

PEACE

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The pursuit of peace - driving force in a series of fast-break²⁴ developments today - around the world.

In Washington - President Johnson agreeing to attend a major conference on our Asian allies - in Manila next month. Purpose - to "review prospects - for an honorable peace in southeast Asia."

Meanwhile, in Rome - Pope Paul dispatching a personal envoy to Viet Nam. Archbishop Sergio Pignedoli - assigned the job of mobilizing the Catholic hierarchy of Viet Nam - in full support of the Pope's crusade of prayer for peace - planned for next month.

Perhaps the ~~is~~ best news of all - from Peking. Red China's foreign minister Chen Yi, quoted as frankly admitting - that China does not have the military power to ~~ata~~ attack the United ~~Nutix~~ States. Chen Yi^{also} adding his own personal conviction - that the U S really and truly does not want war - with Red China.

VIET NAM

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For all the talk of peace - everything but peace
in Viet Nam. Missile-firing U S Navy jets - today
blasting a North Vietnamese patrol boat from the South
China Sea. While big ~~American~~ B-fifty-two's were hammering
away - at the southern fringes of that supposedly
demilitarized zone, ~~are~~ attempting to head-off -- an
exepcted major ~~or~~ ^{Viet Cong} ~~Communist~~ monsoon offensive.

~~Mean~~ ^{While} ~~there~~ in Saigon - South Vietnamese officials
are reported pressing members of the International
Control Commission - charged with policing the No man's
Land, in hopes of getting a full-scale investigation -
of the alleged ~~Communist~~ ^{Viet Cong} build-up there.

Indian and Canadian delegates to the Commission
- said to be willing. But the delegate from Communist
Poland - refusing to give in.

ERHARD

Back in Washington - a later appraisal of the peace effort - from visiting West German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard. To the effect that the West must reach a "common evaluation" of Communist goals -- "if we are ever to achieve a ~~last~~ lasting peace."

It is a crucial error - said Erhard - to think ~~that~~ that the choice lies between knuckling under - or fighting Communism. "In reality -- he went on "the alternative lies in tenacious negotiations - which balance reciprocal interests against each other."

President Johnson and Chancellor Erhard - thereupon flyin g to Florida; for a tour of the U S spaceport - at Cape Kennedy.

UNITED NATIONS

Twenty-one months after quitting the United Nations - Indonesia ^{with its population of over a hun-Mil people, to} ~~will~~ resume full participation in the world body -- starting ~~km~~ tomorrow. The timing - announced today ~~by x~~ by a U N official, ~~who~~ who said that ~~g~~ General Assembly President Abdul Rahman Pazhwak of Afghanistan - will officially welcome back the Indonesian delegation - at the start of the morning session.

Earlier - Albania and Cambodia had threatened stiff opposition - to Indonesia's planned return. But in view of today's ~~go~~ announcement - their objections apparently withdrawn -- or over-ruled.

MONEY

The United States was accused today - of breaking the rules of the world monetary game, by basing its economic ~~policy~~ policies on the American dollar - instead of ^{on} gold.

This according to French Finance Minister Michael Debre - in a speech to a Washington meeting of the International Monetary Fund and world bank.

DeBre promising continued French cooperation - on international money problems. Asserting, however, that France has no intention - of supporting "paper gold" as he put it.

"Paper gold" - by French definition - ~~no~~ American dollars or another other form of national currency; ~~support~~ support of which - said DeBre - can only lead to "worldwide inflation!"

GADELOUPE

The island of Guadeloupe in the West Indies - world-famous for rum and perfume - first victim today of Hurricane Inez. The newborn storm smashing into the tiny French possession - packing winds up to a hundred and twenty miles an hour. Thousands of coastal residents - taking refuge in the hills, ^{as they recalled} ~~with that~~ killer storm Cleo - one that claimed the lives of fourteen islanders just two years ago.

The nearby islands of Montserrat and Antigua - next in line for a beating from Mighty Inez. As the hurricane heads westward - at about twelve miles an ~~hour~~ hour - on its present course - ^{its} a potential threat to Puerto Rico - and the Virgin Islands, as well.

DETROIT

In Detroit - Chrysler joined Ford today - in rolling back announced price increases on new Nineteen Sixty-Seven cars. A move enabling them to remain competitive - with the giant of the industry - General Motors.

In at least two lines - Ford and Chrysler paring their figures - below the G M level. Even so - Chrysler prices will average about sixty-eight dollars - over last year; Ford prices - about sixty-six; ~~not far~~. As compared with an average increase of only fifty-six dollars - at General Motors.

For both Chrysler and Ford - some of the ~~xxx~~ reduction ^{is} achieved by switching certain items, from standard equipment -- to optional ~~equipment~~. The rest, however, a clear-cut rollback - in base prices.

American Motors - which will soon announced its own new prices - ^{is} expected to fall right in line.

GHANA

The new government of Ghana today accused Cuba - of interfering in Ghana's internal ~~aff~~ affairs. As a result ordering immediate closing - of the Cuban Embassy at Accra.

Ghana declaring that since the ouster of Kwame Nkrumah -- the new regime had done everything possible - to maintain friendly relations with Cuba. Adding, however, that "this gesture of friendship - has not been reciprocated by Cuba."

Unofficially - Ghanaian sources noting that the last Cuban Ambassador - had been a close friend of the ousted Nkrumah.

Another computer is reported today - in the rarefied air of executive recruiting. Two high-priced New York employment agencies - announcing the installation of automatic electronic equipment, to be used in matching job-seeking executives - with available positions most suited to their abilities.

Outstanding characteristic of both plans - is that they greatly reduce the fees for finding a job. Eliminating in the twinkling of an electronic eye - the old-time consuming method of matching job seekers with employers; often - mainly through memory.

One of the firms - even offering to supply the job information to interested applicants - on a continuing basis; at a fee - of fifty dollars a year.

They call it "job insurance; against the perils of mergers, acquisitions, sudden technological changes - and other career hazards."

LONG ISLAND

A somewhat related item - from Hofstra University on Long Island. Site of an experimental program for ~~re~~ retraining the mature, college-trained woman - who wants to return to the labor market.

Hofstra reporting a flood of applicants - for its so-called "career horizons" program. ~~With~~ With demand for services of ~~the~~ women, & after retrained, & fully as big or bigger than the supply. Tremendous opportunities for women - they say; in government - in professions related to medicine, such as occupational and physical therapy - in service fields - ~~in~~ teaching, in recreation, you name it.

As for the women themselves - why do they want to return to work? Some - to ~~support~~ supplement family income. Others - seeking "fulfillment" in the business world - now that their children are all grown up. Still others - because they know that some day they may have to work.

"Let's face it" - says a university official,
"they realize the statistics ^{— and} _λ they're preparing for
widowhood."

A sobering thought; indeed.

VIENNA

On the brighter side - a bittersweet story of love and romance - that comes today from Vienna. A woman by the name of Anna Poechlinger Gruber - remarrying her first husband - Otto Poechlinger; with full approval of her second husband - Johann Gruber. And though there was never a divorce - it was all perfectly legal.

The whole affair - one of those amazing quirks of fate. Otto fighting for Austria on the eastern front - when he was captured by the Russians in Nineteen Forty-Five. Anna's letters to her husband later returned - marked "deceased". And after years of mourning - she finally married Johann - an old friend of the family.

The marriage a happy one - until Otto suddenly returned home last week; at age sixty -- free at last after twenty-one years of captivity. With Johann's blessing - Anna quickly returning to the arms of her true love.

Johann one of the first - to toast the newlyweds.

Later - tears in his eyes - he explained why. "I
understand Anna" - said he - "and she really belongs to
Otto."

NEW DELHI

The government of India - a hair's breadth from bankruptcy, which may have provided the inspiration for a novel idea -- announced today in New Delhi.

The Indian government planning to collect and sell human hair - from some five thousand temples in South Hindustan. Hair left by Pilgrims - who shave their heads in compliance with religious ~~vows~~ vows.

Government officials saying they already have firm commitments - for the export of about thirty tons of ^{human} hair; worth -- about two million ^{dollars.} With planned construction of a State-run wig factory - expected to swell the "take" in years ahead.

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Would you say - an attempt to correct ~~the hair situation?~~
a hairy situation? I guess we'd better not.