

INDO-CHINA

REBELS FREE HOSTAGES

To Hanoi, lorries which had picked them up in No Man's Land bring 115 French civilians, ex-prisoners of the Viet-Minh rebels. For four long years they lived interned in a camp where disease was rife and food scarce. For two years the Red Cross appealed for their release, without avail. Then the rebel leader Ho-Ch-Minh broadcast that he would set free all prisoners, but none believed him. Now, experts wonder why, but to the freed their freedom is enough.