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KABUL, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1965, (JADDI 7, 1344, S.H.)

# **Bombing PauseContinues But** Vietnam Fighting Resumes

SAIGON, Dec. 28, (AP).-THE strange pause in the bombings against North Vietnam' continued Monday afternoon despite a vigorous resumption of air and ground activities against the Viet Cong in the South following the end of the Christmas truce.

3:30 p.m. (0/30 GM1) mat no orders nau yet come for resumpuon or raids on the north, a routine part of the Vietnam war cefore the

It appeared obvious that the decision not to resume the attacks on North Vietnam came from the nightest washington officials and speculation prove out nere mat me reason was in nopes of encouraging peace laiks.

At least, if the pause continued and Hapor decimed to enter negohauons, me United States Would have sausued strong diplomatic pressure of a como-tree period to permit an atmosphere conducive to taiks to develop.

bomoing of North Vietnam was haneu just before the 30-neur Christmas cease-nre began at 6 p.m. Dec. 24.

Some military commanders are known to be concerned that the pause will give the Viet Cong time to move massive amounts of men and supplies into the funnel of the Ho Chi Minh trail through Laos and headed into South Vietnam.

The major emphasis in past months of bombing raids in the north has been on hammering Viet Cong units and supply columns before they reached South Vietnam.

A pause in bombings was ordered by the U.S. command on May 13 and it lasted until May 17 in hopes of encouraging the North Vietnamese to enter into peace talks. Hanoi declined.

A U.S. mission spokesman, when questioned on the bombing pause said he could make no comment and said Washington sources would have to be consulted.

A Tokyo Reuter report says two United States army sergants, freed last month by the Viet Cong as a gesture to anti-war demonstrations in America, are under arrest on Okinawa on charges of having aided the enemy.

They are George E. Smith of Chester, West Virginia, and Glaude McClure, of Chattanooga, Tennes-

Military officials in Naha, Okinawa, said the men were charged on December 21 in Naha with having, while in Viet Cong custody, "prepared and delivered certain documents, statements and writing inimical to the interest of the United Sta-

The two men, who were being held in military custody pending investigations, have been provided with legal counsel.

The two men were captured in November, 1963 and held for two years before being released to Cambodian authorities by the Viet Cong on November 28.

North Vietnam Monday protested that American planes repeatedly

# Japanese Premier **Agrees With Broad** Area Of U.S. Policy

PARIS, Dec. 28, (DPA).— Japan's Premier Eisaku Sato has indicated a broad area of agreement with the United States on major policy questions including those of China and Vietnam, the New York Times European edition said Monday.

His deepest concern, the 64year-old Conservative leader declared in a recent conversation, is for Japan's security.

"Now that China has held nuclear tests the problem is more acute," he said.

A U.S. omciai spokesman said at intruded over her territory for reconnaissance and provocative acti-

vities Dec. 25 and 26. The protest was handed to the three-nation International Control Commission for Vietnam, according to a Hanoi report by the North Vietnam News Agency.

Robert J. McCloskey, Department Press Officer, made the comment when asked by newsmen about press reports from Saigon that no joint U.S. South Vietnamese air strikes have been carried out over North Vietnam for the past three days.

In Texas, where President Johnson is spending the Christmas holidays, a White House spokesman said he had no information when asked whether the U.S. had instituted a pause in the bombing of North country was also discussed. Vietnam.

# Seminar Discuss Afghan Music

KABUL, Dec. 28.—A music building.

At the seminar the improvement and expansion of music in Afghanistan and its relation to national

Those attending the seminar included Walter Fleishman and Antony Freeman, advisers to Radio Afghanistan; Parwani, President of Hotel Co.; Haffizullah Khial, Director of Music at Radio Afghanistan; Abdul Ghafour Breshna, Shah Wali Qari Zada, and Sharif Par-

The main topic of discussion was the use of folklore music and its adaption to the modern needs of the people.

The expansion of theatres in the

# Participants In

seminar was held at 2:00 this afternoon at the Kabul Theatre Arts

tradition were discussed.

wanta.

# **Exchange Rate For Imported** Medicines Fixed At Af. 72

KABUL, December 28.— THE price of all imported medicines will be calculated on the basis of a fixed dollar exchange rate of Af. 72. Two years ago this rate was fixed by the Ministry of Public Health

at Af. 50. tries of Public Health, Finance and Commerce and those of importers met yesterday under the chairmanship of Dr. Abdul Rahman Hakimi, President of Health Affairs, and decided that as long as the free market exchange rate

U.S. Pledges To

Support Zambia

Against Pressure

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28, (AP).

\_U.S. Secretary of State Dean

Rusk Monday pledged support to

Zambia to avoid damage from the

international squeeze against its neighbour," Rhodesia.

A communique issued after a two-

hour meeting between Rusk and

the Zambian Foreign Minister, Si-

mon Kapwebe, and the Minister of

Mines, G. Zulu, quoted Rusk as

voicing hope for a quick downfall

of the rebellious, white minority re-

According to the communique is-

sued by the State Department, Rusk

said he hoped that the United States

would be contributing significantly

to the airlift of oil supplies to

Rusk also "expressed the willing-

On getting oil to Zambia, Rusk

ing of petroleum products - that

The communique said Rusk ex-

pressed the hope that non-military measures against Rhodesia would soon achieve the stated UN objec-

tive of "bringing the minority regime in Rhodesia to an immediate

Rusk went on to say that he

constitutional basis for progress to-

wards majority rule in the British

colony", the communique stated, adding: "Both sides agreed that the

undemocratic regime now installed

in Rhodesia was a threat to human

rights, and that all concerned

should aid the people of Rhodesia

to find a solution to their present

problems along lines which respect

the legitimate interests of all sec-

tions of the community".

hopes the outcome will provide

Zambia has had to put into effect

ness of the U.S. government to con-

sider additional measures".

gime now installed in Rhodesia.

sion:

limits mentioned medicine price will be reconsidered. Accepting the decision in ters promised to give priority to the most urgently needed medi-

Representatives of the Minis- | at Da Afghanistan Bank remains between Af. 71 and 75 imported medicines should be priced on the basis of Af. 72 to the dollar plus the freight charges and the profit agreed upon on an earlier occa-

> According to this agreement wholesalers are allowed 12 per cent and retailers 15 per cent of the cost price as profit. If the bank rate fluctuations exceed the

cines and to reduce their profit by one per cent.

# Afghan UN DelegationWorks In Interests Of Developing Nations In Assembly Session

KABUL, December 28 .-

THE Afghan delegation made useful recommendations for safeguarding the interests of the developing countries during the recent United Nations General Assembly session, said Dr. Abdul Wahid Karim, the Afghan delegate to the Second Committee of the UN General Assembly.

He said that the committee discussed the report and resolutions of the Geneva conference on Trade and Development as also matters related to the first and second sessions of the board of trade.

One of the resolutions of the conference had approved measures to prevent continuous decline in the price of raw materials such as cocoa, coffee, and sugar which come from developing countries. Any decrease in the prices of these commodities would injure the economies of countries exporting them

The conference, however, had not approved any measures as regard the prices of commodities relating to any developing country. The Afghan delegation, therefore, drew the the committee's attention to the unstable price of karakul pelts in international markets.

The Afghan delegation also supported the conference's decisions regarding the strengthening of economic and social position of member countries.

As a result of efforts of the Afghan delegation and delegates from other landlocked countries, a resolution on the subject was submitted by the second committee to the General Assembly and was subsequenly approved. The resolution supports the convention on landlocked countries drafted this year and calls on the UN Secretary-General and the secretary of the UN Trade and Development Conference to assist in solving problems of land-locked countries.

Dr. Karim said the committee approved that from the beginning of 1966 the UN special aid and expanded technical assistance programmes should be merged and that a president and a vice-president for the merged programme appoin-

He added that as a result of etforts by representatives of the developing countries the committee and the General Assembly approved a resolution urging the establishment of a United Nations Special Fund for Development.

Other resolutions passed related to accelerating the process of industrialisation in the developing countries, a campaign against illiteracy, food programmes and the establishment of a United Nations centre for training and research.

# Iran Warns Iraq Shipping Rights No LongerEffective

TEHRAN, Dec. 28, (DPA).-Iran Monday announced that it considered the 1937 agreement with Iraq about shipping rights in the Shat-el-Arab no longer effec-

Speaking before the Iranian Senate, Foreign Minister Gholam Abbas Aram declared that the Iraqi governments actions had broken the agreement and that it was therefore no longer considered effective by the Iranian government.

Commenting on recent raids on Iranian villages along the Shatel-Arab, Aram said that the Iranian government would let future Iraqi attacks not go unanswered.

He appealed to the Iraqi government to dispatch, as soon as possible, representatives to a conference where the differences between the countries could be settled in a peaceful manner.

But he warned that the patience of the Iranian people in view of repeated "Iraqi law breaking and aggression" had reached

"We are well capable of silencing the thunder of canons and guns", the Foreign Minister ad-

At the same time it was learned here Monday that the Iranian Air Force has reinforced its bases at Dizful and Hamadan and put them on a stand-by alert.

#### Iran, USSR To Sign Steel Mill Agreement

TEHRAN, Dec. 28, (Tass).-An Iranian economic delegation led by Minister of Economy Dr. Ali Naqi Alikhani, left here for Moscow Monday morning, to sign agreements on the construction of an iron and steel mill and other projects in Iran.



General Khan Mohammad, Afghan Ambassador in Jeddah. who also serves as Afghan Am bassador in Oman, presents his credentials to His Majesty Kin g Hussien of Jordan.

# Rhodesian Govt. Imposes Petrol Rationing

SALISBURY, Dec. 28, (Reuter). -Rhodesia imposed petrol and dieblow felt by Rhodesians from the international trade and economic sanctions against the breakaway country ...

The rationing order came just 11 days after Britain imposed an oil embargo on the country.

The embargo, coupled with economic sanctions by Britain and other nations, was aimed at toppling the regime of Ian Smith which seized independence on Nov. 11.

desia-was foreshadowed by Smith sel fuel rationing today-first hard in a Christmas Eve speech. The only question was: when?

The measures were certain to hit hard at the country's 217,000 whites and the comfortable way of life to which most are accustomed.

In a country where great distances are covered by road as a matter of course, every family has at their teens.

ing, among them doctors, diplomats Britain has already begun.

Rationing—no surprise to Rho- and disabled persons, as well as government corporations like the railways, broadcasting corporation, Central African Airways and the Central African Power Corporation.

Meanwhile, a Royal Canadian Air Force Yukon plane arrived here Monday with a token load of oil to begin Canada's participation in the oil airlift to Zambia.

The RCAF aircraft also brought least one car. Many run cars from Canadian, United States, British and Congolese officials for talks on Some will be exempt from ration- I final details of the airlift on which

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### High Drug Prices

New that the Ministry of Public Health and pharmacy owners have agreed to fix the dollar rate for importing drugs at Af. 72, we hope that immediate steps will be taken to standardise prices of medicines. The Ministry at one time used itself failed to apply them strictly. There are widespread public complaints about drug prices and any action by the public health authorities to re- major weakness of the allied war medy the situation will be wel- plan to defeat the growing Viet

for imported drugs is certainly a sten in the right direction if the authorities can ensure that the prices do not go up. Two fixed at Af. 50, but no dealer The dilemma of finding and Pavillon Vendome at Aix-en-Pro- Security, analyses the general con-

of drugs, the public health

Can we not import drugs they move away from allied cursuits of Paris in reovening exhibition—and should be ensured without any business being done, without any business being done, forcion exchange? The question food in cooking pois and mazes of show at the Americanse. Goya's ing, removal, storage or moving 20th session was thus able to pay Ministry of Public Health anin the past that the Viet Cong after receiving the check stub, was consist, if possible, of several allhave penetrated every level of the returned to the National Gallery arm systems, using both sound and

a decision on the issue will no the groups charged with planning niversary of the Duke's victory at These are classified under different longer be delayed. If we import and executing military operations. Waterless. Waterless. Headings (mechanical, electrical, operations) headings (mechanical, etc.); with a description of the prices of which have they stand an even headings (mechanical, etc.); with a description of the prices of which have they stand an even headings (mechanical, etc.); with a description of the prices of th not been pushed up because of chance of being compromised if art were worth fabulous sums, tion of the advantages and draw-elaborate packing, we can make they work for Vietnamese intelli- their fame prevented them from backs of each. exchange. It may also be possical count on the rural population tion. Seldom is a work of art assues which, it might be feared, the for intelligence, whether it is given stolen to be defaced out of would make Museum a bestseller to be defaced out of would make Museum a bestseller. tries with which we have bar- out of fear or to support the in- pure vandalism; or to become the among museum thieves. But, Noble-Public Health authorities means to search out Viet Cong tives of art thieves may take, better which could endanger the security ver they want. The import poliey should be carefully reviewagencies has sometimes proved demission for Security particularly mation has long been thoroughly that all member nations will im-

# Studying African Rift System May Yield Clue To Processes Which Shaped Earth

The secret of how the physical Belgium, Ethiopia, Japan, Kenya, Tanganyika—its shores are at an map of our planet took on its present outlines may lie locked in Uganda, the United Kingdom, est point is 4,700 feet down and the 30,000 mile network of rifts the United States, the USSR and far below sea level.

rift-itself a continuation of the The African Rift System is a resources of the region."

Another; and by far the most im- gravity and magnetic surveys, basins.

Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, not be divorced here. The study contribute directly to the scienti-Ugande and Mozambique. of the African Rift System is ex- fix advancement and development: Interest in this great scar was pected to provide information of the countries in which it is stirred several months ago with needed to exploit mineral re- located through local participatives with regard to food supply. the announcement that scientists sources and, perhaps, to harness tion, through the collection of participating in the International the geothermal energy whose data of importance to construc-Indian Ocean Expedition had presence is indicated by wisps of tion and engineering and through charted the mid-Indian Ocean steam rising from the rift floor, better realisation of the potential

mid-Atlantic rift-to the entrance natural wonder in a number of Officials at UNESCO headother respects. It has been form- quarters in Paris stated that the

Along these deep, steep-walled Meeting with Prof. V.V. Belous- in a statement: "The magnitude valleys, the forces that once sov of the USSR as their chair- of the entire rift system is such changed—and are still changing— man and Prof. A.N. Hunter of that knowledge of its features, the face of the globe have left Kenya as co-chairman, the ex- its history and its orgin is funtheir traces. But must of this vali perts set up a committee to com- damnetal to the understanding, of uable evidence is buried at the pile existing data—much of it the processes which have shaped bottom of the sea where oceano- unpublished—so that a tectonic the earth itself. Studies should graphers must grope for it. map of the African Rift System provide fresh and deeper under-Only in a few places does this can be produced. They recom- standing of the important proces-nift system emerge. One is Ice- mended future work in a number ses which take place in the land, where the actual cracking of disciplines: geomorphology and earth's interior and which contion of the world which was being of the earth's crust can be mea- stratigraphy, petrology and vol- tributed to the development of

of study of this important structure other. The third is the populasouth from the Red Sea through Pure and applied science will ture in eastern. Africa. should

Now, the Upper Mentle Com- ed over the last 14 million years first scientific expeditions to the mittee of the International Union as the result of a great upward African Rift System are expected of Geodesy and Geophysics is apthrust that has rent the earth's to be in the field next year. pealing to the world's scientific surface in East Africa. The rift UNESCO provided financial suprial, the Ministry of Agriculture community to study this rift sys- floor is 20 miles wide in port for the Nairobi meeting and some places and up to 1,500 feet will continue its aid but, as in the The appeal was made at a re- below the edges of the cliffs lin- case of the International Indian help farmers to grow more food.

### News Analysis

# Intelligence Gap Major Problem For U.S., At present drugs imported by Government Troops in Vietnam War different dealers at the same

gross ignorance of Viet Cong movements and intentions in South Viet-

Some U.S. military circles consider the intelligence gap to be a Cong machine in South Vietnam.

Countless U.S. and Vietnamese The fixing of the dollar rate military operations launched on intelligence supposedly pinpoining Viet Cong battalions and regiments have been little more than roundhouse punches into thin air.

sold medicines on the basis of fixing these units for a vence disposared Then, on 22 Au- clusions reached by Interpol battle was never solved by the gust, the National Gallery in Lon- (The International Police Organisa-

der consideration. We hope that Vietnamese military machine. This at the end of last May, just in time light. The author lists principal meincludes intelligence agencies and for the celebration of the 150th an- thods of "detection and defence".

cation of the Viet Cong.

The Ministry at one time usen Despite elaborate scientific devito put price stamps or tags on ces and a multiplicity of intelligence formation rapidity.

"What's the answer?" one I medicines. But even then the agencies, the U.S. military comIntelligence sources also claim ly placed U.S. sources asked.

"What's the answer?" one I medicines refused to obey the mand is severely hampered by what vital information sometimes is disman who finds it will be the regarded until too late because it hero of this war.

# New Efforts Made To Protect Works Of Art In Museums

EOR many art lovers as well as museum curators, the summer red to a report on prices of essenof 1961 was a disaster. Within six weeks, thieves made off tial commodities and said that with 66 world-famous paintings. On the night of 15 July, 57 contrary to what the Islah recanvases painted by Bonnard, Matisse, Berain, Dufy, Vlaminck; porter had said a pound of tea. Signac, Marquet, Utrillo, Vuillard and Dunoyer de Segonzac costs Af. 47-48 and not Af. 36-37. among others, were stolen from the Annonciade museum at Saint-Tropez.

As to shortage of sugar, Helal said that most shopkeepers who

French during their war in Vietnam, don announced that Goya's porttion) after a survey begun in July
Besides standardising prices Often U.S. and government troops rait of the Duke of Wellingtin had 1958 and finished in July 1959. He

being resold. Their return may The author also gives practical

these works of art.

simply designed as a compilation of sembly approved of economic first principles and basic information sanctions against. Rhodisia and The number of intelleginece souns (ICOM) has set up a Com- for their use. Incidentally, the infor- South Africa. The paper happed

the prices do not go up. Two The Viet Cong units seem to A month later, eight works by UNESCO, Andre Noblecourt, years ago the dollar rate was be everywhere and nowhere. Cezanne on exhibition at the chairman of ICOM's Commission of

of drugs, the public health tare little better.

authorities have to review their On the other hand. Viet Cong. The Cezanne pictures were "discusses, ways and means of detecting the following spring at Mating thefts, organising alarm and set of their fancy.

U.S. military sources. The Viet reselles in an abandoned car and are curity systems, and protecting works. dicines. Because of their fancy Cong's ability to ambush. Vietna- now back in their original museum of art. He stresses the need for a peaceful manner. mese and American units at the time and private collections. Only 6 of permanent system of protection drugs cost us a great deal of and place of the their choosing the canvases from Saint-Tropez that never changes even under new They move away from allied outskirts of Paris in November exhibition—and should be enwere recovered from a barn on the circumstances such as a special

allied troops to contend with. tland Yard recovered from the clo- To be effective; equipment must Government officials have said akroom of a station in Birmingham be simple and tinker-proof. It should

penditure of hard currency is The U.S. has developed a numerous involved. In any case the ber of highly classified electronic But no matter what form the mosent study reveals no information.

property of an enlightened, rich court concludes, "it seems desirable. China will be accepted as a member of the UN in the near future. property of an enlightened, rich court concludes, "it seems desirable. China will be accepted as a mem-Public Health authorities man to search our viet cong lives of an uneves may take, better which could endanger the security. While discussing colonialism should not leave it to importers units in the jungle. Often they come measures are needed to protect of museums against theft, but is and imperialism the General Assembly the control of the control

Yesterday's Islah in an editorial said that publicity to promote new ideas and new farming methods and to acquaint cultivators with the use of modern tools and pesticides is most essential at this stage of the country's develop-

Three major revolutions have 20th century said the paper. sured from one year to the next. canology, tectonics, seismology, the continents and the ocean revolution in communications portant, is the African Rift Sys- paleo-magnetism and terrestrial "A comprehensive programme of the world closer to one antion explosion brought about by protective medicine.

> It was in 1960 that FAO for the first time took serious note of the problem of hunger and tried to provide assistance to countries in need of food supplies.

One of the ways of increasing lighten farmers and help them to

cent meeting in Nairobi, Kenya, ing it.

Ocean Expedition which it has organised by the Upper Mantle. An indication of the cataclys cosponsored, actual costs of respectively.

Committee and UNESCO, It was: mal forces that once were at search will be met by participation in the level of the farmers' comprehension is not talsen into account

The best method would be to use audio-visual devices as most of the farmers are illiterate Slides, films and practical demonstrations can be most effective.

In collaboration with the Minis. try of Agriculture Radio Afghanistan should broadcast special no programmes for farmers. But un-less farmers have transistors "What's the answer?" one high- radio programmes can be of little use. The Ministry of Agriculture has taken no steps to make tran-

Before launching any publi-city projects, concluded the paper, the Ministry should try to see how far they will benefit far-

In a letter in the same issue of get sugar from the government monopoly sell it to sweet-makers. It is for the government monopoly to keep a check on shop-

Yesterday's Anis in an editorial' on the 20th session of the UN. General Assembly said that its most outstanding feature was that the United States and the USSR exchanged views in a

UN's financial difficulties, which led to the termination of the 19th attention to world problems.

We hope, said the paper, that the 14-member committee entrusted with the task of dealing with the financial crisis will ucceed in finding ways of solving the problem on a permanent

Another success of the session was the resolution urging a world disamment conference by 1967 The People's Republic of China has however declared that so long as its nights are not granted by the world body it will not partici-

penditure of hard currency the necessary pieces of a puzzle are In the latest number of Mus-um, abreast of all developments in this commendations of the world

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Badghis Province

Estimated Population: 243,659

Estimated Area: 22,000 square

Governor: Mohammad Alim

Administrative Divisions: Ku-

First Degree Woleswali of Mor-

Fourth Degree Woleswali of

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Fourth Degree Woleswali of

1. Pistachio nuts are harvested

about the second week in Septem-

her, an occasion which the gov-

ernment. hopes to turn into a

2. The famous maori carpets are

3. Driving over the 7,950 foot

Subzak Pass offers beautiful

views of pink mountains covered

with evergreen and pistachio

4. Flocks of Karakul sheep may

Capital: Qala Nau

shki Kohna Alaka Dari

Special attractions:

woven in Badghis.

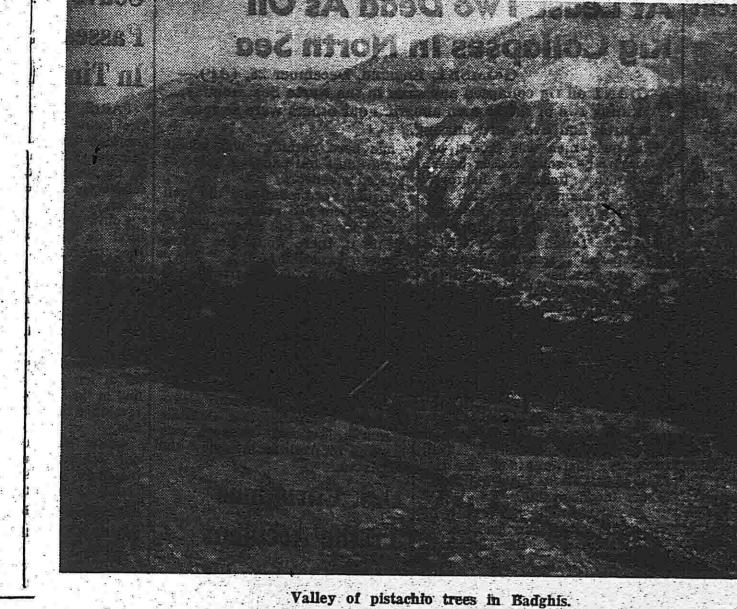
be seen from the road

Ghormach.

Jawand.

festival.

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# Education Agriculture, Judiciary, Communications Develop In Badghis

a report from the provincial gov- ing needs of the area.

pecially for farmers in Badghis pro- ing.

and to increase their intellectual areas.

ass text-books, chairs, desks, pens into a secondary school.

To start literacy courses for To start literacy clubs which day each week has been introduc- Since water in Qala Nau is sal-

To complete the buildings of

The activities in the sphere of three primary schools in Mor- cial level. The activines in the sphere of three printary stated in the capital of the education have the following aims: ghab, Ghormach and Koshk Koh- To open a small theatre to per- has built new roads in the city. In province and some loudspeakers To develop the mental and edu- na, the money for which has been cational faculties of the students provided by the people of these To increase the number of en- of concrete have been completed, sites in the city.

To convert the primary school in To provide student's needs such the centre of Morghab woleswali To repair and renovate the buil. The main agricultural activities City Construction Department are established in during the last year.

Blue AwningsBrightenNewly Painted Bazaars In Qala Nau

RLUE awnings shade freshly painted bazaars and concrete jouis run down the main streets of Qala Naw, the capital Oala Nau has been the seat of second week in September. A spe- made to eliminate crop pests.

almost two years.

with paint, the provincial government has concentrated on developing schools and hospitals and trying to diversify the economy of the province. The need to diversify the economy was made especially clear last year when many crops failed. Efforts are being made in many areas-selling wool, planting pistachio trees, making carpets, and for-

ming construction companies. Karakul wool is one of the main products of the province. To organise this industry with the cooperation of the Ministry of Commerce ple of Badghis and Af. 11 million from the government. Pistachio nuts were harvested the

View from road through Subzak Pass

Qala Nau has been the seat of second was arranged so that Fifth, an experimental farm in half of the ninth century, at the fire to avoid the Evil Eye,

production of these famous carpets breeding purposes. ther than horizontal looms. Now only one rug can be made Judicial Courts

materials. Carpenters and masons and other skilled workers will also

should be equipped with books, ma- ed in Qala Nau. There are eight primary and seTo start vocational training schogazines and radio sets in the centre

The total income of the municipal dustries has started digging deep condary schools and 19 schools es- ols in carpentry, sewing and knitt- of the province and open libraries pality has increased by Af. 150,000 wells. The work on the wells in To organise scouts at an unoffi- lity has also completed the cons- A powerful radio receiver has

form educational programmes. the last two years, 27 buildings made have been installed at the important trants in schools, which this year Ten more will be finished shortly. As Badghis province is the centre

of cereal and vegetable seeds and been planted with saplings and ruption, and disease the provincial popularisation of cotton planting. will be opened soon.

This year 100,000 seers of cotton

The average price of meat per ings attended by various heads of worth Af. 1,350,000 have been purpound in winter in Qala Nau is departments and woleswals. chased from the farmers in Morghab for export.

establishment of pistachio and for-

government for the new province of Badghis formerly the northwes- all the nuts could be collected just Morghab occupying a 700 acre court of Abdullah Ibn Tahir, the of Badghis formerly the northwestern part of Herat province, for as they became ripe. To increase area is being developed. On this second prince of the Tahirid state. the crop in future years each per- farm, one seer of pistachio nuts son in the province was asked to have been raised per agre. plant several kilos of the nuts he Two hundred acres are so far being cultivated. Thousands of Maori carpets are also made in fruit saplings have been planted. the province: Plans to enlarge the 5000 sheep are being raised for

include an institute to teach the A chieftain in Badghis has donaskill and also the use of upright ra- ted 200 acres of land which is also being used as an experimental farm. in a room employing two or three The judicial system of the provin-

people. To save space in hard-to- ce has been reorganised. It now inbuild homes four or five upright cludes a primary court and a court looms will be fitted into one for registration of legal documents. The Judicial Department of the pro-New houses are needed by the vince, following instructions from people. This need will be partially the Ministry of Justice, has complefulfilled by a new construction com- ted the setting up of two courts in up with Af. 5 million from the peo- pany set up to import the necessary the woleswalis of Gormach and Kushk Khona.

The province issued 3,882 birth certificates in ten months of last Health More than 16,700 people have

been vaccinated in the province this year against smallpox but there is a lack of medical personnel. Communications The main activities of the Communications Department in the pro-

vince have included putting into operation a switchboard for 30 telephone lines in Qala Nau and the extension of telephone lines from the capital of the province to Khush Kohna, at a cost Af. 200,000 which was paid by the people. Municipality The government of the capital

city Qala Nau has been reorganised. pality government did was to adopt the system of weights and measures used in Kabul. The electricity cor pany in Qala Nau in order to operate more efficiently was seperated from the municipality and became a separate company. The new

Badghis in many fields according to and teachers to meet the grow- province which are very old dilapi- with denations from the public. Af. 25. The custom of having a market

> during the last year. The municipa- progressing fast. truction of several buildings and been installed in the capital of the

#### New plots of land will be distri- for karakul, carpets, pistachio, wool, buted among the people when a and cotton there was a need for a convention from the Housing and Chamber of Commerce. One was

# A third effort is supervision and Ninth Century Dari Poet From Badahis

ests for lumber as well pastures. One of the earliest Dari poets, to face. Fourth, new attempts are being Hanzala, lived in Badghis in the He spoke of his beloved, who

> He wrote: If leadership lies in the jaws of the lion. Go, and dare to grasp it from his jaws.

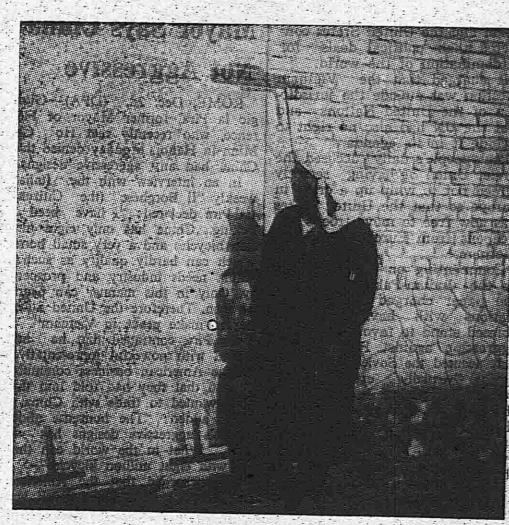
Either attain greatness, honour, spandwealth, and glory Or like a man brave death face fire

zala lived in Naishapur in the first was throwing seeds of spand on the My beloved was throwing spand

seeds on the fire To avoid the Evil Eve. I wonder why? She needs neither spand nor

With that beauty spot like

And her face as bright as the



Ghulam Haider is the watchman for a new storage and ginning building being built by the Herat Cotton Company just outside Morghab. Fifty men are now employed in completing the construction work. Haider feels it is possible that Morghab may eventually become an industrialised city like Pull Khumri

# Visits Far East

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28, (AP) -U.S. Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey took off at 2:15 EST (1915 GMT) Monday for a Far East trip, with Tokyo his first stop.

He is scheduled to arrive at Tokyo airport Tuesday night while demonstrations against his visit to Japan are being held in downtown Tokyo.

Police said 10,000 demonstrators at Hibiya Park plan to protest Humphrey's visit.

Humphrey, the first U.S. Vice President to visit Japan since 1958, when Richard Nixon who was then Vice-President paid a visit here, is to make an 18-hour stopover here before leaving for Manila to attend the inauguration of Philippine president-elect Ferdinand Marcos.

He will then go to Taipai and Seoul, returning to Washington on

Humphrey said in a brief departure statement said: "While I am in Asia, I shall have an opportunity to talk with a number of leaders in Japan, Farmosa, and South Korea",

Humphrey has said that the war in Vietnam will be the prime topic

# U.S. Vice President At Least Two Dead As Oil **Kig Collapses In North Sea**

Univious, England, December 28, (AP) .-A GIANT oil rig comapsed and sank in the North Sea Monday. killing two of the so men apoard. Four others were serious-1y Injured and five were missing.

One dead man was picked up by the west German coaster Saike. ine British freignier Baltrover prought to shore 20 crewmen of the rig, the Sea Gem One was dead and three were seriously injured. The Dutch coaster Giestrom reported rescuing another man but said he was in critical condition, Royal Air Force (KAF) nencopters winched three from tne sea to account for a total of

KAF helicopters dropped flares over the sea to 40 miles off this east coast port so the rescue search could continue

There was no clear explanation of what happened and spokesman of the British Petroleum (BP) company, charterer of the rig, said: "For this to have happened seems inconceivable."

The rig normany has a crew of 46, a BP spokesman said, but 16 were ashore for the Christmas holiday.

Where the Sea Gem-5,600 tons and worth about \$6 million -had been nothing was visible as carkness fell except a piece of

latticed steelwork. British Petroleum said the well the Sea Gem had been plugged was "saie". Even in the event of dam-

age to it, there would not have peen an explosion. Work was to have started Tuesday to protect the framework

around the well's steel column. Along with BP, practically all the big international oil companies are involved in the vast

worth Sea explorations. Jock Luard, Managing Director of the British Petroleum Development Company, and Alastair Matthews, regional manager, were neading for riull to interview the SULTVIVOIS.

# U.S. Christmas Traffic Accident **Toll Reaches 697**

CHICAGO, Dec. 28, (Reuter) .-A record 697 people were killed in United States traffic accidents during the three-day Christmas holiday, it was announced Monday.

The holiday death count stopped at midnight Pacific coast time but the National Safety Council, which released the figures, said the toll might exceed the 697 figures because of late reports and because of deaths in hospitals attributable to holiday car accidents.

The previous record for a threeday holiday in the United States

Britain, meanwhile, had one of its best Christmas holidays on the road for years. Provisional figures for the first two days of the four-day holiday showed 32 people killed-23 less than the same period last year.

Other road death tolls include: Paris—at least 52 people were killed in weekend accidents throughout France, according to an official count made Sunday.

## Couve De Murville Passes Talleyrand In Time Of Service

PARIS, Dec. 28, (Reuter).-Maurice Couve De Murville Monday overtook the record of Napoleon's Minister Talleyrand and established the longest period of unbroken service tor a French Foreign Mi-

Couve De Murville became General de Gaulle's Foreign Minister June 1,1958, and has held the post continuosly ever since.

The previous longest service was by Charles Maurice de Talleyrand-Perigord, who was Foreign Minister from Nov. 21, 1799, to June 17, 1807.

Talleyrand however served a total of ten years at different times, first in the directorate after the 1789 revolution and then under Napol-

Couve De Murville is also the only cabinet minister to remain at the same post since General De Gaulle's return to power.

Brigette Bardot Urges Humane Slaughtering

NEW YORK, Dec. 28, (Reuter) -Brigette Bardot was Monday listed as honourary chairman of a committee urging legislation to ensure humane slaughterhouse methods in New York according to an advertisement in the New York Times.

The advertisement asserted that in New York and New Jersey the handling and killing of food animals is done with such brutality it may be said they are tortured to death, not slaughtered".

Free Exchange Rates At D'Afghanistan Bank KABUL, Dec. 28.-The follow-

ing are the exchange rates at D'Afghanistan Bank expressed in Afghani.

Af. 72.75 (per one U.S. dollar) 73:25 Af. 203:70 (per one pound sterling)

Af. 1818:75 (per hundred German Mark) 1831:25 Af. 1472:67 (per hundred French Franc) 1482:80 Af. 1693:83 (per hundred Swiss Franc),

Separated Siamese Twins Doing Satisfactorily

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28, (Reuter).—Siamese twin girls separated shortly after their birth here on Christmas morning were doing satisfactorily Monday, hospital doctors reported.

The mother, Mrs. Robyn Mantonya, 20, has not seen the twins, who are in the hospital's intensive care unit. But when she was shown their pictures she exclaimed: "my babies look just beauti-

The operation to separate the twins, born by caesarean section, lasted three hours and involved 18 doctors, nurses, and techni-

Japan to Start

Round The World Fights WASHINGTON, Dec. 28, (AP). -The White House announced Monday that the United States and Japan have signed an amended aviation agreement granting Japan the right to fly a new route from Tokyo to Honolulu, San Francisco, New York, and beyond to Europe.

In exchange, the United States was granted a new right to serve the important central Japanese city of Osaka and beyond and the Japanese agreed to give up certain routes, including the right to serve

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# Syrian National Assembly **Llects New Council Members**

DAMASCUS, Syria, December 28, (AP).-CYRIA'S National Assembly Monday elected a new Vice-Cuairman and two mempers for the Presidency Council to replace those who resigned last week from the country's top executive pody.

The election in an extraordinary session cleared the way for. Premier-designate Salah Bitar to form a new government for Syria.

# PekingPaper Views General Assembly's Decisions This Year

PEKING, Dec. 28, (DPA).—The Peking "People's Daily" organ of the Chinese Communist Party, characterised . Monday the 20th session of the United Nations General Assembly as a "conference for opposing the revolutionary movements of the oppressed nations and peoples."

The editorial, carried by the Hsinhua news agency, also charged that the session was "an anti-China conterence, a conference which will fully interfere in the internal anairs of sovereign states and a conference for the pursuance of the policy of American-soviet cooperation for the domination of the world."

The newspaper declared that the UN was becoming more and more a place where the Soviet Union and the United States conducted their political deals for the domination of the world.

It charged that the Vietnam question was outside the jurisdiction of the United Nations and that the UN had also no right to include it in its agenda.

The "people's daily" accused the Soviet Union of having secretly agreed not to whip up a crisis in Europe so that the United States was now free to move troops and weapons from Europe to South Vietnam.

Commenting on the UN stand on the Indian-Pakistani conflict, the paper charged the United Nations with having taken a "blased stand in favouring India's aggression against Pakistan."

It accused the Soviet Union of having "virtually exercised the veto in favour of India" during the Security Council debates and thereby having "come to the aid of the Indian reactionaries" in an even more blatant manner than the United States.

Kosygin Sees Envoy

MOSCOW, Dec. 28, (Tass).-Alexei Kosygin, Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the USSR, received Cuban Ambassador-Carlos Olivares Sanchez and had a friendly talk with him, it was officially announced here Monday.

Bitar is a founder of the ruling Arab Socialist Baath Party.

The party's Pan-Arab command nominated Bitar last week after the resignation of Premier Youssef Zeayen's three-month-old cabi-

Changes in the executive leadership do not spell shifts in policy owing to the fact that both outgoing and incoming leaders

The Assembly elected Shibli al-Aissami Vice-Chairman of the Presidency Council which is headed by General Amin Hafez. It also elected as members Finance Minister Abdul Fattah Boushi and National Assembly Secretary Hamad Khatib, who also is chairman of Syria's Teachers' Association.

The new members replace three who resigned from the five-member Presidency Council last Tues-

The only Presidency Council members who have not submited their resignations are its head. Lieutenant General Amin Hafez, and Dr. Hassan Murayyed.

# Former Florence Mayor Says China Not Aggressive

ROME, Dec. 28, (DPA).-Giorgio la Pira, former Mayor of Florence, who recently met Ho Chi Minh in Hanoi, Monday denied that China had any aggressive designs.

In an interview with the Italian weekly "Il Borghese" (the Citizen), La Pira declared: "I have been in Peking...China has only eight million bicycles and a very small bomb which can hardly qualify as such... China needs industry and prosperity. Only in this manner can China be won. Therefore the United States has to make peace in Vietnam".

La Pira continued that he had talked with powerful representatives of the American business community and that they had told him that they wanted to trade with China.

He added: "The nonsense about China's aggressive designs has to stop. What in the world can they do with eight million bicycles". Pira charged that the American Secretary of State Dean Rusk was

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