

Wed. Nov. 1st. '69.

VIETNAM

~~Unquestioned~~ ^{The} "man-of-the-hour" tonight, in Vietnam -- newly-inaugurated President Nguyen Van Thieu, who today defied Communist threats ~~by~~ riding through the streets of Saigon in an open car, at the head of a noisy parade -- ~~a parade~~ commemorating his country's National Day.

Later ~~on~~ ~~Thieu~~ planting three burning incense sticks ~~in front of an~~ ^{at the} alter at the National Buddhist Pagoda; ~~headquarters~~ of the moderate Buddhist sect ^{that} he has recognized as South Vietnam's official church. This in spite of militant Buddhists -- who said the gesture by Thieu would be "a final act of betrayal." But again -- threatened violence failing to materialize.

Meanwhile, on the fighting front -- American officials reported an eighth straight day of massive U.S. air strikes against Hanoi and Haiphong -- in the Communist North. Further claiming a series of victories this inaugural week -- that

have cost the enemy some seventeen hundred men.

As for visiting Vice President Hubert Humphrey -- he passed up the National Day parade today, in favor of a flying visit -- to battlegrounds close to North Vietnam. Before leaving -- the Vice President telling American fighting men: "We're one thousand per cent with you." And he added hopefully: "I think we are winning this struggle."

KUALA LUMPUR

The violence of ^{Vietnam} ~~Saigon~~ behind him -- ~~Vice President~~

late ^{the rather handsome capital of} Hubert Humphrey headed today for Kuala Lumpur in neighboring

Malaysia: ^{He did this in spite of} ~~amid~~ reports that he might find still more

violence awaiting him -- in the form of large-scale

Communist demonstrations.

Indeed, Kuala Lumpur police ^{did use} ~~using~~ tear gas and clubs

-- to smash violent anti-American riots, only a matter of

hours ^{before} the Vice President got there. Police later

putting into effect security precautions -- even tighter

than those for President Johnson, when he visited Kuala

Lumpur ~~just~~ last year.

Luckily though -- they were not needed. ^{There were no} ~~The threatened~~

~~DEMONSTRATIONS -- NO RIOTS -- NO PROTESTORS.~~
~~demonstrations and renewed rioting -- failing to materialize.~~

^{between rows of fan-shaped traveller palms} Hubert Humphrey driving to the residence of Prime Minister

Tengku Abdul Rahman, with no disturbance whatever.

The Vice President ^{is} expected to stay in Malaysia for

two more days. Next stop: ^{The Indonesian fabulous, exotic} ~~The~~ Island of Bali -- Indonesia's
legendary "Island of the Gods," ^{and - of lovely women,}

IOWA CITY

On the campus front here at home -- a striking turn of events today, marking the first appearance of Marine Corps recruiters this year -- at the University of Iowa.

As might be expected from recent happenings on other campuses -- the Marines were quickly the target of about ^{Two} hundred anti-war protestors, who formed a sea of human flesh -- trying to block others from approaching the recruiters.

Did it work? For once -- no. A group of counter-protesters charging over the mound of demonstrators -- literally walking all over them. One of the counter-protestors -- sophomore Mike Murphy from Reinbeck, Iowa; bearing a petition signed by some twenty-five hundred Iowa students -- supporting U.S. fighting men in Vietnam.

Another who ^{made} ~~was~~ it -- former football tackle John Eventon; who hit 'em again even harder on the way out -- carrying a fistful of Marine Corps recruiting literature.

JERUSALEM

For the first time since that brief June war -- a major Israeli effort today to break up the ranks of Arab solidarity, with Premier Levi Eshkol announcing in Jerusalem -- he is willing now to meet with Jordan's King Hussein; either in the Holy City or in the Jordanian capital of Amman -- if it will bring peace in the Middle East.

Eshkol's statement apparently based on earlier reports -- that Hussein has moderated of late his long-standing "hard line" on the Arab-Israeli impasse. The Premier adding though -- that he is also willing to negotiate with any of the other Arab belligerents; ~~with~~^g either "jointly -- or separately."

LONDON FOLLOW JERUSALEM


First reaction -- a brusque "no comment" from London; where Hussein was meeting with British officials -- on a brief stopover en route to the United States. Cairo -- quick to follow. Calling the Eshkol statement -- a "mixture of religious fanaticism and military arrogance" that is "really frightening."

At the same time-- back in Amman -- Crown Prince Hassan was laying plans for rebuilding Jordan's shattered army. Hassan vowing -- as he put it -- "to remove the consequences of Israeli aggression against the wounded West Bank of the Jordan River -- including immortal Arab Jerusalem."

SENATE

Turning to domestic affairs -- the start of still another hearing today on Capitol Hill; aimed at determining cause and effect -- of those big city riots last summer. This one under the auspices of the Senate Investigations Subcommittee -- headed by Senator McClellan of Arkansas; who himself led off today's hearing -- with a ringing indictment of racial violence.

Said Senator McClellan: "It is apparent that a new philosophy has flourished in recent years -- having as a central theme the theory that we are no longer a nation of laws." Unless checked -- he went on -- this philosophy "will sweep us swiftly down the road to chaos and ^ganarchy;" posing a "tangible threat" not only to the preservation of law and order -- but also a threat to "our national security."



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In support of his statement -- the Senator citing ^{to} first riot statistics ever compiled on a national basis. These showing that major race riots since Nineteen-Sixty-Five -- have left at least a hundred and thirty dead -- another thirty-six hundred wounded; while causing property damage -- estimated at Two Hundred and Ten Million.

CBS MEMORANDUM

[Handwritten scribbles]

FROM: Bob Juhren
TO: Mr. Thomas
DATE: October 30, 1967

Would you please ask Mr. Thomas to include the attached at the end of his broadcast on Wednesday, November 1st. Thank you.

MR. THOMAS:

By the way

~~Now, before saying "so long"~~ I want to add my best wishes to CBS RADIO affiliate W K A T, the talk of Miami. ^{*known as*} ~~celebrating its 30th anniversary on the air.~~ ^{*"WKAT today"*} ~~today.~~

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FLORENCE

A fashion note next -- from the Pitti Palace in Florence, Italy: where ⁹ top Italian fashion designers -- are currently displaying their new spring collections.

Today's presentation including the usual way-out fashions -- such as short, short skirts --space age plastic dresses -- plus belts, buckles, loops and chains that could have been inspired by ~~a~~ your local hardware store.

However, the biggest applause -- for Milan's House of Cadette; harking back to the good old days -- via form-fitted Navy-type suits reminiscent of ~~the~~ thirties; with hemlines well below the knee -- and subtle nautical lines -- it says here -- "to accentuate the figure."

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WASHINGTON

Small though their nation may be -- the King and Queen of Nepal received ~~a giant-sized~~ ^{a major} welcome today in Washington:

King ~~Ma~~ Mahendra and Queen Ratna -- greeted with regal pomp and ceremony on the White House lawn. Later riding with

President Johnson -- in a special parade along Pennsylvania

Avenue. ~~Getting a great~~ ^{This the} start ~~of~~ their state visit -- marking

the twentieth anniversary of diplomatic relations between

the United States and Nepal ^{when our eminent diplomat Loy Henderson was our first ambassador at} ~~ndu~~, ^{today} Along the way ^{at} President Johnson telling the royal

couple: "It is hard for a nation to be torn from the cocoon

of the past -- and be thrown almost overnight into a modern

world." But under King Mahendra ~~said he~~ ^{he remarked that} Nepal is

successfully making the ~~transition~~ ^{transition.}

In a few days King Mahendra will fly to Alaska to see what difference there is between hunting our giant Kodiak bear and hunting tiger and the rare white rhino in the Nepal Terai. He will find the difference rather startling -- and of course no elephants to ride upon.

PAGO PAGO

Here's one -- all about trouble in paradise. The story today -- from fabled Pago Pago in the romantic South Seas. Telling of a love triangle involving: One -- a pretty Polynesian girl -- called Saoao Gaoteote; two -- her fisherman boy friend from Korea -- fellow by the name of Hyon Kim; and three -- the government of American Samoa -- which is trying mightily to keep them apart.

The reason: A centuries-old tradition in that part of the world -- one of "Samoa for Samoans;" a custom that has kept practically all property -- in the ~~hands~~^{hands} of Polynesians till now. ~~Indeed~~^{In fact}, Samoan tribal chiefs specifically forbidding marriage -- between Samoans and Japanese, Chinese or Koreans. A ruling cited by American Samoan Governor Owen Aspinall ~~is~~ when he recently refused the couple's request to marry.

Ah, but Saoao and Hyon ^{are} refusing to give up, ^{and} appealing directly to Samoa's High Court, ^{also} -- ~~and~~ promising, if that

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fails, to carry their case all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, ^{this} under the terms ~~of~~ of a newly-enacted ^{U.S.} civil rights law.

All of which raises the interesting legal question -- of who reigns supreme in American Samoa; the Samoan High Court -- or the U.S. Supreme Court. This -- believe it or not -- a question that never came up before -- such is life

in paradise. Wonder what will happen to Saooa Saoteate and her Hyon Kim? As we say s-l-u-t-mar.