

VIETNAM

Fri. Sept. 8 - '67.

*Stepped up war in Vietnam - marked tonight by another desperate Viet Cong attack on that big U S air base at Da Nang. Second such terrorist raid - in less than a week.*

*Enemy rocketmen hurling a number of shells into the American compound - in the early hours of Saturday, Vietnam-time. Killing at least one U S serviceman -- wounding eleven others.*

*Earlier, four Viet Cong attacks - on U S Marines stationed near that supposedly demilitarized zone. At times - American tanks firing at point-blank range. The enemy finally routed with loss of more than a hundred men - as against twenty Marines.*

RUSK FOLLOW VIETNAM

Here at home - Secretary of State Dean Rusk - front and center today; Putting a chill on so-called "false hopes" for peace in Vietnam based on the success of Sunday's South Vietnamese Presidential election.

Dean Rusk saying the United States is taking "very seriously" - President-elect Thieu's suggestion for a possible bombing pause. Adding though - that "we have been trying for peace all along;" which means - said he - that we still insist on knowing in advance - what Hanoi will do in return.

Dean Rusk also declaring that the ~~United States~~ United Nations has "a responsibility under its charter" - to take the lead in trying to secure peace in Vietnam; regardless of the fact that Hanoi - refuses to accept U N jurisdiction. Unfortunately - <sup>there seems</sup> said he - little chance of U N inter<sup>ven</sup>tion at this time.

SMITH FOLLOW RUSK

Elsewhere in Washington -- a lady's day today ~~at~~ that meeting of the Republican National Committee. The lady in question - Senator Margaret Chase Smith of Maine; with a sure-fire formula -- for Republican victory in Sixty-Eight.

Said Senator Smith: "The American people yearn today - for a leader capable of ending the ~~increasingly~~ increasingly unpopular war in Vietnam." They yearn - she went on - "for another Dwight D. Eisenhower - to lead them back to real peace and security" - just as Ike did - when he "stopped the Korean war."

Ah, but who might ~~be~~ that be -- she didn't say.

## JERUSALEM

From Jerusalem comes the report today - of still another coup by Israeli intelligence. Israeli spies said to have obtained a heretofore secret account - of that Arab summit meeting last week at Khartoum.

The way Jerusalem tells it - Arab leaders were agreed to reopen ~~dipl~~ diplomatic relations with the United States; <sup>to</sup> in ~~hope~~ of increasing pressure on Israel ~~to~~ to evacuate conquered Arab territory. Jerusalem further charging that this prompted Egypt - to cause a new ~~to~~ Suez Canal crisis; which ~~could~~ would account for renewed fighting this ~~week~~ week -- in the Canal Zone.

Nevertheless - an announcement today at the Texas White House, suggesting that restoration of diplomatic relations between the United States and Egypt - is not likely soon. Newly-appointed Richard Nolte resigning as U S Ambassador to Cairo - with no replacement yet in ~~sight~~ sight.

CRACOW

~~French President Charles~~<sup>TP</sup> DeGaulle - on tour

today in the ~~fabled~~<sup>ancient</sup> city of Cracow; to the thunderous

cheers of more than a hundred thousand Poles - who

turned out to greet him. ~~There~~<sup>Once again he</sup> appealing<sup>ed</sup> ~~again~~ for

"joint action" - ~~among~~<sup>on the part of</sup> the peoples of Poland and France;

who were made - said he - "to live as friends and

cooperate in peace; for the good of all men - and in the

interest of a Europe united once again." <sup>The crowd</sup>  
<sup>responding with a Polish folk song,</sup>  
~~By the way~~<sup>today</sup> - The streets of Cracow ~~contained~~

only a few anti-American banners; in sharp contrast

to the many in Warsaw. - ~~on DeGaulle's arrival in Poland.~~

~~For the most part~~<sup>Most of</sup> the Cracow banners merely ~~read~~

reading: "Vive la France."

## HONG KONG

After enduring months of riot and bloodshed - the Chinese population of Hong Kong was reported stunned today; by a simple decree - from local British officials.

Under the authority of emergency rule - the British ordering seizure of all fireworks in Hong Kong. At the same time - making future possession of fireworks a crime - no matter how small the quantity.

Among a people who have always used firecrackers at funerals - at weddings - at New Year's - to drive out evil spirits -- to express joy -- <sup>this seems a major</sup> ~~that this is, indeed,~~ calamity; Especially in view of the approaching Moon festival - second biggest event on the Chinese calendar.

The British insisting, however, that ~~Leftists~~ terrorists - have left them no alternative but to ban fireworks; quote, "in order to prevent the use of their contents -- in the manufacture of bombs."

## UTTAR PRADESH

This next - from Uttar Pradesh state in  
north<sup>central</sup> India - victim of a <sup>major</sup> ~~terrible~~ drought for the  
past two years; <sup>but</sup> where - when it does rain - it really  
pours.

The proof in reports from Uttar Pradesh today  
- telling of nine straight days of heavy rains. With  
river beds that were bone dry only weeks ago - suddenly  
too small to contain the <sup>torrents.</sup> ~~downpours~~

Result - disastrous flood, Killing at least  
a hundred and fifty <sup>people and</sup> ~~persons~~ leaving <sup>ten of</sup> thousands more  
homeless. Worse still - the floodwaters swamping more  
than six hundred thousand acres of <sup>grain.</sup> ~~corn~~

For many - a case where the cure - is proving  
even worse than the ailment.

## GLASGOW

The name of the late President Kennedy has been slamped on so many schools, parks and other projects in the past four years - that one more should hardly come as a surprise. And yet - it does.

~~The story today~~ - From Glasgow, Scotland,

In a newspaper account of plans for the christening of

~~Britain~~ Britain's new Q-Four Cunard Liner -- the one

built to replace the Queen Mary. The article reporting

the ship may be called - The John F. Kennedy. Going

on to observe that: The naming of the liner in honor

of the assassinated President - a departure from precedence

- would certainly be welcome in the United States."

This the first time the late President's name -

has been mentioned in connection with the Q-Four. Earlier

reports indicating it would probably be called - the

Prince Charles or the Prince of Wales.

Be that as it may - final choice rests with

Cunard management - which still has twelve days to make up its mind.



## WASHINGTON

The subject of birth control - much in the news of late. Not only for controlling human population - but also for (controlling pests such as) pigeons, starlings, rodents, fruit-flies and so on. Now - this latest; (the development of birth control techniques) - for cows, and ~~for~~ monkeys.

~~The announcement from~~ Peace Corps Director Jack Hood Vaughn - ~~in an appearance~~ today before a House Appropriations sub-committee, ~~Vaughn telling in his own~~ <sup>told</sup> ~~words~~ of "an outstanding veterinarian who has perfected an intra-(uterine) loop for cattle." Also, telling of similar research - in the monkey ~~world~~ world.

Reason - said Vaughn - because the cow is sacred in India - and monkeys are revered in various parts of Asia and Africa - so you can't kill them. Hence - the idea of ~~the~~ birth control; to ease the plight of hungry millions - now forced to share their meager food supplies - with ~~wandering cows and marauding monkeys and wandering~~ cows, Warren.

## ATLANTA

Found - at long last; a solution of sorts to the age-old question of which came first - the chicken or the egg.

Physicist Peter Fong of Emory University at Atlanta - the man with the answer. <sup>Prof. Fong</sup> On the basis of recent discoveries - asserting that the first ~~rudimentary~~ rudimentary appearance of life on earth - was in the form of what he calls a "replicating molecule" a chemical compound capable of making copies of itself - like a crystal, for example - long before there were any real living organisms to reproduce.

Over millions and millions of years - these simple "replicating molecules" supposedly developing into complex chemical compounds; evolving - eventually - into the building blocks of life as we know it today.

So which came first - the chicken or the egg?

~~In a manner of speaking~~ - The egg <sup>- maybe - but</sup> ~~says~~ physicist Fong isn't too sure - and a-l-u-men.