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Supreme Court Settles 24 Yr's Old Case

KABUL, March 27, (Bakhtar)—A case involving 450 acres of cultivable land rotating in courts for 24 years was settled by the Supreme Court last week.

The final settlement came after a special mission from the Supreme Court visited Nimroz province, and made on the spot studies including verification of ownership documents.

The mission after a thorough investigation advised the Supreme Court that Sakhiullah, a resident of Asle Chakhansoor district using influence and coercion kept the land, actually belonging to several other rightful owners, in his hands.

The land has already been submitted to its real owners in presence of the representatives of the judiciary.

The mission which carried the investigation under the instructions of chief justice of the Supreme Court, Dr. Abdul Hakim Ziaee, consisted of Maulawi Ghulam Eshan, member of the investigation department of the Supreme Court, Maulawi Mohammad Amin, president of the Zabul court, and president of the Nimroz court Maulawi Sebahatullah.

Meanwhile, the Supreme Court announced last week that it had dismissed three judges for negligence and malpractice.

N.V. Troops In Laos Cause Of Concern: Pearson

OTTAWA, March 27, (AFP)—Canadian Premier Lester Pearson said Tuesday "the substantial number of North Vietnamese troops operating in Laos is causing increasing concern to the Laotian government and the International Control Commission."

Pearson, addressing the House of Commons here, added that "unfortunately the commission is unable to operate in those parts of Laos under communist control."

But the ICC was "doing its best to extend its operations in parts of southern Laos threatened by the communists," said the premier.

Pearson also said that "a communist wave in one area of Thailand" was causing a good deal of anxiety.

He added: "As far as the situation in Cambodia is concerned, we have been attempting to strengthen the authority of the commission and increase the facilities available to it so that it can supervise the frontier, and for this purpose helicopters would be essential."

"It has not yet been possible to bring the discussions concerning such an extension of authority and facilities to a satisfactory conclusion, but we are continuing negotiations to this end," concluded Pearson.

Abrams Likely To Succeed Westmoreland

WASHINGTON, March 27, (AFP)—Rumours that General Creighton Abrams would succeed General Westmoreland as commander in chief of U.S. forces in Vietnam appeared strengthened after General Abrams conferred with President Johnson yesterday, observers in Washington said last night.

Official spokesman at the White House, announcing the talks, refused to add further comment. But observers here said that the talks more or less appeared to bear out speculation that General Abrams would take over in Vietnam from General Westmoreland when the latter's new post as Army Chief of Staff is confirmed by the Senate.

White House spokesman said only that several of President Johnson's main advisors had attended his talks with General Abrams. They did not name the advisors.



Eng. Reza dedicating the Khoram canal headworks.

Plan For Tackling 3rd World Goods Markets Finalised

NEW DELHI, March 27, (Reuters)—The first ever comprehensive plan for tackling the problems of 18 commodity markets in the developing world has been agreed by a group representing producer and consumer nations attending the United Nations conference on Trade and Development here, it was learnt yesterday.

The plan, which is picked up by the UNCTAD package deal to help the poor nations, now goes before a plenary session of the conference for adoption.

The conference was to have ended last night but is now extended for another three days.

Highlights for action advocated in the plan include: Cocoa oilseeds, natural rubber, citrus fruit, cotton, tungsten, tea, wine, iron ore, tobacco, managarese ore, micapan pepper, shellac and phosphates.

A study will be made to see if it is possible to define the elements of a minimum agricultural income for wage earning and other producers of primary commodities in developing countries.

The principle of establishment of buffer stocks as a measure for market stabilisation is understood to have been accepted by consumer and producer member-nations but they were unable to agree on who should put up the money for starting a buffer stock. The details will be worked out in the next two years and some conference delegates have already said they hope the scheme can start by early 1970.

The Norwegian delegation which is acting as head of the advanced countries, said the proposals would probably be approved by a plenary session scheduled today.

France and the United States, yesterday clashed over development aid.

The U.S. sought to include into a draft resolution on financial assistance an escape clause for developed nations facing a balance of payments deficit.

The U.S. delegation was seeking a clause that would enable countries running a deficit to suspend temporarily the implementation of the agreed goal of transfer of one per cent of Gross National Product by developed countries for development aid purposes.

France is so far the only country which has reached—and even overshot—this target.

The clause would have allowed the other two major aid donor countries, the U.S. and Britain, to delay the attainment of this target as long as they have not righted their payments deficits.

Former UAR War Minister Charged With Conspiracy

CAIRO, March 27, (Reuters)—The prosecution in the UAR's coup conspiracy trial Tuesday accused former War Minister Shams Badran of responsibility for the country's defeat in the Middle East war last June. Major General Mohammad Fawad al-Ahwal, presenting the prosecution pleas, said Badran was the real commander of the UAR armed forces until June 8 last year and had "established a state within a state."

Badran is one of 54 people accused of plotting to overthrow the government by force and attempting to reinstate the late Field Marshal Abdel Hakim Amer as deputy supreme commander of the armed forces.

Field Marshal Amer committed suicide last September soon after discovery of the alleged plot.

General al-Ahwal accused Badran of patronising certain elements in the armed forces, creating a privileged class in army's ranks.

He said the former minister's actions constituted a major reason for the country's defeat in the war against Israel.

The prosecution charged that Badran had masterminded the coup conspiracy and had incited Field Marshal Amer to return to the armed forces.

He had also tried to recruit support for his plot among members of the national assembly, General al-Ahwal alleged.

The general described the plotters as more dangerous to state security than the enemy.

Khoram Canal Headworks Opened

KAFISA, March 27, (Bakhtar)—The headworks of the Khoram canal was dedicated yesterday by Agriculture and Irrigation Minister Eng. Mir Mohammad Akbar Reza. "With the completion of this headworks threat of flood to the low lying areas is to be eliminated," said Reza in a speech at the dedication ceremony.

The minister commended the extensive cooperation by the residents of the area in implementation of the project. Out of the AfS. 1.5 million expenditure, AfS. 500,000 was contributed by the people.

Kohistan's deputy to the Wolesi Jirgah, (lower house) Amir Mohammad Hasib said, the project, besides its economic advantages will contribute to social advancement of the people in the area.

The canal provides water for 20,000 acres of land. It carries five cubic metres of water per second.

Doctor Bakayee, president of the irrigation canal construction department in the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation in his speech thanked the United States Government for its assistance through the USAID engineers who designed the headworks and made work plans.

McCarty Gets Bigger Campaign Crowd In Madison

MADISON, Wisconsin, March 27, (Reuters)—Senator Eugene McCarthy got the biggest crowd of his campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination when more than 15,000 supporters jammed into an auditorium here last night.

Mostly students from the liberal university of Wisconsin and young adults, they overflowed from the huge circular main hall of the Dane County coliseum which normally has a 9,000-seat capacity.

McCarty told the rally: "We are approaching not only the moment of truth, but the moment of national honesty."

McCarty, who is in the closing stages of his campaign tour of Wisconsin before the April 2 primary here, also made an indirect jab at Senator Robert Kennedy's contesting the Democratic nomination.

Cairo Satisfied With SC Resolution

CAIRO, March 27, (AFP)—Official circles are satisfied with the United Nations Security Council resolution voted on Sunday on Israel's raid on Jordan, the semi-official newspaper Al-Ahram said yesterday.

Official circles, said the paper, consider the resolution entirely condemns Israel and is warning to avoid fresh action which violates ceasefire agreement.

The paper added that continued Arab resistance would prevent Israel gaining a new military victory. Now for the first time Israel was facing organised action which caused concern to its leaders.

Statements of two leaders of the El Fatah Commando Organisation show that they wish to establish a new Palestine state containing Arabs and Jews without distinction.

The leaders claimed that with full support from Arab countries, they hoped to finalise this plan within one year.

Al-Ahram said that on Monday the Egyptian government studied the military situation prepared by the Security Council resolution.

They also reviewed a report on the military situation prepared by armed forces chief of staff General Abdel Moneim Riad.

Arab States O.K. Jordan's Proposal For Summit Meeting

BEIRUT, March 27, (AFP)—Nine Arab states have so far replied affirmatively to Jordanian King Hussein's appeal for a speedy conversation of an Arab summit conference, it was learned here yesterday.

They are: the United Arab Republic, Sudan, Iraq, Lebanon, the Republic of Yemen, the Republic of South Yemen, Libya, Morocco and Kuwait.

But King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, one of the first to reply to King Hussein has not expressed formal approval of new summit.

Observers here recalled that King Faisal had already refused to take part in the summit scheduled for Rabat last January, and his objections and the flat refusal of Syria, torpedoed

plans for the meeting. Nor does Syria seem to be disposed to take part in a new conference, observers said. Syrian Foreign Minister Ibrahim Makdisi has made it clear that Syria sees no possibility of a "progressive" Arab leaders at the same table as "the reactionaries."

By "reactionaries" observers said Dr Makdisi was referring to King Faisal, President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia, King Hassan II of Morocco and Emir of Kuwait.

That opinion is shared by Algeria which has not yet replied to King Hussein. Another Arab state that has still to reply is Tunisia.

desia were negotiable while those of whites were not. One might even speculate, he said, that Britain was waiting for a major African rising against the whites, so that she could finally intervene with force to protect the latter.

The truth was, however, that unless Britain used force to topple the Smith regime, the result would be a "bloodbath" which would involve everybody.

Ousmane Soce Dip (Senegal) current Council chairman, said the initial mistake had been British Prime Minister Harold Wilson's declaration in October 1965 that Britain would not use force in the case of a unilateral declaration of independence by Rhodesia. The effect of

Devaluation May Bring UK Payment's Surplus: UN Report

GENEVA, March 27, (AFP)—The devaluation of sterling should give Britain a \$400,000,000 balance of payments surplus in 1968 and a \$1,000,000,000 surplus in 1969, a United Nations report said yesterday.

It said Britain's new surplus will chiefly affect other industrial West European countries and should lead to an overall \$1,500,000,000 reduction in West European countries' payments' surpluses this year.

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe was reporting on recent economic developments in the West European market and the prospects for the future.

The report said the United States always had a current balance of payments account surplus and its measures would hit primarily the capital for long and short-term credit sales and foreign loans, in order to put a break on capital exports.

If Anglo-American measures were successful, West European countries could expect a \$2,500,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000 reduction in currency receipts, the report added.

It would probably not be impossible to neutralise the ensuing loss in liquidity particularly for those countries with ample reserves and large balance of payments surpluses it said.

But there was some danger that the exhaustion of liquidity and the problems of reaching supplies of finance would provoke rises in interest rates and more austere monetary policies than the general economic situation really required.

The report said this might compromise economic growth and the surge in investment towards the end of 1968.

The report said there was an economic upswing in France, West Germany, Italy and Britain in the second half of 1967, and although an upswing was less apparent in the smaller countries, industrial production had still been increasing towards the end of the year.

It went on to point out that earlier hopes of cutting down inflation by reducing home demand had often been disappointing.

Home Briefs

JALALABAD, March 27 (B. Lhar)—Some residents of Jalalabad city have donated a total of AfS. 21,600 to the Jalalabad house for the destitute. The house is an affiliate of the Afghan Red Crescent Society.

PEJAY, March 27 (Bakhtar)—A 28 year old motorcycle rider Onab Khan of the Gazara Wolesi was killed as his vehicle struck a tree on the road to Herat from Zenda Jan.

In Britain, measures to restrict home demand appeared to be better than a year ago.

In West Germany, a lightening pressure exercised by home demand had produced a current balance of payments surplus: in 1967 it was the largest ever.

In Italy, the balance of payments surplus remained considerable although it was reduced in 1967.

France

Boycotts

SEATO

Meeting

WELLINGTON, March 27, (Reuters)—The French tricolor will be missing when the flags of other nation members of the South East Asia Treaty Organisation are raised outside Wellington's parliament buildings next Friday for the opening of the body's military and political annual meetings.

This is because France has declined to attend the meetings. She is supporting the cultural, economic and financial aims of SEATO but not the military aim of the organisation.

Yesterday the flags of the United States, Britain, Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, Thailand and Pakistan were raised at a full dress rehearsal of the opening of the military advisers meeting on Friday.

Though Pakistan does not take part in the military programme of SEATO she will be sending an observer to the conference.

French, Hungarian Premiers Meet

PARIS, March 27 (DPA)—French Prime Minister Georges Pompidou yesterday stressed his country's efforts towards easing tension between East and West Europe.

At a dinner in honour of visiting Hungarian Premier Jenos Fock Pompidou said one of France's chief goals was to help create an atmosphere of relaxation and contribute towards cooperation.

Only in this way could the division of Europe be overcome and the continent enabled to play its own role in a peaceful world.

"It seems to me that Hungary, situated in the centre of Europe, has shown on its part that it shares this desire for relaxation and rapprochement," Pompidou said.

Referring to talks which Fock and Hungarian Foreign Minister Janos Peter have so far had in France, Pompidou said there were considerable possibilities of further developing Franco-Hungarian contacts.

Both countries had the wish not only to increase goods exchanges but also to cooperate in the most up to date technological field.

Red Cross To Make Vietnam Aid Effective

STOCKHOLM, March 27 (AFP)—The first Western Red Cross representative to meet with North Vietnamese Red Cross officials returned here last night after a four-day visit to Hanoi.

Olaf Sten, secretary-general of the Swedish Red Cross, said "the discussions touched primarily on the possibility of increasing aid making more effective the aid that, for the past two weeks, we have extended to North Vietnam, to South Vietnam, and to a lesser degree to the National Liberation Front."

Addressing newsmen at the airport, he pointed out that "the aid had always been for the civilian population.

The Swede was unable to meet with representatives of the Red Cross organisation of the South Vietnamese NLF.

However, he did discuss the question of humanitarian aid with Nguyen Phu Son, the NLF representative in Hanoi.

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Provincial Press

By A Staff Writer

Nangarhar in a recent editorial comments on International Year for Human Rights. The Afghan press marked the year on March 21.

The newspaper says that 20 years ago the United Nations approved an important international document which if followed by various peoples and nations will undoubtedly usher in an unprecedented era of brotherhood, equality and justice.

In accordance with the principles incorporated in the Declaration of Human Rights all human beings enjoy equal rights, says the newspaper. It guarantees freedom and independence of peoples and nations and speaks out in plain words against the continuation of all forms of colonialism.

After quoting a few paragraphs from the preamble of the Declaration of Human Rights the paper has debated various issues covered by the Declaration.

The United Nations has been discussing for many years the issue of racial discrimination.

The government of South Africa is the chief protagonist of discrimination. South Africa defies all rulings against its policy of "apartheid". The decade also witnessed the birth of another racist government in Africa—the illegal regime of Ian Smith which despite worldwide protest proclaimed the independence of Rhodesia in 1965.

Nangarhar says another violation of basic human rights should be sought in the adherence of several countries, notably the Portuguese government, to the old form of colonialism. Parts of Africa are still under the colonial domination of Lisbon.

Other forms of colonialism known as "neo-colonialism" have also prevailed in many parts of the world. Exploitation in any form is contrary to the principles of the Declaration of the Jalalabad paper says.

Deewa, published in Sheberghan, in one of its editorials welcomed the measures announced by the government recently to expand and strengthen the Nangarhar University.

Recently the government announced that the Ministry of Education has been instructed to adopt measures to ensure the future expansion of Nangarhar University, now three years old.

At present the university has only a medical college. In accordance with instructions issued by the Prime Ministry ways and means should be sought to add more colleges to the University, and to see that its educational standard is also raised.

The newspaper also refers to the need for a balanced development of education in the country. It says that balanced development has two pronounced meanings. It means that we should develop our education in all parts of the country proportionately and that we should develop our education so as to guarantee the best interests of the nation.

This issue becomes more important (Continued on page 4)

Tid-Bits

Nairobi Two crocodiles struggled in a bitter duel near here last night over a mangled 18 year old Kenyan bride, and both lost.

Newly wed Hariro Dagane was spared from being eaten alive by one crocodile in the Tana river in Kenya's north eastern province when a second crocodile tried to claim her as his own.

As the two reptiles jostled for the young bride, she leaped clear of a grasping jaw and threw herself ashore, where she fainted.

District officer Ibrahim Mohamed Aden drove the unconscious girl to Garissa hospital, where she was said to be in a "serious" condition.

Messina, Sicily. A baby girl has been born here with 12 fingers, 12 toes and six teeth already grown.

London Britain's chief film censor explained Tuesday why he cut a 15-second scene from a Swedish film which shows a girl undressing and standing completely nude in front of a mirror.

The censor, John Trevelyan, spoke to critics after they had watched an uncensored version of the film "Hugs and Kisses" in which actress Agneta Ekman strips nude and her pubic hair is visible.

"Personally I regard it as inoffensive," Trevelyan said. "But the problem is—how would the courts regard it?"

"Only a test case could clarify it and if any private individual took action against a cinema showing this scene uncut, it could be costly for the exhibitor, the distributor and possibly the censorship board."

He added: "If I allowed the scene to remain, film makers might say 'pubic hair is in' and that would only exacerbate the problem."

The actress is seen nude in other scenes, but only above the waist or from the rear. The censors made no objections to these shots.

Johannesburg A Rhodesian African overpowered a lion which had killed his son by seizing the beast's tongue and throwing it on its back, the Johannesburg Newspaper the Star reported from Salisbury. Villagers who watched the struggle said that the African, Babani Nahllovu, managed the extraordinary feat in spite of serious injuries inflicted on him by the lion's fangs and claws.

The lion was killed later by a member of the Rhodesian veterinary services, who narrowly escaped being mauled himself before shooting the beast.

Pusan, South Korea Forty-three women telephone operators jumped to safety from the fifth floor of a blazing telephone exchange here, police reported.

Four other operators were killed in the fire which swept through the eight-storey building for 70 minutes.

The girls who jumped through windows were taken to hospital with injuries.

Ankara The pilot of a Viscount airliner with 46 passengers on board was thrown out of the aircraft when a hatch in the pilot's cabin flew open at high altitude on a flight from Istanbul to Ankara.

The co-pilot took over the controls and landed the aircraft safely.

The body of the pilot was not immediately recovered.

Stockholm The Swedish government has overruled the censorship authorities here to permit general release of a film showing actual sexual intercourse.

The censorship board said they had decided to cut 30 metres from the film "Dom, Kallarross mods (They Call Us Mods) because of its "documentary" nature.

A spokesman for the board said it differed from previous sex-orientated films in that the intercourse scenes "are patently unstimulated."

"The amateur actors are not acting the love-making episodes, they are engrossed in them," the spokesman said.

The makers of the film said this was the first time the government had overruled the censorship authorities on this type of film.

The film, which will have its premiere here next Monday, traces in documentary fashion the often anti-social behaviour of "mods" elements in Sweden.

Evansport, Illinois A supernova, 30 million light years from earth, has been discovered by Northwestern University astronomers, it was announced.

The exploding star—10,000 times dimmer than the faintest that can be seen by the unaided eye—was sighted on February 29 by astronomers using a 12-inch telescope at the university's Corralitos observatory near Las Cruces, New Mexico.

The team of scientists, led by J. Allen Hynek, director of Northwestern's astronomy department, picked up and photographed the supernova by means of a special television camera capable of gathering extremely faint star light.

Professor Kynek said only a four second exposure was required to record the supernova compared to exposures of 20 minutes or more needed with conventional optical telescopes.

The exploding star—believed to be the first recorded in 1968—was found in the galaxy known as NGC 6946 on the edge of the Cygnus constellations.

It was gradually growing fainter, professor Kynek said, explaining that the life span of supernovae was usually measured in weeks.

Chicago An army helicopter from which children could electronically "fire" a machine gun at a replica of a Vietnamese village was closed this week by officials at a Chicago museum after a weekend anti-war demonstration. Entry to the helicopter was sealed by officials of the Museum of Science and Industry after students invaded a controversial U.S. army exhibition of Vietnam weaponry there on Sunday. Six protesters were arrested.

Swingle, Iowa Farmer David Kunde, 20, credits a five-year-old jersey cow with saving his life by licking his face.

Kunde had his tractor running with the barn doors closed when he blacked-out, apparently overcome by exhaust fumes.

The cow licked him on the face and he revived enough to stagger outside where he again collapsed. He says he revived with another lick from the cow.

San Francisco President Johnson's daughter Lynda Bird was ordered off a San Francisco cable car by a conductor who objected to her eating a double-portioned ice cream cone.

Lynda, 24, and her husband Captain Charles Robb mounted

the cable car with Mrs. Ellen Newman, daughter of the city's protocol chief.

"Ladies you've got to get off if you don't throw away your ice cream cones," Mrs. Newman quoted the unknown conductor as saying.

Kuala Lumpur Lightning struck three athletes, killing one outright and injuring two others—including Asia's fastest woman—while they were out training in Kuala Lumpur.

Police recruit M. Govindan, a hurdler died on the spot when lightning flashed down on the Kuala Lumpur police depot grounds where the members of the leading jets athletic club were training.

The flash also knocked Asian women's sprint champion Rajamani unconscious and she is now in hospital seriously injured. It also slightly injured Miss Cheryl Dorra another young hurdler.

Brunei Town Rumours that headhunting has been revived in this Borneo state brought a strong denial this week from police who looked into the reports.

Deputy police commissioner Dato Pengiran Jaya said investigation indicated the rumours were started by husbands who wanted to frighten their wives into staying at home with their children rather than spending all day at gambling parties. He warned that it was an offence to spread false rumours.

Hollywood Charles Chaplin Jr, 42, son of the famed comedian, was found dead in his apartment here Sunday, Los Angeles police reported.

Police said the body was found on the floor of his bathroom by his grandmother, Lillian Grey, mother of Lita Grey Chaplin.

Death was believed due either to an accidental fall or natural causes, police said.

New York The discovery of fossil fragment of a large amphibian in An-

report said, the sick would get well, the blind would see, the dumb, hear and the cripple walk—if the believers would maintain their beliefs.

Belinda also said that during the last time that she saw the Virgin, she said she asked that a big church be built on the spot where the Virgin Mary appeared and that the construction should begin on March 27, two days after the promised miracles by the Virgin would be performed.

Pforzheim, West Germany A nine-year-old crippled boy, a victim of the drug thalidomide, fell into a river and drowned because his deformed hands could not grab a pole held out to him.

Police here said his playmates tried to rescue the boy with a long pole but his crippled hands slipped off it. His body has not yet been recovered.

Thalidomide is blamed for deforming 2,625 children in West Germany whose mothers took the pills in the early stages of pregnancy.

Melbourne. Australian aboriginals must now be addressed as "mister" by Victorian state native welfare officials, the director of aboriginal affairs, M.R. Worthy, said here.

Officials must not enter aboriginal homes without being invited.

Worthy explained that this is part of the "new deal" being introduced for Australia's indigenous people.

The officials can call an aboriginal by a traditional name, such as "Jackie" or "Billy"—only if they have been requested to do so by the individual involved.

Kuala Lumpur A young snatch thief caught within minutes of his taking a gold locket and chain in Penang is now in hospital for removal of the loot.

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AFGHAN DIARY

By Kathleen Trautman

Well, now there's Lady Byrd, and Linda Byrd and Lucy Byrd, but have you ever heard of Charlie? Charlie Byrd also lives in Washington, D.C. but not in the White House. However, Charlie knows all about the White House and that's because Charlie has played there. Charlie Byrd plays the guitar. In fact, he plays the best guitar I've ever heard.

And Charlie is coming to Kabul. He'll be here April 4, 5, 6 and I'm going to be on the front row I'm what's known as a Charlie Byrd fan.

It all started several years back in Washington D.C. when our favorite haunt was "The Showboat," a wonderfully dark and intimate little basement where you could go for dinner and listen to Charlie and his guitar.

I understand that Charlie has now opened up a posh new club in D.C. and is co-owner. It's called the "Byrd's Nest" and although I'm happy for Charlie, I can't help but feel a bit nostalgic and sentimental about the good old days and the "Showboat."

What's so special about Charlie Byrd? Everything.

Charlie can make a guitar sound like a symphony orchestra.

Charlie plays sixteenth century guitar music. Charlie plays jazz. Charlie plays flamenco. Charlie studied under the famous Segovia. And Charlie plays music by the Beatles.

Charlie is so special, I sent all his recordings in our air freight to Kabul and his album, "A Touch of Gold," has been played so many times at our house it's full of scratches. But I listen to Charlie in Kabul, scratches and all.

I can hardly believe that I'm going to hear Charlie here soon, and "live."

A "live" Charlie Byrd is a happening. I ran out of adjectives a long time ago trying to describe what happens when he plays the guitar.

And watch out Afghanistan. You know what's going to happen don't you?

The last time Charlie Byrd went on a tour for the American State Department he visited Latin America and guess what he brought back with him to the States? None other than the Bossa Nova from Brazil. The Bossa Nova is the samba with a Charlie Byrd beat. And everyone went wild.

Charlie will stay up all night listening to new sounds and new ideas in music. Rumor has it that he's learning how to play the sitar and I wouldn't be at all surprised if a Charlie Byrd interpretation of Afghan rhythms wasn't sweeping the states next year. Folks in Des Moines, Big "D" and D.C. just may be doing the Afghan beat. Only recently Charlie said that a hybrid Eastern American jazz is going to be big. Charlie is an original. Always experimenting. Always trying something new. He's short and balding with pure magic in his hands.

Charlie is not only considered America's greatest jazz guitarist, but he also plays in way out places like the National Gallery of Art and with folks like the Feldman String Quartet.

When the King and Queen of Nepal visited the White House guess who played for them? Charlie.

And now Charlie's coming to Kabul to play for me. He's very considerate of his fans, wouldn't you say. I just wonder how he knew I was here.

And by the way, he's bringing brother Joe with him.

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"Just ignore him, Mr. Jenkins he's already had his dinner!"



The former Danish Foreign Minister PER Haekerrup will soon receive one of the most coveted awards in the Federal Republic of Germany—"The Order Against Dead Seriousness". The 15-year-old politician is the first Scandinavian to be proposed by the 11 man council of the Aachen Carnival Society.

The reasons: Haekerrup is an honest but critical friend of Germany. His great knowledge of facts and his aggressiveness, coupled with a good sense of humour, have won him friends all over the world. The President of the Aachen Carnival Society, Jacques Konigstein, laid emphasis on the fact that Per Haekerrup and his family once traveled per bicycle through the Rhine and Mosel valley to gain a better understanding of the German people. Haekerrup is the 19th knight of the Order Against Dead Seriousness. Its most prominent member was former Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

LAUGHS 'FROM EUROPE



"I beg your pardon, it was all my fault—I didn't go on when it showed RED."

tartica, termed one of the most important fossil finds of the century, has been reported by the New York Times.

It said the amphibian lived in subtropical forests near the South Pole more than 200 million years ago and was the first indication that the vertebrates once inhabited antarctica.

The discovery supports the view that the continent, isolated by hundreds of miles of stormy season was once linked to other land masses.

Identification of the specimen, a fragment of jaw bone only two and a half inches long (6 cms), was made by Dr. Edwin H. Colbert, curator of vertebrate paleontology at the American museum of national history in New York.

Manila A 12-year-old schoolgirl from Mindoro Occidental province, about 125 miles south of Manila said that the blessed Virgin Mary had appeared to her about a dozen times in the past, the Manila Times reported.

The girl, Belinda Villas, a dark, long-haired sixth grader from an elementary school said that the Virgin Mary had promised her that she would perform miracles before a huge crowd of people on March 25 this year.

According to Belinda, the



"Stop feeding him between meals."

10 Richest Nations Meeting To Open In Sweden Friday

PARIS, March 27. (AFP). — France will stand firmly on its call for immediate measures to right the American balance of payments deficit when the world's 10 richest nations meet in Stockholm on Friday.

Reliable sources here said the French delegation would demand that the United States put its financial house in order before the introduction of proposed new special drawing rights in the International Monetary Fund.

Although France has agreed in principle to the rights, which would act as reserves in settling foreign debts, she will also insist at Stockholm that they should incorporate an opting out clause.

Behind the French attitude is serious anxiety over the current downward trend in the American trade balance.

Paris experts point out that while the 1967 American deficit of \$3,600 million was almost double that of 1966, figures for the first three months of the current

year could mean a 1968 deficit of \$8,000 million.

The Stockholm agenda is limited to discussion of the special drawing rights project, but France is hoping that discussions will be widened to what it regards as the principal problem.

Attending the Stockholm meeting will be the United States, Japan, Britain, Canada, Sweden, West Germany, Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands.

The proposed special drawing rights will be introduced initially for a period of five years. Each year the International Monetary Fund will distribute rights to debtor countries in the proportion of their IMF quotas and ask creditor countries—essentially, the Common Market countries—to finance the drawings by paying in four times their IMF quotas in national currency.

France will seek the right to opt out right from the time of the first operation. In this way the Paris government hopes to bring pressure to bear on its Common Market partners, who see own shares could be proportionately increased in the event of French nonparticipation.

In any case the necessary ratification procedure would mean that any agreement adopted at Stockholm this week could not come into force before the end of 1969, French experts believe.

Under these circumstances, they claim, the only benefit the special drawing rights are likely to bring to the ailing dollar are psychological ones.

Provincial Press

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when one speaks of higher or vocational education. It is quite true that at one level we need to educate our people so that they are able to read and write but we must also keep an eye on the personnel needs of the country.

Toloi Afghan of Kandahar in its editorial yesterday wrote on the training seminar opened earlier last week for Kandahar teachers. The seminar is held under the auspices of the Kabul Teachers' Training School.

The newspaper while lauding the step, says a teacher should aim at acquiring encyclopaedic knowledge. He is one of those individuals who could be exposed to any kind of question by his students.

The newspaper says that seminars have been held in Kabul for many years. In these seminars and courses, writes the paper, modern techniques of teaching are discussed and teachers benefit from each other's experiences.

This is the first seminar of its kind in Kandahar. The newspaper hoped that the teachers of the province will make utmost use of this opportunity.

Toloi Afghan also refers to the need for increasing the number of qualified teachers in the country. It says in the past few years the number of teachers training institution has increased considerably.

We should bear in mind that we must also keep a satisfactory level of education for our teachers as well so that they in turn may be able to maintain a good educational standard in our schools.

Holding such seminars and courses are indeed useful and important for achieving such a goal, the newspaper concluded.

Weather Forecast

Skies in the northern region will be cloudy and in the southern, western and central regions clear. Yesterday the warmest area was Farah with a high of 22 C. 72 F. And the coldest was North Salang with a low of -12 C. 10 F.

The temperature in Kabul at 11:30 a.m. was 5 C. 41 F. Kabul will be cloudy with wind and chances of rain this afternoon.

Today wind speed in Kabul recorded at 16 knots.

Yesterday's temperatures:

Kabul	13 C	5 C
	55 F	41 F
Kandahar	15 C	4 C
	59 F	39 F
Mazare Sharif	12 C	5 C
	53 F	41 F
Herat	8 C	-1 C
	46 F	30 F
Jalalabad	21 C	12 C
	70 F	53 F
Kunduz	18 C	4 C
	64 F	39 F
Baghlan	8 C	4 C
	46 F	39 F
South Salang	-2 C	-8 C
	28 F	17 F
Lal	-5 C	-11 C
	21 F	12 F
Ghazni	7 C	-3 C
	44 F	26 F
Gardez	6 C	-2 C
	43 F	28 F



PARK CINEMA:
At 2, 5, 7 and 10 p.m. American film
(THE POPPY IS ALSO FLOWER)
with Yul Brynner, Omar Sharif, and Nadia Tiller and Rita Hayworth.
ARIANA CINEMA:
At 2, 5, 7 and 9 1/2 p.m. American Film
(THE POPPY IS ALSO FLOWER)

Corkill Saved After 14 Hours Ordeal In South Atlantic

CAPE TOWN, March 27. (AFP) — An Indian merchant ship rescued lone yachtsman Don Corkill after he had spent 14 hours clinging to his overturned craft in heavy seas in the South Atlantic, a dramatic radio message revealed Tuesday.

New Zealander Corkill, 25, an experienced yachtsman who had sailed his Trimaran Clipper 1 from his country to South Africa, set out recently in his 22-foot boat from Capetown for another single handed voyage to Rio de Janeiro.

But on Saturday night the small craft was turned upside down by 19 foot waves in the cold waters of the South Atlantic Benguela current. Corkill, trapped under his ship, opened a hatch, and managed to climb out onto one of the floats.

Every half hour, waves swept him off his precarious perch. Then he found a length of rope with which he tied himself to his ship, thus avoiding being separated from it in the wild seas.

But he was weakening, and did not really expect to live through the ordeal. On Sunday morning a ship sailed by, without stopping. But a cadet officer going off duty saw the overturned hull at the top of a wave—and back came the ship—the Indian freighter Jalanganga, bound for Bombay.

After three attempts, Corkill succeeded to get aboard, with the help of one of the crew, as he was too weak to climb a rope ladder alone. Even now, although uninjured, he is barely able to walk. He is going to Bombay with the ship.

Afghan Diary

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You see there's another Byrd and his name is Joe. He's the tall thin one who wears a beard and he plays the brass fiddle. And you won't believe this, but he's every bit as good as Charlie. They have a friend called Bill Reichenbach and he plays the drums—and you put them together and you've got a fantastic trio. Only get this, I understand they are no longer a trio. I haven't heard their latest addition but his name is Mario Darpino and he's a flutist. So now it's known as the Charlie Byrd Quartet.

And if you want to listen to Charlie with me you're welcome to come. He's going to play at Kabul University, at the U.S.I.S. auditorium, and at the Diplomatic Wives Variety Show at Radio Afghanistan. After all, something as good as Charlie you just have to share.

UNCONSCIOUS RACIALISM

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restrict, the protection given to minorities and you responded. We cannot ignore the past nor the pledges we gave.

In what we did for the minority communities we were supported by all political parties and by the press. It is of course true that no one said in terms to the Asian community 'we are providing for you a privileged backdoor entry etc.' But your Kenya Constitution is devastatingly clear. So is Hansard. And so, therefore, is my position. I gave my word, I meant to give it. I wish to keep it.

Against that stands Enoch Powell —some think he is likely Tory Prime Minister of the not so distant future—who roused the current storm and the hasty exodus by his emotive speeches.

His constituency party has produced a resolution demanding a ban on a further influx of 'coloured immigrants' into Wolverhampton in order to 'preserve local culture'.

That there are community problems caused by the presence of 'coloured' people cannot be denied. But cultured people try to solve problems by the application of principled standards, not by pandering to the most primitive aspects of a man's nature which resent and fear anything unfamiliar and different from himself.

(FWF)

Learn French At French Club
every year the French Club in Kabul organises French Lessons for every one interested.
These lessons will take place in the French Club in Share-Nau.
The time table will be given later on.
Application will be received every day except Friday from 4- to 5 p.m. until 31st March.

U.S. Forces Claim 300 Viet Cong Killed

SAIGON, March 27. (AFP) — American and South Vietnamese troops using tanks and supported by aircraft have killed over 300 Viet Cong in fierce fighting 45 km. from Saigon around Highway

1 leading to Cambodia in the most violent pitched battle since the Viet Cong mass offensive last month, it was revealed. The fighting raged Monday in marshy flat land and ricefields near the Cambodian border.

Communist troops yesterday overran a South Vietnamese militia outpost eight kilometres east of Trang Bang after attacking in company strength another outpost nine km. to the west of the town.

The attack was repulsed when a company of U.S. infantrymen was dashed to the scene.

U.S. and South Vietnamese troops reported killing 243 communists in the area yesterday following an initial flare up there on Sunday.

The battle was the first major engagement in an operation launched a fortnight ago by the U.S. and allies to drive the communists away from all the provinces surrounding the capital, encircled by about 45 battalions during the "tet" offensive.

As further reinforcements of the U.S. 25 infantry division were rushed to Trang Bang Monday, they at once clashed with 200 to 300 communists on the outskirts of the town as the divisions tank battalion ran into an unknown size force about four kilometres to the southeast.

After a day long battle in which U.S. and South Vietnamese planes swooped repeatedly on communist fortifications, the adversary began withdrawing to the north and northwest of the town but at two yesterday morning was still scrapping with U.S. forces.

World News In Brief

BRISTOL, March 27. (Reuter) —The British prototype of the Concorde supersonic airliner may fly before the French one, an official of the British Aircraft Corporation (BAC) said here.

The aircraft's development programme originally gave the French prototype, OOL, a six-month lead over the British O02 being assembled here.

Tid-Bits

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Police in Penang said they suspected he had swallowed the chain and locket and when they took him to hospital an x-raying proved them correct.

New York
Outer Mongolia has just completed what is believed here to be the first ever purchase of an American film for showing there.

The film is the three-hour long spectacular "Spartacus" starring Kirk Douglas, which will be shown in Outer Mongolia with a Russian sound track and Mongolian sub-titles.

A group of young wives got tired of spending Sunday afternoons on their own here while their husbands watched football so they have formed their own team.

Their only problem is to find opponents.

Brunei Town
Brunei silversmiths whose traditional craftwork once was famous throughout Southeast Asia have given up in face of mass production.

Most of them have gone to work as labourers or lorry drivers with the public works department or returned to fishing because their traditional hand craft work did not pay enough.

"We held out as long as we could, but it was useless," one of the men told reporters who came to look for them at their workshop at Kampong Ayer.

Lodon
Britain's heir to the throne, 19-year-old Cambridge student Prince Charles sat next to a freckle faced miniskirted blonde during a surprise visit to London's west-end theatreland Monday night.

Prince Charles, oldest son of Queen Elizabeth, arrived unheralded to see a Noel Coward comedy "Hay Fever" at the Duke of York theatre.

Wearing a dinner suit, he was accompanied by friends, including three girls in miniskirts.

GENEVA, March 27. (AFP) — Foreign Minister Willy Brandt said on Tuesday that West Germany's political alignment was primarily European.

Questioned here by newsmen on his way to Ivory Coast, he said West Germany wanted to enlarge and strengthen existing European communities and reduce tension with East European countries.

WASHINGTON, March 27. (AFP) —South Yemen has demanded the immediate expulsion of the American military attaché, Captain Dale Perry, it was announced here today.

State department spokesman Robert McCloskey said that the government of the People's Republic of South Yemen had not volunteered reasons for the requested expulsion and an enquiry was under way.

WASHINGTON, March 27. (AFP) —Republican Senator James Pearson of Kansas Tuesday called for a "substantial" reduction of American forces in Europe to meet troop requirements in Vietnam and to lessen the balance-of-payments deficit.

The Senate armed services committee pointed out that 350,000 U.S. soldiers were presently stationed in Europe. In addition, there were 236,000 military dependants, he said.

PARIS, March 27. (AFP) —Tunisia's Foreign Minister Habib Bourguiba junior, son of the Tunisian president, arrived here today for an official visit.

It was the first time in eight years that a Tunisian foreign minister has made such a visit, and it highlighted the improvement in Franco-Tunisian relations which has been apparent for the last two years.

Dada Art Protest Against Viet War In New York

NEW YORK, March 27. (Reuter) More than 300 policemen, many wearing steel helmets, turned out here last night expecting to do battle with irate hippies.

Instead they got a lecture on dadaist protest art movement and a street theatre mime show protesting against the Vietnam war.

With tempers running high among the hippies following a weekend clash with truncheon-swinging police wooden crush barriers were placed along both sides of the street outside the Museum of Modern Art where hippies and art students were staging an art protest.

But the hippies, outnumbered about three to one by police, merely shouted such epithets as "white bourgeoisie creeps" and "decadent pigs" at the wealthy socialists arriving for a preview of the Museum's Dada Exhibition.

The long-haired demonstrators politely told inquirers that those attending the preview—by invitation only—were the very type of conformist members of the middle and upper classes against whom the Dadaist school artists and writers had revolted after World War I.

After hasty negotiations with the police, a mime group staged the anti-war drama. It featured a white-fanged dragon—the war—devouring a U.S. soldier and a player representing President Johnson counting endless piles of outside dollars.

UN Council

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ide upon comprehensive mandatory sanctions making it clear that all member states have the obligation under article 25 to accept and carry out this decision.

Reuter reports: Pakistan laid the primary responsibility for the protection of Rhodesia's African population on Britain—the administering power.

In November 1965, Britain was called on to quell the rebellion of the Smith Regime. "Unfortunately, the performance of the administering power has fallen far short of our expectations", Ambassador Agha Shahi said.

British Prime Minister Harold Wilson has said that the use of force would not be ruled out in the event of the break-down of law and order. "One is constrained to ask," the Pakistani ambassador said, "is not the contemptuous recourse to a reign of terror, indicative of a collapse of law and order?"

Shahi said the policy of selective mandatory sanctions had failed because, being too weak in the beginning, "the usurper regime has been able to make the necessary adjustments in its economy and thus absorb the effects of the partial measure adopted by the security council."

"Selective sanctions having failed, the Security Council now faced with a grave challenge to its authority. It cannot evade its responsibility. It must proceed to adopt the most drastic measures within its capacity," the Pakistani ambassador stressed.

"Accordingly, my delegation considers it imperative to impose comprehensive mandatory sanctions against Southern Rhodesia and to ensure that these are not evaded by South Africa and Portugal."

"We are, however, apprehensive that the effect will be countered, the impact weakened and the results forestalled, unless determination is shown to plug the loopholes that may be discovered after the application of sanctions," he said.

"We are impelled to call for the continuing direction and control of the Security Council because the application of comprehensive mandatory sanctions would be an historic step for the United Nations to take."

"We must not under-rate the magnitude, the difficulty and the complexity of the task."

For Sale By Sealed Bids

The American Embassy offers for sale one 1962 PLY mouth Sedan; one 1964 Jeep Wagoneer and one 1961 Willys Jeep Mcbile unit.
Sale will be held at the American Embassy compound on Sunday March 31st. Vehicles may be inspected from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. sealed bids will be accepted until 1:30 p.m. Opening of bids will take place on Monday April 1st. At 10:00 a.m. American Embassy.