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President Nixon is on his way back to Washington after dedicating a dam and the world's largest man-made lake near Centerville, Iowa. At the dedication the President said he plans to visit Communist China because, in his words, "We cannot have peace if 800 million of the most creative people in the world - one-fourth of mankind - are isolated from the rest of the world." Mr. Nixon says the prospects for a generation of peace are better than they have been at any time since World War II. The talk of world politics was a departure from the President's prepared text. President Nixon also told the people of Iowa that he will help rural Americans receive their fair share of prosperity.

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..... [could not?] resist the temptation to talk about his scheduled trip to Communist China, explaining that the purpose of his journey will be to see that the 800 million Chinese - one-quarter of the world's people, as he puts it - are no longer isolated from the rest of the world. This in turn will help bring about world peace, President Nixon explains, adding a favorite phrase, "peace not just for my generation, but for generations to come."

Then the President climbed back aboard Air Force One, officially named yesterday "The Spirit of '76," for the return to Washington.

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