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SIMON DRING, Daily Telegraph reporter, flew into Dacca on March 6 as the political tension built up in East Pakistan.

Dring, aged 27, describes how he led search parties that scoured foreign correspondents and stayed on to bring this first-hand account of the fighting out of the stricken state.

He left Dacca at the weekend and filed this report from Karachi.

As the Pakistani Army moved to crush Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's 25-day-old indepentdent movement, all foreign journalists were penned up in the Intercontinental Hotel since the beginning of the fighting. Some were stripped and deporated to Karachi.

However, I avoided the round-up by hiding on the roof of the hotel. Then, despite repeated attempts by the Army to find me and the only other foreign correspondent to escape, Associated Press photographer Michel Laurent, I managed to make an escape and to be at the scene of the fighting. The Government of Bangladesh is trying to hide.

I succeeded in getting on a plane to East Pakistan yesterday, waiting a check by security men at the airport, and although I was twice stripped and my luggage searched, I made it through with my notes intact to Bangkok to file my report.

OLYMPICS

By CHRISTOPHER MUNNION
in Salisbury

AFTER five years of ostracism from international sport, Rhodesia has received and accepted an official invitation to take part in the Olympic Games in Munich next year.

Mr. O. B. H. M. Haughton, secretary-general of the Rhodesian Olympic Committee, disclosed this on his return from a five-day visit to Munich, where he was invited by the West German Olympic Committee.

He said yesterday that he had been guaranteed accommodation for 300 Rhodesian supporters in Munich and also assured that there would be no passport problems.

Major triumph

Rhodesia's Olympic team, barred from the Mexico Olympics in 1968, is multi-racial. The Afrikaans Artwell Maudaza, who holds an unofficial world record for 9.8 seconds 100 metres, ran last year.

The invitation is hailed in Rhodesia as a major diplomatic triumph, although Olympic team officials expect some boycotts and an outcry from several countries.

CURBS COMING ON INFLATION, SAYS HEATH

Curbing inflation had meant some hard decisions, and would mean even more in the months ahead, Mr. Heath said in a Budget Statement message to the Conservative Party division, for the Liverpool Scotland division, Mr. Barry Potter.

The Prime Minister said public support was on the side of the Government and there were clear signs that its measures were taking effect. Rolling the money in the strong Labour seat is on Thurs.

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PAID MATERNITY LEAVE URGED BY CARR

Motherhood should be paid maternity for her children, Mr. Carr Employment Minister, says in a letter to the Trades Union Congress.

Paralleled with the unions who draw such benevolence, his letter is addressed to his wife, who has had two babies and is currently expecting.

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