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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Latest in the war of words between Russia and Red China: A Soviet charge today that China is deliberately hi-jacking vital war supplies bound from Russia to Communist North Vietnam.

The Chinese specifically accused of stealing a number of Soviet jet fighter planes -- and substituting some old aircraft of their own. Also charging the Chinese with altering the markings of anti-aircraft equipment -- to make it look as if it came from Peking; while allegedly delaying or sabotaging numerous other shipments -- on the long overland route, across China, to Hanoi. ~~says~~^s the Kremlin calls it a Chinese "stab in the back" to the Communist war effort in Vietnam.

The Russian charges all the more remarkable -- in that full particulars were first released to the West -- by way of American newsmen in Washington. Just why -- nobody seems to know.

VIETNAM

In Vietnam -- U.S. Marines were fanning out today through five northernmost provinces -- in seven separate drives against the Viet Cong when suddenly they were hit by an enemy sneak attack near the Cambodian border.

The Viet Cong starting with a four hour mortar barrage -- against the base camp of U.S. Infantry company; and then launching a human wave assault -- that overwhelmed a group of U.S. tanks. The tanks finally opening up on each other with their own machine guns -- to beat off the Viet Cong swarming all over them.

The enemy -- said to have paid a fearful price for the attack. However, American casualties are also termed "heavy."

NEW DELHI

FIRST RETURNS ARE POURING IN TODAY - FROM INDIA'S SIX DAY NATIONAL ELECTIONS; WITH EVERY ~~IMBIBITIME~~ INDICATION OF A STUNNING REVERSAL FOR MADAME INDIRA GANDHI'S RULING CONGRESS PARTY.

FROM NORTH, SOUTH, EAST AND WEST COME REPORTS OF SURPRISING GAINS - BY BOTH RIGHTISTS AND LEFTISTS ACROSS THAT VAST SUB-CONTINENT OF HINDUSTAN. FOR EXAMPLE, THE COMMUNIST PARTY SWEEPING TO AN OVERWHELMING VICTORY - IN POPULOUS KERALA STATE AT THE SOUTHERN TIP OF INDIA. WHILE THE RIGHTIST HINDU JANA SANGH PARTY WAS TAKING CONTROL OF THE CAPITAL CITY OF NEW DELHI ITSELF.

DESPITE THESE SETBACKS - THE CONGRESS PARTY IS EXPECTED TO RETAIN CONTROL OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT - FOR ANOTHER FIVE YEARS. *the outcome means* ~~MY~~ NEVERTHELESS, A BITTER BLOW - TO THE POLITICAL REPUTATION OF INDIA'S LADY PRIME MINISTER.

JAKARTA

AT LONG LAST - A FACE SAVING COMPROMISE TODAY IN
JAKARTA. WITH PRESIDENT FOR LIFE SUKARNO - FINALLY SURRENDERING
TO THE INEVITABLE. RENOUNCING ALL SEMBLANCE OF CONTROL OVER
INDONESIA - BY ASSIGNING FULL EXECUTIVE POWER TO THE NEW ARMY
STRONGMAN, GENERAL SUHARTO; WITHOUT "LESSENING" - AS HE PUT IT -
EITHER THE CONTENT OR SPIRIT OF THE ~~NEW~~ INDONESIAN CONSTITUTION.

SUKARNO'S FULL STATEMENT - FIRST READ TO NEWSMEN -
AND THEN BROADCAST OVER RADIO JAKARTA, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS
ON THE PART WHERE HE SAID: "THE CURRENT CONFLICT MUST BE ENDED -
FOR THE SAKE OF THE PEOPLE, THE NATION AND ~~THE~~ STATE."

EVEN SO - THE ENTIRE JAKARTA MILITARY GARRISON *was*
LATER PLACED ON A ROUND THE CLOCK ALERT; TO GUARD AGAINST ~~ANY~~
POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS BY DIE-HARD SUKARNO SUPPORTERS. BUT
AT LAST REPORT - LITTLE TROUBLE. THE FORMAL ~~NEW~~ CHANGE OF COMMAND
- APPARENTLY QUICK, PEACEFUL AND ALL VERY LEGAL.

DAMASCUS

IN THE MIDDLE EAST - ANOTHER HURRIED EFFORT TODAY
TO CALM BORDER TENSION BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SYRIA. UNITED
NATIONS TRUCE CHIEF GENERAL ODD BULL - FLYING TO DAMASCUS
~~THE~~ TO ATTEMPT A REOPENING OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS - BETWEEN
~~THE~~ THE TWO COUNTRIES.

GENERAL BULL'S MISSION GIVEN AN ADDED SENSE OF
URGENCY - BY RUMORS FROM EUROPE QUICKLY SPREADING THROUGH THE
MIDDLE EAST. RUMORS THAT ISRAEL IS PREPARING FOR A GENERAL
ATTACK AGAINST SYRIA - IN THE EVENT OF ANY FURTHER BORDER
PROVOCATIONS.

VATICAN

At the Vatican in Rome -- a document today from Pope Paul; proclaiming Nineteen Sixty-Seven the Nineteenth centenary of the martyrdom of the apostles Peter and Paul.

At the same time -- the Pope calling for further study of the teachings of that recent ecumencial council. Suggesting that certain new opinions in theology -- have tended to "question or distort the objective sense of truth" earlier "taught with authority by the church."

The Nineteenth centenary of Peter and Paul -- thus a providential occasion for a "great act of faith throughout the church," was the way the Pope put it. To stem what he called -- the current decline of "man's religious sense."

PEORIA

A CONCESSION OF SORTS TODAY - AT PEORIA, ILLINOIS,
AFFECTING PRESS COVERAGE AT THE CURRENT TRIAL - OF ACCUSED MASS
KILLER RICHARD SPECK.

IN THE FACE OF A NEWSPAPER SUIT CHARGING ABRIDGMENT
OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH - TRIAL JUDGE HERBERT PASCHEN REVOKING
TWO OF HIS PREVIOUS PRESS "GUIDELINES" SAYING THAT ONCE A JURY
IS SWORN - REPORTERS WILL BE ALLOWED TO OBTAIN TRANSCRIPTS
OF THE ~~HEAR~~ PROCEEDINGS; AND ALSO WILL BE ALLOWED - TO PUBLISH
NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE ~~JURY~~ JURORS.

SAID JUDGE PASCHEN: "MY JOB IS TO TRY THIS CASE
WITHOUT ERROR - NOT TO FIGHT WITH THE PRESS."

MOSCOW FOLLOW NORMAN

From Moscow comes a tale of murder by mail -- in a flaming crime of passion.

The story published today -- in the Soviet newspaper Trud. Telling of a bus driver named Ivan Borovkov -- and his girl friend, Ailana, who rigged a bomb inside a small suitease -- and sent ti to Borovkov's ex-wife Raisa.

The plot perfect in every detail -- succeeding in the foul deed. Except that police soon traced the bomb to Borovkov -- who quickly admitted the crime.

Why had he killed Raisa when they were no longer even married? "Out of burning desire" -- said he -- "to escape alimony payments."

Which he did -- the hard way.

TEMPLE

Anybody in the market for a real honest to goodness Egyptian temple. If so -- here's your chance. A chance to gain possession -- of the fabled two-thousand-year-old Temple of Dendar.

Thirty by Fifty feet at its base -- weighing more than Six Hundred tons -- the Temple of Dendar is a gift to the United States from Egypt; in appreciation of American help in saving priceless carvings and works of art -- that otherwise would have been flooded by the giant Aswan Dam.

There are however, a few strings attached. It will take a hundred and fifty thousand -- just to get it ^o there. The winner must also agree to display the temple in a specially air conditioned building -- to guard against deterioration. Another necessity -- security precautions to protect the temple from souvenir hunters and vandals.

The part of ~~s~~^{so}thern Illinois known as "little Egypt" -- including cities of Cairo, and Karnak -- is one of Fifty

Free London -- the strange story today of Bibo --
communities already bidding for the temple. Why not
the monkey -- a twenty-five pound Bibo monkey -- enroute
the spacious Metropolitan Museum in New York where millions
from New Delhi to New York, when he slipped out of his crate
would see it each year?

-- in a London airline warehouse.
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been having the time of his life. Flitting among the
girders high overhead -- stealing food wherever he could find
it -- and generally leading airline officials a merry chase.

Finally, Bibo was declared a menace to health -- and
an expert rifleman called in to put an end to the frolic.
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LONDON

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SPRINGFIELD

If you think you have it bad -- consider the plight today of a certain gentleman from Springfield, Massachusetts, one George Washington by name -- who is actually said to resemble his famous namesake.

As George tells it all his life people have been asking who he is. And when he tells them -- they say, "okay, fine, now what's your real name." Or, take when he was in the army stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia; on the Potomac River not far from Mount Vernon. Says George: "Guys were always trying to get me to throw a silver dollar across the river. It was embarrassing."

Of course, the name does have certain compensations. For example, fellow employees at the U.S. Envelope Company -- today were presenting their George Washington with a giant birthday cake, a big batch of birthday cards, and a cherry log with a hatchet buried in it.

NORMAN

Here's a switch: News today from the University of Oklahoma -- at Norman, Oklahoma: Telling of a student protest demonstration -- where everyone had one whale of a good time.

The student protest -- in a college auditorium -- against the University's so-called rules of PDA -- that stands for Public Display of Affection. Rules against public necking and so on -- with co-eds who violate the rules often punished by being confined to their dormitories on weekends.

To dramatize their case --the students staging what they called a "kiss-in." About a dozen boys and girls climbing on stage to kiss each other repeatedly -- while hundreds more shouted encouragement -- waved placards and signed petitions.

When it was all over -- one participant admitted the "kiss-in" had solved nothing. "Guess we'll just have

to keep trying" -- said he.

Again from Mt. Tremblant in the Laurentians --
solong until tomorrow.

... a victim of
... the charge said today in the Soviet press.
A man suffering from nevirapine -- says a box of
... Adding that his current attack on his opponent
... "verify in the filminess of Marlon, and shortly
... out that it is indeed."

At the same time -- a Moscow newspaper was accusing
Chinese border guards -- of firing across the Amur River
into Russian Siberia. Turning this a part of a Chinese
... complete with land ...
... and Soviet propaganda across the frontier.