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George Bush throws in the towel and ends his two-year run for the presidency and instead, throws his support to Ronald Reagan, the man who defeated him. "My overwhelming instinct was to stay and fight, but you've got to be realistic. There is a widespread perception that the campaign is over. As a result, it has become increasingly difficult to raise the funds needed."

Mt St. Helens stages its second largest eruption since last week's explosion. No deaths were reported, but several were injured in traffic accidents. An ash cloud boiled up 8 miles in the latest eruption.

In Fort Wayne - Vernon Jordan Jr. - president of the National Urban League is shot in the back as he stepped from a car on returning to a motel where he had made a speech earlier. After 4 1/2 hours of surgery, his condition is described as satisfactory.

The Supreme Court decides that federal narcotics agents do not violate the rights of airline travelers when they stop those who appear suspicious and ask them to submit to questioning.

The city of Boston kicks-off its 350th birthday. Over a million pack streets and parks to watch a six-hour parade of tall ships - including "Old Ironsides."

Beginning this week - the public can enter a building on Pennsylvania Ave in Washington, DC and be able to listen to key Watergate tapes containing 21 conversations between Nixon and former aides. It's the first time any Watergate tapes are made available to the public. More will be added over time, topping out to around 1000 tapes. Nixon is fighting the plan in court as a violation of his rights "as well as the rights of the presidency." A plan, authorized by Congress is to make the tapes available at archives buildings in 11 other areas around the country, including Chicago, Los Angeles, Atlanta and the New York City area.

In an interview in Women's Wear Daily - **Joan Kennedy** (43) explains why she would be a better first lady than Rosalyn Carter ... "I'm a very sophisticated lady. I just have so much more going for me. And I can make so many more contributions. It's terrific if Rosalyn Carter wants to sit in on policy meetings but I have talents and areas of expertise that don't lie in advising my husband on Afghanistan. Mrs Kennedy recently received a master's degree in education. Senator Edward Kennedy trails Jimmy Carter for the presidential nomination.



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The government reports that its economic forecasting index plunged a record 4.8% during April, providing dramatic evidence of the nation's rapid decent into a recession.



Two West Bank mayors who champion the Palestinian cause are maimed when their booby-trapped cars blow-up. PLO chief **Yasser Arafat** says that Israel and the U.S. are "fully responsible" for the bombing attacks.

About 1000 Cubans, angry over delays in their resettlement, battle state and military police at the relocation center in Ft Chaffee, Arkansas for several hours. Up to 45 persons were injured and

several buildings were gutted by fire.

Former U.S. Atty Gen **Ramsey Clark** tells delegates to the "Crimes of American" conference in Tehran that he would be willing to exchange places with any of the 53 American hostages if it would help resolve the 200+ day standoff.



Senator Edward Kennedy and Republican Ronald Reagan capture the California primary.

War Games? - The Pentagon reveals that military officials increased the alert of strategic nuclear bombers and missiles briefly when a computer problem caused a false alarm indicating a multiple-Soviet Missile attack. No bombers were launched, although engines were started. There was increased communication with missile crews but no weapons were prepared for launch.

Caroline Kennedy graduates from Harvard this week.



Just released by Capitol Records - The Beatles "Rarities" Includes such out-of-print B-sides such as "Misery" and "There's A Place."

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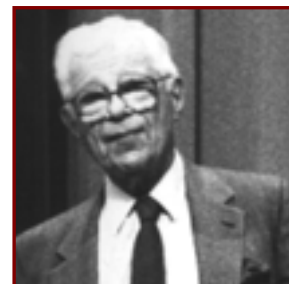
The FCC issues its final order refusing to let RKO-General Inc renew its license for three major market television stations - KHJ-TV (channel 9) in Los Angeles, WNAC (channel 7) in Boston and WOR-TV (channel 9) in New York. Under the terms of the order, RKO was ordered to cease its operation of the three stations at 12:01am July 4, unless RKO appeals the commission's decision, which it

is certain to do.

MGM and CBS announce a joint venture for the worldwide marketing of videodiscs and videocassettes, which would include MGM's library of more than 1,600 films. The first videodiscs however, will be manufactured for the needle-in-the-groove technology developed by RCA and scheduled for store sales next year. MGM already has made available to RCA some 300 titles from its library under a 4 1/2-year-old agreement. MGM is free to make deals with rival videodisc technologies.

All-news CNN (Cable News Network) begins operations this week. 2 million households will be able to see the new channel at present. The brainchild of Ted Turner, owner of superstation WTBS, CNN boasts an editorial staff of around 200, with bureaus in six U.S. cities. On-air anchors include **Daniel Schorr** - former CBS reporter, Dave Walker and Lois Hart. CNN's first-year budget is \$30 million - about a quarter what each network spends on their news.

The network says it needs about 8 million subs to break even. Sears Roebuck, General Mills, Sharp Electronics Corp and Bristol-Myers Co have already signed-on as sponsors.



It's announced that **Garry Trudeau and Jane Pauley** will be married June 14.

In sports - Kareem Abdul Kabbar gets his sixth MVP award - the most of any pro basketball player. Only Bill Russell comes close with 5.

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At the French Open - Jimmy Connors is fined \$1000 for the use of obscene language.



The New York Mets select **Darryl Strawberry** as their No 1 choice in the regular draft phase. Strawberry - now 18 - is from Southern California.

Bestsellers -

The Bourne Identity - Robert Ludlum

Random Winds - Belva Plain

The Spike - Arnaud de Borchgrave/Robert Moss

No Love Lost - Helen Van Slyke

The Ninja - Eric Van Lustbader

Princess Daisy - Judith Krantz

The Devil's Alternative - Frederick Forsyth

Kane & Abel - Jeffrey Archer

Thy Neighbor's Wife - Gay Talese

Will - G. Gordon Liddy

Anatomy Of An Illness - Norman Cousins

Men In Love - Nancy Friday

Free to Choose - Milton and Rose Friedman

Donahue - Phil Donahue & Co

The Real War - Richard Nixon

Daytime Emmy Awards this week:

Drama Series - "Guiding Light

Game or Audience Participation Show - "Hollywood Squares" and "The 20,000 Pyramid"

Talk, Service or Variety Show - "The **Phil Donahue Show**"

Actor, Daytime Drama - Douglass Watson (as Mackenzie Cary) - "Another World"

Actress, Daytime Drama - Judith Light (as Karen Wolek) - "One Life to Live"

Supporting Actor - daytime Drama - Warren Burton (as Eddie Dorrance) - "All My Children"

Supporting Actress - Daytime Drama - Francesca James (as Kelly Cole) - "All My Children"

Host, Game or Audience Participation Show -



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Peter Marshall - the "Hollywood Squares"
Host - Talk, Service or Variety Series - Phil
Donahue - "The Phil Donahue Show"

Three men waving guns awaken actor Darrin McGavin and his wife, actress Kathie Browne at 5:30 in the morning, and demand to be shown "where the money is." After being given about \$200, the three fled with a television and silverware. The trio entered the McGavins Coldwater Canyon home by forcing open a sliding glass door and ransacked the lower level before awakening the couple in their second floor bedroom.

MGM signs tenor Pavarotti to a picture deal. He'll be making his film debut in a romantic comedy called "Yes, Giorgio."

Television rankings

The Jeffersons

Dallas

Alice

60 Minutes

The Dukes of Hazzard

Trapper John, MD

Three's Company

Bob Hope's All Star Comedy

Birthday Party

Taxi

Hart to Hart

The Great Smokey Roadblock

CHiPs

MASH

That's Incredible

One Day At A Time

Movie - The Golden Moment: An Olympic Love Story



More television news (news) - INN - **The Independent News** will begin broadcasting June 9. Carried on 30 independent commercial stations so far, it will become the first national newscast in prime time. Originating from WPIX-TV (Channel 11) in New York City, the half-hour broadcast will utilize that station's local newscasters - **Steve Bosh**, Pat Harper and Bill Jorgenson. Many of the stations are already linked from "Operation Prime Time" - which over the last several years has produced movies and mini-series.

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Actor Lee Majors sues his estranged wife - actress Farrah Fawcett-Majors for divorce, citing irreconcilable differences. They were separated last month.

Tommy Rettig (38) - the one-time child-star of "Lassie," is one of four persons arrested in a cocaine raid in Lake Arrowhead, CA. Rettig was booked for investigation of operating a clandestine drug lab. His attorneys say they believe there was insufficient evidence to file any charges.



Actress **Mariette Hartley** is named to co-host the "Today" show when Jane Pauley goes on vacation for three weeks next month. The show is #2 in the morning, behind ABC's "Good Morning America."

Wednesday Night Television -

CBS – Movie (The Incredible Journey of Dr. Meg Laurel)
NBC - Real People, Diff'rent Strokes, Bob Hope Special

ABC – Eight Is Enough, Charlie's Angels, Vegas
PBS – Live From Lincoln Center

Real People – A school for wrestlers; a beauty contest for pigs; a man who hypnotizes lobsters; a female barbershop quartet; a man who builds dinosaurs using auto parts. Sarah Purcell, John Barbour, Skip Stephenson, Bryon Allen host.

Eight Is Enough – Tom experiences a midlife crisis as his 50th birthday approaches.

Bob Hope All-Star Comedy Birthday Party – Loni Anderson, **Andy Gibb**, Diana Ross, Randy Gardner & Tai Babilonia, Barbara Mandrell.

Charlie's Angels – Jill turns up as the girl friend of a socialite jewel thief who has so far managed to elude the Angels

Thursday Night Television –

CBS – News with Walter Cronkite, The Waltons, Barnaby Jones, Bob Newhart Special
NBC News – John Chancellor/David Brinkley, Buck Rogers In the 25th Century, Chevy Chase Special, NBC News Special
ABC News – Frank Reynolds, Mork & Mindy, Benson, Barney Miller, Semi-



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Touch, 20/20

Buck Rogers – A squadron of retired space marines joins the Directorate’s campaign against pirates planning to attack the earth with nerve gas. Stars Gil Gerard, Erin Gray, Tim O’Connor.

Mork & Mindy – Mork finds he’s suddenly allergic to Mindy.

Barney Miller – A master thief is turned into a virtual zombie by neurosurgery intended to alter criminal behavior.



Chevy Chase Special; “The National Humor Test” – first shown last year. With **Pam Dawber**, Martin Mull and Dr. Joyce Brothers.

Semi-Tough – Based on the 1977 Film – this is a four part series following the misadventures of two womanizing football players (Bruce McGill and David Hasselhoff) and their roommate (Markie Post)

Pop music this week in 1980 -
FUNKYTOWN - Lipps, Inc.

CALL ME - Blondie

BIGGEST PART OF ME - Ambrosia

DON'T FALL IN LOVE WITH A DREAMER - Kenny Rogers with Kim Carnes

LOST IN LOVE - Air Supply

CARS - Gary Numan

SEXY EYES - Dr. Hook

COMING UP - Paul McCartney

HURT SO BAD - Linda Ronstadt

THE ROSE - Bette Midler

RIDE LIKE THE WIND -

Christopher Cross

STOMP! - Brothers Johnson

BRASS IN POCKET (I'm Special) -
Pretenders

STEAL AWAY - Robbie Dupree

ANOTHER BRICK IN THE WALL
(pt. 2) - Pink Floyd

AGAINST THE WIND - Bob Seger

LITTLE JEANNIE - Elton John

I CAN'T HELP IT - Andy Gibb &
Olivia Newton-John



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BREAKDOWN DEAD AHEAD - Boz Scaggs
LET'S GET SERIOUS - Jermaine Jackson
WITH YOU I'M BORN AGAIN - Billy Preston & Syreeta

YOU MAY BE RIGHT - Billy Joel
SHE'S OUT OF MY LIFE - Michael Jackson
TRAIN IN VAIN (Stand By Me) - Clash
PILOT OF THE AIRWAVES - Charlie Dore
THE SEDUCTION (Love Theme) - James Last Band

WONDERING WHERE THE LIONS ARE - Bruce Cockburn

IT'S STILL ROCK AND ROLL TO ME - Billy Joe
SHOULD'VE NEVER LET YOU GO - Neil Sedaka & Dara Sedaka
LET ME LOVE YOU TONIGHT - Pure Prairie League

CUPID/I'VE LOVED YOU FOR A LONG TIME - Spinners

HEART HOTELS - Dan Fogelberg

GEE WHIZ - Bernadette Peters

WE LIVE FOR LOVE - Pat Benatar

IT'S HARD TO BE HUMBLE - Mac Davis

HEADED FOR A FALL - Firefall

TIRED OF TOEIN' THE LINE - Rocky Burnette

NEW ROMANCE (It's A Mystery) - Spider

LOVE STINKS - J. Geils Band

SHINING STAR - Manhattans

Top Country Single - My Heart – Ronnie Milsap

Top Albums -

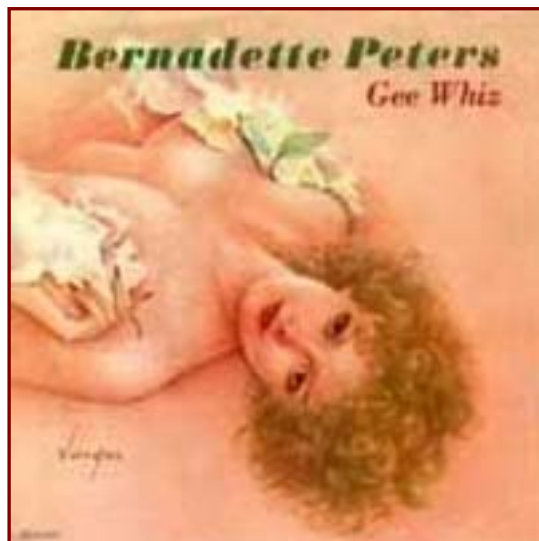
Glass Houses - Billy Joel

Against The Wind - Bob Segar & The Silver Bullet Band

Just One Night - Eric Clapton

Women and Children First - Van Halen

The Wall - Pink Floyd



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Go All The Way - The Isley Brothers
Mad Love - Linda Ronstadt
Pretenders - Pretenders
Christopher Cross - Christopher Cross
Mouth to Mouth - Lipps Inc
Light Up The Night - The Brothers Johnson.

More Albums -

One Eighty - Ambrosia
Gideon- Kenny Rogers/Kim Carnes
American Gigolo Soundtrack
Sometimes You Win - Dr Hook
Mad Love - Linda Ronstadt
McCartney 2 - Paul McCartney
After Midnight - Manhattans
21 at 33 - Elton John
Extensions - Manhattan Transfer
After Dark - Andy Gibb/Olivia Newton
John
Soundtrack - The Rose
Lost In Love - Air Supply
The B-52's - The B-52's
London Calling - The Clash
Invisible Man's Band - Invisible Man's
Band
Ray, Goodman & Brown - Ray,
Goodman & Brown
Naturally - Leon Haywood
The Son Of Rock and Roll - Rocky
Burnette



At the movies -



The Empire Strikes Back - Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Billy Dee Williams, Anthony Daniels

Apocalypse Now -

Fame

The Nude Bomb - Don Adams as Maxwell Smart, Sylvia Kristel, Rhonda Fleming, Dana Elcar, Bill Dana

The Shining - Jack Nicholson, Shelley

Duvall, Scatman Crothers, Danny Lloyd

The Long Riders - David Carradine, Keith Carradine, Robert Carradine, James

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THE MOVIE THAT WAS GONGED BY THE CENSORS

THE GONG SHOW MOVIE
(All the stuff Chuck Barris had to keep under his hat until now!)

CHUCK BARRIS
"THE GONG SHOW MOVIE"
Co-starring ROBIN ALTMAN • MABEL KING • JAYE P. MORGAN • RIP TAYLOR • Written by CHUCK BARRIS & ROBERT DOWNEY
Music by MILTON DE LUGG • Produced by BUDD GRANOFF • Directed by CHUCK BARRIS

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Some Material May Be Inappropriate for Children Under 17

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Keach, Stacy Keach, Dennis Quaid, Randy Quaid

Coal Miner's Daughter - Sissy Spacek, Tommy Lee Jones, Beverly D'Angelo, Levon Helm

The Hollywood Nights

Friday the 13th

Slammer

All that Jazz - Roy Schieder

Coal Miner's Daughter - Sissy Spacek

A Full Day's Work - Jacques Dufilho, Andre Galcon, Luce Marquand, Antoine Marin



The Gong Show Movie - Chuck Barris

Kramer vs. Kramer - **Dustin Hoffman**, Meryl Streep, Jane Alexander, Justin Henry

Kill or Be Killed - James Ryan, Charlotte Michelle, Norman Combes, Dane du Plessis

The Tin Drum

The Happy Hooker Goes Hollywood - Martine Beswicke, Adam West, Phil Silvers, Richard Deacon, Edie Adams, Chris Lemmon

Radio news - The FCC votes to limit the coverage of so-called "clear channel" AM stations to 750 miles. The restriction covers 25 clear channel

stations including KFI, Los Angeles, WCBS, WABC, WNBC in New York City, WLS, WBBM and WMAQ, Chicago and WSM - the home of the Grand Ol' Opry in Nashville. These stations are "protected" so that their nighttime signals can be heard in outlying areas, providing radio service to rural communities at night where there was no radio service. The FCC modified the rules in the mid-40's, to allow new nighttime stations to operate on some of the channels, but the distance between stations was far away (WABC- KOB, Albuquerque) and only two operated (at the most) on one channel at night in the continental USA. Some channels still remain clear, such as WCCO in Minneapolis and WSM, which can still be picked-up thousands of miles away from Nashville on a clear channel. The new rules will allow smaller stations to broadcast at night, thereby "interfering" with the distant broadcasts. The FCC says it will make room for 125 more nighttime AM stations. Other stations with clear channel status - WSB - Atlanta, WBAP - Ft Worth, WLW - Cincinnati, WJR - Detroit, KDKA - Pittsburgh, KMOX - St Louis, WWWE - Cleveland, WHAM, Rochester, WCAU - Philadelphia, WOAI - San Antonio, WHO - Des Moines, WOR - New York, WWL - New Orleans, KSL - Salt Lake City, WBZ - Boston

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