

MOSCOW

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The Kremlin is up in arms tonight -- over recent Red Guard attacks on Soviet ships in Red Chinese ports. In a note to Peking ^{Moscow} -- demanding an immediate ~~a~~ end to these "intolerable actions." Threatening to sever trade relations with Red China -- unless such provocations are stopped.

Inside China -- another bid today by Peking -- to bring the Red Army back in line in that so-called "cultural revolution." The official Army newspaper -- deman^ding blind obedience to future directives from Chairman Mao; who is said to be always -- "absolut~~e~~ly right."

~~crisis~~ In Hong Kong -- ~~marked today by~~ another head-on clash between the British and Red Chinese; ~~Beginning with~~ a demand from Peking -- for the release of five Communist journalists. The British told to let them go free within forty-eight hours -- or ~~"suffer"~~ ^{Suffer} the consequences."

However, ~~The British, for their part~~ rejecting the ultimatum because of its abusive language. Placing the five on trial -- as planned. Charging thirty counts of sedition, ~~** publishing false news, **~~ and spreading disaffection among the police.

In the meantime -- Hong Kong police found ~~and disarmed~~ ~~no less than~~ ^{at} seven bombs early today. Then -- ~~the~~ the rains came. Typhoon Kate providing welcome relief -- from the city's current water shortage; also putting a damper on ~~further~~ further Communist terrorist activity.

VIETNAM

News from Saigon tells ~~today~~ of a fourth straight day of stepped-up bombing against the Communist North. Including a massive U.S. air strike -- against the Duc Noi railroad yard barely seven miles from Hanoi. At a cost though -- perhaps heaviest in months.

Radio Hanoi later claiming to have downed ~~five~~ ^{eight} of the attacking ~~was~~ planes -- over North Vietnam. The Pentagon further reporting that two more planes -- apparently were shot down over Red China; after they crossed the Chinese border -- while trying to elude pursuing North Vietnamese

Migs. *There were 4 airmen on these planes. Peking claims to have captured one of our officers*

This the fifth time since January One -- that American planes have admittedly violated Chinese air space. ~~and~~ ^a total loss of ~~six~~ ¹⁰ planes -- if confirmed -- ~~worst single day~~ ^{heaviest one} ~~loss~~ ^{loss} since last December.

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW VIETNAM

Here at home -- an impressive ceremony today in the White House Rose Garden. With President Johnson bestowing the Congressional Medal of Honor -- on Marine Sergeant Jimmie Howard; the sixth Leatherneck so decorated -- for extraordinary courage in Vietnam.

The grey-haired Sergeant -- a career man; credited with leading an eighteen-man platoon -- in ~~heroic~~ battle against a full battalion of Viet Cong. His bravery -- said the President -- typical of the men who "endure the savage heat of battle abroad -- so that their countrymen may walk in peace here at home."

FAIRBANKS

More trouble still to come ~~is~~ for flood-stricken Fairbanks, Alaska, ^{From} Engineers ^{were} reporting today that the land the city is built on -- is thoroughly saturated by that inundation of last week, ^{with} ~~And~~ no chance that it will ^{all} drain off -- before the onset of winter ^{in a mere few weeks,} ~~next month.~~

All of which means more heavy damage ^{later} when the freeze-up comes and is ~~occurs~~ followed by a massive upheaval of ~~frozen earth~~ when the spring thaw sets in, next May. "~~It will be like~~ ^{These} ~~an underground hurricane~~ ^{also} ~~say the~~ engineers, ~~adding~~ that ^{building supports} ~~foundations~~ ^{in many cases are sure to go} ~~in many houses~~ -- simply are going to be ^{also with} ~~crushed~~, streets and foundations -- ~~will be~~ buckling."

^{Meanwhile} ~~Be that as it may~~ Fairbanks residents are concentrating ~~for the moment~~ -- on the right-now job of survival, ~~cleaning~~ up tons of mud and silt -- repairing their homes as best they can -- replacing waterlogged supplies and equipment; in a ~~deadly~~ race -- with the approaching cold.

ALASKA LT AND TAY

Ever since the news came through about the ~~big~~

flood ~~in the North~~, at Fairbanks, I have tried to ^{The Alaskan} ~~get our~~
^{member of our family} ~~son~~ on the phone, ~~but without luck until today. The Alaskan~~

^{He now} ~~He~~ tells me they still haven't been able to ~~fully~~ estimate
^{full} the extent of the flood damage, ~~He does and~~ ^{He says} that between five

thousand and six thousand, ~~of the inhabitants of Anchorage~~ ^{Fairbanks}
mainly women and children have been flown over the Mt.

McKinley range, flown ^{out from the heart} ~~from the flooded area in the heart~~
of Alaska, to Anchorage, the ~~big~~ city at the head of Cook

inlet, on the Pacific. ^{That many, perhaps} ~~He says that so far as he knows the~~
most of the five or six thousand are being taken care of on

a family-to-family basis, although some ^{are in} ~~have been put up~~
~~in~~ the barracks at Elmendorf, the great Air Force base.

He and his wife Tay and two children, for ~~the~~ ^{nearly}
a week now, ^{have} been playing host to three Fairbanks
~~past five days and nights have~~ ~~had~~ ~~three~~ ~~mothers~~

and their twelve children. With their ^{next door} ~~neighbors~~ neighbors
~~and also~~ bringing over food and clothing

^{He adds that everybody has tried} ~~to~~ be helpful.
for these refugees from the Fairbanks flood.
~~That is, their own immediate neighbors have been bringing~~

MIDDLE EAST

In the Middle East -- another time-consuming delay today; in the repatriation of Arab refugees -- wishing to return to their homeland on the Israeli-occupied West Bank of the Jordan River. The latest hold-up apparently caused by Jordanian officials -- slow in processing the would-be returnees.

Back in the Old City of Jerusalem -- Arab Nationalists called for a strike today among Arab shopkeepers. Hoping to embarrass their Israeli conquerors -- on the arrival Ernesto Thalmann, personal representative of United Nations Secretary General U Thant.

No trouble though. Israeli police patrols -- foiling the strike threat. Israeli police also declaring a total curfew -- in the village of El Arish on the Sinai seacoast. In the wake of a strike -- instigated by so-called "hostile Egyptian elements."

ISTANBUL

~~A related item --~~ from Istanbul, Turkey; ~~where~~ Eastern Orthodox Patriarch Athenagoras today announced plans -- to try to establish a new dialogue with the Islamic World.

The effort to get underway -- as soon as he returns from a fall visit to the Vatican -- said Athenagoras. Adding that "this dialogue -- will take mutual love as its basis." Hoping to put an end to mutual distrust -- between Moslems and Christians; and thus end a rivalry -- dating back to the Crusades.

The Patriarch -- as you know -- also a driving force toward reconciliation between the Roman and Orthodox Churches. Today expressing doubt, however -- that he would ever see both churches united in his lifetime. At eighty-one -- said Athenagoras -- "I am too old for that."

On the domestic front -- an eight o'clock curfew was reimposed today in New Haven, Connecticut. Mayor Richard Lee attempting to head off a possible third night of violence -- in four racially-troubled areas of that city.

More on the same -- from Hubert Humphrey in New York. The Vice President tonight asserting that recent big city riots -- have put "our whole political and social systems on trial."

Said Hubert Humphrey: "There is no question that the few who have incited, rioted, looted, burned and destroyed -- must be brought to full account for their actions but there is a larger question -- of our broad national response to the challenge."

"There will be" -- he went on -- "no immediate cures for the problems which have been centuries in the making;"
-- he concluded:
which means "we have to be big enough, strong enough and determined enough" -- to fulfill both our international responsibilities and our domestic needs."

TAXES

Grudging support for the President's requested tax increase -- comes today from the National Association of Manufacturers, of all places. ~~N.A.M.~~⁹ N.A.M. President W. P. Gullander telling a House committee that the alternative -- an expected Twenty-Nine Billion budget deficit -- would be "economically intolerable," as he put it.

Gullander suggesting, however, that a six per cent tax increase would do nicely, thank you -- instead ~~x~~^{of} of the President's requested ten per cent. At the same time -- asserting that a tax hike must be accompanied ^{by} sizeable cuts in Federal spending.

Hundreds of forest fires are raging virtually unchecked tonight -- through five Western states. Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Washington and California -- not to mention the Canadian province of British Columbia -- all aflame; with an army of firefighters -- seemingly powerless to stem the tide.

The fiery outburst -- worst in the nation this year. Sending flames licking through an estimated -- fifty-one thousand acres of timber and brush. The biggest blaze at Schoolmarm Springs, Idaho -- enveloping an estimated eight thousand acres of tinder dry forest.

The cause: A long heat wave -- followed by thunderstorm activity; but as yet -- little rain; *even at Schoolmarm Springs, Idaho!*