On the peace front - in Paris - charge and counter-charge today. Hanoi accusing the U.S. of an unprovoked aerial attack on North Vietnamese territory - in alleged violation of the present bombing halt. In return, the U.S. accusing North Vietnam of a series of unprovoked attacks - on unarmed American reconnaissance planes. Adding that the reconnaissance flights will continue - and the North Vietnamese had better stop shooting, or else.

Meanwhile, heavy fighting was reported today for
the first time in a month - in that no man's land between
North and South Vietnam. Eyewitnesses reporting the
Hanoi flag flying openly - in that supposedly neutral zone.

## DEGAULLE

Paris again - DeGaulle drops the other shoe.

Through his official spokesman - Premier Couve De Murville - the French President today announcing plans for a Billion-plus cut in Federal spending next year. The principal ingredient in a drastic austerity program - to back up DeGaulle's pledge to save the franc, come what may.

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Where will the money come from? In part - said

Couve De Murville - from a temporary cancellation of the

French nuclear bomb testing program, Coupled with a cutback
in appropriations - for development of the planned Concorde

supersonic jetliner. The Premier explaining: "There is no
other way."

New York City - another Nixon appointment today.

Former Kansas Congressman Robert Ellsworth - who served as one of Richard Nixon's top campaign aides - now to serve as a special assistant to the President.

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His first assignment - to pay a study visit to the Institute of Strategic Studies in London. This an organization which studies - among other things - the relative military strength of nations throughout the world.

## PEKING FOLLOW NIXON

Administration - has already achieved at least a measure of success in dealing with the Red Chinese. After stalling for nearly a year - Peking announcing plans today to resume diplomatic talks with the United States in Warsaw. Talks that began in Nineteen-Fifty-Five - and remain the only direct link between the two countries.

Expected date for the next parley - February

Twenty. Peking asserting that by then - "the new U.S.

President will have been in office a month; and the U.S.

side - will probably be able to make up its mind" on a

future course of action.

Max Conrad arrives in Brazil - not exactly as planned though. The famed "flying grandfather" - nearing the end of a three thousand-mile transAtlantic flight from Abidjan on Africa's Ivory Coast; when he ran into a storm early today off the coast of South America.

Instead of landing at Rio de Janeiro - Max Conrad diverting to Salvador in Northern Bahia State. After twenty hours of looking at nothing but open ocean - a welcome sight, no doubt. Putting behind him the longest leg of his daring attempt - to fly solo round the world by way of both Poles. Mean midnight last night I talked to him on the air. He said he was skirting the coast of Brazil- and was sleepy.

He added that he hopes to spend Thanksgiving with friends in Buenos ayou

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across the antarctic - South Pole and so on,

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At Cape Kennedy - final preparations were underway today - for scheduled launch of the Apollo-Eight sometime around Christmas. Space workers pumping in the fuel - that will power the craft, hopefully, around the moon and back.

At the same time - a report today from Moscow;

telling of rumors that the Russians are planning a

circumlunar flight of their own - perhaps as early as

next week. If true - the motive, obviously, to steal a

march on the upcoming U.S. space spectacular. A feat

made possible by the fact that Russia will be in its best

position for a moonshoot - a full two weeks ahead of the U.S.

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Universities and technical schools throughout

Egypt - closed again today. With Egyptian jets and
helicopters - swooping low over Cairo in a show of
strength. Colonel Nasser attempting to head off a
sixth straight day of student riots - that are threatening
to spread throughout the land.

Reverse Reverse Pakistan; where government officials today ordered the reopening of schools and colleges - after an eighteen-day hiatus. Hoping that student unrest - would have run its course by now.

Turns out though - it hadn't - not the Rawalpindi,

at least. Students there walking out of classes - to stage

another violent demonstration against the government of

President Ayub Kahn. Demanding the release of opposition

leader Z. A. Bhutto - who was jailed in the wake of that

earlier violence.

Winner of the Nineteen-Sixty-Eight Heisman

Trophy - you guessed it - superlative O. J. Simpson of the University of California. The announcement today - Prayer wie Timpson from New York. The Trojan halfback amassing a near-record twenty-eight hundred points - to qualify as the year's top college football player. Second - Leroy Keyes of Purdue; third - Terry Hanratty of Notre Dame.

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In the five years since Red China invaded Tibet an estimated eighty thousand Tibetans have fled their
homeland - rather than submit to Communist rule. Of these we hoar today = a surprising number have found a new life
half-a-world away; with the establishment of flourishing
Tibetan colonies - in Zurich, St. Moritz and nearby Rikon
in the shadow of the Swiss Alps.

The problem of adjustment - not as difficult as you might expect. For one thing - the climate smuch the same.

Also, the men are said to be fascinated by their new factory jobs - often working way past quitting time. As for the children - we are told they're taking to skating and skiing - the same as they take to whipped cream and hot chocolate.

Only major problem: No yaks - hence, no yak butter; which the Tibetans traditionally mix in their tea - burn in ceremonial lamps - and occasionally use as hairdressing.

The problem complicated by the fact that Swiss cow's

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butter = simply cost too much.

However, the Tibetans are nothing if not

Willian. They adaptable, instead of using expensive butter they,

are now using margarine.

Rome - rumor has it today - that Rumor has it.

Full name - Mariano Rumor. The leader of Italy's ChristianDemocratic Party - a fifty-three-year-old former school
teacher - now premier-designate by appointment from
President Saragat. According to observers - the one man
who can perhaps best form a coalltion government; who can
best end the present crisis # brought on by crippling
nationwide strikes.

So much for rumor -- and S-L-U-Tamovow.