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PM QUITS! Elated 2,000 cry 'Bravo'

EVERYWHERE, NOW —

A wave of shock and disappointment ran through Canberra today when the Prime Minister Gough (Whitlam) left the government offices at 9.05AM to go home. "Stuff it," he said "the whole thing stinks." Late last night government observers were still stunned at his decision.

Our reporters spoke to our man on the spot Doig. David who said that government experts had been unable to explain how Whitlam had heard the truth. Having been through the gauntlet of the party system (not to mention schools and so on) he should have been totally incapable of making an independent decision. The only hypothesis the experts have been left with is that perhaps Whitlam is still human. However informed sources say this is not contemplated seriously. As government scientist and analyst Mr. Ian A Machine said today: "Surely Mr. Whitlam must have missed a complete mental breakdown. As he left the office he spoke of enjoying one's life, fulfillment, participatory democracy, love freedom — these things are clearly well in the past. But the real question everyone in Gougham City is asking is: how did it happen? I don't think anyone will ever be sure. Some recent events in Adelaide may give us a clue. The week Monday 25 July to Friday 2 August seems to be central. It was after these days that certain peculiar events occurred. Workers walked off their jobs saying "Stuff it, the whole thing stinks" (last seen reading manuals on organic living) Thousands threw away their cars, fridges, washing machines, stockbrokers were abolished, General Motors Holden managers gave away all their money, the A.N.Z. Bank held a lucky dip in their vaults. Australia declared peace on Russia. World War I generals sold poppies in the streets everywhere was singing, happiness, laughter. (As one aged matron said "I can't remember anything like it since the May 68 events in France). Buggar emi! we'll give em a run for their money this time!

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LABOUR PARTY NOT FOR ME HE SAYS.

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THE NEW

Gough Goes West
Mae West for PM.

Out of the fragmentation of the socio-political—economics—psycho infra-structure of the political heart of Australia caused by last week's shock announcement of Gough Whitlam's resignation, has emerged a new political leader. Her name is Mae West.

Right wing and left wing factions all over the country have pledged enthusiastic support for Mae West and her policies.

Our man on the spot [Bruce had sent this eight days ago] said: "Today the sun shines brightly over Australia. People are dancing in the streets in thousands. Thousands of the faithful are entering the House of Representatives. They are singing, 'There's something in the air.' It will be an important day for Australia."

Mae West then went on to outline her plans for a happier Australia.

"All the good things in life," she said, "are here in Australia. We have the best food, the best wine, the best climate. We have the best people. We have the best values."

"I want to make Australia the best country in the world."

Mae West went on to say: "The most important thing is to keep the people happy."

"The happiest people are the ones who are happy."

"If you want to be happy, you must keep the people happy."

"The people must be happy."