

PARIS

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<sup>Paris</sup>  
At the peace table in Paris - ~~the horse trading~~  
~~begins~~ U S Ambassador David Bruce observ<sup>ed that</sup>~~ing~~ ~~was~~ -  
the enemy's latest peace initiative ~~is~~ appears to offer  
little new. He added, however, the U S is still "studying  
the ~~best~~ matter, "giving it serious attention;" in line with  
~~is~~ <sup>and</sup> which he asked for further clarification of the  
Communist plan. By way of a hint perhaps - ~~Bruce~~ also  
accusing the Communists of using American prisoners of  
war - as "pawns to achieve political objectives." ~~And~~  
~~once again - the ball is back in their court.~~

## SAIGON FOLLOW PARIS

~~Half a world away~~ in Saigon - another casualty report, showing U S losses for the past week - the lowest in four and a half years. Both North and South Vietnamese losses - also dropping to new two year lows; the result of a cut back in fighting - throughout the country - we are told.

Not so in Cambodia though. A battle still raging there - for control of the city of Tang Kauk, about fifty miles ~~of~~ <sup>from</sup> Phnom Penh. Indeed, Cambodian paratroopers in the fore-front of the fighting <sup>were</sup> reporting ~~today the~~ ~~discovery of~~ more than three hundred enemy dead.

AMMAN

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Reports from Amman tell of ~~continued~~ continued fighting ~~today~~ - between Jordanian army troops and die-hard Palestinian guerrillas. A city-wide curfew under penalty of death - was also still in effect. However, a growing number of civilizians <sup>are</sup> said to be risking their all, racing through the streets in a search for precious food and water - as the fighting now enters its ninth straight day.

Meanwhile, the U S and ~~the~~ Britain <sup>were</sup> setting in motion an evacuation of Americans and Britons ~~stax~~ stranded in Jordan, <sup>via</sup> ~~By means of~~ chartered Arab aircraft - flying the refugees to ~~safely in~~ Beirut <sup>and</sup> ~~or else~~ ~~Express~~ Cyprus.

LONDON

A real life drama paralleling the recent hit movie "airport" - ~~was is~~ enacted today in the skies high over England. An explosion somehow ~~is~~ occurring in the cargo compartment of a crowded <sup>Irish Airlines</sup> ~~Boeing~~ Boeing Seven Oh Seven ~~airliner~~ -- bound from New York to London. The blast - tearing a hole in the plane's ~~fake~~ fuselage. Also, cracking a window in the passenger section - causing sudden depressurization. Passengers <sup>panicking</sup> ~~panicking~~ -- a stewardess accidentally scalding herself. However, the <sup>planes</sup> ~~airliner's~~ captain - ~~a fellow~~ by the name <sup>Jim</sup> ~~James~~ Gallagher - quickling sending the ship into a dive - dropping its altitude from nineteen thousand feet ~~down~~ to nine thousand feet. ~~Incidentally~~ <sup>Then</sup> Landing safely ~~a few minutes~~ at London's Heathrow airport. A major air disaster narrowly averted.

MOSCOW

Moscow - the Soviets were telling today of an underground nuclear explosion - they supposedly set off four years ago; a blast said to have quenched an oil well fire near Bukhara in Central Asia - a fire ~~had~~ that had ~~previously~~ raged unchecked for more than a thousand days. ~~Then~~ <sup>this would be</sup> ~~the~~ true ~~marking~~ the first known use of nuclear explosions for anything other than war or research.

TOKYO

From Tokyo <sup>comes word</sup> ~~an announcement today~~ that the U S

Air Force - has finally agreed to remove all its B-Fifty-  
twos from the island of Okinawa. The Japanese Foreign

Ministry saying this would be done - in the "very near

future." <sup>With it understood that the</sup> ~~The U S is said to have specified, however,~~

~~the~~ big bombers <sup>will</sup> ~~would~~ be returned to Okinawa - if future

operations make it necessary.

CRIME

*From the F B I - a report tonight showing an eleven percent increase in serious crime here in the U S - during the first half of Nineteen Seventy; which is bad enough, but still a one-third cut in the rate of increase - as compared with the last year of the Johnson Administration. Attorney General John Mitchell noting what's more, the number of rapes and murders in the District of Columbia - was actually less this year; as compared with a combined rate of increase last year ~~amounting~~<sup>of</sup> nearly fifty percent.*

Last night I included an item about

Dr. Frank Stanton, President of CBS, a speech he made

to the station managers of this the number one radio

network -- <sup>- a speech</sup> to the CBS Affiliates. <sup>All a part as he</sup> ~~He refused to it~~

<sup>put it</sup> ~~a part~~ of the celebration of the fifty year golden

anniversary of broadcasting. <sup>Last evening</sup> I only had time to give

you a brief quote or two and I promised to add another

paragraph tonight. <sup>Here it is:</sup> He said:

"Modern radio's vast reach can be documented by two astonishing figures. Last year in this country alone, more than 54 million radio sets were sold. In dollars, that single year's purchase represented an outlay of two billion." <sup>He</sup> ~~Dr. Stanton~~ then added: "The number of sets in working order this year is a prodigious total of over 300 million," including ~~of course~~ all ~~the~~ radios ~~that happen to be~~ tuned in at this moment. I wish ~~but~~ <sup>were,</sup> ~~doubt, that~~ all three hundred million ~~are listening to me.~~



Here was another one of his interesting figures. Said the President of CBS:

"Radio -- through the thousands of stations and the regional and nationwide networks -- knits the people of the United States together in an information network that has no equal anywhere in the world. It is a unifying force of unlimited value. 141 million radio listeners -- constituting 93 percent of the total population 12 years of age and over."

To illustrate how important radio can be to us at a given moment he cited the following example:

"How can we ever forget the blackout of six Northeastern states on that eerie night in 1965 -- when the only way that 30 million people could possibly know what was happening, or why, was to listen to their transistors. Who knows what kind of panic might have gripped the Northeastern states -- and indeed the whole nation -- had not network radio provided an immediate

and continuing flow of explanation."

His entire speech was full of graphic, specific illustrations. Some other evening I may even <sup>bring</sup> quote again. Since this is the golden anniversary of radio why not remind ourselves of these things which Dr. Frank Stanton brought to the attention of the heads of all the stations on this network?

## TITO FOLLOW PRESIDENT

A related item: The Secretary General of West Germany's ruling Social Democratic party - discussing today his own recent visit to Yugoslavia. Hans Jurgen Wischnewski reporting that he met with President Tito - at the latter's Brioni Island estate. Noting that Tito kept ~~xxx~~ as house pets - a number of lions. ~~pp Adding that Tito toasted his arrival with a triple cognac - and later, drank four highballs while they talked. As Wischnewski observing in our then:~~ "The Herr Communist leader on his ~~xxx~~ Adriatic Island - has it better than a

millionaire." He said Tito toasted him with a triple cognac - and then drank 4 hi-balls while they talked. <sup>Bill Martin</sup> Warren, does that suggest that Tito is a tippler?

## FORT WORTH

The story of another narrow narrow escape - reported today from Fort Worth Texas; where four year old Kyle Denman was waiting at ringside for the start of a tiger wrestling exhibition - when suddenly the tiger in question reached ~~out~~ out and grabbed him by the head holding the youngster clamped in its jaws - till attendants could pry him loose.

Luckily though - little Kyle suffered only a few scratches. Later telling ~~reporters~~ reporters: "I like tigers!"

Said Kyle "I like them when they're in a cage!"  
~~when they're behind a gate."~~