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In the midst of the latest allied peace offensive - substitution in Paris; followed quickly by consternation in Saigon - and confusion - perhaps even disillusionment - here at home.

The start of it all - a VietCong announcement today; vesting rebel authority henceforth - in that newly established "provisional revolutionary government of South Viet Nam." Adding that the switch will mean a new ~~at~~ delegation to take ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> place of present Viet Cong ~~negotiators~~ negotiators.

Next - a charge from the U S State Department - that this is "simply a case of old wine in a new bottle." However, U S and South Vietnamese officials ~~also~~ <sup>do</sup> admitting grave concern over whether the Communists really <sup>do</sup> want to engage in serious talks. One report going so far as to say that ~~Henry~~ Cabot Lodge has asked for an extended vacation - until such time as the enemy is finally ready to get down to business.

VIET NAM FOLLOW PARIS SAIGON

And so - the war goes on, <sup>with</sup> ~~including~~ an enemy assault today <sup>on</sup> a U.S. artillery base ~~south~~ South of Da Nang. Although badly outnumbered - U S defenders turn<sup>ed</sup> ~~back~~ back the ~~attack~~ ~~attack~~ attack in ~~deadly~~ hand-to-hand fighting. Thanks mainly to the courage of Sergeant William Cruse of Live Oak, Florida, who took charge of the defense and refused to be evacuated - even though wounded. By order of his Division Commander - Major General Charles Getty - Sergeant Cruse later awarded a Silver Star ~~to~~ for valor.

PEKING

*Peking - Russia was charged today with sending troops, tanks and armored cars - into China's northern Sikiang Province. The Red Chinese calling this - a "frantic provocation against three Chinese herdsmen" -- one of whom was said to have been killed. Peking further branding the alleged ~~fa~~ border violation - "absolutely beyond tolerance".*

*Russian reaction, - poppy cock, <sup>they say.</sup> Observers suggesting, what's more, that the Chinese are merely trying to embarrass Kremlin leaders ~~A~~ at the current world Communist summit meeting in Moscow.*

MOSCOW FOLLOW PEKING

Meanwhile, in Moscow, the Italian Communist

~~party - largest in the West - front and center; also doing~~

Party was  
~~a pretty good job - of~~ embarrassing the Kremlin. ~~THE~~

~~Italian Communist~~ <sup>by</sup> spurning the idea of a single world

Communist ~~movement~~ movement, <sup>also</sup> ~~at the same time -~~

denouncing Russia's anti-Chinese position - as well as

that Soviet-led invasion of Czechoslovakia.

The Italians thereby joining Australian,

Norwegian and Swiss Communists - in reject<sup>ing</sup> a plea

for total unity. Calling the very idea - "not only wrong

but utopian."

CAIRO LONDON

Soviet Foreign Minister ~~Andrei~~ Gromyko -

~~a visitor today~~ in Cairo, Conferring with ~~Egypt's~~

~~Colonel~~ Nasser for ~~nearly~~ three hours, ~~Gromyko~~

reportedly spelling out - a Big Four peace plan ~~for~~

for the Middle East. ~~As for~~ Nasser's reaction, ~~still a secret~~ <sup>? No word,</sup>

~~still a secret~~

Reverse side - Israel's Premier Golda Meir -

a visitor ~~today~~ in London, ~~Scheduled~~ for a series of

meetings ~~there~~ with Britain's Prime Minister Harold

Wilson <sup>and</sup> ~~the~~, Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart, ~~was~~

~~On arrival though~~ ~~Madame Meir~~ <sup>she</sup> again calling <sup>for</sup> direct

~~at~~ talks with Arab World. Asserting: If the Arabs refuse

to negotiate <sup>then obviously</sup> - they do not want peace.

FRENCH

~~Paris again~~ - The home stretch of the

French Presidential campaign. ~~Marked by another~~

~~big boost~~ today for front runner George Pompidou.

~~This in the form of public endorsement from former~~

~~Premier Antoine Pinay - one of France's most respected~~  
~~elder statesmen.~~

~~A few hours later~~ The French public

<sup>in</sup>  
opinion institute announcing results of its latest polls

~~said to~~ show <sup>SA</sup> a voter preference for ~~the~~ Pompidou

over acting President Alain Poher <sup>A</sup> by a margin of

fifty-five to forty-five percent.

TOKYO

Planned construction of a new forty-seven

story hotel -- announced ~~today~~ in Tokyo - where earthquakes

~~or tremors~~ ~~area~~ ~~are~~ ~~an~~ ~~almost~~ ~~daily~~ occurrence. ~~The~~ ~~new~~ Keito Plaza,  
with ~~to~~ ~~have~~ more than eleven hundred rooms - scheduled for

completion by June of Nineteen Seventy One. The Japanese

builder - promising it will be ~~com~~ completely quake proof -

capable of withstanding shocks - even greater than ~~than~~

that of the Kanto Earthquake in Nineteen Twenty three.

In case you've forgotten - that's the one that claimed

- more than a hundred and forty thousand lives.

WASHINGTON

~~This next - a crime story from Washington:~~

~~Telling of an amazing display of memory - according~~

~~to police, leading to the solution of a week old slaying.~~

~~The way it happened -~~ a local college student  
reading of <sup>a week old</sup> ~~the murder~~ <sup>in Washing</sup> murder, recalling that he had been  
walking along where it occurred - on that very day.

Further recalling the license numbers of ~~some~~ several  
cars parked there at the time. Police checking out the  
information - coming up with two ~~of~~ of the alleged killers;  
plus the name of a third man - also said to have been  
involved.

Next question: Why - indeed, how - would  
anyone memorize a series of auto license numbers?

~~The answer?~~ <sup>Some people do have that</sup> ~~to that - sheer force of habit.~~ The

young student telling ~~the~~ police - I do it all the time.



WHITE HOUSE

As you know

Jacqueline Kennedy's pet project as ~~the~~ First Lady <sup>was</sup> restoration of the White House to ~~its~~ its original splendor. Lady Bird Johnson's special area of interest -

a highly successful ~~beautification~~ beautification program, which we all hope will be continued!

And now - Pat Nixon comes into her own <sup>with</sup> the White House

0/2 announcing today - that Mrs. Nixon will make her first

~~solo~~ solo outing as First Lady next week. <sup>Her</sup> ~~plans~~ <sup>is</sup> to

spend four days on the West Coast - ~~concentrating~~

concentrating mainly on the Portland and ~~the~~ Los Angeles

areas. There to visit "some outstanding examples -

of local programs solving local problems through

voluntary action.

Though it didn't exactly say so - today's

announcement also suggested that Mrs. Nixon will soon

be making more such trips, to spur additional "volunteer

action" <sup>right</sup> ~~right~~ across the country. The ~~the~~ White House

observing - "local problems are rarely unique." Adding

that "Mrs. Nixon believes successful efforts in  
one community - can be duplicated in other parts of the  
country. Well —

Why don't we all get busy, Warren,  
and beautify America?

CANTERBURY

From Canterbury, England, last week -  
remember ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> story of a newspaper ad placed by one  
Ken Shaw; ~~offering~~ offering either his sports car or his  
wife for sale - since the two were incompatible.

Now - a post script. Salesman Shaw reporting  
- not a single inquiry about the car. On the other hand -  
apparently three bona fide offers for his wife -- said he.  
Except that his asking price of sixty thousand bucks  
- eventually proved to<sup>o</sup> much; even for a beautiful  
blonde with a thirty-six, twenty four, thirty six figure.

<sup>Says</sup>  
~~As~~ Shaw, ~~recalls it~~ - one of the would-be buyers ~~summing~~  
~~it up for all three.~~ <sup>said</sup> Observing that Mrs. Shaw - at age  
twenty five - was "just too old to be worth that amount of  
money." ~~However~~ must have been someone  
who wants a child bride. Well?

~~Warren, would you say that suggests a~~

S-L-U-T-M

~~"bear market" in used autos?~~