

Massacre. Another massacre -- reported today from the Congo. At least ten white hostages killed at the city of Buta, North of Stanleyville. So announced by the government, at Leopoldville.

From white mercenaries at the scene come unconfirmed reports that as many as Forty hostages -- may have been brutally slain by the rebels; their bodies -- thrown into the River Ruby. Sixty other white hostages are said to have been carried off by rebels as they fled before the government troops.

## PRESIDENT

President Johnson was the principle speaker today at his daughter Luci's high school commencement exercises where he took the opportunity to put a Presidential Seal of Approval on the recent -- campus debates over U.S. Foreign Policy.

Said the President: "I am proud and thankful that young americans are concerned for their country, committed to an understanding of its problems, and determined to be a part of the answers we seek and need." Adding, however, that "national debate" does not mean "national division". Our nation said he is now and will remain committed to the defense of freedom throughout the world.

## DOMINICAN FOLLOW PRESIDENT

At a news conference today the President announced the withdrawal of another two thousand marines from the Dominican Republic. Meanwhile the organization of American States is considering how to establish a Three Nation Mediation Team; to negotiate a permanent, a real peace in the Caribbean.

VIET NAM

IN VIET NAM 4 AMERICAN JETS TODAY STRUCK  
TO WITHIN FORTY\_FIVE MILES OF HANOI, 4 FOR THE THIRD  
STRAIGHT DAY. ~~TARGET~~ AGAIN at THAT BIG COMUNIST *Hoaian*  
AMMUNITION DEPOT, - ~~AT HOAIAN~~ <sup>While</sup> ON THE GROUND -  
SOUTH VIETNAMESE MARINES <sup>were ing</sup> ~~PRESSED~~ A COUNTER\_OFFENSIVE -  
IN THE QUANG NGAI AREA, TRYING TO REGAIN GROUND LOST  
OVER THE WEEKEND 4 IN THE WORST GOVERNMENT DEFEAT  
OF THE WAR. <sup>HP</sup> BACK IN SAIGON 4 ANOTHER POLITICAL CRISIS.  
FORCING AMBASSADOR MAXWELL TAYLOR <sup>once more</sup> TO POSTPONE  
~~INDEFINITELY~~ - HIS PLANNED DEPARTURE FOR WASHINGTON.

## MINE

The death toll in that Japanese coal mine disaster -- now set at more than Two Hundred and Thirty. With a Hundred and Twenty Six bodies so far recovered. The rest -- buried under the debris. The disaster at Fukuoka, Japan, third worst in Japanese history.

## CYCLONE

A Hundred-mile-an-hour cyclone -- whipped off the Bay of Bengal today. Battering the Chittagong coastline of East Pakistan, the same area where some Ten Thousand Pakistanis were wiped out in a similar cyclone and resulting tidal waves two weeks ago.

The Death toll this time not yet known. Fortunately, however, there had been a warning; and some three hundred thousand island and coastal residents had fled to higher ground just in the nick of time.

## TYPHOON FOLLOW CYCLONE

Meantime, a tropical typhoon -- whipped across the Pacific today. This storm called "Babe" by the weather bureau. With winds up to ~~more~~ than eighty miles an hour -- and picking up speed. The storm expected to sideswipe the Phillipines, then, smash directly into formosa. A rough Babe.

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## ASTRONAUTS FOLLOW TYPHOON

This related item from Cape Kennedy. Astronauts Jim McDivitt and Ed White scheduled to get a bird's eye view of typhoon BABE, as well as the monsoon in India, and a number of heavy tropical storms. During their four-day orbital flight, set to begin on Thursday, the Gemini-Four are expected to pass directly over the China Sea.

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## EARTH

Samples of earth some Seventy million years old have been recovered from a Thousand Feet beneath the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. That announcement today from Four Oceanographic institutions -- cooperating in the Nation's deep earth sampling program.

Off the coast of northern Florida where the Atlantic is more than half a mile deep. These samples are said to contain valuable fossils of ancient animal and vegetable matter that may help further explain the evolution of life on earth. This being the deepest man has ever penetrated the earth for scientific purposes. Proving -- say the scientists -- that further successful drilling can be accomplished at an ocean depth ~~can~~ up to a mile or more.

## STEEL

For the United Steel Workers Union -- a million strong -- the end of an era today. With I.W. Abel succeeding David McDonald -- as president of the Nation's most potent labor force.

Abel the Direct ~~is~~ opposite of McDonald. For the first time since 1952 -- union officials are forbidden from associating with company men. They must stay away ~~in~~ from the plush private clubs -- or Pittsburgh; night clubbing in New York -- winters in Palm Springs -- event<sup>I</sup>tuxedos -- are all out.

## MOTORS

IN NEW YORK \_ JAMES M. ROCHE TODAY WAS

NAMED PRESIDENT \_ OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST INDUSTRIAL  
EMPIRE. -

~~EMPIRE~~ THE GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION. HE

SUCCEEDS JOHN F. GORDON \_ WHO REACHED THE ~~MANDATORY~~ <sup>G. M.</sup>

RETIREMENT AGE OF ~~SIX~~ SIXTY FIVE ~~JUST~~ LAST MONTH.

THE NEW PRESIDENT \_ A VETERAN OF THIRTY SEVEN YEARS

AT G. M. WITH A ~~BROAD~~ BROAD RANGE OF

EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE \_ BOTH AT ~~HOME AND ABROAD~~

HOME AND ABROAD.

Today also the birthday of one  
of the remarkable men of our day,  
Chas. Stewart Matt, largest Gen.  
Motors stockholder, and no. 1  
citizen of Flint, Mich., who has  
given much of his fortune to Flint.  
C. S. Matt 90 yrs. old today, <sup>but</sup> and still  
going strong.

SUBJECT: TRAIN

THE NEXT DATELINE - SAINT QENTIN. NOT THE ONE IN CALIFORNIA -  
BUT THE ONE IN FRANCE. IN ANY CASE - IT'S APPROPRIATE TO THE STORY.

OUR HERO - A FRENCH GENTLEMAN NAMED LEON PREUX. WHO WAS ON HIS  
WAY HOME EARLY TODAY - WHEN A COUPLE OF BANDITS ROBBED HIM, ~~THEN~~  
BOUND HIM HAND AND FOOT - AND LEFT HIM LAYING ACROSS THE TRACKS  
OF A NEARBY RAILROAD.

TO OUR FRENCH HERO - IT WAS THE " PERILS OF PAULINE" ALL OVER  
AGAIN. HE COULD ALMOST HEAR THE TRAIN - ROARING DOWN THE RAILS, *and*  
~~HE~~ HIS FRIGHTENED CRIES ~~QUICKLY~~ BROUGHT A GOOD SAMARITAN TO  
THE RESCUE.

"THANKS" - SAID LUCKY PREUX - "YOU SAVED MY LIFE." *Oh* ~~"NOT REALLY"~~

*laughingly*  
REPLIED THE SECOND FRENCHMAN, ~~"YOU SEE" - HE SAID~~ " THESE TRACKS  
HAVEN'T BEEN USED FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS."