

FAIRBANKS

Tues. Aug. 15 - 67,

Floodwaters of the rain-swollen Chena River - are swirling tonight up to five feet deep through the streets of downtown Fairbanks, Alaska. In addition, nearly every home in this city of thirty thousand <sup>is</sup> said to have been damaged in some way by the storm. ~~And~~ Direct contact with the outside world - <sup>at this moment</sup> ~~now~~ strictly by helicopter and/ or battery-powered radio.

Alaska Governor <sup>Wally</sup> Hickel - flying to the stricken community. At the same time, asking President Johnson to declare Fairbanks and nearby Nenana - Federal

<sup>Meanwhile,</sup> disaster areas. <sup>A</sup> Fairbanks Mayor H.A. "Red" Boucher <sup>says</sup> ~~calling~~ the flood <sup>is</sup> the city's worst, in memory. Damage running "well into the millions" - said he; and only a miracle - that no one has yet been hurt.

The Alaska Centennial centers there at Fairbanks and I am wondering how it is affected by this Chena River flood? I'll be going up there soon to visit the fair.

## RED CHINA

*Crisis in Red China - reportedly marked today by pitched tank and artillery battles. These supposedly in the country's most-heavily populated area - Szechuan Province, <sup>This</sup> according to late word from Peking - by way of the Soviet news agency Tass.*

*Szechuan Province - in Southwestern China - long considered an anti-Mao stronghold. Now - says Tass - <sup>it's</sup> the site of "real battles" between the opposing forces. Tass also telling of "bloody clashes - from Kirin and Harbin in the Northeast - <sup>all the way</sup> to Canton and Nanning in the South."*

*Coupled with this - a second report today from Hong Kong, ~~Asserting~~ that Mao forces have finally begun arming civilians - in a bid to put down spreading revolt in Kiangsi Province.*

*If true - the first time in China's current "cultural revolution" <sup>--</sup> that civilians have been issued arms to support*

the government. A possible indication that China's vast  
Liberation Army - is either unwilling or unable further  
to control the situation.

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LANSING

Here at home - Governor Romney of Michigan - was the latest to take issue with U.S. policy in Vietnam.

Asserting today at Lansing - that American involment in that part of the world is a tragic mistake. One - said he - that has put all of Southeast Asia at stake.

The Republican Presidential hopeful also voicing harsh criticism - of U.S. air strikes deep into North Vietnam. Calling it "unrealistic" - to believe such bombing will bring about peace negotiations.

As for the so-called "domino" theory - to the effect that if one Asian nation falls others must fall - Romney ~~said~~ saying it fails to justify increased U S intervention.

Adding that America's continued military build-up in Vietnam - may, in fact, have created the situation we now fear most.



WASHINGTON FOLLOW LANSING

By <sup>way of</sup> contrast - a call today for more bombing  
in Vietnam <sup>came</sup> from Senator Stennis of Mississippi --  
Chairman of the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee.  
Stennis basing his argument on heretofore secret testimony  
-- from Admiral Ulysses S. Grant Sharp, top American  
commander in the Pacific.

Admiral Sharp quoted as saying "it would make  
absolutely no military, political or moral sense whatsoever  
-- indeed, it would be ~~so~~ tragic---for us to dispatch  
additional ground troops to South Vietnam, and - at the  
same time - to halt or substantially curtail the air war,  
~~and~~ thus give <sup>us</sup> Hanoi unrestricted freedom--to counter"  
the U S build-up.

Rather-said the Admiral - "we should increase  
our pressures - now - when the enemy is hurting; so that  
the military and economic consequences of the war - will  
become ~~so~~ painfully apparent to Hanoi."



**ADD WASHINGTON FOLLOW LANSING**

**A later report: Senate Minority Leader Dirksen-- today fully endorsing expanded bombing of North Vietnam. Said he: "We seem to be crashing away--and getting closer to pay dirt."**



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## CAPITOL HILL FOLLOW WASHINGTON

Elsewhere on Capitol Hill - a shouting match before the House Ways and Means Committee; as hearings continued today on that Administration request for a ten per cent tax increase.

Congressman Curtis of Missouri - the man who touched it off - Accusing President Johnson - of failure to take the lead in cutting Federal spending. Contending, what's more, that the President once went around turning off lights in the White House - as a symbol of frugality; where now - said he - the symbol is flying trips to the L B J Ranch.

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Massachusetts summing up the prevailing attitude - when he said: "I doubt if any member of this committee - at this time will support it."

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## GLACIER

That great bear hunt in Glacier National Park, Montana - has apparently achieved its purpose. Park rangers killing two more giant grizzlies <sup>today</sup> overnight -- near where two girls were mauled to death over the weekend. Closer inspection showing matted blood on the bears' heads - also fragments of what appeared to be human flesh. Park Superintendent Keith Nielson saying: "A preliminary investigation indicates - we probably have the culprits."

That makes a total of four bears - felled by the rangers' high-powered rifles. The four known to have been in the area - where the two accidents occurred. However, the vicinity remains off-limits to <sup>overnight campers</sup> ~~tourists~~ -- pending confirmation that the killer bears have all been destroyed.

ATLANTA

~~Meanwhile,~~ In Atlanta - Dr. Martin Luther King today delivered his most militant speech to date - on America's big city racial troubles. Blaming recent riots on, quote, "the policymakers of white society." Those - said he - who left the negro with no recourse but to say to himself: "Inequality will now be resisted - to the death."

Even so - Dr. King decried the violence. Adding there are very few Negroes - who advocate "armed insurrection."

Instead, he called on urban Negroes - to adopt a massive program of "civil disobedience;" "to develop mass disciplined forces - that can remain excited and determined without dramatic conflagrations." The new strategy calling for simultaneous school boycotts - mass sit-ins at factories - and a "camp-in" by unemployed youth at Washington.

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it" - that can be far "more effective than a riot" - said

Dr. King.

ten year old Mark Reymaker - of Green Bay, Wisconsin; who disappeared last Wednesday -- while hunting with friends in Southern Maricopa in a remote corner of Toxonaia.

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## TANZANIA

*In the wilds of East Africa -- a giant search goes on today for a missing American Peace Corpsman. Twenty-two year old Mark Raymaker - of Green Bay, Wisconsin; who disappeared last Wednesday -- while hunting with friends in Southern Masailand in a remote corner of Tanzania.*

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## SEVENOAKS

*The end of one era - and perhaps the beginning of another today at Sevenoaks, England. With the passing of the eighty-six year old Earl of Stanhope - at his fabled country estate called Chevening Manor.*

*In a recent codicil to his will - the Earl providing that Chevening Manor shall be made available exclusively to the Prince of Wales, In hopes that the Prince - might one day live there. Because - said the Earl - "it is really such a happy family house."*

*This the result of one of his rare trips to London - when the Earl found Buckingham Palace surrounded by skyscraper hotels and office buildings. He complained at the time: "The Queen has Windsor, Sandringham and Balmoral - but the children have nowhere of their own."*

*~~Now that problem at least partially solved~~*



ANADARKO

*From Anadarko, Oklahoma - a story today that boggles the imagination. The annual American Indian Exposition honoring Roy Rogers -- famed "King of the Cowboys" -- as America's "outstanding Indian of Nineteen Sixty-Seven."*

*Turns out Roy Rogers is descended, in part -- from the Choctaw tribe. For all his cowboy heroics on the silver screen - really an Indian brave at heart.*

*- Allan -*

*And next thing you know - they'll be telling us John Wayne is really an Apache.*