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ALGERIA

The right-wing underground of Algeria--was attacked on two fronts today: By De Gaulle--in Paris. By De Gaulle's army--in Algeria.

The President of France spoke for only ten minutes--but it was a tough, hard-hitting ten minutes. De Gaulle, branding as "criminal"--the terrorists of the O.A.S. Promising to see them--punished. Asking the French people to sap the strength of the O.A.S.--by voting for an Algerian Algeria next month.

As De Gaulle was broadcasting his message--his soldiers were supporting him with machine guns. The violence, erupting at a right-wing demonstration in Algeria. The European settlers, marching directly toward the troops on guard--defying repeated orders to halt. When the unruly crowd was only ten yards away--the army machine guns opened up. A murderous fusillade--at point blank range. In a moment, the central square of Algiers

was turned into a shambles. Littered with the dead--and
dying. Echoing with the screams--of the wounded. The thousands
of survivors, trampling one another--in a panicky scramble to
get out of the square. The official toll--twenty-five dead,
a hundred-and-thirty-five injured. But ~~new~~ women say--many more
than that were hit.

And this was ^{not} ~~only~~ the worst violence--in Algeria today.
Algiers had--more shooting. ^{And in} Oran--plastic bombings. The
showdown between the right-wing underground, and the French
army--rising to a crescendo of hate and death.

JOUHAUD FOLLOW ALGERIA

The sardonic tragedy of Algeria is summed up in - the life and career of Edmond Jouhaud, who has run through the gamut as a citizen of France - from patriot and hero - to rebel and traitor.

Jouhaud, a native of Algeria, and graduate of St. Cyr, the West Point of France. He served in the French army with distinction - until the collapse of 1940. After which, he became - a leader of the French resistance. Four years later - he was in Paris to welcome DeGaulle and the Free French. Jouhaud, patriot and hero of France.

After the war, he served in Indo-China. In nineteen fifty-six, a big promotion that made him commander of the French Air Force in Algeria; one of the generals who forced the recall to power - of Charles DeGaulle. And De Gaulle gave Jouhaud - command of all military operations in Algeria. No one would have

believed that these two military men, and good friends
- would soon be deadly enemies.

First Jouhaud joined the rebellious Committee of Public Safety in Algiers. Later, he helped state - the abortive rising against DeGaulle. When the president of France broke the rebellion - the rebellious general disappeared into the right-wing underground, becoming the adjutant of fugitive General Salan. Jouhaud, now called a rebel and traitor.

He was a mastermind of the terrorist campaign - until the French army caught him yesterday in Oran. General Edmond Jouhaud, in the Paris bastille tonight - facing a charge of high treason.

OPTIMISM

There's optimism in Washington - where government officials are briefing newsmen about the international situation.

Pre-Soviet power. That the Russians have been claiming a big superiority in rockets which Washington says - just isn't so. We have more rockets - than Khrushchev. An anti-missile missile? Neither has he.

Berlin? Soviet harassment in the air corridors - has not diminished Allied air traffic. In fact, more passengers than ever - are flying to West Berlin. Eighteen per cent more - than for the same period last year.

South Viet Nam? Washington believes the Red guerrillas are losing their momentum. Loyalist forces, with American aid, going over to the attack. South Viet Nam - in less danger of a Communist coup.

EICHMANN

The defendant in the Jerusalem trial lost his composure today. Adolph Eichmann, finally showing signs of fatigue, worry, tension. Quite a change from his martial Prussian bearing - during the proceedings. He had hardly moved a muscle - even when the death sentence was handed down by the Israeli court.

But the slow legalities of appealing the verdict - seem to be having an effect. Today Eichmann twitched nervously - as he listened to the prosecutor. Gideon Hausner, ridiculing the appeal and demanding that the death penalty be carried out. The guessing in Jerusalem, and elsewhere now is that the judges will go along with the prosecutor, and send the executioner of Nazi Germany - to the gallows. Adolph Eichmann worried.

CUBA

The Cuban dictator is going to stage that trial of his twelve hundred prisoners of war - because he needs a public spectacle. Castro, giving the Cuban people a circus - to make them forget that their bread is running short. This is the opinion of experts - in the Latin-American division of the State Department.

Castro, driving the Cuban economy - toward collapse. Before he came along, Cubans enjoyed - the third highest standard of living in the hemisphere. Now, Cuba ranks among the least developed countries. Here's what has happened, under Castro: - Food - rationed; wages - cut, the sugar harvest - dwindling; and traffic - grinding to a halt, for want of spare parts.

Cuba, in such a mess, that the people have to be kept otherwise occupied; kept from discussing - how much better they used to have it. That's why the prisoners are going on trial - almost a year after they were captured. Not bread, but a circus - in Castro's Havana.

DEFECTOR

There are some peculiarities about the case of Robert Webster of Cleveland and Leningrad. Three years ago, Webster went to Moscow--to work on our ^{U.S.} exhibition, ^{there. Then- he} ~~he~~ decided--to stay in Russia. Taking out Soviet citizenship--which cost him his American citizenship.

That strange thing is--that the Russians never made any propaganda out of the defector from democracy. Webster, never mentioned by the Soviet press--or Radio Moscow. Unlike other defectors, who became the center of a propaganda barrage against the Reds.

It's lucky for the Russians--that they remained silent. Today Webster told our Moscow Embassy--that he wants to make the reverse trip from Leningrad to Cleveland. He's had enough--of the workers' Paradise.

The final irony--is this!- If the defector is allowed to

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return--it will be as an immigrant. As a Soviet citizen,
Robert Webster will have to enter the United States--under
the immigration quota allotted to the Soviet Union.

POETS

American poet Robert Frost - today received a Congressional award from President Kennedy. Robert Frost, handing the President in return - a copy of his new book, "In the Clearing".

The White House ceremony, also notable - because today is the poet's birthday. Eighty-eight years old, and still turning out great poetry.

And now across the continent - to Dick Noel.

OCCULT

Remember that reported occult poltergeist, said to be on the loose, hurling cups and saucers in Indianapolis?

Well, the policeman assigned to the case - has solved it. He was talking to Mrs. Gemmecke's daughter - when out of the corner of his eye he spotted something in the next room. An ash tray flew through the air and smashed against the wall. Then a coffeepot. Next, a chair; and a piano stool.

Just the kind of uncanny goings-on - that Mrs. Gemmecke had complained about. Who was responsible? Why, Mrs. Gemmecke. The policeman saw her throwing everything she could lift. No poltergeist in Indianapolis. Just a lady who likes to hear the crash of china and stuff.