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Westerners Assail Remarks on the Conflict in East

By ERIC PACE

KARACHI, Pakistan, April 17 The Pakistan radio said tonight that Pakistani troops yes terday evening "secured" Chua-"that Indian danga, the town propagandists had been claiming as the seat of the so-called Bangla Desh Government."

"The troops moved into the town without firing a shot the radio said, "and found a trace of a ghost government-which it appears exists only the imagination of the India propagandists." a shot, Indian propagandists.'

The radio reported other military successes in East Pakistan tonight.

Meanwhile, a furor arose here in West Pakistan over reported remarks by the United States Ambassador to India, Kenneth B. Keating. Mr. Keating, a former United States Senator from New York, is reported to have said in Bombay Thursday that the East Pakistan problem was the concern of the world community and not merely Pakistan's internal affair. affair.

## Party Criticizes Keating

The spokesman of West Pakistan's strongest political party, the Pakistani People's Party, criticized Senator Keat-ing, saying it was "surprising ing, saying it was surprising that a government that insisted upon its right to intervene in Vietnam should be caviling at Pakistan's right to restore order in an integral part of her territory."

Similar criticism came from nother political party and om West Pakistan officials in tellectuals. The furor another from West rand intellectuals. The rund was played up in the Pakistani

According to a Reuters dispatch, as published in the papers here, Ambassador Keating said to reporters in Bombay, "This phrase internal affair" affair' "This phrase has a certai usage, but it overdone." certain international should

overdone."

He reportedly said that the official United States view was that as far as East Pakistan was concerned, the meaning of the phrase was "limited to the geographical fact that what is taking place is within [Pakistan's] territory."

The Pakistani Government has repeatedly asserted that the East Pakistan problem is its own business and nobody else's.

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official reaction was forthcoming from the Pakistani Government yesterdav—First the Marian forthcoming from the Pakistani Government yesterday—Friday is the Moslem holy day—but Karachi's largest evening paper, The Daily News, reported to-night that Pakistan "is likely to protest to the United States against the remarks made by the American India." Ambassador

vas understood that the was under study by the ini Government, which waiting confirmation of was understood Ιt Pakistani<sub>.</sub> was awaiting confirmation the initial Reuters reports.

## Indian 'Interference' Denounced

The Pakistan radio also de-nounced what it termed Indian interference and infiltration in the East

Reporting that the the Cnuc en "combed cleared of miscreants,

radio said:
"All sources of supply to the infiltrators and antistate elements in the area have been sealed off. Short of supplies, completely de-wed. They they are now completely de-moralized and disarrayed. They also loot foodstuffs from pri-vate houses and haras peace-loving civilians. These elements and being chased are out."

It also broadcast this account of other reported achievements: istani Army yesterday Kushtia [25 miles eas borderl and of the Another column reached east of fully border] and fully secured the town without facing much resistance. In the region cleared of miscreants, rural people have resumed their normal work."

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It continued: "In a mopping up operation in the border belt of Jessore district." belt sore district, Pakista ambushed an Indi column near Benapol Pakistani Jessore troops Indian supply column near Benapo. Intown five miles east of the border]. The infiltrators were killed and their war material was seized. The captured arms arrifles, machine guns and mortars, and the captured ammunition bears the mark-ings of the Kirkee ordnance factories of India."