

CHAOS WORSENS IN FRANCE

Shakeup in Battles Near Saigon May Severe Toll Help Talks

SAIGON (AP) — President Thieu Saturday announced ap- troops Saturday in continued pointment of a former school sharp fighting in South Viet- teacher Tran Van Huong, 64, as nam's northern sector as the South Vietnam's premier.

Thieu made the announcement in a nationwide radio and television address nine hours after he accepted the resignation of Premier Nguyen Van Loc at an emergency cabinet meeting.

The announcement may put a quick end to the threat of a long government crisis which could have undermined the position of the American delegation in the Paris peace talks.

Loc is a close associate of Ky, who is strongly opposed to the American effort to end the war by negotiation and compromise.

Loc said South Vietnam faces "grave danger" from the Paris talks.

For three days Ky's friends had passed the word that Huong, a former premier, was unacceptable to the vice-president.

Informants said Ky suspects Huong of a willingness to end the war by compromise.

Huong, a Buddhist from the Mekong delta, has twice served as mayor of Saigon.

During last fall's campaign when he ran for president, Huong repeatedly hinted that he might be willing to negotiate with the Viet Cong if this could assure "genuine peace and freedom."

There was no hint in Thieu's brief address of the backstage in-fighting of the last week between South Vietnam's politicians and generals.

Some diplomatic sources said Thieu and Huong may still run into difficulties when they try to put together a cabinet.

The sources said they are seeking to replace Loc's government of technicians with a cabinet covering a broad spectrum of political parties.

Thieu said Loc resigned because "the situation required it." He confirmed he had asked Loc to remain in office as caretaker premier until the new cabinet takes over.

GENEVA (AP) — Marcelino Candau of Brazil was re-elected for his fourth five-year-term as director general of the U.N. World Health Organization Friday.

It rained about mid-morning Saturday. Then it stopped. But it started raining again about noon.

In the meantime, thanks to a scheduling change for this year's twenty-second annual showing of the Eastern Iowa Band Festival, the festival parade went off, as scheduled, through the Cedar Rapids loop.

Hundreds of brilliantly uniformed high school instrumentalists, including representatives of 34 visiting bands, paraded for an hour and a half.

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SAIGON (AP) — Americans reported killing 107 enemy troops Saturday in continued sharp fighting in South Vietnam's northern sector as the allies braced for expected widespread enemy attacks on Ho Chi Minh's birthday Sunday.

The fighting in the north Friday, near Khe Sanh and south of Da Nang, left 28 Americans dead and 135 wounded, U.S. communiques said.

Fragmentary reports said 22 U.S. marines were killed and 81 wounded Friday in an assault on an enemy bunker complex 18 miles south of Da Nang.

The number of enemy dead had been estimated at more than 100, but leathernecks sweeping the battlefield have found only 28 enemy bodies from Friday's clash.

48 Marine Dead
Military spokesmen said 159 North Vietnamese and 48 U.S. marines have been killed in the last 48 hours of fighting in the area. Another 118 marines were wounded.

Fifteen miles west of Tam Ky, a U.S. infantry company reported killing 28 North Vietnamese. No American casualties were reported.

In the northwest corner of South Vietnam, U.S. marines reported killing 51 North Vietnamese in two fights near Khe Sanh. Six marines were killed and 24 wounded.

The South Vietnamese joint general staff said it had received information indicating a widespread enemy attack on cities and government installations Saturday night and Sunday, when North Vietnamese President Ho turns 78.

Highest Alert
It ordered government regional commanders to put their troops on highest alert.

Police sources said they expected terrorism in the cities, but latest intelligence reports did not indicate a massing of Viet Cong for a ground assault on Saigon.

In efforts to thwart a new push on the capital, allies continued intensified patrols and ambushes and reported killing at least 100 Viet Cong in a series of clashes Friday ranging from four to 24 miles from Saigon.

5 American Aircraft Lost

The U.S. command announced loss of two fighter-bombers, a light observation plane and two helicopters to enemy ground fire.

Three crewmen were killed, two were missing and four were wounded. One pilot was rescued uninjured.

In a delayed report, headquarters announced loss of an anti-aircraft fire about 45 miles above the demilitarized zone. The two-man crew was reported missing.

The other four aircraft were lost over South Vietnam Friday.



THE MAIL GOES THROUGH—A Charles City postal employe had to climb through a jungle of tree limbs and other debris to collect the mail yesterday. This was one of the minor results of the tornado which caused tremendous damage in the Floyd county town Wednesday evening.

Police Bring End to Sit-In At Columbia

NEW YORK (AP) — Several hundred police summoned in the pre-dawn darkness by Columbia university, Saturday ended a sit-in at a university-owned apartment house by demonstrators against Columbia's expansion in the community.

The confrontation, which marked the second time in 18 days that Columbia had called on police to rout trespassers, was over in less than a half-hour as the demonstrators surrendered without resisting.

There were 121 people arrested, including 44 women.

The sit-in was begun Friday by members of a group calling themselves the Community Action Committee, and then supported by about 1,000 Columbia students.

"Absolute End"
The community group issued a statement demanding "an absolute end to all institutional expansion within our community. We demand complete community control of community development and community affairs."

They occupied a shabby, red-brick, six-story tenement on 114th street. They charged the university with using harassing tactics to dispossess its tenants.

The university said the 70-year-old building was in poor repair when it was purchased, the tenants had been offered other quarters and no one had been evicted.

The school said the building, with several adjacent properties, was purchased so it could be razed and the site used for construction of a building for the school of social work.

"Same Group"
University Vice-president David Truman said: "This act of criminal trespass in unoccupied apartments... is an extension of the trespass committed on the Columbia campus

the streets to cart away the rubble.

The insurance information institute pegged Oelwein's insured damage at \$7.5 million. Mayor Mazzio, however, said that over-all damage will be \$14 million.

The Red Cross listed 60 houses destroyed, 210 with major damage, 640 with minor damage, 33 mobile homes destroyed and 20 damaged, 30 small business places damaged or destroyed. The Oelwein Chemical Co. facility was destroyed. The loss there was estimated at \$300,000.

About 1,000 Oelwein people were believed to be homeless.

Shaking off the awesome destruction that wrecked their communities only three days ago, they are pushing plans to rebuild.

"This is too solid a community to be permanently disrupted," said Floyd County Sheriff L. L. Lane, watching from his office window as volunteers picked up the rubble in this town of 10,000. "The town will pitch in, start repairing and replacing."

Oelwein Sealed Off To Sightseer Traffic

OELWEIN — Law enforcement officers and national guard troops slammed the door on sightseers and casual traffic in this tornado-ravaged town Saturday.

They sealed off all entrances to the city of 8,200 to facilitate the job of cleaning up the rubble created by Wednesday's twister which left two persons dead and property damage estimated at more than \$14 million.

Parking lots were established around the perimeter of Oelwein where volunteers coming to work could park their cars.

Volunteers will be bussed into the town, authorities said.

As in Charles City, 50 miles to the northwest, which was ripped by a twin of the Oelwein tornado, a tight dark-to-dawn curfew was in effect.

Oelwein Mayor Sam Mazzio emphasized that "we will enforce the curfew and we will not permit sightseers, either by car or on foot."

"Please do not come to Oelwein this weekend," Mazzio urged. "Sightseers will only be in the way."

City officials held a two-hour meeting Friday night to receive reports on cleanup efforts, and Mayor Mazzio said there had been "amazing progress" in restoring electric service.

Utility officials said gas had been restored to all inhabitable homes and surviving businesses and a number of gas line breaks had been repaired.

New telephone cables have been installed throughout the city and splicing crews were hard at work putting the phones back in service.

More than 75 dump trucks were running constantly through

Chrysler and GM Recalling 28,000 Cars

DETROIT (AP) — Chrysler Corp. and the Oldsmobile division of General Motors Corp. announced Friday they were recalling a total of more than 28,000 cars because of possible malfunctions.

Chrysler said police and taxicab operators were being notified to return 1967 model Dodge, Plymouth and Chrysler cars equipped with manual steering.

The problem, Chrysler said, is a possible misalignment of the energy-absorbing steering column. Chrysler said 13,963 vehicles were involved in this recall.

Oldsmobile said it was recalling 11,461 cars, 1968 model 88s and 98s, equipped with cruise control, which has a cable adjusting stud nut that may disengage if the driver presses the accelerator pedal to a level beyond the speed preselected for the cruise control system.

Disengaging the nut would hold the throttle in an open position, the firm said.

Chrysler also said it was recalling 814 vehicles equipped with M-300 and M-375 Dodge truck chassis built in 1968.

These have a steering column coupling joint clamp both which may have been damaged by being tightened too much, Chrysler said.

Ford said 3,400 of its LTD, XL and Country Squire models delivered on the East Coast were being recalled because springs may have been omitted from concealed headlight systems. Loss of the springs could mean covers may close while the car is in motion.

Already Reduced
LOS ANGELES (AP) — A smog expert says factory-installed automobile exhaust controls have already reduced air pollution in Los Angeles.

Tough Talk Swapped by Ave, Hanoi

PARIS (UPI) — Hanoi Saturday renewed its demand for an unconditional end of the bombing of North Vietnam as a prelude to peace talks.

But U.S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman said Hanoi must first establish some basis for credibility by admitting it has troops in the South.

The North Vietnamese chief representative, Xuan Thuy, accused the U.S. of being "obstinate and perfidious" in refusing to meet the demand which he has stated many times and which has been repeated almost daily by Hanoi radio.

Thuy's latest blast was delivered at the four-hour, nine-minute third session of preliminary talks. The two sides met from 10:30 a.m. to 2:39 p.m. and then agreed to meet again Wednesday. Saturday's session was the longest of the three held.

"Speedy Reply"
"In order that the official conversations may lead to results, the American side must give speedily a positive reply on this issue (of bombing)," Thuy said. "The American side should not evade it any longer."

Harriman replied with his demand for some proof of credibility.

In effect, he told Hanoi that, if it continued to deny presence of its forces in the South or evade answers on this, there would be little or no chance of stopping the bombing, scaling down the conflict or working out peace arrangements to permit withdrawal of American forces.

The U.S. has solid evidence that the North Vietnamese army now has more than 85,000 men in South Vietnam, Harriman said.

Units Listed
He said more than 72,000 of these are in wholly North Vietnamese units — which include nine divisions, 37 regiments and 99 infantry battalions, 43 combat support battalions and two sapper-reconnaissance (sabotage) battalions.

He said Thuy's reply to earlier U.S. questions about the presence of North Vietnamese forces in the South was evasive.

Harriman told Thuy that President Johnson has said the bombing would end "if your restraint is matched by restraint of the other side."

"What restraints will you take to contribute to peace in Vietnam?" Harriman asked.

Sharpest Yet
It was the sharpest attack he has yet leveled at the talks.

"I am particularly astounded that you should seek to evade acknowledgment of a simple and utterly verified fact," Harriman said.

"My raising the issue is not simply a question of the credibility of your statement on other matters — although it deeply affects this."

"It is a question of establishing some basis from which we can properly consider your demand for cessation of our bombing of North Vietnam and, at an appropriate later time, such questions as withdrawal or regroupment of forces other than those of South Vietnam from the territory of South Vietnam."

Trip Cut Short by De Gaulle

PARIS (AP) — The mushrooming student-labor revolt triggered a breakdown in transportation and many state services Saturday, and the strikes threatened to tie up most of the nation's commercial activities by Monday.

President de Gaulle was cutting short a state visit to Romania and flying to Paris Saturday night to be in close touch with the situation, French sources in Romania said. He was to have remained until Sunday.

Red flags flew from more than 40 factories occupied by strikers, workers, and hardly an hour went by without word of a new factory being occupied.

Premier George Pompidou called an urgent meeting with ministers of the interior, defense and transportation, along with top police officials.

Fund Shortage
The post office checking system stopped paying out money in Marseille because of a fund shortage and residents were reported withdrawing money from the state savings bank. Unusual activity in food stores indicated some housewives were laying in extra supplies.

Agitation seemed at a peak in southwestern France and around Paris. The northern and eastern sections were less affected.

Information Minister Georges Gorse, in a surprise television broadcast, said in referring to the strikes that "steps will be taken so citizens will suffer the least possible from this attempt at pressure on the government."

He said student agitation was leveling off in view of government decisions to make "profound, necessary and urgent" university reforms.

Censure Motion
"Henceforth," he said, "the attention of the government is fixed on this large strike movement which is developing and which has an effect on the economic life of the country and on the employment situation."

Gorse, who appeared short of sleep, did not give any details on what the government plans to do.

A motion to censure the government comes up in parliament next week and Rene Capitant, a leader of left-wing Gaullist deputies, announced he would vote for it.

Though professing admiration for De Gaulle, he blamed "a series of errors" by the government for the unrest.

Needs 244
The motion, submitted by the Federation of the Democratic and Socialist Left and the communists, would need 244 votes for adoption. The last census motion collected 236.

If many others follow Capitant's lead, Pompidou and his cabinet would be forced to resign. That could mean a new national election.

Child Playing with Dad's Pistol Killed
SAUGUS, Calif. (AP) — Dawn Schooley, 4, was fatally wounded playing with a pistol her father had to protect his family.

Sheriff's deputies said Gary Schooley, 32, kept the automatic at night on a divider between the living room and dinette.

The youngster apparently climbed up to get the gun, then tried to push a marble into the barrel and it discharged. Deputies said. Dawn died Friday after doctors fought 25 hours to save her.

Today's Chuckle
Being poor isn't a disgrace — but that's about all you can say for it.

Band Festival Paraders March Between Showers

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Amy, 2, Adopted via Video Tape

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Amy Garrett, 2, went to her adopted home in Buffalo, N. Y., Saturday with a family that fell in love with her when they saw her as the star of her own, private television show.

The show — a special video tape mailed from Wilmington to Buffalo last week — is an innovation in adoption proceedings.

After seeing and hearing the wide-eyed child on a television screen Tuesday, the wait until Friday when they saw her in person seemed interminable for the new parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garrett.

"It'll be like Christmas at our house," said Mrs. Garrett. Last Jan. 16, the Garretts applied at the Children's Aid Society of Erie county, N. Y., to adopt a daughter. They specified the age about 2 — and decided her name would be Amy.

She was to be a younger sister for their only child, Angela, 5.

The Buffalo agency didn't have the child they wanted so it submitted their request to the Adoption Research Exchange of North America, which has a listing of children in every state who are waiting for homes.

Miss Marjorie Connors, the Garretts' Buffalo case worker, was referred to the Wilmington Children's Aid Society, which seemed to have the very child the couple sought.

The tape, made at Brandywine high school in suburban Wilmington, was sent to Buffalo.

"After I saw her, I shouted, 'Boy, just what the doctor ordered,'" said Mrs. Garrett.

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