED DEAN'S REQUEST PRIVATELY. HE NOTED EMK QUESTIONED GRAY'S ACQUIESCENCE TO POLITICAL DEMANDS, AFTER WHICH EMK ON FILM THOUGHT QUESTIONS SHOULD BE RESOLVED BEFORE COMM. ACTS ON CONFIRMATION.

CBS' STRAWSER SAID EACH DAY THERE ARE NEW QUESTIONS AND NEW GROUNDS FOR OBJECTIONS. HE NOTED GURNEY INSISTED GRAY ACTED PROPERLY BUT ADMITTED PROBLEMS WERE PILING UP AGAINST HIM. ON FILM GURNEY SAID VOTES WERE ABOUT EVENLY DIVIDED FOR GRAY W/PERHAPS A FEW SWING VOTES. COMM. MIGHT WAIT BEFORE VOTING, ALTHD HE'D RATHER SEE GRAY CONFIRMED. STRAWSER NOTED NEITHER SIDE WANTS TO FORCE THE PACE, SO BEFORE VOTE -- EARLIEST IT COULD COME IS NEXT WEEK -- THERE WILL BE MORE QUESTIONS FOR GRAY AND AT LEAST 3 MORE WITNESSES.

A JUDICIARY COMM. SPOKESMAN SAID "IT DOESN'T LOOK GOOD FOR GRAY. THERE ARE SOME OTHER PEOPLE THE COMM. WOULD LIKE TO HEAR, BUT THEY ARE IN NO HURRY TO ACT OR VOTE." ...THERE'S GROWING FEELING

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THAT GRAY IS TRAPPED IN AN INESCAPABLE WEB, SAID ABC'S CLARK W/1 SENATE FRIEND OF THE ACTING DIRECTOR SAYING GRAY "EVEN FEELS DESERTED" BY WH, AND CRITICAL SENATORS TRIED TO FURTHER TIGHTEN THE WEB W/ ENDLESS QUESTIONS ON WATERGATE, CLARK NOTED EMK HAD BEEN STAYING IN BACKGROUND, LETTING OTHERS LEAD THE WAY AND WED. WAS HIS 1ST APPEARANCE BEFORE CAMERAS, ON ABC TEDDY CHARGED THE INFO WAS "SECRETLY" PASSED TO DEAN AND THE TESTIMONY ADDED TO REASON WH DEAN OUGHT TO COME TO HILL.

ABC NOTED ERVIN CITED A '72 LETTER FROM DEAN SAYING NO RECENT PRES. HAS INVOKED BLANKET IMMUNITY ON WH AIDES FOR HILL TESTIMONY, CLARK CONCLUDED: RN MAY HAVE "SMOTHERED" GRAY'S OWN CHANCES BY SPREADING THE BLANKET TO DEGREE HE HAS.

RATHER ON CBS AM SAID GRAY IS IN A LOT OF TROUBLE ON HILL, AND USING MEDICAL ANALOGY, SAID THE NOMINATION WAS IN "OXYGEN TENT AND NOT EXPECTED TO LIVE," WH SEEMS TO HAVE ABANDONED GRAY, TELLING HIM IT'D BE BEST FOR HIM AND THE WH IF HE MAKES IT ON HIS OWN, ASSERTED RATHER, IF IT IS TRUE THAT TZ SAID NOMINATION WASN'T IN TROUBLE, ADDED RATHER, ALL HE COULD SAY IS NO ONE EVER ACCUSED RZ OF KNOWING MUCH ABOUT THE HILL.

ECONOMY

UPI LEADS: "CPI, LED BY RECORD 2.4PERCENT INCREASE IN FOOD PRICES, SOARED .8PERCENT IN FEB --THE LARGEST MONTHLY RISE IN 22 YEARS AFTER SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT." ...SIMILARLY, AP LEADST "LED BY A RECORD 1-MONTH INCREASE IN GROCERY PRICES, CONSUMER PRICES WENT UP IN FEB AT THE STEEPEST RATE SINCE THE KOREAN WAR."

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AP SAYS REPORT WAS "STUNNING BLOW" TO RN'S INFLATION FIGHTERS, AND WIRE CONTENTS THAT "EVEN W/OUT THE BIG INCREASE IN FOOD PRICES, THE REPORT WAS BAD," ...UPI SAYS CPI IS UP 3.9PERCENT FROM A YEAR AGO, "FAR IN EXCESS" SAYS UPI OF PHII PRICE INCREASE GUIDELINE OF 2.5PERCENT.

CBS NOTED CPI RISE WAS NEW RECORD FOR 2ND MONTH IN A ROW, AND OUTSIDE GROCERY MARKET, PRICES WERE ALSO RISING W/FUEL UP 5.4 PERCENT AND GAS UP 1.2 PERCENT.

UPI LEADS: "2 EMBATTLED WH ECONOMIC OFFICIALS, CONCEDED MORE GLOOMY PRICE NEWS IS YET TO COME, TOLD HILL RN STANDS READY TO JUNK PH. 3'S RELAXED CONTROLS FOR STRONGER MEDICINE IF NEED BE," BUT STEIN AND DUNLOP SAID FOR THE MOMENT THEY REMAIN CONVINCED A RETURN TO HP. 2'S MORE RIGID CONTROLS OR PH. 1'S ABSOLUTE FREEZE WOULD BE AN ERROR, ...NOTING THIS CHANCELLOR SAID ADMIN. IS "FULLY AWARE" OF THE PRICE PROBLEM, ...JAVITS PRAISED THEM FOR BEING WILLING TO "FACE THE MUSIC," BUT HE CRITICIZED RN FOR ENDING PH. 2. PREMATURELY -- A DECISION "BASED ON DOCTRINE, NOT ON FACT," HE SAID.

USUALLY ADMIN WITNESSES ON HILL PLAY UP GOOD NEWS AND PLAY DOWN THE BAD, SAID ABC' DONALDSON, BUT THERE WAS "SIMPLY NO GOOD NEWS" AND WORSE YET THEY WEREN'T QUITE SURE WHAT TO SAY ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF A FOOD PRICE FREEZE. DUNLOP ON ABC SAID ECONOMICALLY A

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FREEZE WAS NOT WISE BUT ISSUE IS ALWAYS UP FOR A REVIEW. HE AND STEIN CONFERRING ON FILM AS JAVITS SOUGHT TO FIND OUT IF FREEZE COULD COME AT ANY TIME -- A SUGGESTION STEIN PUT DOWN ALTHO HE SAID FOOD PRICES -- OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM -- ARE CONSTANTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION AND NEW ACTION COULD BE TAKEN. ABC'S MAN SAID IF FREEZE DOESN'T CIE, THERE ARE STILL 2 MORE SHARP MONTHLY CPIS -- ALREADY IN PIPELINE SAYS TEIN -- TO COME BUT ADMIN SAYS PRICES SHOULDN'T GO UP AS RAPIDLY AS THEY HAVE BEEN. AS STEIN SAID, CONCLUDED DONALDSON, WE SHOULDN'T PROMISE YOU A ROSE GARDEN.

CBS' MORTON SAID STEIN/DUNLOP TOLD "SKEPTICAL" MCS WHAT ADMIN, WAS DOING TO INCREASE SUPPLIES. STEIN ON FILM SAID RN HAS SAID PH. 3 WILL BE AS VOLUNTARY AS IT CAN BE AND AS MANDATORY AS IT HAS TO BE. .. ASKED BY HHH IF ADMIN, IS DOING ALL IT COULD TO INCREASE SUPPLY, DUNLOP ON CBS FILM SAID WHEN YOUR'RE DEALING W/"STRUCTURAL ARRANGEMENT" IN AGRICULTURE POLICY, IT TAKES A WHILE TO LOCATE ALL THE DEVICES THAT HAVE BEEN USED TO HOLD DOWN FARM OUTPUT. HE'D BE GLAD TO SPEDN A LITTLE OF EACH DAY WORKING ON THAT PROBLEM.

STEIN CONCEDED HE WAS "DEEPLY CONCERNED" ABOUT THE EFFECT CPI WOULD HAVE ON LABOR NEGOTIATIONS THIS SUMMER. PROXMIRE SAID, "NO LABOR LEADER CAN VERY WELL STAND STILL FOR A 5.5 PERCENT GUIDELINE WHEN COST OF LIVING IS GOING UP" AT FEB.'S RATE. ...PROX SAID IF SENATE HAD KNOWN, WHEN IT WAS DEFEATING AMENDMENTS TO IMPOSE TOUGHER CONTROLS, WHAT CPI WOULD SHOW, IT WOULD HAVE VOTED FOR A RETURN TO PH. 2. ... SENATE DECISION SAVED ADMIN. "FROM A SHARP DEFEAT AND A TOUGH 'WE MEAN BUSINESS' LAW,"

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O'NEILL SAID THE "OUTRAGEOUS FLUCTUATION IN FOOD PRICES MEAN A BURDEN TO US ALL AND OUTRIGHT MISERY FOR THOSE WHO CAN LEAST AFFORD IT -- POOR, ELDERLY, ALL THOSE LIVING ON FIXED INCOMES." HE SAID THE ADMIN, IS PREDICTION OF FOOD PRICES IN DEC. 6.5 PERCENT HIGHER THAN DEC. '72 IS "WONDERFUL--IF WE SURVIVE, BECAUSE WE ARE EMBARKED ON A LONG, HIGH TRAJECTORY TOWARD THAT MARK." NOTING BURNS' SUGGESTION, O'NEILL SAID "NOW IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE TO EAT CHEESE."

REP, DEVINE DISPUTED O'NEILL'S BLAMING OF ADMIN, SAYING INFLATION IS WORLD-WIDE PROBLEM AND 1 CAUSE OF IT IN US IS HILL "VOTES FOR ALL THE BIG SPENDING BILLS THAT COME ALING W/OUT A TAX INCREASE." ...REP. WYDLER SAID THE DEBATE WZS FINE, BUT HE WAS MORE INTERESTED IN WHAT HILL WAS GOING TO DO ABOUT IT AND NOTED HE HADN'T SEEN MUCH INDICATION OF ACTION. ...MEANY CALLED THE FIGURES SHOCKING, BUT SAID THEY WEREN'T SURPRISING; EVERY HOUSEWIFE KNEW WHAT WAS HAPPENING.

NOTING BOTH RN AND BUTZ OPPOSE CONTROLS ON RAW FOOD PRICES, RATHER ON CBS AM SAID IF PRICES CONTINUE RISING, ADMIN, WILL HAVE NO ALTERNATIVE. HE CONTENDED DIFFERENT STORIES ON OUTLOOK FOR PRICES COMING FROM STEIN, CLC AND BUTZ ARE "CALCULATED CONFUSION" BECAUSE ADMIN, IS EMBARRASSED AT WAY PRICES KEEP RISING. ADMIN, HOPES IN 2,ND HALF OF '73 RATE OF INCREASE WILL SLOW, SO IF IT HOLDS OUT

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IT WON'T HAVE TO IMPOSE CONTROLS, RATHER STATED SENATE ACTION ON EXTENDING RN'S AUTHORITY GIVES RN FLEXIBILITY TO USE CONTROLS WHEN THEY ARE NECESSARY, HE DOESN'T KNOW WHO IN ADMIN. FAVORS CONTROL, BUT HE "THINKS" JBC BELIEVES THEY WILL BE NECESSARY IN MID-'73.

NBC REPORT EMPHASIZED FAT CHICKEN WAS 29CENTS/LB, IN '72 BUT IS NOW SELLING FOR 60 CENTS/LB, W/SPECIAL CUTS GOING FOR AS MUCH AS \$1/LB, FISH, ANOTHER SUGGESTED SUBSTITUTE, IS ALSO UP W/CERTAIN KINDS SELLING FOR ONLY 6 CENTS LESS THAN ROUND STEAK, AND "IT'S NOT MUCH HELP" TO SUGGEST EGGS OR CHEESE, SINCE EGGS, FOR EXAMPLE, HAD INCREASED 39 PERCENT OVER LAST YEAR, THUS, CONCLUDED REPORT, THE CONSUMER IS TRAPPED AND ADMIN. SEES NO RELIEF TIL END OF '73.

ON NBC FILM, NYC RESIDENTS MADE REMARKS FROM "I CAN'T BELIEVE IT" TO ASKING REPORTER WHEN MEAT PRICES WERE GOING DOWN, ONE REMARKED CHICKEN AND CHEESE WERE ALSO UP, AND THERE WASN'T MUCH TO DO EXCEPT "LAY DOWN AND DIE." 1 ELDERLY WOMAN BEMOANED FACT SHE MIGHT HAVE TO ASK FOR FOOD STAMPS, WHILE ANOTHER SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE "SKIMPING." IN ATLANTA, 1 WOMAN SAID SHE WAS "HARD PUT" TO FIND FOOD SHE COULD AFFORD, WHILE ANOTHER SAID SHE MIGHT HAVE TO MOONLIGHT TO GET MORE MONEY, ONE WONDERED HOW THE MIDDLE-CLASS COULD LIVE, MUCH LESS THE POOR, BUT ANOTHER SAID SHE'D CONTINUE TO EAT MEAT AND "GO TO THE POORHOUSE."

A CHIC. WOMAN ON CBS FILM SAID SHE COULDN'T FIND ANYTHING REASONABLE TO BUY, WHILE A MAN STATED HAMBURGER WAS ONLY MEAT HE COULD AFFORD, IN MIAMI BEACH ONE WOMAN SUGGESTED CONSUMERS GO
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ON STRIKE AND STOP EATING, WHILE ANOTHE WAS LESS DRASTIC, CALLING ONLY FOR CONSUMERS TO STOP BUYING MEAT. A 3RD QUESTIONED THE RISING PRICES OF ONIONS, TOO, FROM NYC A MAN DESCRIBED SITUATION AS "ROUGH," WHILE A WOMAN SAID ALL SHOPPERS ARE "CRYING THE BLUES."

WHILE NBC/CBS GAVE REACTION OF SHOPPERS, ABC FOCUSED ON A HARLEM FAMILY W/3 KIDS, 1 WHO IS CRIPPLED, VERY POSITIVE PORTRAIT OF FAMILY -- KEEPS UP HOME IN DETERIORATING NEIGHBORHOOD; BOTH WORK FOR \$245 TAKE-HOME PAY/WEEK, USED TO GET 2 WEEKS FOOD FOR \$80 -- NOW COSTS \$20 MORE, HE'S DISGUSTED BUT WIFE SAYS HE DESERVES MEAT AFTER WORKING SO HARD SO SHE'S NOT MUCH FOR BOYCOTTS, AND, CONCLUDED REPORTER, AS THE WIFE SAYS, EVEN THO THEY MAY SEE FOOD AS A LUXURY, IT'S STILL A NECESSITY.

AMER. MEAT INSTITUTE SAID WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES HAVE DECLINED \$3/100 WEIGHT SINCE LAST WEEK AND THEY SHOULD BE REFLECTED ON GROCERY SHELVES W/IN "THE NEXT WEEK OR SO."

DEM REPS, WALDIE AND ROSENTHAL SAID SAFEWAY GROCERY STORES ARE CHEATING AMERICANS OUT OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ANNUALLY BY FRAUDULENTLY LABELING AND PRICING MEAT. SAFEWAY'S CHRNM. SAID THE 2 ARE HARASSING SAFEWAY BECAUSE OF A CONTROVERSY INVOLVING THE FIRM AND CHAVEZ'S UNITED FARM WORKERS UNION.

IF MAIN US PROBLEMS ARE INFLATION, TRADE DEFICIT, WEAKENED DOLLAR,

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RISING PRICES, THEN WE SHOULD BE HAPPY, SAID HK SMITH, AS THERE'S ONE SURE CURE--LIBERATE OUR MOST EFFICIENT INDUSTRY. NOT SPACE OR COMPUTERS--BUT AGRICULTURE. W. GERMANY, JAPAN AND RUSSIA (W/50PERCENT OF POPULATION ON FARMS) CAN'T OUTPRODUCE OR COME CLOSE TO US, W/BUT 2 PERCENT OF NATION DIRECTLY IN AGRICULTURE, TURNS OUT MORE THAN WE CAN EAT BUT W/CROP LIMITS AND SUBSIDIES FOR NOT GROWING, WE TURN OUT FAR BELOW POTENTIAL, SO END THOSE AND, SAYS USDA, WE CAN FEED SELVES CHEAPLY; AND SELL \$15 B OF FARM PRODUCTS ABROAD--WIPING OUT THE \$7 B TRADE DEFICIT AND STABILIZE THE DOLLAR. AND SO, CONCLUDED HKS, WHAT CAN SAVE US IS NOT THE EFFICIENT URBAN FACTORIES BUT WHAT FOUNDERS CAME HER FOR IN 1ST PLACE: TO TILL THE SOIL.

STEIN/DUNLOP SAID WH WOULD LOBBY IN HOUSE FOR DEFEAT OF THE SENATE APPROVED RENT-CONTROL AMENDMENT.

AP LEADS: "FEARFUL THAT FUEL SHORTAGES MAY CUT COMPETITION IN THE OIL INDUSTRY, HILL IS CONSIDERING GIVING RN POWER TO ALLOCATE OIL PRODUCTS AMONG DISTRIBUTORS AND TO RATION THEM TO CONSUMERS. TAXES

BRIEF ABC/NBC NOTE OF COURT'S OK OF FINANCING SCHOOLS BY PROPERTY TAXES W/ABC NOTING POWELL SAID EDUCATION ISN'T EXPLICIT RIGHT OF CONSTITUTION... "IT IS NOT THE PROVINCE OF THE COURT TO CREATE SUBSTANTIVE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS IN THE NAME OF GUARANTEEING EQUAL PROTECTION OF THE LAWS," POWELL SAID FOR SELF, REHNQUIST, BLACKMUN, END PAGE ELEVEN

STEWART AND BURGER... CHANCELLOR NOTED DECISION WOULD BE REGARDED AS CONTROVERSIAL, AND THAT EXCEPT FOR HAWAII, ALL STATES USE PROPERTY TAXES TO RAIS MONEY FOR SCHOOLS.

MARSHALL, IN MAIN DISSENT, SAID DECISION "CAN ONLY BE SEEN AS A RETREAT FROM OUR HISTORIC COMMITMENT TO EQUALITY OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY AND AS UNSUPPORTABLE ACQUIESCENCE IN A SYSTEM WHICH DERIVES CHILDREN IN THEIR EARLIEST YEARS OF THE CHANCE TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL AS CITIZENS."

POWELL HELD, HOWEVER, THAT TEXAS SYSTEM DIDN'T DISADVANTAGE ANY "SUSPECT" CLASS OF PEOPLE. HE ALSO EMPHASIZED THE LAWSUIT INVOLVED MOST DIFFICULT AND DELICATE QUESTIONS OF LOCAL TAXATION, FISCAL PLANNING, EDUCATIONAL POLICY, AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE GOV'T AND THE STATES-- CONSIDERATIONS WHICH CALL FOR RESTRAINT ON THE PART OF TH COURT.

CBS' GRAHAM'S INTERVIEW W/MAN WHO ORIGINATED CASE POINTED OUT DIFFERENCES IN PER CHILD FUNDS IN MEX-AMER. VS. RICHER SAN ANTONIO DISTRICTS AND NOTED SONS OF FAMILY WANTED TO BE PROFESSIONALS BUT SCHOOLS ARE SO BAD, FATHER SAYS ODDS ARE AGAINST THEM. MAN ON FILM SAID PART OF SCHOOL WAS FALLING DOWN AND TEACHERS STAY THERE ONLY TIL THEY FIND BETTER JOBS. HE UNDERSTANDS SOME WHO DO GRADUATE CAN'T READ. AND HE AGREED W/GRAHAM'S ASSESSMENT THE CHILDREN ARE BEING DENIED EQUAL EDUCATION AND SITUATION IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL BECAUSE CHILDREN GET POOR EDUCATION IN A POOR DISTRICT. ANSWER IS FOR STATES

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TO RAISE MONEY AND DISTRIBUTE IT EVENLY, BUT IT'S DOUBTFUL THAT WILL HAPPEN, SAID GRAHAM.

TEXAS STATE REP. GARCIA SAID THE COURT HAD DISAPPOINTED MANY MINORITY CHILDREN AND "TOOK THE SOFTEST APPROACH THEY COULD POSSIBLY TAKE, THEY HAVE IN EFFECT TOLD MINORITY CHILDREN THEY WILL HAVE TO WAIT MANY, MANY MORE YEARS TO GET THE RIGHTS THEY ARE ENTITLED TO AS US CITIZENS,"... BUT TEXAS PLS CONCERNED W/STATE'S TAX AND BUDGET BILLS REJOICED DECISION AS IT REMOVED THE NEED FOR HIGHER STATE TAXES. LEGISLATORS REPRESENTING DISTRICT WHERE SUIT WAS FILED SAID, THO, W/PRESSURE NOW OFF, THE LEGISLATURE WOULDN'T MOVE TOWARD BETTER SCHOOL FINANCING.

LA COUNTY SCHOOL Supt. COWLES SAID MOST WERE HOPING SUPREME COURT WOULD UPJOLD 1ST DECISION. "I KNOW MANY WILL BE DISAPPOINTED." HOWEVER, HE SAID HE DIDN'T BELIEVE DECISION WOULD AFFECT CALIF. BECAUSE THE STATE SUPREME COURT RULING IN THE SERRANO CASE WAS "BASED PARTLY ON THE CALIF. CONSTITUTION."

BRINKLEY SAID DECISION WOULD LEAVE US WHERE IT IS, BUT IT RAISES QUESTION, WHICH CAN'T BE ANSWERED W/MUCH CERTAINTY, OF HOW MUCH MONEY IT TAKES FOR A QUALITY EDUCATION. THERE'S EVIDENCE SCHOOLS CAN DO LITTLE MORE FOR STUDENTS THAN WHAT THEY BRING W/THEM--INTEREST, END PAGE TWELVE

ENERGY, ETC. IF THAT'S TRUE, AMOUNT OF MONEY IN SCHOOLS IS NOT IMPORTANT, WHILE USE OF PROPERTY TAXES TO FUND SCHOOLS IS UNFAIR, AND OFTEN DESTRUCTIVE, IT SEEMS DIFFERENT BUDGETS MAKE NO DIFFERENCE.

RATHER THAN MAKING TAXES MORE "OPPRESSIVE" ROSS PEROT SAID US SHOULD LET TAXPAYER INVEST IN BUSINESS W/OUT TAXING HIM ON 1ST \$100,000 OF PROFITS--EVEN IF HE NEVER PAYS CAPITAL GAINS TAX HIS WHOLE LIFE. HE CONTENDED IDEA WOULD DO WONDERS FOR THE ECONOMY CREATING BUSINESS GROWTH AND PROFITS, GENERATING TAXES, CREATING JOBS, BOOSTING THE FLOW OF MONEY, AND STRENGTHENING THE COMPETITIVE POSITION OF US GOODS... NY STOCK EXCHANGE'S NEEDHAM AND SIA'S WHITEHEAD, ADVOCATED A SLIDING SCALE OF TAXATION THAT WOULD REDUCE THE LEVY ACCORDING TO THE LENGTH OF TIME ASSET IS HELD BEFORE BEING SOLD FOR A PROFIT.

BUDGET/SPENDING

HOUSE GOP POLICY COMM. ENDORSED PLAN FOR GIVING HILL CONTROL OF THE FEDL. BUDGET AND SAID IT SHOULD HAVE THE POWER OF A REGULAR COMM.

REP. CEDERBERG ON AGRONSKY PBS SHOW DEFENDED RN'S IMPINDMENT, SAYING HE THINKS PEOPLE ARE ON RN'S SIDE AND RN HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE PROGRAMS MORE EFFICIENT. BOTH HE AND REP. AGREED ON NEED FOR HILL TO SET SPENDING LIMIT AND PRIORITIES, AND THEY ACKNOWLEDGED AGRONSKY'S REMARK THAT RN'S ACTIONS WERE NEGATING HILL'S DIRECTION AND INTENT. WHEN AGRONSKY POINTED TO GALLUP POLLS SHOWING MAJORITY BELIEVE RN CARES ABOUT POOR, ELDERLY, ETC. AND FAVORS

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HOLDING DOWN SPENDING, REID SAID IMPACT OF CUTS HAVEN'T COMPLETELY HIT PEOPLE.

WEINBERGER ASSERTED RN'S WELFARE AND ANTI-POVERTY CUTBACKS WON'T FORCE MORE PEOPLE ONTO WELFARE ROLLS AS SOME CRITICS CHARGE. "RN'S ENTIRE THRUST HAS BEEN TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO GET PEOPLE OFF WELFARE," HE SAID.

AP LEADS: "THE ADMIN. WAS ACCUSED OF OUTRAGEOUS, CRUEL AND DECEPTIVE TACTICS IN PROPOSING CUTS IN FINANCIAL AID TO VN AMPUTEES." THE DISABLED US VETS URGED QUICK HILL APPROVAL OF LEGIS. STRIPPING VA OF AUTHORITY TO REVISE DISABILITY RATING SCHEDULES W/OUT HILL APPROVAL.

HOUSE DEMS VOTED UNANIMOUSLY AGAINST PROPOSED FED REGS CRITICS SAY WOULD CUT \$1 B OFF FED AID FOR SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS. ADMIN HAS SAID CUTBACK WOULD TOTAL \$300 M AND THAT REGS ARE PARTLY DESIGNED TO CONFORM TO HILL-IMPOSED \$2.5B CEILING ON SOCIAL SERVICE AID.

RN OFFERED \$424 M FOR SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS FOR CITIES, TO CREATE 776,000 JOB OPPORTUNITIES COMPARED W/812,000 IN '72. COLE SAID RECENT WH-MAYORS MEETINGS BROUGHT THE REQUESTS FOR SUCH

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 FUNDING, THO, HE ADDED ADMIN "PLANNED TO DO THIS ALL ALONG."... CITIES ARE FACES W/CHOICE OF "FIRING THE FATHER TO HIRE THE SON" UNDER PROPOSALS, JAVITS SAID. THE PROGRAM, HE ADDED, "FELL SHORT" OF OVER 1 M JOBS NEED IN SURVEY HE CONDUCTED W/NATL. LEAGUE OF CITIES AND CONFERENCE OF MAYORS. "THIS IS MORE THAN IMPUNDMENT, THIS IS IMPOINDMENT AND BREACH OF PROMISE."

DEO SAYS IT'S INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS FED FUNDS WERE USED TO HELP UNDERWRITE THE FEB, WASH DEMONSTRATION PROTESTING CUTBACKS IN ANTIPOVERTY FUNDS. DEO ALSO IS PROBING ALLEGED FIRING OF SEVERAL POVERTY WORKERS FOR REFUSING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROTEST...EXEC. DIRECTOR OF THE COMMISSION UNDER INVESTIGATION TOLD A RECENT NEWS CONFERENCE THE DISCHARGE OF THE 9 WORKERS CAME BECAUSE: "WE WERE BELT-TIGHTENING AND THEY JUST WERE NOT PRODUCTIVE, BUT THEIR FAILURE TO ATTEND THE RALLY IN WASH WAS 1 OF THE FACTORS AND MAY HAVE BEEN THE FINAL INDICATOR IN OUR DECISION."

ATTORNEY FOR AN ESTIMATE 16,000 DETROIT RESIDENTS FILED A \$65 M SUIT AGAINST HUD, CHARGING IT APPROVED SALES ON 1000S OF "SUBSTANDARD, DEFECTIVE HOMES" THAT FAILED TO MEED FED. HOUSING LAWS.

HOUSE PASSED 392-2 A 1-YEAR EXTENSION OF FUNDING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ADMIN-BACKED SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL LAW AT THE PRESENT \$239 M LEVEL.

ERVIN TOLD HILL TO STAND UP FOR ITS CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS OR "WE MAY PRESIDE OVER THE FUNERAL OF OUR SYSTEM OF GOVT." HE SAID RECENT SUPREME COURT DECISIONS AND EXEC. ACTIONS POSE A GRAVE THREAT TO HILL, AND HE CITED COURT DECISIONS IN IMMUNITY CASES INVOLVING GRAVEL AND BREWSTER.

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OTHER DOMESTIC NEWS

ABC NOTE 23 MORE INDIANS INDICTED AT WOUNDED KNEE... INTERIOR SAID THE OCCUPATION IS HURTING THE ENTIRE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION, BUT INDIAN LEADERS SAY USG IS ONLY TRYING TO GAIN SYMPATHY... INTERIOR ALSO SAID THE OCCUPATION IS COSTING THE OGLALA SIOUX \$15,000 A DAY DUE TO DELAYS IN FEDL. HOME BUILDING PROGRAMS AND IN TRIBAL ACTION INVOLVING "SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS." SCOTT WAS APPLAUDED LOUDLY AT STEELWORKERS SESSION WHEN HE SAID HE BACKED PENSION REFORM LEGIS. HE SAID HE TOLD RN HE WOULD MAKE FRIENDS W/WORKING PEOPLE IF SOMETHING WAS DONE ABOUT THE ISSUE... ABEL SAID TAFT WAS QUITE DIFFERENT FROM HIS FATHER, WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS "NOT A FRIEND OF LABOR DOWN THRU THE YEARS." THE PRESENT SEN "IS 1 OF THE STRONGEST SUPPORTERS WE HAVE" IN THE SENATE, "ALMOST SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER W/JAVITS," HE ADDED. JVL SAID UNLESS EPA ENFORCES THE '75 ANTIPOLLUTION AUTO STANDARDS ON SCHEDULE IT COULD RESULT IN A MIDTOWN NYC BAN ON PRIVATE CARS AND GAS RATIONING FOR COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.

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ALL NETS NOTED FORD RECALLED ABOUT 59,000 '73 TORINOS TO LOCATE 4,000 W/POSSIBLE STEERING LINKAGE FAILURE. FDA CONFIRMED 15 HEXACHLOROPHENE-RELATED DEATHS FROM '54-'71, BUT DENIED IT HAD TRIED TO CONCEAL THE INFO... US CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL SAID FDA WAS ATTEMPTING TO LEARN HOW 1 BATCH OF INTRAVENOUS SOLUTION BECAME CONTAMINATED, CAUSING AT LEAST 1 DEATH... FDA SAID RECALL OF SOLUTION HAS BEEN EXPANDED FROM 20,292 BOTTLES TO 909,138. HERB KLEIN REAFFIRMED RN'S SUPPORT FOR THE ERA. "RN FEELS VERY STRONGLY THAT THIS IS ESSENTIAL, THIS IS JUST." KLEIN TOLD CONFERENCE DISCUSSING "WOMEN AS ECONOMIC EQUALS"... WEINBERGER ALSO PERSONALLY ENDORSED THE ERA AND SAID THE ENTIRE US, NOT JUST WOMEN, WOULD BENEFIT FROM ENACTMENT WHICH IS NEEDED "AS A MATTER OF CLEAR RIGHT AND SIMPLE JUSTICE."

RN DESIGNATED TENN AND NY MAJOR DIASTER AREAS BECAUSE OF HEAVY RAINS AND FLOODING... GOV. WALLACE SAID THE DAMAGE IN FLOOD-RAVAGED NORTH MISS. MAY RUN AS HIGH AS \$100 M W/THE ONLY HELP TO COME TO COME IF THERE'S A FEDL. DISASTER DECLARATION... NEARLY 6 WEEKS AFTER RECORD SNOWS, GOV'T HASN'T ANSWERED SC'S PLEAS FOR HELP, REP. DAVIS CHARGED, W/DEP SAYING IT IS "STILL CONSIDERING IT."

A MOVE TO PUT HOUSE DEMS ON RECORD FAVORING ABOLISHMENT OF HOUSE INTERNAL SECURITY WAS KILLED 92-69.

MEDIA

CBS/ABC NOTED JUDGE RICHEY THREW OUT A GOP ATTEMPT TO FORCE 11 NEWSMEN TO REVEAL THEIR SOURCES AND OTHER UNPUBLISHED INFO ABOUT WATERGATE WHEN HE QUASHED ALL SUBPOENAS ISSUED BY

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CREP ATTORNEYS...RICHEY SAID CASE "TRANSCENDS ANYTHING YET ENCOUNTERED IN THE ANNALS OF US JUDICIAL HISTORY...THIS COURT CANNOT BLIND ITSELF TO THE CHILLING EFFECT THAT THE SUB-PENAS WILL HAVE ON PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN PRESS...WHAT IS INVOLVED IS THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO RECEIVE NEWS. THIS MATTER IS NOTHING LESS THAN THE PROBLEM OF MAINTAINING AN INFORMED PUBLIC CAPABLE OF CONDUCTING ITS OWN AFFAIRS," HE SAID. PUBLIC PROSECUTOR OF ESSEX COUNTY, NJ, (WHERE BRIDGE WAS CONVICTED) ADVOCATED A LAW TO GIVE NEWSMEN THE RIGHT TO W/HOLD CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES OF INFO BUT NOT TO W/HOLD THE INFO ITSELF. HE SAID ABSOLUTE PRIVILEGE "WOULD BE AN INVITATION TO IRRESPONSIBILITY."
 GOP REPS, COHEN, RAILSBACK, SMITH, SANDMAN, COUGHLIN AND ANDERSON INTRODUCED SHIELD LAWS...ANDERSON'S CALLED FOR ABSOLUTE PRIVILEGE.

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CRIME RELATED

UPI SAYS RN'S PROPOSAL TO RESTORE DEATH PENALTY FACES AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE EVEN THO MANY MCS AGREE W/RN ON THE NEED FOR TOUGHER ANTI-CRIME LEGIS. SOME INFLUENTIAL DEMS HAVE OBJECTED THE PROPOSAL AS REGRESSIVE AND PROVEN TO HAVE BEEN INEFFECTIVE.

FOLLOWING NOTE OF RN CRIME MESSAGE, KAPLOW IN COLORADO WHERE REPORT REFLECTED THE AGONIZING IN MANY STATES OVER COURT RULING. AFTER CLIPS OF LEGISLATORS ON BOTH SIDES OF PENALTY QUESTION, THE VOTE CAME: 15-25 STATE SENATORS OPPOSED TO PROHIBITING CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. NOW THEY'LL TRY TO WRITE LAW IN ACCORD W/COURT'S STRICTURES. (NBI 2ND TIME IN RECENT WEEKS ABC HAS GONE TO STATE LEGISLATURES FOR A REPORT. INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT.)

CBS NOTED BILLY GRAHAM SAID US SHOULD REVIVE DEATH PENALTY FOR SOME CRIMES AND SUGGESTED A RAPIST SHOULD BE CASTRATED-- "THAT WOULD STOP HIM PRETTY QUICK."

HILL STUDY SHOWS MAJORITY OF DRUGS SMUGGLED INTO US COME THRU LAT AMER. REPS MORGAN AND STEELE MADE THE REPORT W/STEELE CALLING DRUGS US' "BIGGEST SINGLE IMPORT" FROM LAT AMER. REPORT URGED RN REORGANIZE US ANTI-NARC EFFORTS. THEY ALSO PROPOSED RN INVOKER FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF '61 AND CUT OFF FOREIGN AID TO COUNTRIES THAT REFUSE TO COOPERATE ON DRUG PROBLEM.

AP LEADS ON MORTON HALPERIN TESTIMONY: "THE MAN WHO SUPERVISED THE PENTAGON PAPERS STUDY SAID IT WAS STAMPED 'TOP SECRET' ROUTINELY, W/NO CONSIDERATION GIVEN TO WHETHER ITS INFO NEEDED GUARDING." HALPERIN ALSO SAID IT WAS SUCH A SECRET PROJECT THAT NOT EVEN WH OR HILL KNEW IT WAS BEING PREPARED. AND HE WAS 1ST WITNESS TO TELL JURY THAT ELLSBERG PLAYED A ROLE IN ADVISING RN.

TIMES' FRANKEL SAID TIMES PUBLISHED PENTAGON PAPERS INSTEAD

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OF HOLDING OFF AS IT HAD ON THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS AND BAY OF PIGS BECAUSE IT NO LONGER TRUSTED THE WH. IN ARTICLE IN COLUMBIA FORUM FRANKEL NOTED J.F.K. HIMSELF ASKED FOR A 24-HOUR DELAY IN PUBLICATION OF INFO TIMES SECURED ABOUT THE MISSILE CRISIS. THEY FINALLY AGREED HE SAID, WHEN JFK GAVE HIS WORD HE WOULD "SHED NO BLOOD AND START NO WAR DURING THE PERIOD OF OUR SILENCE...NO SUCH BARGAIN WAS EVER STRUCK AGAIN, THO MANY OFFICIALS MADE OVERTURES. THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENT WAS TRUST, AND THAT WAS LOST SOMEWHERE BETWEEN DALLAS AND TONKIN," FRANKEL SAID TIMES WON ITS CASE FOR THE RIGHT TO PUBLISH THE PENTAGON PAPERS "THO NOT THE CASE FOR THE SYMPATHY OF THE PUBLIC AND VINDICATION BY THE COURTS...THE EFFORT TO DISCREDIT ENTERPRISING REPORTERS THRIVES. VP CALLS US ELITISTS; MITCHELL CONDEMNS US AS THE RECIPIENTS OF STOLEN GOODS. THE END PAGE SIXTEEN

CHIEF JUSTICE COMPARES A PAPERS DISCOVERY OF BUROCRATIC TRUTHS AND FALSEHOODS TO A TAXI DRIVER'S DISCOVERY OF A STOLEN BRIEF-CASE...IN HIS BACK SEAT."

FOLLOWING FILM OF W.VA. PRISON TAKEOVER AFTERMATH, NBC'S DAVIS REPORTED ON MINIMUM SECURITY FACILITY AT PONTIAC WHICH ALLOWS 5 INMATES TO LEAVE ON WORK-PASS EACH NIGHT TO WORK ON ASSMEBY LINE. SINCE 5 ARE SOON TO BE PAROLED, PROJECT HELPS W/TRANSITION, GIVES THEM A TRUST FUND TO RELY ON WHEN RELEASED, AND PROVIDES THEM W/READY JOB. PROJECT HAS UNION'S "BLESSING."

CBS NOTED ILL. COUPLE WAS ARRESTED FOR CHILD ABANDONMENT AFTER SELLING THEIR 12-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER FOR \$30,000. THE MAN WHO BOUGHT GIRL WAS TAKING HER TO SC TO BE MARRIED WHEN HE WAS PICKED UP IN NC.

CBS FILM OF 42-YEAR-OLD MAN WHO WAS HELD INMIGRANT CAMPS IN NC AND FLA. AND FORCED TO WORK TIL HE WAS ABLE TO ESCAPE AFTER CHRISTMAS. MAN IDENTIFIED CREW CHIEF ON FILM, AFTER FLA. POLICE FOUND HIM OPERATING A SIMILAR SET-UP NEAR FT. MYERS WHERE HE WAS HOLDING 22 MEN BY KEEPING THEM IN "DRUNKEN STUPOR." ANOTHER MAN WHO HAD TRIED TO ESCAPE WAS KILLED BY A CAR DURING A CHASE.

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BOB MICHEL WAS ELECTED NEW CHRNM. OF THE HOUSE GOP CAMPAIGN COMM. AND SAID HE WAS "ENTHUSIASTIC" ABOUT HIS NEW ASSIGNMENT AND ABOUT GOP CHANCES IN '74. IF STAFF MEMBERS ARE "WEDDED TO LOSING THEY'D BETTER HAVE A CHANGE OF HEART" OR LOOK FOR A DIFFERENT JOB, HE STATED.

5 NYC GOP COUNTY CHRNM. ANNOUNCED THEY WOULD SUPPORT WAGNER'S MAYORAL BID.

EMK WILL SPEAK AT A JULY 4 CEREMONY IN ALA. HONDRING WALLACE....JOE KENNEDY HAS QUIT HIS TEMPORARY JOB AS

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COMMUNITY LIAISON ASST. FOR SAN FRAN HEALTH DEPT. THE DIRECTOR EXPLAINED KENNEDY SAID HE PLANNED TO RETURN IN A WEEK OR 2 TO DO VOLUNTEER WORK FOR A NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP IN THE MISSION DISTRICT, A PREDOMINATELY MEX.-AMER. AREA, BECAUSE HE FELT HE "COULD DO MORE GOOD IF HE WERE NOT A CITY EMPLOYEE."

AS EXPECTED, SAID ABC, MRS. BOGGS BECAME 1ST WOMAN TO BE ELECTED TO HOUSE W/4-1 VICTORY.

STATE VOTING OFFICIALS SAY UNDER CALIF. ELECTION LAWS MCCLOSKEY HAS CUT HIS TIES W/GOP AND CANNOT RUN UNDER THAT END PAGE SEVENTEEN

DESIGNATION UNLESS HE REREGISTERS. IF AN ELECTION WERE HELD TODAY, HE COULD NOT RUN--OR VOTE--IN EITHER PARTY'S PRIMARY. MCCLOSKEY SAID THE REGISTRATION FORM ASKED WHAT PARTY HE INTENDED TO BE AFFILIATED W"A YEAR FROM NOW" AND ADDED, "I HAVEN'T MADE UP MY MINDON THAT,..I DON'T KNOW WHICH PARTY I WILL IDENTIFY WITH. IT DEPENDS ON THE DIRECTION THE GOP TAKES."

LATE NEW/MISCELLANY

PANAMA'S UN AMB. BOYD SAID THE VETO MEANS "SCALI HAS A SKELETON IN HIS CLOSET AND THAT SKELETON IS THE DOD."

EX-POW FLORA SAID "HIPPIES, BEATNIKS AND BUMS" WERE BEHIND THE ANTI-WAR MIVEMENT AND "W/OUT THEM, RN COULD HAVE ENDED THE WAR 2-3 YEARS EARLIER." CAPT. KLOMANN, LEANING SOLIDLY ON A PAIR OF CRUTCHES W/HIS LEGS IN SHOE BRACES, WALKED FOR THE 1ST TIME SINCE HE WAS SHOT DOWN DECEMBER 20, '72. "OH, UNBELIEVABLE! SOMEBODY UPSTAIRS IS STILL LOOKING AFTER ME. I FEEL FINE," SAID KLOMANN. THE PILOT SUFFERED DAMAGE TO MAJOR NERVE TRACKS, BUT "EVENTUALLY HE'LL BE ABLE TO WALK SATISFACTORILY, PROBABLY W/OUT BRACES."

LIPPMAN IS IN SATISFACTORY CONDITION.

NBC FILM AS UNDERGROUND STEAM PIPE INNYC BLEW UP, SPEWING STEAM INTO AIR, CAUSING SEVERAL BUILDINGS TO BE EVACUATED AND INJURING 4. THERE WAS A "HOT TIME IN THE OLD TOWN," QUIPPED CHANCELLOR.

" THE LONG WAR: CONGRESS VS THE PRESIDENT"

CBS SPECIAL REPORT - 10-11 MONDAY, MARCH 19, 1973

RATHER AND MUDD ANCHORED SHOW WHICH HAD SEVERAL MAJOR THEMES: 1) THE HISTORICAL BATTLE BETWEEN WH AND HILL FOR POWER -- A BATTLE INSURED BY FOUNDERS IN DELIBERATELY SETTING THE BRANCHES ROUGHLY EQUAL AND ALL BUT ORDERING THEM TO COME OUT FIGHTING--WHICH THEY HAVE DONE SINCE 1789; 2) THE SERIOUS TALK ON HILL OF CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS -- A "CATASTROPHE," ERVIN CALLED IT IN DISCUSSING WHAT HE VIEWS AS UNPRECEDENTED WH GRASP FOR POWER -- WHILE RN'S WH SAYS HILL ATTEMPTS TO CREATE SUCH AN ATMOSPHERE BECAUSE IT'S OPPOSED NOT TO A STRONG EXEC PER SE, BUT TO A STRONG GOP PRES

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WHO, AS JDE EMPHASIZED, IS IN TUNE W/PUBLIC IN URGING CUTS AND PREVENTING TAX RISE; 3) CONFLICT OVER IMPOUNDMENT FEATURED BY MUSKIE'S SHARP ATTACK ON ADMIN FOR TAKING ADVANTAGE OF FLEXIBILITY WRITTEN INTO THE WATERWAY CLEANUP ACT. 4) CONFLICT OVER EXEC PRIV. W/RN SAID TO HAVE EXPANDED TO BROADEST DEGREE EVER. 5) HILL'S UNEQUAL STATUS IN STAFF AND RESEARCH CAPABILITY AS OPPOSED TO THE EXEC. BRANCH.
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AFTER MUDD DETAILED REASONS FOR GROWING BELIEF ON HILL THAT THIS PRES HAS TOO MUCH POWER, RATHER PRESENTED WH VIEW: US STILL LIKES A STRONG PRES -- MOST OF HIS LIFE RN HAS SEEN STRONG EXECS RECEIVING APPLAUSE AND HILL OBJECTS NOW BECAUSE THIS PRES IS TRYING TO TAKE US AS FAR TO RIGHT AS FOR TOOK IT TO LEFT -- ON GROUNDS THAT PUBLIC WANTS THAT, WH THUS FEELS PROBLEM W/HILL IS MORE POLITICAL THAN CONSTITUTIONAL.

RATHER REVIEWED IMPOUNDMENT CASE NOW IN COURTS -- THE MD. HWY FUNDS WHICH BOTH LBJ/RN HELD UP AS IDLE EQUIPMENT AND UNFINISHED BRIDGES TESTIFY, CASE IS LIKELY ON WAY TO SUPREME COURT THO IT HAS TRADITIONALLY SIDESTEPED SUCH WH-HILL CONTROVERSIES.

MUDD THEN TOLD OF "ANOTHER VICTIM" OF IMPOUNDMENT -- HALF OF FUNDS FOR WATERWAY CLEANUP CALLED FOR IN MOST COMPREHENSIVE SUCH ACT EVER, ROGER EMPHASIZED HOW WH WAS GIVEN FLEXIBILITY BY HILL -- AND IT SEIZED ON IT. MUSKIE CLIP AT LENGTH CHARGING ADMIN W/USING "TINY PRECEDENTS TO BUILD GREAT HOUSES" AND TAKING FLEXIBILITY SO FAR THAT HILL WILL BE MORE INFLEXIBLE IN FUTURE AND FORCE ADMIN TO SQUIRM FOR ANY LEEWAY -- RUCK POINTED OUT HILL HAD THAT CHANCE BEFORE, SCOTT CLIP AS HE POINTED OUT THERE'S NOT SOME GREAT DAM OF GREENBACKS JUST WAITING TO BE EXPLODED. IMPOUNDMENT IS THUS MISLEADING WORD AND AS FOR HILL COMPLAINTS OF LOSING POWER, SCOTT SAID THERE'S PLENTY FOR IT TO DO -- BE RESPONSIBLE; HOLD SPENDING TO REVENUES ETC. BUT THIS CONGRESS RENOUNCES RESPONSIBILITY, SAID SCOTT, FEELING IT'S EASIER TO VOTE FOR EVERYTHING THAT COMES ALONG AND THEN, LIKE A DOPE ADDICT, IT, IN EFFECT, ASKS PRES. TO HELP BECAUSE IT CAN'T HELP ITSELF.

BESIDES RN/ERVIN CLIPS ON IMPOUNDMENT, THE SHOW ALSO HAD RN CLIPS ON EXEC. PRIVILEGE, SECTION ALSO ON HISTORICAL RELATIONSHIP OF HILL-WH -- POINTING OUT CURRENT BATTLE IS JUST THE LATEST IN 200 YEARS. NOTE OF "KING ANDREW" JACKSON AND CHARGES HE WAS OUT TO DESTROY CONST'N. AND BATTLE OVER BANK -- LIKE NOW, PURSESTRINGS WERE IMPORTANT SOURCE OF CONFLICT; LINCOLN STRETCHING POWERS TO POINT NOT EVEN JACKSON DARED TO GO -- ALMOST DICTATORIAL -- EVEN EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION WAS ISSUED WHEN HILL WAS OUT OF TOWN, BUT W/JOHNSON IMPEACHMENT COMING 1 VOTE FROM CONVICTION, HILL GAINED ASCENDENCY TIL TR AGAIN MADE WH CENTER OF POWER AND WILSON FURTHER EXPANDED THINGS. IT WAS FOR, SAID RATHER,

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WHO TRANSFERRED PRESIDENCY INTO MODERN-DAY CITADEL OF POWER, HST, IKE, JFK, LBJ, RN ALL ON FILM DISCUSSING THEIR PROBLEMS OF ONE SORT OR ANOTHER W/HILL -- A FURTHER REFLECTION OF SHOW'S EMPHASIS ON HISTORICAL NATURE OF WH-HILL CONFLICT, THE INEVITABLE BATTLE IS MOST FREQUENTLY ON VIEW IN THE HEARING ROOMS, CALLED THE TRENCHES BY MUDD WHO NARRATED LENGTHY SECTION ON HOUSE HEALTH SUBCOMM, AND WAY IN WHICH IT IS HEAVILY OUTMANNED BY EXEC. THO IT WROTE 10 KEY BILLS LAST YEAR AND IS AS IMPORTANT A SUBCOMM. AS THERE IS, CHR. ROGERS HAS BUT ONE FULL-TIME SUBCOMM, AIDE TO HELP HIM AND W/THE CONG'S LA, THEY PREPARE FOR TESTIMONY BY EXEC. END PAGE NINETEEN

BRANCH, MUDD EMPHASIZED SUBCOMM'S IMPORT AND SAID THAT WHILE ROGERS MAY BE READY FOR WEINBERGER, HIS SUBCOMM. COLLEAGUES WON'T NECESSARILY BE PREPARED, BUT HEW W/A BEWILDERING STAFF OF EXPERTS EQUAL TO US STEEL AND COMPUTER DATA ETC. BACKING UP THE SECY. IS FULLY PREPARED, ON FILM WEINBERGER SAID HILL IS WELL-PREPARED, W/EXTENSIVE RESEARCH AND IT HAS ACCESS TO MUCH OF SAME INFO WHICH HE POSSESSES.

FILM OF HEARING AS ROGERS SOUGHT TO GET ON OFFENSIVE BY SAYING HILL WOULDN'T ACCEDE TO UNILATERAL TERMINATION OF PROGRAMS AND THEN ROGERS RACKING UP WHAT MUDD CALLED "BRIEF BUT SWEET TRIUMPH" AS HE "NAILED" THE SECY. ON FIGURES AND "EXPOSED" THE SO-CALLED \$1 B HEALTH "INCREASE" OF ADMIN AS NOTHING NEW, THUS, DESPITE THE HILL-EXEC, MISMATCH, SHARP AND PERSISTENT QUESTIONS FROM DEM AND GOP ALIKE BROUGHT THE SUBCOMM A DRAW, AND IT "HUNGERED" FOR MORE INFO FROM HEW, 16 SPECIFIC REQUESTS WERE MADE, SAID MUDD -- 18 DAYS LATER NOW AND NONE HAVE BEEN FURNISHED BY THE AGENCY.

LAST PART OF SHOW FEATURED INTERVIEWS W/ERVIN, ALBERT, JDE AND BICKEL, MUDD GAVE A TYPICALLY RHAPSODIC INTRO TO ACKNOWLEDGED SENATE LEADER IN BATTLE W/WH -- ERVIN WHO HAS BECOME A GENUINE MEDIA FREAK FEATURED EVERYWHERE, SAID MUDD WHO CITED SAM AS LIVING PROOF SENIORITY SOMETIMES WORK -- THE RIGHT MAN IN RIGHT PLACE AT RIGHT TIME, THE SENATE'S FOREMOST CONSTITUTIONAL EXPERT, ETC. ERVIN ON FILM DISCUSSING HOW HILL HAS AWAKENED, IS REASSERTING POWER, PUTTING FINANCIAL HOUSE IN ORDER, HE LEFT NO DOUBTS THAT IN HIS MIND IT'S UP TO HILL, NOT WH, TO DETERMINE PROGRAMS, PRIORITIES AND APPROPRIATIONS. AS FOR JDE'S ASSERTION THAT RN WILL IMPOUND EVEN WHEN VETOES ARE OVERRIDEN, ERVIN FEELS THAT EQUALS "CATASTROPHE."

ALBERT CLIP AS HE, TOO CALLED FOR HILL REASSERTING POWERS AND EMPHASIZED HIS UNWILLINGNESS TO STAND BY WHILE A PRES. UNILATERALLY DECIDES TO PUT ASIDE NEW DEAL - GREAT SOCIETY PROGRAMS, SEVERAL OF WHICH THE SPEAKER TICKED OFF W/THE FERVOR OF TRUE NEW DEALER, REPORTER NOTED HOW ALBERT DISAPPOINTED MANY DEMS WHEN HE 1ST TOOK OVER BUT HE HAS "STIFFENED CONSIDERABLY."

RN'S "MAN IN CHARGE" JDE SAID BY RATHER NOT TO SEE ADMIN TAKING

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MEAT AXE BUT PUSHING REFORM AND GETTING MORE FOR DOLLAR. HE ASKED HOW HILL WILL PAY FOR OVERSPENDING; HOW WILL IT SAY NO WHEN IT GOES OVER CEILING? THE "UNPALATABLE" CHOICES WHICH HILL CURRENTLY FACES PARTLY ACCOUNT FOR WHAT JDE CALLED ITS "CRANKINESS" BUT HE SEES NO CRISIS -- TIME OF TESTING AND POLITICS, YES.

JDE POINTED OUT IF ALL MONEY APPROPRIATED FOR WATER QUALITY WERE TO BE SPENT, IT'D HAVE TO BE NAILED TO TREES; SIMPLY NO WAY IT COULD BE USED GIVEN LIMITED NUMBERS OF CONTRACTORS, ETC. AS FOR SUGGESTION THAT RN HIMSELF IS PLAYING POLITICS AND HOPING TO SET HILL UP AS RESPONSIBLE FOR INEVITABLE TAX RISE, JDE SAID WH

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SINCERELY BELIEVE S NO TAX HIKE IS NEEDED AND IF WE DON'T HAVE "ROUND HEELS" FOR EVERY SEXY POLITICAL ISSUE THAT COMES ALONG, TAX HIKE CAN BE AVOIDED.

JDE POINTED OUT COST WHICH THE 15 "MOTHERHOOD" BILLS ON THEIR WAY REPRESENT AND HE EMPHASIZED HOW ADMIN ITSELF HAS SIGNIFICANTLY BOOSTED DOMESTIC SPENDING IN WHAT IS HARDLY A SKIN AND BONES BUDGET THAT NEEDS NO WHIPPED CREAM ON TOP.

JDE FURTHER DISCUSSED THE BAD ORG. OF HILL, ESPECIALLY THE DISJOINTED, CONFUSING, MIXED-UP, INCREDIBLE APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS WHEREIN NOT EVEN THE FINGERS ON ONE HAND KNOW WHAT THE OTHERS ARE DOING. HILL IS A SLOW, HODGEPODGE, COMPLEX OPERATION FOR A FAST-PACED, COMPLEX TIME. AS TO WHETHER HE'D WORRY OVER A DEM PRES, W/STRONG APPROACH OF RN, JDE SAID WH POWERS AREN'T WAITING IN A DRAWER FOR NEW PRES -- IT'S UP TO THE MAN'S OWN ACTIONS, STRENGTH OF HIS BELIEFS AND CONVICTIONS AND WHETHER HE'S IN STEP W/PUBLIC. IT WAS LBJ BEING OUT OF STEP WHICH CAUSED HIM TO BECOME A WEAK PRES, THE STRENGTH OF A GIVEN PRES, JDE EMPHASIZED, DERIVES LARGELY FROM PUBLIC AND ITS DESIRES.

LAW PROF BICKEL EMPHASIZED THAT ON FACT OF IT, CONSTITUTION PUTS MAJOR POWERS IN HANDS OF CONGRESS AND THERE'S NO DOUBT APPROPRIATIONS ARE SOLELY UP TO HILL. PRES. IS "AGENT" CARRYING OUT LAWS AND THERE'S NOTHING IN CONST'N ABOUT NOT SPENDING APPROPRIATED FUNDS. KEY POINT IS THAT MOST APPROPRIATIONS AREN'T MANDATORY AND ARE THUS QUITE PERMISSIVE BUT IF HILL WERE TO MAKE THEM MANDATING, BICKEL DOUBTS RN WOULD IMPOUND -- IF HE DID, HE'D BE VIOLATING HIS OATH AND IF PROPER CASE CAME TO COURT, BICKEL FEELS IT WOULD UPHOLD HILL POWER.

BICKEL DECLINES TO LABEL CURRENT SITUATION "CRISIS" BECAUSE HILL HASN'T EXERTED ITS POWER TO FULL EXTENT IT CAN. IT'S NOT TAKEN THE ULTIMATE STEPS TO CONFRONT RN. MUDD DOUBTS HILL HAS COURAGE TO DO SO -- RN FEELS SIMILARLY, SAID RATHER -- AS ELECTIONS ARE COMING UP AND IF A FULL CRISIS DID COME W/POSSIBLE IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS, HILL WOULD BE DEALING W/A PRES. WHO WON 49 STATES SO ROGER DOUBTS ANY ALL-OUT HILL CHALLENGE IS IN ORDER.

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THUS HE RECOMMENDS HILL DEVELOP BUDGET PROCEDURE W/CEILINGS AND PRIORITIES SET BY RESOLUTION. MUDD ISN'T WORRIED ABOUT HILL INEFFICIENCY -- AT LEAST ONE BRANCH SHOULD BE INEFFICIENT -- LOOK AT RESULTS OF THE EFFICIENT AND SPEEDY HILL PASSAGE OF TONKIN RESOLUTION COMPARED W/THE IMPROVEMENT OF '64 CIVIL RIGHTS LAW AS RESULT OF DELAY AND DEBATE.

RATHER POINTED OUT WH WOULD CONTEND TONKIN PASSAGE SHOWED INEFFICIENCY AND FAILURE TO STUDY THE ISSUE. DAN'S SUGGESTION FOR HILL ASSERTION OF POWER -- HOLDING UP NOMINATIONS TO GET WHAT IT WANTS AS W/HOLDING GRAY'S FEET TO FIRE. HILL IS VERY CLOSE TO STOPPING HIM. RATHER NOTED IN CONCLUSION THAT WH DOESN'T FEEL HILL IS STRONGLY LED AND THAT IN ANY SHOWDOWN, PRES. IS DESTINED TO WIN, ESPECIALLY W/CURRENT MAKEUP OF SUPREME COURT.
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