

Tues, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> '64

CLARK FOLLOW RACE

~~On another front--~~ Attorney General Ramsey Clark today denied a charge from Michigan's Governor Romney; a charge that President Johnson "played politics"--in sending troops to Detroit last week.

Ramsey Clark--the one Administration official who conferred with Governor Romney--at the height of the insurrection, saying the President issued necessary orders--as soon as the governor made a formal request for troops; a formal request--as required by law.

Clark ~~asked~~ ~~asked~~ asked--whether he thought it was Romney who had "played politics" <sup>in Detroit.</sup> ~~HE~~ answered: "The record will have to speak for itself."

RACE

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After twenty straight days of <sup>*turmoil*</sup> ~~racial strife~~ -- a hope at last tonight that the worst of America's <sup>*turbulent*</sup> ~~long, hot~~ summer may now be over. True enough -- renewed violence overnight in at least eight U.S. cities. However, police and National Guardsmen -- more than holding their own in the most recent trouble spots. Aided and abetted along the East Coast -- by rain -- welcome rain.

Ironically, the city of Washington, D. C. <sup>*has been*</sup> ~~is~~ one of the latest to feel the lash of racial disorder. And it was there that the President's new anti-riot Commission -- went to work today. Executive Director David Ginsburg vowing to capture -- as he put it -- "the actual smell and feel of what is going on." The better to guide the Commission in it's search for causes -- and, hopefully, cures -- to America's racial ills.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover -- later one of the first to testify before the commission, ~~Telling~~ its members he saw no evidence <sup>*of*</sup> any conspiracy -- in the recent rash of big-city violence.

SAIGON

News from Saigon ~~tells today~~ -- of the greatest Allied victory to date in the Mekong Delta. Some fifteen thousand American and South Vietnamese troops -- amashing at a longtime Viet Cong sanctuary. There wiping out some three hundred and fifty enemy troops -- as against Allied losses of forty-three.

The victory -- ending a Viet Cong build-up; said to be the "prelude to large-scale operations" -- planned for this week or next in the rice-rich Delta.

In the air war -- American jets struck today on either side of Hanoi. Pounding fuel dumps and missile sites -- that poured smoke half-a-mile into the sky. At sea -- the U.S. destroyer Ault -- slightly damaged by North Vietnamese coastal guns. ~~However,~~ Navy officials reporting -- no <sup>casualties,</sup> ~~injuries.~~

WELLINGTON FOLLOW SAIGON

Meanwhile, the President's two special envoys to Southeast Asia -- were on tour today in Wellington, New Zealand. Clark Clifford there explaining the two-man mission -- by saying the President is about to make important new decisions <sup>(on the war in)</sup> ~~about~~ Vietnam; decisions that call for "close collaboration" -- with our Allies; <sup>collaborations</sup> ~~decisions~~ that "would have been difficult -- through normal diplomatic channels" -- said Clifford. But <sup>those decisions</sup> what ~~they~~ might be -- he didn't say.

From Washington comes word that the President may launch a peace offensive.

WASHINGTON

*Also* Here at home -- another political storm brewing; with Chairman Rivers of the House Armed Services Committee -- today ordering a full-scale investigation of U.S. policy in Vietnam. Goal -- said he -- to determine whether the Johnson Administration <sup>really</sup> has a plan for "military victory" in Vietnam; and if so -- how long it will take to achieve it.

At the same time -- a report today that Defense Secretary ~~Robert~~ McNamara -- has decided finally to reactivate the big battleship New Jersey; for naval duty -- off the coast of Vietnam. The job <sup>2</sup> to take about ten months? -- and ~~about~~ <sup>9</sup> twenty-seven million.

PEKING

Today in Peking -- a giant troop parade; commemorating the fortieth anniversary -- of Red China's vast Liberation Army. *And with it* ~~Even so~~ a striking reminder of China's current power struggle<sup>g</sup> in which the Army now finds itself ~~is~~ deeply involved.

Of China's thirteen provincial military commanders -- only four were able or willing to attend the big celebration. The rest either tied up with local problems -- or openly opposed to Chairman Mao.

Be that ~~as~~ <sup>it</sup> may -- Peking stoutly maintains ~~that~~ it is still capable of fighting and winning in Vietnam. Asserting that the world's largest army -- is still a hundred per cent combat ready. With newest equipment -- including hydrogen bombs.

*However*  
~~And, but~~ China-watchers in Hong Kong ~~well, they~~ doubt it. Pointing out that many of China's top officers -- have already been purged from the ranks. That many more ~~will~~ <sup>MUST</sup> fall -- whatever the outcome of the current "cultural revolution."

MOSCOW FOLLOW PEKING

A related item from Moscow -- where the Kremlin today took note of the Chinese Army anniversary; <sup>and</sup> accusing Chairman Mao and his cohorts -- of subverting the role of an army in a socialist state.

Contrary to revolutionary tradition -- the Liberation Army has become an instrument "for the armed suppression" of China's discontented masses -- said Moscow. Further blasting Peking for allegedly trying to fill the Army -- with "hostility and hatred for the Soviet Union."

# KHARTOUM

A meeting of foreign ministers of thirteen Arab nations -- opened today in Khartoum in the Sudan. The ministers hoping to quench old rivalries -- to bring order from the chaos that followed defeat at the hands of Israel.

Sudanese Premier Mohammed Maghoub -- setting the general tenor of meeting, pleading for a unified plan of action -- against Israel. This ~~said he~~ the only way to restore "Arab prestige, potential, history -- and the essence of our very being?" -- said he.

JERUSALEM

The mystery of Israel's lightning victory in the recent Sini<sup>a</sup> campaign -- using old ~~and~~ <sup>some of it</sup> antiquated equipment -- explained, in part, in this next from Jerusalem, ~~telling~~ how U.S. surplus Sherman tanks from World War Two -- were rebuilt to meet and match the latest in Soviet-built armored might.

According to a top Israeli officer -- the original Shermans shipped to Israel were totally unfit ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> modern desert warfare. Guns too small -- tracks too narrow -- engines too weak -- silhouettes too high. ~~In the beginning~~ <sup>Which meant, for example, that early</sup> ~~training~~ maneuvers ~~were~~ <sup>all</sup> ~~practiced~~ <sup>at</sup> down hill; since that was the only way ~~to get~~ <sup>to get</sup> the tanks ~~could get~~ up to attack speed.

Later though -- the Shermans were outfitted with powerful airplane engines. Wider tracks were added for ~~maneuverability~~ <sup>maneuverability</sup> ~~ability~~ <sup>also</sup> heavier guns in smaller, lower turrets. Then it was practice, practice, practice -- teaching platoons of the rag-tag tanks to work together; to concentrate their fire-power ~~against~~ <sup>--</sup> the lone-wolf tactics of Arab tank marauders.

The rest -- history.

CU CHI

Then there's the story -- of Army specialist fourth class  
(Rush)  
Lyle Roush of Passaic, New Jersey; ~~Currently~~ serving as a  
finance clerk -- at Cu Chi in Vietnam.

Soldier Roush -- assigned to check the leave papers of  
a forward outfit; ~~Arriving~~ just in time -- to see the G.I.'s  
boarding helicopters; So he also jumped aboard -- assuming  
they were returning to camp.

Turned out ~~though~~ -- they weren't. It was a combat assault  
-- with young Roush landing in the midst of a fire-fight.  
Crawling quickly to the company commander -- telling him:

"Sir, I'm not supposed to be here."

"Gee, that's too bad" -- said the C.O. -- or words to  
that effect. Adding: "Here -- take some ammo and some  
grenades." Which he did. For four hours -- fighting <sup>side</sup> by  
side -- with the front-line troops. When finally airlifted  
to safety -- <sup>the Passaic</sup> an older and wiser man.

The new soldier Roush -- not about to rush into ~~anything;~~  
any time -- any place -- any where -- any more.

PARIS

The man who started it all -- again the hit of the fashion parade in Paris. (Koo-rej') Andres Courreges today drawing cheers from press and buyers alike -- with his new "flower look" for ~~fall and~~ <sup>next</sup> winter.

Courreges -- you'll recall -- the man who pioneered the mini-skirt, the pants suit, the long boots. This time around -- raising hemlines about five inches above the knee, ~~PH~~ for most dresses; even higher -- in certain cases. What's more, adorning almost every creation -- with flowers; ~~and~~ flower<sup>s</sup> galore.

Hit of the show -- a short pants suit worn with a white flower-appliqued T-shirt. Remove the short pants -- and presto! The T-shirt becomes a see-through jump-suit -- much like the one-piece-summer underwear that Grandpa used to wear.

All of ~~it~~ <sup>which</sup> seems to settle once and for all -- the direction of hemlines ~~for fall~~ <sup>WELL INTO NEXT YEAR.</sup> Barring a mini-revolt -- it's up, up and away; ~~Warren~~ -- up, up and s-l-u-t-m,