

PASS CHRISTIAN

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On the gulf coast - Mississippi - the death toll from that Hurricane Camille - still going up tonight, ever up. The official count ~~so far~~ <sup>approaching</sup> ~~about~~ <sup>that it may</sup> two hundred and fifty. ~~at last report~~ Officials adding ~~it could~~ reach five hundred - maybe more.

As for the living - chaos everywhere. - ~~we are~~ ~~told~~. With a massive rescue effort - apparently just barely scratching the surface. Indeed, supplies of food, water, gasoline and so on - practically non-existent in some communities. In others, residents forced to camp out in trees - on tops of houses - anywhere they can find a dry spot. The situation reaching a point - where hard hit Pass Christian was ordered evacuated today to prevent an epidemic.

And while Camille herself is no longer a hurricane - she <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ still a killer. The waning storm dropping ten inches of rain over night -- on western

Virginia, ~~Washing~~ out bridges - flooding homes - *and*  
claiming at least nine more lives.

## PRAGUE

For the first time - Czech combat troops were called into action tonight ~~to~~ to help control their rebellious countrymen. The soldiers - in full battle dress; backing up club-swinging riot police - as they routed an estimated twenty thousand from <sup>the main</sup> ~~the main~~ ~~Wenceslas~~ Square in Prague. Later sealing off the ~~main~~ approaches to the square - in an attempt to prevent the demonstrators from staging another return bout.

All this ~~as you know~~ marking the first anniversary of <sup>the</sup> ~~that~~ Soviet led occupation of Czechoslovakia. Just a year ago.

# VIETNAM

On the war front- a ~~max~~ costly mistake is reported today from the Mekong Delta. South Vietnamese troops manning an isolated outpost - feeling so secure in their position they went to sleep failing to post an ~~adequate~~ guard. Quick as a flash - Viet Cong guerrillas <sup>were</sup> taking advantage of the situation, over-running the outpost - killing at least eight and maybe as many as fifteen; leaving <sup>only a few</sup> ~~but eight~~ survivors - who managed to escape ~~for some how~~ into nearby rice paddies and live to tell the tale.

Over all though - the enemy's vaunted "autumn offensive" <sup>seems to be at a terrific</sup> ~~is costing a terrible~~ price. Allied sources today setting Viet Cong losses over the past week - at nearly four thousand men; as against two hundred and fifty Americans <sup>and</sup> four hundred and seventy-seven South Vietnamese.



## ROGERS FOLLOW VIETNAM

*Here at home - Secretary of State William Rogers today held his first press conference - since returning from the Far East. Chief topic - again Vietnam. The Secretary saying we have already responded to Communist cutbacks <sup>— doing so</sup> beyond our own previously announced troop withdrawals. He refused however - to be more specific. Saying only: "We are willing to take sensible risks - for peace."*

UNITED NATIONS - BELFAST

U.N.a  
At the ~~United Nations - New York~~

demand today for U N intervention in northern Ireland.

Foreign Minister Patrick Hillery of the Irish Republic -  
asserting ~~as~~ that a U N peace keeping force is the only

hope of preventing further bloodshed. However, Britain's

Lord Caradon - insisting ~~ed~~ it was strictly an internal

~~to which~~  
matter ~~And~~ the U N Security Council agreed - voting

fifteen to zero not to take any action.

Meanwhile, the British Army was itself

assuming the role of peace keeper - in those six

northern ~~counties~~ counties. ~~But that~~ <sup>a</sup> move ~~↙~~ apparently

pleasing no one. Militant Protestants accusing northern

Ireland's Prime Minister ~~↙~~ of selling out to the British.

Catholic leaders, for their part - demanding sole

jurisdiction over Catholic communities. And Ireland's

Prime Minister Jack Lynch - calling the presence of

British troops "completely unacceptable."

## YORBA LINDA

*Richard Nixon's boyhood swimming hole -  
apparently saved for posterity. The story - here it is:*

*The old Nixon swimming hole - a stretch of  
water known as Yorba Linda Lake. Actually though -  
a reservoir for the city of Yorba Linda, California  
over the past hundred years or so - a haven for countless  
■ youthful splashers; among them, the future President  
- who lived nearby.*

*Then suddenly - a few months ago - the lake  
was drained almost over night. Fish left to die - birds  
and game quickly fading away. A local builder had bought  
the property. He wanted to put up a new housing  
development.*

*Ah, but he failed to reckon with civil pride.*

*A group of Yorba Linda residents quickly banding ~~together~~  
together, voting to buy back the land - restore the lake -  
and turn it all into a major recreation complex.*

*Also*

There's ~~even~~ talk of <sup>taking over</sup> ~~moving in~~ the house - where

the President was born. <sup>Then call all of it</sup> ~~And they plan to call it~~

Richard ~~Milhouse~~ Nixon Park. <sup>A fine tribute indeed</sup> ~~Surely, one of the finest~~

~~tributes ever paid any man.~~



WEST BERLIN

From the Divided City of West Berlin -

comes today the latest in West German humor. As  
*usual*  
~~you might expect - most of it~~ directed against the

~~Exxx~~ Communists. As for example, the following:

East German Communist party leader Walter Ulbricht -

supposedly interrupting an oration by the Russian

Ambassador to East Berlin! Whereupon the Russian

tells him: "Shut up, Ulbricht, when I want your

opinion I'll give it to you."

Another story - the one about Ulbricht walking  
along a river - that separates East and West Germany.

The Communist leader falling in - calling for help.

From the opposite bank - a passer-by shouting back:

"Do you speak any Russian?" Ulbricht gasping: "Yes."

The passer-by thereupon observing: "Well, it serves

you ~~no~~ right." *Then Warren* Adding: "You should have studied

swimming instead; ~~and~~ then you wouldn't be drowning."

# HARVARD

From Harvard's famed Widener Library -  
the story today of a cat burglar - who maybe should  
have looked before he leaped. The would-be thief --  
about to make good his escape; climbing up a forty  
foot rope - by means of which he had ~~first~~ first gained  
entry into the library's inner court yard and then he  
slipped or lost his grip -- or something. Falling back  
down, down - suffering a ~~possible~~ fractured skull.

*As for his*  
~~By the way, his intended~~ *it was* ~~loot~~ ~~still~~ there  
beside him when police arrived, ~~on the scene~~. And  
what was he trying to steal? A rare edition of the  
Guttenberg Bible, ~~no less~~, valued by authorities at  
one million easy.