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Headlines:

- President Kennedy urges the Republic of Vietnam's government to regain popular support in the war against the Communists.
- One hundred or more people are feared dead in an earthquake which rocked the Kashmir Valley in India.
- The School Board in Tuskegee, Alabama said its schools will reopen on an integrated basis.

News in Detail:

- President Kennedy said he does not think the war against the Communists in the Republic of Vietnam can be won unless the government there makes a greater effort to win popular support. The President spoke in a television interview recorded at Hyannisport, Massachusetts, where he had been spending the Labor Day holiday weekend with this family. Mr. Kennedy said the U.S. is prepared to continue assistance to the Saigon government. But he added that, in his opinion, the government of President Ngo Dinh Diem has gotten out of touch with the people in the last few months. The President said he feels the actions taken by the Vietnamese government against the Buddhists were very unwise. He said the U.S. does not think this is the way to win.

The President said it is his hope that this will become increasingly obvious to Saigon, and that the government will take steps to try to bring back popular support for the very essential struggle against the Communists. The President went on to say that in the final analysis it is the Republic of Vietnam's war, and the Vietnamese are the ones who have to win it. Mr. Kennedy said that at the same time, it would be a great mistake to end military assistance to the Republic of Vietnam. He said he does not agree with those who say America should withdraw from the country. The President referred to the statement last week by French President De Gaulle decrying foreign influence in the Republic of Vietnam. He said General De Gaulle's statement probably was an expression of his general views. Mr. Kennedy added that the French do not have any forces or any program of economic assistance in the country. Mr. Kennedy added that while the French President's statement is welcomed, the burden was carried, as it usually is, by American and the people here. He said he feels anything General De Gaulle said should be listened to, and the U.S. listens.

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FROM VOA BROADCAST (Cont'd)

- One hundred or more people are feared dead in an earthquake which rocked the Kashmir Valley in India. All India Radio says one thousand houses collapsed in the area, and many persons are buried under the debris. It said the quake hit fifty villages and that an estimated five hundred people were injured! Large scale losses of livestock were reported. The French News Agency said thirty-two bodies were found in one village in the (name unclear) area in Srinagar.

- The School Board in Tuskegee, Alabama said that the city's schools will be opened on an integrated basis Tuesday, in spite of an order by State Governor George Wallace to delay reopening for one week. Thirteen Negro children are scheduled to attend classes in previously all-white high schools and elementary schools when they reopen. The Governor, an avowed opponent of integration, said he had acted to preserve peace and tranquility. The School Board said it considered itself responsible for the operation of the city's schools, and that it was ordering them to open. The Board's announcement said in its opinion, any other course of action could bring Federal troops to the area. Integration of the schools has been ordered by a Federal Court.

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9:00 a.m. 17845 kc.

7:00 and 8:00 p.m. 15335 kc; 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. 15335 kc. 11:15 p.m.