

VIET NAM

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The big name in South Viet Nam tonight - Major General Duong Van Minh. ~~Kxxxxxx~~ Commander of the military forces - that rose against Premier Diem, and apparently captured ~~xx~~ most all of their objectives - within a few hours. The hardest fighting, taking place - at the presidential palace in Saigon.

General Duong Van Minh insists that he has - "no political ambitions." His motive for this uprising - to fight Communism, by breaking the political forces that have hampered his men in the field. His primary purpose - to get rid of Premier Diem. And of Diem's brother - Ngo Dinh Nhu.

Apparently the General - has achieved his aim.

Some ~~the~~ dispatches from Saigon, reporting - Ngo Dinh Nhu, killed during the revolt. Diem - a prisoner. The men who made the coup - ^{now} in power in Saigon. The new strong - man of South Viet Nam - General Duong Van Minh.

KENNEDY

There has been a constant flurry at the White House all day today - a stream of visitors coming and going. - ~~and~~ ~~I don't have to tell you why.~~ The President, calling in his advisors ~~for high-level~~ ^{to} talks ~~about~~ ^{over} the crisis in South Viet Nam. A crisis - that ~~is~~ broke early, And kept moving at top speed - hour by hour. Many reports from Saigon were out of date - by the time they reached Washington. Overtaken by events - in the Vietnamese capital.

In spite of the fragmentary information - President Kennedy took a few obvious steps right away. Beginning with orders to our Seventh Fleet - to move south into Vietnamese waters. A precautionary move to protect the Americans in South Viet Nam.

COUP FOLLOW KENNEDY

The confusion in Washington ^{appears to be} ~~is~~ enough to prove - that our people in Saigon had nothing to do with the anti-Diem coup. The pro-Diem faction, of course - is trying to make America the scapegoat. As is Madame Nhu - whose American travels have taken her to the West Coast. But the State Department says flatly - that we were not involved in any conspiracy against ~~Dr~~ Diem. Much less - in this armed revolt.

Inevitably, the opposite criticism - is being heard. Were Ambassador Lodge and his advisors caught by surprise - when the violence broke out? If so - why?

Henry Cabot Lodge - between two fires. Between those who call him - a party to the coup. And those who charge - that he didn't know anything about it.

NORTH AFRICA

Military campaigns usually involve - obscure places with odd names. And the North African border war - is no exception. The place - ^{Fee Gweeg} Figuig. Where is Figuig? That depends on - whose maps you consult. Algerian maps put the town in Algeria. Moroccan maps - in Morocco.

Anyway, the Algerians appear to be in possession - tonight. Ben Bella's men, attacking - under a massive artillery barrage, ~~Pushing~~ King Hassan's army - back. Over-running Figuig - in the No-Man's Land between Algeria and Morocco.

EXPLOSION

The toll in the Indianapolis explosion - ~~makes~~
~~mournful reading.~~ Sixty-three -- killed by the blast.
Three hundred and forty one - injured. Many - seriously.

The magnitude of the tragedy was due to the fact
that the explosion occurred - directly below one section
of seats in the Indiana Coliseum. Apparently ^{by a} ~~cause~~ - a
broken valve on a gas tank. The gas - escaping. Igniting
when it reached the stoves - of the concession counters.
Erupting with a ~~titanic~~ fury ~~that~~ that smashed the concrete
floor of the Coliseum, And tossed those in the seats above -
through the ^{air} ~~air~~ like rag dolls.

A macabre ending to the show - "Holiday On Ice."

MINE

~~At~~ ^{In} ~~the~~ ^{mine} West Germany, the crowd cheered and applauded - when ~~these~~ ^{the} three trapped miners came to the surface. They might have given a few hurrahs themselves - except that they were exhausted after more than a week at the bottom of the iron mine. ~~All that time~~ in darkness - two-hundred-and-sixty-two feet below the surface. So far down, that they had to spend three hours in a decompression chamber - to ward off an attack of the "bends". Then - up they came.

Their condition tonight - described as "good."

WEATHER

The rain that fell on Harlan County, Kentucky, today - came just in time. Dousing the forest fire that seemed about to destroy - eight thousand acres of timber. About to turn the mining town of Liggett - into heaps of smoking ashes.

And the rains have come to New York and New England.

SPACE

The latest Soviet Sputnik did something - that hasn't been done before. It jumped from one orbit - to another.

The space capsule, full of sophisticated instruments - roared into its first orbit aboard one of those big Soviet rockets. Then the instruments began receiving commands - from the ground. One of which was - to move farther out into space. The mechanical brain - got the message, And the artificial satellite whizzed off at a tangent - into its present orbit. - so says Moscow.

A ^{new} ~~new~~ display - of space technology. One more Russian step - toward the Moon? Khrushchev didn't make that claim - today. But he did hint that he might be willing to accept President Kennedy's proposal - for a joint ^{joint} ~~trip~~ to the Moon.

This, apparently, corroborating - what Mr. Kennedy said to yesterday's news conference. Namely, that there's no evidence to prove - that Khrushchev is pulling out of the Moon project.

U-2

Here's a familiar reference - that was in headlines not so long ago. Remember - the U-2? Gary Francis Powers, shot down - over Russia? Touching off the international incident - during which Khrushchev torpedoed the summit conference of Nineteen Sixty?

~~Well,~~ The U-2's ~~as we know,~~ are still flying.

And now Red China claims to have shot down - another. One of the high altitude planes that we gave to Chiang Kai-Shek - failing to complete an overflight of Mao Tse Tung's domain. The fate of the pilot from Formosa - not revealed by the Peking dispatch.

HARVARD

Said a Harvard undergraduate today - "maybe they'll move Radcliff". A somber thought for Cambridge, Massachusetts. Take all those girls away from the men of Harvard! But I don't think anyone really believes it will come to that.

At Harvard students are accused of entertaining girls in the dorms. Coeds from Radcliffe - being notably present and accounted for.

"Wild parties" says Dean Munro. "More smoke than fire", say the students. Adding - that they'll defend the present rules and regulations. Would you say, Dick:- "fight on Fair Harvard", fight on for the Fair Sex.

BLACK WATCH

Some lucky youngsters are to be guests at the White House next week. Not just that they are going to meet the President and the First Lady. But the Black Watch, Scotland's renowned Highland Regiment will be there. Pipes, drums, - the works. Performing on the south lawn of the White House - before an audience - of seventeen hundred from the Child Care Agencies.

Thrilling - for any boy or girl - shaking hands with the President and then a colorful military display with the flashing kilts - and skirling bagpipes - of the Black Watch.