

VIETNAM

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American Marines have thrown back a large force of North Vietnamese troops ~~at~~ who apparently, were trying to stage a fourth of July invasion of the demilitarized zone in Vietnam. The Marines engaged the enemy in some of the bitterest fighting of the war, with at least three thousand Communist troops charging into the American lines. A Marine spokesman said the North Vietnamese fought so frantically that they appeared to be "on dope" as they tried to drive southward. Fighting also flared in other parts of South Vietnam while American air activity increased over the north.

UNITED NATIONS

A dozen French-speaking African nations apparently hold the key to the outcome of a U N General Assembly resolution on the Middle East crisis. These twelve nations are reported to be resisting what's called, "terrible pressure" from France and Russia to back a plan favored by the Arabs. This draft resolution calls for Israel to withdraw its occupation troops in the mid-east, also, it demands that the U N Security Council consider all other problems growing out of the Arab-Israeli war.

It was also reported that former Congolese Premier Moise Tshombe ^{now} has become a pawn in the U N voting game. Tshombe, ~~is being~~ held under arrest in Algeria, ~~and~~ with diplomatic sources say ^{with} Algerian officials have advised the Congolese government ~~that~~ he will not be extradited unless the Congo votes in favor of the Arab mid-east resolution. The Congolese government wants to extradite ~~Tshombe~~ Tshombe because he is under a death sentence for treason.

MIDEAST

For the third straight day, Israel has accused Egypt of violating the Middle East cease fire by firing across the Suez Canal at positions held by Israel's forces since the end of the recent five-day war. But the Egyptians say the Israelis are responsible for the new fighting. In Cairo, Egyptian officials claimed at least six Israeli tanks and nine armored cars were destroyed in weekend fighting along the canal's east bank.

WILSON

British Prime Minister Wilson has urged King Hussein of Jordan to pave the way to peace in the Middle East by opening immediate talks with Israel. Israeli leaders are reported to be bearing little resentment towards Hussein whom they believed to have been placed in an "impossible dilemma," by President Nasser.

DEGAULLE


~~French President De~~^uBaulle has rescheduled that
trip to Communist Poland - a visit postponed recently
because of the Middle East crisis. Now, he plans to
visit Poland for a full week, beginning September Sixth.

GENEVA

In Lake Geneva, Switzerland the United ~~N~~ States and Russia are reported almost ready to present the disarmament conference with a draft treaty to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons. And, here at home, in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, Nationalist ~~is~~ Guardsmen ~~was~~ marched into town today after ~~a~~ local police imposed a ~~curfew~~ curfew to head off more violence by rampaging youths who are drinking their meals on this ~~holiday~~ holiday.

ADEN

Arab terrorists in Aden have ambushed and killed four persons -- including an outspoken opponent of pro-Nasser Nationalists. A British government spokesman charged that these latest assassinations in the troubled Crown Colony of Aden, were ordered by Cairo. The Terrorists shot to death Sheikh Ali Salih Fedama who had fought the Republicans in Yemen and also had carried out a vigorous anti-Egyptian campaign over the Aden Radio.



ADD TO ADEN

Meantime, British troops - supported by armored vehicles - drove into the crater district of Aden today and recaptured it from the Arab Nationalists who had seized the area more than two weeks ago. The Arabs had dared the British to come in after them. A British spokesman said there were several hand grenade explosions and a few machine gun bursts, but only one ~~Arab~~^{local} was known to have been killed in today's action.

The Nationalists had seized and held the Crater District after ambushing and killing twelve British soldiers in recent fighting. The crater area - ~~a~~^{is a} strictly native quarter ~~district~~^{is} so-named because it ~~is~~^{is} located inside an extinct volcano. Its ~~fall to~~^{takeover by} the Arab Nationalists had been considered a setback to British plans for a smooth transition to independence for the South Arabian Federation -- ~~it~~ scheduled to become effective next January, unless events compel them to stay on longer, to keep strategic Aden from falling under Nasser control.

KOREAN

North Korean Communists - infiltrating south of the demilitarized zone in Korea - have ambushed a truck and killed seven South Korean soldiers. The ambush occurred just north of Yanggu -- sixty-five miles north of Seoul. The United Nations command ~~said that~~^{ya} the ambush took place only a few hours after South Korean President Park Chung-Hee was inaugurated for a second term in ceremonies at Seoul.

MAYOR

The Communist Mayor of Canton, China, is reported to be under arrest for stirring up riots in Hong Kong ~~is~~ without first receiving permission from higher ranking Chinese Communist officials. A Hong Kong newspaper says Mayor Tsang Shen is being punished because the strikes and riots had lost China millions of dollars in business - and even worse, the strikes had failed to humiliate the British government of Hong Kong.

ROMNEY

Governor Romney of Michigan will arrive in Mirror Lake, New Hampshire, tomorrow to begin a round of political engagements. The State of New Hampshire ^{as you} ^{know} holds the nation's first Nineteen-Sixty-Eight presidential primary next March. ^{Romney's} ~~The~~ Governor's four-day tour will include meetings with some of the state's top-ranking Republicans. It's also reported that Governor John Volpe of Massachusetts - a possible Vice Presidential candidate - will lunch with Romney on Friday.

Governor Ronald Reagan of California says that if he were President, he wouldn't have the Vietnamese war to worry about as a political issue in Nineteen Sixty-Eight because -- he says - he would "step up the war and have it over with before then." Reagan - one of several Republican presidential possibilities - gave his views in the ~~current~~ current issue of Newsweek Magazine.

HUMPHREY

Vice President Humphrey arrived at a hotel in Downtown Anchorage, Alaska, today - while outside the hotel a nineteen year old soldier was arrested for fooling around with a twenty-two calibre revolver. Persons aboard a bus, following Humphrey's car, spotted the ~~the~~ soldier displaying his pistol at a side entrance to the hotel. Humphrey, who arrived in Anchorage from Korea, plans to get in ~~to~~ some fishing on Ressurrection Bay at Seward and also visit the Alaska-sixty-seven Exposition at Fairbanks. Ressurrection Bay, by the way, is a fiord - - one of the most spectacular in the world.

JOHNSON

President Johnson - relaxing in the ~~public~~ privacy of his Texas ranch - filled several government job vacancies today -- including the vacant office of small business administrator. Bernard L. Boutin is resigning as administrator to join an electronics firm in New Hampshire. And the ~~the~~ Texas White House says President Johnson will nominate Robert C. Moot, of Annandale, Virginia, to replace Boutin, effective July thirty-first. Moot has been a small business Deputy Administrator since last November.

DEBRIS

The Atomic Energy Commission says ~~that~~ radioactive debris from the Chinese Communist hydrogen bomb test last June seventeenth, is still imprisoned in the upper regions of the atmosphere. But the announcement adds that no fallouts have been found in the levels of air and water that Americans breathe and drink. This - along with reports from Japan - tends to confirm the belief that the Chinese bomb was exploded well above the ground -- probably after being ~~dropped~~ dropped from a high-flying plane.

KASHMIR

More than a million Kashmiris gave the wife of imprisoned nationalist leader Sheikh Abdullah a rousing welcome today when she was allowed to return to Srinagar - the Kashmir capital - after an absence of two years. She says her sixty-one year old husband - Abdullah, "The Lion of Kashmir" - has shown considerable improvement after a recent illness. He has spent the best part of the last fifteen years in detention - because of his activities for Kashmiri independence.

ELIZABETH

Queen Elizabeth refused to let ~~xx~~ tight security precautions stand in her way today as she and her husband - Prince Philip - took a minirail ride around the ground of Expo-Sixty-Seven -- the Montreal World's Fair. The minirail car - from which the Royal Couple got a panoramic view of the fairgrounds - ~~was~~ passed close above the heads of the crowds. No trouble was reported - and it appeared that the crowds wanted only to cheer and ~~ask~~ applaud Elizabeth and Philip, not to jeer or molest them. But the Queen did not enter the city of Montreal itself, possibly for fear of anti-British demonstrations by French secessionists, like those who screamed insults at her when she visited Quebec three years ago.

MARINER

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Calm winds in the English Channel are keeping the Lone Mariner - Sir Francis Chichester - from making much headway on his voyage to London. He completed an epic twenty-eight thousand mile voyage around the world in his ketch - Gypsy Moth the Fourth. But the three hundred fifty mile trip from Plymouth to London may take more time than expected if the winds fail to cooperate. Sir Francis will be officially knighted by Queen Elizabeth in London on Friday -- if he gets there by then.

WHALE

The town of Kennebunkport, Maine, has a whale of a problem on its hands for the Fourth of July. A dead whale -- forty to fifty feet long - was washed ashore early today at high tide and police say there's some question as to just who has the responsibility for removing it. They say the coast guard has refused to get involved in the operation. The situation could create some problems for fourth of July bathers in the Goose Rocks Beach area.

now Don Robertson - and a-l-u-t-w
~~President Johnson --- relaxing in the privacy~~