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REMEMBER ME? I'M THE VICE PRESIDENT WHO KNEW BETTER
THAN TO PLAY GOLF IN PUBLIC.

I LEFT MY THESAURUS AT HOME, SO I'LL SPARE YOU ANY
ALLITERATIVE EXPEDITION INTO THE LAND OF PURPLE PROSE.

I WAS TOLD I'M ONLY SUPPOSED TO TALK 3 MINUTES -- AND
KING CANUTE TOLD THE TIDE TO STOP.

THERE IS NO TRUTH TO REPORTS I WAS VACCINATED WITH A
PHONOGRAPH NEEDLE. AND SPEAKING OF MY HEALTH, I'VE HEARD
A LOT OF COMPLAINING ABOUT MY PUNCTUALITY. WELL, I
WANT YOU TO KNOW IT'S NOT MY FAULT -- IT'S MY MOTHER'S
. . . YOU SEE, I WAS A 10-MONTH BABY.

I WANT TO MAKE ONE THING PERFECTLY CLEAR -- I AM
CONSTANTLY BEING ASKED WHETHER I WILL BE A CANDIDATE FOR
PRESIDENT IN 1972. WELL, LET ME SAY THIS ABOUT THAT, AND
TO BE PERFECTLY CANDID AND CRYSTAL CLEAR, I WILL GIVE
YOU MY DECISION. IT IS AN UNEQUIVOCAL, DEFINITE MAYBE!

I SEE BY THE POLLS I'M GALLUP-ING RIGHT UP THERE WITH
THE LEADING ENTRIES -- TOO BAD THE RACE HASN'T EVEN
GOTTEN TO THE GATE YET, MUCH LESS BEGUN.

THE IMPORTANT THING, OF COURSE, IN 1972, FOR THE
DEMOCRATS, IS THE REPUBLICANS. THEY WILL NOT BE EASY
TO BEAT.

THIS ADMINISTRATION, I MUST ADMIT, CARRIES ON IN THE
GREAT TRADITION OF PAST REPUBLICAN ADMINISTRATIONS.

IT HAS THE COLOR AND EXCITEMENT OF THE COOLIDGE
ADMINISTRATION, THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE MCKINLEY
ADMINISTRATION, THE SOUTHERN STRATEGY OF THE HAYES
ADMINISTRATION, THE DYNAMISM OF THE HARDING ADMINISTRATION
AND THE ECONOMIC SAGACITY OF THE HOOVER ADMINISTRATION.

AND SPEAKING OF THE ECONOMY, I'VE NOTICED THAT
PRESIDENT NIXON SITS IN THAT BIG OVAL OFFICE OF HIS
AND TELLS US PROSPERITY IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER. DO
YOU THINK HE KNOWS SOMETHING WE DON'T?

THE REAL MYSTERY MAN AT THE WHITE HOUSE IS NOT THE PRESIDENT -- THOUGH HIS PLAN FOR ENDING THE WAR IS THE BEST KEPT SECRET IN HISTORY; I'M NOT SURE EVEN HE KNOWS WHAT IT IS -- THE REAL MYSTERY MAN IS HENRY KISSINGER (PRONOUNCED KISSING-ER).

WE HEAR A LOT OF TALK THESE DAYS ABOUT HENRY'S TRUE IDENTITY. IS HE REALLY THE SECRETARY OF STATE? IS HE THE PRESIDENT'S ALTER EGO? IS HE THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, MAKING OUR WAR POLICY? IS HE THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, MAKING OUR TRADE POLICY?

YOU NEVER KNOW FROM ONE MINUTE TO THE NEXT. THAT'S WHY THE BIG QUESTION AROUND TOWN IS, "I WONDER WHO'S KISSINGER NOW."

BUT I DIDN'T COME HERE TO CRITICIZE. AFTER ALL, SOME
OF MY BEST FRIENDS ARE REPUBLICANS.

BUT I WORRY ABOUT THEM. I READ THEIR HEALTH MESSAGE
AND THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY PROPOSALS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT
THOSE SOCIALISTS WANT TO DO? THE SAME THINGS WE DEMOCRATS
HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT -- AND DOING -- SINCE 1933.

AND THEY SPEAK OF A NEW AMERICAN REVOLUTION. THAT'S
JUST PLAIN SILLY. WE ALL KNOW THAT ANYTHING THIS SIDE
OF POWDER WIGS AND THREE-CORNER HATS IS REVOLUTIONARY TO
THE REPUBLICANS.

WHY, IF THOMAS JEFFERSON WERE ALIVE TODAY, HE WOULD
BE DENOUNCED BY MR. AGNEW AS ONE OF THOSE LONG-HAIRED,
WEIRD-DRESSING, YOUNG RADICLIBS.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL WOULD HAVE HIS ROOM BUGGED. THE ARMY WOULD HAVE HIM TAILED BY THREE CLUMSY GUMSHOES. MR. NIXON WOULD MAKE IT CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT THIS YOUNG REVOLUTIONARY IS A "BUM."

AND MARTHA MITCHELL WOULD MAKE A MIDDLE-OF-THE-NIGHT CALL ON HER BATHROOM PHONE TO HER FAVORITE REPORTER DENOUNCING THIS LEFTIST REVOLUTIONARY, THIS BOLSHIEVIK FROM MONTICELLO -- AFTER ALL, HIS HAIR IS RED, ISN'T IT?

REVOLUTION? BAH, HUMBUG.

IF YOU LOOK CLOSELY, YOU'LL SEE THEY'VE CHANGED THE ADDRESS AT THE WHITE HOUSE TO 1600 MADISON AVENUE.

I WANT TO LEAVE YOU WITH A CLOSING WORD, A HOUSEHOLD WORD, BUT I CAN'T FIGURE IT OUT; IT'S GREEK AND IT MAKES ABSOLUTELY NO SENSE WHATSOEVER.

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL FOR
ASNE SPEECH

THIS FEAR OF SNOOPING BY THE ARMY AND THE GOVERNMENT
REALLY HAS PEOPLE WORRIED. I MET A FELLOW THE OTHER
DAY WHO SWORE HIS HEARING AID WAS TAPPED.

I GOT THE STRANGEST PHONE CALL THE OTHER NIGHT. IT WAS
FROM THIS WOMAN WHO ROUNDLY DRESSED ME DOWN AS A "PINKO,"
"RADICLIB," "LEFTY," "BOLSHEVIK" -- I HAD NO IDEA WHAT
WAS HAPPENING UNTIL IN THE BACKGROUND I HEARD A TOILET
FLUSH.

THE PRESIDENT HAS BEEN ON TELEVISION SO MUCH LATELY
TALKING ABOUT HIS MYSTERIOUS "GAME PLAN" FOR ENDING THE
WAR IN INDOCHINA, THAT HE'S GETTING HIS VERY OWN PROGRAM
NEXT FALL -- IT'S CALLED "I'VE GOT A SECRET."



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