

DEGAULLE

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Colombey les deux Eglises still dominates the news tonight - the DeGaulle funeral. Although he did specify that there should be no pomp, no ceremony yet some seventy thousand - including two emperors, four kings, six princes, ten premiers and twenty one presidents attended the memorial services today at Cathedral of Notre Dame. Although DeGaulle had also specified that there should be no bell ringing; yet the bells rang out throughout France; this for the first time since the liberation of Paris in World War Two. Today as the General was borne to his final resting place at Colombey les deux Eglises - everywhere from Toulouse to Lille, from Cherbourg on the coast to the Vosges and Mt. Blanc the bells pealed in farewell to a truly great man. Although he had specified that there should be no parade; yet hundreds of thousands of Frenchmen paraded up the Champs Elysees in a driving rain, and there at government

invitation piling wreath on wreath at the Arc de Triumphe
-- in memory of the leader who almost regarded himself
as the reincarnation of Joan of Arc.

SAIGON

Far off in what once was French
Indo-China -

In Vietnam - Tuesday - also, Wednesday - there had
been not a single U S combat death. ^{This for} The first time ~~that~~

~~happened~~ since the start of the U S build up back in

Nineteen Sixty-Five. ~~And even then~~ ^{But,} today ^{we hear of} a series

of sharp clashes. The U S command in Saigon ~~later~~

reporting ^{more casualties.} ~~said~~ ^{However} ~~there were "some" new deaths.~~

The war in Vietnam ^{does seem to have} ~~started~~ slowed down;
as ^{indicated} ~~further evidenced~~ by the latest weekly casualty toll.

~~This~~ announced today ^{is} the lowest in five years.

~~But still a long way to go - it seems~~
war De Gaulle advised Pres. Kennedy to
stay out of.

At Fort Benning, Georgia - at the trial of
Lieut. William Calley - the first potential juror questioned
today ^{was} Colonel Lamar Welch - a career army officer ~~and~~
~~was~~ who was wounded in the battle of the bulge during
World War II - also, a veteran of two years service in
Vietnam. ~~and~~ One of the first questions asked - was
whether he placed a different value on the lives of the
Viet Cong as opposed to those of friendly peoples.

The Colonel's answer: "Affirmative." And he
added that, indeed, he "put no value at all" - on the lives
of the enemy. He then explained: "The use of terror
by the Viet Cong - is hard to understand - unbelievable;
the atrocities I am aware of - are shocking, really," ^{said he.} _^
"In my day" - he went on - "when I was young - we had
an enemy who was in uniform;" but "over there" in
Vietnam - "you never knew who the enemy was until he
pulled out a weapon and started shooting at you." "Young

people, kids!" he continued - "it's a strange way of fighting a war; some ^{with} friendly smiling faces ↗ could suddenly be shooting you down."

This leading to another question - as to whether the Colonel considered himself "predisposed toward the defendent." "I have compassion for people" - he answered - it's not my nature to sit in judgment on a fellow man; but I am trained" - said he - "to make the hard decision."

MOSCOW

Russian novelist Alexander Solzhenitsyn -
who was recently named the winner of the Nineteen
Seventy Nobel Prize for literature ^{is not unexpectedly} a target of mounting
criticism from official Soviet sources. Now - the
reverse side. Russia's Mstislav Rostropovich - one
of the world's greatest cellists - composing a letter
which was then made available to western newsmen
assigned to Moscow. Rostropovich noting that
conservative Soviet writer Mikhail Sholokov - had been
hailed a hero when he won the Nobel Prize. Whereas
the late Boris Pasternak - and now Solzhenitsyn -
were both condemned. This a paradox that is
indefensible -- said Rostropovich. And he added that
"every man must have the right to think fearlessly
and independently and to speak up about what is known
to him."

SVERDLOVSK

A related item - from the city of Sverdlovsk
in Soviet ~~to~~ Central Asia; from whence we hear that
Andrei Amalrik - another controversial Soviet writer
has just been convicted, ^v ~~at~~ ^{at} a secret trial. Friends
of Amalrik saying he ^{has now been} ~~was~~ sentenced to three years in
a labor camp - for slandering the State. This - we are
told - by writing ^{that} a book whose title asks ^s ~~is~~ the question:
"Will the Soviet Union Survive until Nineteen Eighty-
Four?" *How long will young Amalrik survive?*

Subject of this next: "the catfish that walks,"
which sounds like a horror story - and, in a way, ~~is~~ it?

~~It is~~

The so-called "catfish that walks" - an Afro-Asian fish recently introduced to U S waters. This particular species - capable of breathing in water or ^{of water,} out. It can thus "move considerable distances over land" -- we are told - "especially on damp or rainy

nights - easily occupying new water systems." Worse

still, the ^{perambulating} ~~walking~~ catfish is said to have ^{"voracious} ~~voracious~~ food habits" which leads to [—] "more ^{strolling} ~~walking~~ catfish"

and less of ~~more~~ everything else." End result:

^{are said to be}
The walking catfish ~~are~~ taking over the Florida

^{and are} ^{soon}
Everglades ~~are~~ expected to invade ~~soon~~ the gulf coast

states all the way to Texas.

All this - according to a recent study by the

Smithsonian national museum of Natural History, ~~which~~

adds that the walking catfish is but one of several exotic newcomers - which have found their way into U S waters by means of aquarium dealers, fish collectors, and so on. These ~~inclusions~~ including, among others, the flesh-eating piranha - which is also said to be multiplying rapidly. ^{It} The Smithsonian ~~therefore~~ ^{is} urging a complete ban on the future import of aquatic ~~organisms~~ ^{denizens} - except under federal license ~~and~~ and with adequate "safeguards against accidental release."

~~Incidentally, the study further notes that the common carp was actually an American import; having been introduced here in the early eighteen hundreds -- as a potential food fish. The Smithsonian observing, in effect: "You ~~are~~ know what's happened since - it's become a permanent pest."~~

In Malaya they have fish that climb trees and wink at you! Now Florida, has fish that leave the water and ~~take to the road!~~ go for a hike.

COLUMBUS

Columbus - ~~px~~ Ohio -- a new computer was put in service today in the local court system; selecting prospective jurors - from a list of registered voters. The first twenty all women. The second ~~20~~ twenty -- all but one, ~~all women~~ women. Judge Frederick Williams observing: "I think we have a sex crazy computer here." Is all the world going sex crazy? Let's forget it - and →

~~And, now a special~~ salute ~~to~~ Radio Station WCKY

Cincinnati, Ohio; which today becomes the newest member

- of the CBS Radio Network. Welcome aboard - WCKY.