

11/15/72 CBS TV a.m. news, interview with Admiral Zumwalt, on racism, black protests, etc. He gave the strangest representation of de-emphasis, withdrawal, scaling down, etc. It seems like we now have more ships than ever in the VN area, and that the personnel are being forced to work longer hours, 18-20 (this shortOfuzed). Sorry I couldn't tape. I was whetting my machete, which makes a noise 'til finds intolerable. She was still abed so I could do it. Didn't was to run risk of dribbling fine grit into recorder and soiling it. Couldn't have washed and unloaded my lap in time to catch this anyway. Don't know if it will appear elsewhere, but he was unequivocal on the greatest number of ships there and over-extended manpower demands. And they are not transporting the 600 aircraft the news also said have just been given to Thieu, quoting Pentagon sources, apparently those not happy about it. (That's one way of reducing the national debt, avoiding increasing the budget, isn't it?) Aside: If I am correct, that the Dow-Jones is abed on the stocks of the larger, war-oriented corporations, I don't think yesterday's record high, over 1,000, reflects an expectation of peace and reduced war production. HW

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11/15/72 I'll be getting you today's Post because of the long Eagleton interview in it, on the chance you may want to read it. It appears to be an exclusive, although this may be due to this new Post self-concept and may not be the fact. What is particularly interesting is that the Post seems not to have carried the AP story saying that Fair-Haired Frank Mankiewicz and others knew the essence of the Eagleton medical history prior even to McG's nomination. How the Post could avoid that I leave to you, but the favoritism toward Frank is an obvious consideration. AP evaluated the news value much higher, put a long story on the B wire. It got heavy and repeated TV news use, including net. The Post's editorial judgement, if that is what this is, is its alone. HW

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