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Two new outbreaks of fresh violence -- reported today from Red China. The first -- at I-Ting in Szechuan Province; a battle between pro and anti-Mao supporters -- leaving at least ten dead and some four hundred injured. The second at Kiangsu on the Yangtze River -- one-time seat of the Nationalist government. Chinese radio reporting "violent fighting" at Kiangsu -- but no details as yet.

Another demonstration of mounting chaos -- in the Red capital itself -- Peking. Japanese correspondents reporting today -- that militant Red Guards stormed the Chinese Foreign Ministry over the weekend, holding the building for six hours -- while they ransacked state files; apparently <sup>(searching for</sup> ~~searching for~~ evidence -- to use against Foreign Minister Chen Yi.

In the end -- Chinese Army troops finally routing the occupation forces. With Chen Yi back on the job today -- the Red Guards notwithstanding.

## HONG KONG FOLLOW RED CHINA

At nearby Hong Kong -- dozens of minor incidents and a few brief scuffles today. Yet a return to comparative quiet -- after five straight days of bloody rioting.

The one major disturbance -- an attempt by leftist Chinese to break up a court hearing for twenty persons arrested in violence last week -- at Hong Kong <sup>9</sup> -- across the bay at Kowloon.

Spectators and defendants alike -- chanting <sup>the</sup> ~~and~~ praises of Red China and Chairman Mao Tse-Tung. Forcing the judge -- to call a temporary adjournment. However, the hearing resumed later with the courtroom cleared of spectators -- and there was no further trouble.

## VIETNAM

In Vietnam -- the clock was suddenly turned back a couple of years today. The enemy -- employing an old trick.

Attacking a Special Forces camp at Con Thien near the D.M.Z -- in order to set up an ambush against the expected relief column.

Unhappily -- ~~it~~ it worked again. With a tank-led company of Marines attempting to reach the camp -- when they were hit hard by a full battalion of Viet Cong: about five hundred enemy troops ~~men~~ -- firing a torrent of bullets and mortars from roadside trenches.

The Marines eventually forced to pull back -- leaving the camp totally surrounded. Ironically, the Leathernecks trapped inside the camp -- later reported ~~that~~ <sup>ed</sup> they were in no immediate danger.

## MIDDLE EAST

Crisis in the Middle East -- marked today by a new pledge from Iraq; to join with Egypt in support of Syria -- in the event of attack from Israel.

Meanwhile, a report today from General Tewfik -- commander of Egyptian forces serving in Yemen; telling of an Egyptian air raid last week -- on rocket bases in Saudi Arabia. If true -- the first time the Yemeni Civil War ~~has~~ actually spilled across the border into Saudi Arabia.

Another related item -- from Cairo. Where former King Saud today blasted ~~present~~ King Faisal of Saudi Arabia -- for his current state visit to London, to plead for continued British presence in Aden -- to prevent a Nasser takeover. Saud saying his brother's trip -- was "against Islam and Arab ethics."

PARIS

Fully rehearsed and timed to the minute -- President DeGaulle of France today held his regular semi-annual news conference in Paris. The emphasis once again -- on his dream of recreating "La Bealle France."

DeGaulle telling the French people -- that he must have the power to legislate by decree for six months, if France is "to continue the economic and social progress" -- of his first nine years in office.)

The only alternative -- said he -- a return to the French role of "beggar" in the world community of nations.

Turning briefly to foreign affairs -- DeGaulle pledging he would not veto Britain's current bid -- for entry into the European Common Market. He warned, however, that Britain's continued support of U.S. policy in Vietnam -- could pose special problems; and these conceivably could keep out the British -- said he.



## WASHINGTON FOLLOW PARIS

Back in Washington -- President Johnson and key aides moved swiftly today; to brief Congressional leaders on that Kennedy Round trade agreement -- just concluded in ~~Geneva~~ <sup>Geneva</sup>.

The President's presentation -- said to be noticeably low-keyed. LBJ emphasizing, moreover -- that many details remain to be worked out. His attitude apparently reflecting in part -- heated reaction from the U.S. chemical industry.

However, Secretary of State Dean Rusk and others -- fully endorsing the pact. Especially the part containing a commitment from other nations <sup>for them</sup> ~~to~~ to help provide food ~~for~~ <sup>for</sup> the hungry nations of the world.

As for American manufacturers most affected -- some solace later from Senator McGhee of Wyoming; who said the U.S. had gained enough concessions -- that they will have "plenty of wiggling room."

HOOVER

Cuban diplomats assigned to the United Nations -- accused today of secretly stock-piling U.S. surplus Army equipment. Buying up combat boots, cartridge belts, bayonets and knives -- wherever possible. According to House testimony -- from FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

J. Edgar saying "it is hard to visualize" -- why Fidel would want the U.S. equipment; in view of his ready access -- to Soviet-bloc military supplies. But one possibility -- said The FBI Chief:)  
~~That~~ Cuba "will use the material -- to equip pro-Castro guerilla groups in Latin America." Hoping the United States will get the blame for rebel activities -- if and when the material falls into <sup>local</sup> government hands.

## INDUS RIVER

A throwback to days of yestergear in this next -- from the Indus River Basin of West Pakistan. News today of a series of lightning police raids -- on nineteen slave labor camps. Authorities freeing, in all -- two-hundred-and-twenty-seven slave laborers.

The raids part of a drive by Pakistani President Ayub Khan -- to wipe out the practice of forced labor, ~~Apparently~~ widespread in construction of dams and canals -- in remote regions of Pakistan.

Of the slaves just freed -- most were natives ~~men~~ assigned to excavation projects. Some young -- some old -- but all of them forced to work as much as twenty hours a day; and bound with chains -- when they went to sleep at night.



NEW YORK

Here in New York -- a capitalistic jackpot today; for Madame Svetlana Stalina -- only surviving child of Josef Stalin.

The Book-of-the-Month Club paying a record Three Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand bucks -- for exclusive rights to Madame Stalina's memoirs. The new mark surpassing by far -- the old quarter-of-a-million record; <sup>that</sup> for William Manchester's -- "Death of a President."

## TRIB FOLLOW NEW YORK

Also in New York--a post-script today to that recent death of the New York World Journal Tribune; leaving the famous "Paris Trib"--a virtual orphan.

As of Monday--the Paris Trib merging with the International Edition of the New York Times. Combined paper to be known henceforth--as the International Herald-Tribune. With distribution in seventy-two countries--giving it the largest circulation of any American newspaper ever published abroad.

## ITHACA FOLLOW STEVENAGE

Here's to CBS Radio friends up at Ithaca, New York  
where Radio Station W-H-C-U is celebrating its forty-fifth  
anniversary on the air; in the spectacular Finger Lakes  
Region of New York -- Cornell and all that. Let's sing  
Far Above Cayuga's waters Warren.

## STEVENAGE

From Stevenage, England -- the story today of a battle royale at a local dance hall. With one Anthony Ford -- the cause of it all. Finally ending up before a magistrate -- charged with giving his ex-boss a black eye; also beating up a Good Samaritan -- who tried to separate the two; plus breaking the hand of a "copper" -- who finally subdued him. All of which cost him a fine -- of exactly a Hundred and Sixty Eight bucks, American.

Oh, I nearly forgot. Site of the fight -- at the annual Stevenage Policeman's Ball. And quite a <sup>(brawl -- or ball)</sup> ~~match~~ -- it must have been. — *a British donneybrook* —