

PARIS

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*DeGaulle of France - a veritable Don Quixote*

*today; jousting with every windmill in sight - at his regular semi-annual news conference in Paris.*

*U.S. economic affairs - number one on the list.*

*With DeGaulle asserting ~~that~~ the U.S. dollar faces devaluation -- despite its "incredible power;" unless - said he -- unless Washington stops championing the present world monetary system. DeGaulle <sup>again</sup> making it clear - he still wants a return to the old gold standard.*

*At the same time - the French President*

*announcing what amounts to a new veto - of Britain's latest bid to enter the Common Market; also attacking Israel - for its current role in the Middle East; further blaming the war in Vietnam - for increasing ~~world~~ world tension; and finally predicting that the Province of Quebec will become eventually a sovereign state - free and independent of Canada.*

LONDON FOLLOW PARIS

Just a few minutes later -- DeGaulle himself was the target of a blistering attack. This in London -- from visiting Canadian Prime Minister Lester Pearson; ~~who~~ who lashed out at the French President - in one of the sharpest verbal assaults <sup>ever</sup> made by one Allied leader against another.

Pearson punctuating his barrage - with words like "shortsighted" -- "wrong" -- "discredited" -- "dangerous." Going so far as to lump DeGaulle together with Chairman Mao Tse Tung - as one of the <sup>major</sup> ~~great~~ disruptive forces in the modern world.

WASHINGTON FOLLOW LONDON

Washington reaction, ~~to DeGaulle's remarks.~~

Officially--no comment. Unofficially--<sup>De Gaulle's</sup> ~~who cares? Or~~

~~as one observer put it: The General's assertions are~~  
announcements are getting so extreme ~~++~~, they ~~will~~ have <sup>little</sup> ~~no real~~ effect in  
~~the long run.~~ France or anywhere.

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## NICOSIA

On the brighter side - a ray of hope at last in that touch-and-go Cyprus situation. In Nicosia, Greek Cypriot President Makarios saying today - he is convinced ~~he~~ there will not -- repeat -- not be a war between Greece and Turkey, <sup>y</sup> over who will control - that battled-scarred Mediterranean isle.

Archbishop Makarios' remark - following a two-hour meeting with U.N. Envoy Jose Rolz-Bennet of Guatemala. While U.S. trouble-shooter Cyrus Vance was still shuttling back and forth today - trying to <sup>arrive at</sup> ~~make~~ an official peace ~~at~~ between Athens and Ankara.

## VIETNAM

War in Vietnam was marked today by a twenty-sixth straight day of battle - in that bitter Highland campaign, including a Viet Cong hit-and-run raid -- on a key bridge on the main supply route to Dak To.

This the enemy's third attempt - to blow up the span. But again - it failed. The Viet Cong destroying one U.S. tank -- also damaging two others; only to take flight -- before a ~~deadly~~ hail of ~~bullets~~<sup>fire</sup> from U.S. defenders.

Back in Saigon - revised ~~of~~ casualty figures for the entire campaign, placing enemy dead so far at ~~seventeen~~<sup>sixteen</sup> hundred and forty-one -- by actual body ~~count~~<sup>count</sup>; as compared with American losses - set at two-thirty-seven,

## BUCHAREST FOLLOW VIETNAM

*Meanwhile, the search for peace goes on.*

*Latest effort - reportedly centered in Bucharest, Romania.*

*U S Roving Ambassador ~~W.~~ Averell Harriman - arriving in that city today, scheduled for two days of talks on Vietnam - with Communist Romanian leaders. This leading to speculation among diplomatic observers - that Harriman may be carrying new peace feelers for Hanoi. You may recall - Romania having served in the past - as a go-between for Washington and Hanoi.*

*Harriman himself - adding fuel to the speculation.*

*"My special assignment" - said he - "is to do what I can to get negotiations going."*

# CIGARETTES

On the domestic front -- for the first time --  
an official government list today rating U.S. Cigarettes  
on nicotine-tar content. Final standings based on a two-  
month study -- by the Federal Trade Commission.

This -- according to Senator Magnuson of  
Washington -- enabling a smoker "to select the least  
hazardous cigarettes on the market;" ~~or in other words --~~  
~~"to choose his poison."~~

True or false? The average American fighting man serving in Vietnam - has a better chance of surviving injury than the average American motorist.?

Answer - true, - <sup>True</sup> according to U. S. Transportation

Secretary Alan Boyd. At a highway safety meeting today in Washington - Boyd citing statistics to prove his point.

Figures showing that "some ten thousand persons will have been injured on our streets and highways - before this day is out." With the total death toll - expected to reach about a hundred and thirty.

One of the main reasons so many will die -- said Boyd: "Emergency services in a large portion of the United States -- ~~that~~ are archaic, ~~at best~~"



MOSCOW

More on the same - from Moscow. Where a top Soviet official has charged publicly - that Russian-made cars are drab, smelly, overweight, hard-to-handle and downright dangerous.

Ivan Kiselev - the comrade in question; ~~nothing~~, for example, that Soviet cars come in a variety of colors -- consisting "mainly of different shades of grey." The quality of plastics - another serious problem - said he; ~~saying~~ <sup>observing</sup> that on a cold day in Russia - which can be very cold, indeed - the <sup>average</sup> steering wheel has a tendency to ~~snap~~ snap off in your hands. Warren, wanta buy a Russian convertible?

BIRTHDAY

~~Time out for a birthday greeting.~~ CBS

Radio station K V O R in Moorhead, Minnesota - today is celebrating its thirtieth anniversary, <sup>So Here's to</sup> ~~on the air. Best wishes, K V O R -- and many happy returns. Now - a~~

~~final item.~~

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system "to a certain extent it was of the kind of

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A "wild-wild" plan for the year 2000

## WESTCHESTER

A startling new plan for development of the vast Amazon jungle - comes today from the Hudson Institute in Westchester County, New York. As reported in Fortune -- the plan calling for construction of a series of giant dams; leading, hopefully, to creation of a great inland sea - covering much of South America.

Assuming this first step were successful - the sea then supposedly could be joined to both the Atlantic and the Pacific. Providing passage for large ships - with interconnecting <sup>g</sup>cross-continent routes straight to Brazil, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru, Bolivia, Paraguay, Argentina.

The end result <sup>--</sup> we are told -- a potential Godsend "to a continent badly in need of new lines of communication," while providing at the same <sup>time--</sup> "virtually unlimited supplies of inexpensive electrical power."

A "wild-wild plan" -- for the wilds of South America.