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Dateline of stery by Christopher Lydon saying Peter Welf (see Chron 18 Jun 72), under court order, had given the name of his former client to a grand jury, not the Pederal grand jury investigating Watergate.

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Ken Rietz resigns "unexpectedly," by letter to Republican National Chairman George Bush, who had named Rietz as director of the committee's. New Majority Campaign for 1964,1 Mar 73. Restz's letter says only that has received a "quite extraordinary" offer from private industry which would enable him to begin the kind of business career he had always wanted. Story gives no indication what this offer is.

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Japanese government abandons plans today for Emperor Hirehite to visit the U.S. this year, Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ohira making the official announcement after informing American Ambassador, citing "circumstances, including" a tight imperial schedule. Japanese officials say privately that the decisive factor is the stiff opposition of the Socialist and Communist parties, who claim the government has been using the emperor to try to patch up strained relations with the U.S.

"But observers said it seemed likely the cancellation would exacerbate the differences, as President Nixon had been particularly keen for an imperial visit and had repeatedly issued an invitation since meeting the emperor at Anchorage, Alaska, in late 1971. In return he hoped to be the first U.S. president in this century to visit Japan."

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Mixon (Japan) - See entry, Japanese government

Nixon (Europe) - "High-ranking administration officials said [today] that Henry A. Kissinger's call for 'a new Atlantic Charter' was meant to signal Western European leaders that President Nixon wants to sign a major document of agree principles when he visits their countries later this year.

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.... According to the administration expectations the substance of the document ... will be discussed this summer within the western alliance through regular diplomatic channels, so that by the time Mr. Nixon makes what he has called 'a grand tour' of Europe late this year, it will be ready for signature."

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