

12 Middle East Countries Favor American Efforts Under Doctrine

Washington — (U.P.) — Twelve Middle Eastern countries generally favor American efforts to bolster the Middle East against Communism under the Eisenhower Doctrine, a survey disclosed today.

Five nations in the troubled region either are withholding a decision on the American aid program or are against it.

The doctrine, in the form of a resolution passed by Congress March 9 and signed by President Eisenhower, states U.S. readiness to use armed force to help any

Mid-East nation attacked by a Communist-dominated country and requesting American help. It also authorizes U.S. economic and arms aid to bolster Middle-East nations against Red encroachment.

The United Press survey is based on results of Ambassador James P. Richards' 59-day tour of the Middle East to explain the Eisenhower Doctrine and line up support for it.

Richards was scheduled to return here this afternoon to report to Eisenhower and congress-

sional committees on his mission. Richards, a Democrat and former chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, was authorized to make commitments on economic and military aid projects of up to \$200 million in the Middle East under terms of the doctrine.

Nations visited by Richards that are endorsing new American efforts to stem Communism were Lebanon, Libya, Turkey, Iran, Pakistan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Ethiopia, Greece, Tunisia, Israel, and Morocco. Israel's formal approval is expected shortly.

Of these nations only Greece, Saudi Arabia and Israel will not receive American aid dollars from the Eisenhower Doctrine fund. The three nations will continue to receive U.S. aid, however, from regular foreign aid funds.

Afghanistan gave Richards a mixed reception. It declared its "neutrality" in the East-West struggle, thus withholding any direct pledges to resist Communism. But it agreed to accept further American "economic and cultural aid" without "any political conditions."

Yemen and Sudan withheld approval. The Sudanese government said it "welcomed the clarification" of the doctrine and agreed to give it "further study."

Egypt and Syria did not invite Richards and his mission, while Jordan is a special case. Administration officials believe existence of the doctrine stiffened King Hussein's will to resist leftist attacks on his regime. Hussein himself suggested it would not be a good idea for Richards to visit his country. But the young monarch accepted \$10 million in American aid from regular foreign aid funds.

Edsel Auto Will Be Easily Recognized By Distinctive Lines

Detroit — (U.P.) — The new Edsel scheduled for introduction late this year, can't be classified as a big brother of the Ford, or a little brother of the Mercury.

The car, Ford Motor company's entrant into the medium-priced field, is all new from its oval grille to its distinctive trunk.

It has been learned the Edsel will come equipped with double headlights, a split front bumper and wrap-around grille. The center of the grille is oval-shaped, similar in design to the sports car of another automaker.

The company itself has re-

leased no details of the Edsel's design. A spokesman would only say "The Edsel is easily recognized from front, side and rear. It is distinctive without being ostentatious."

The car will be introduced about Sept. 15, while production is scheduled to start in mid-July. A few prototype models have been built at a plant outside Detroit.

Fenders on the Edsel, which is costing Ford some \$250 million to put on the market, will be concave, with a slight "torpedo" bulge leading to the taillights.

The indented portion of the fenders sweeps around the trunk, while the back-up lights are centered in the taillights, as on this year's Ford.

The chrome strip slides downward from the double headlights to the indented fenders. The front panel slopes down to meet the rising rear quarter, similar to some General Motors' models.

A company spokesman said the Edsel "covers that portion of the market in which 60 per cent of the cars are sold."

Four Series

He said it will be a full middle-priced car "with four series and 18 models." Only General Motors' Buick matches the price range of the Edsel.

Richard F. Kratfe, Edsel division manager, says the company has spent \$150 million in facilities for producing the car. Another \$100 million has been spent or earmarked for tooling, administrative costs and launching the new model.

The last successful introduction of a new model in the auto industry was the 1939 Mercury brought out in the summer of 1938. The Kaiser-Frazer line, introduced after World War II folded after a few years.

Phoenix Schedules Spring Open House

Phoenix — Phoenix High school will hold its annual spring open house at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, according to school officials.

The program will include musical numbers by the girl's triplets and dances by the freshman physical education class.

After the program all classrooms and departments will show exhibits, projects and displays of work being done in the classes. Faculty members will be present in their rooms.

Thirty-four Phoenix High school seniors will graduate at commencement exercises at 8 p.m. June 4, in the high school gymnasium.

Charlotte Stoval will be valedictorian of the senior class and Betty Medford will be salutatorian.

Baccalaureate services will be held at 8 p.m. June 2, at the First Presbyterian church in Phoenix.

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Girl Fasts for 'Glory of God'

Chattanooga, Tenn. — (U.P.) — A high school sophomore who is doing without food "for the glory of God" said today she will ask for divine guidance in deciding whether to continue fasting after she reaches her goal of 21 days.

Evelyn Jenkins, 16, whose home is near Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., said "It will be God's will whether I continue it or not."

Evelyn joined the Voice of Faith Temple here last Sept. 2. She said her decision to stage the 21-day fasting period was made because "The Bible tells us Jesus fasted."

She dropped out of the 10th grade at Kirkman Vocational High School here 19 days ago to start her 21-day fast which ends Friday. During the first four days she drank water and small amount of fruit juice but for the past 15 days has had nothing but water.

Evelyn lost 10 pounds during the first two weeks but said she doesn't feel weak or hungry. She spends about six hours each day in a secluded wooded spot near the home of an aunt with whom she lives, reading the Bible and praying for "guidance."

Portland Dry Cleaning Prices To Be Boosted

Portland — (U.P.) — Dry cleaning prices are due to be raised here about 15 per cent, according to Lee Fullington, secretary of the Independent Cleaners association.

Fullington said operators of 30 Portland dry cleaning plants, members of the ICA, agreed to the price increases at a meeting here Monday night. Reason for the hike are supply and labor costs, Fullington said.

Sinatra Sues Look Magazine For \$2,600,000

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Frank Sinatra today sought \$2,600,000 damages against Cowles Magazine, Inc., and writer Bill Davidson because of an article in the current issue of Look magazine that reported the singer called Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn a "creep."

Sinatra charged in a federal court libel suit Tuesday that Look stooped to scandal magazine tactics in the first article of a biographical series titled, "The life story of Frank Sinatra: Talent, tantrums and torments."

Never Met Davidson

"It was a low, lascivious, and scurrilous article containing innuendos and references of the same nature and type as contained in what are popularly known as scandal magazines," Sinatra said. "I had never even met or spoken to Davidson."

The part of the article that appeared to have infuriated Sinatra into taking legal action was an anecdote in which, the complaint said, the sprightly singer was quoted as vehemently telling Rayburn at last year's Democratic convention to "take the hand off the suit, creep." The article said the stiff rebuke came when Rayburn asked Sinatra to sing "The Yellow Rose of Texas."

Rayburn Denies Incident

The legal firm of Gang, Kopp and Tyre attached to the 16-page suit a copy of a telegram from Speaker Rayburn denying the alleged incident. The telegram said:

"My attention has been called to the article entitled, 'Talent, tantrums and torment' which appeared in the May 14, 1957, issue of Look magazine. With reference to the paragraph on page 42 relating to the meeting of Frank Sinatra and me on the day he sang 'The Star Spangled Banner' at the Democratic convention, no such meeting as described ever occurred and Sinatra never gave any such expression in my presence. I doubt if anybody would ask me to take my hands off them."

Baghdad Pact Members To Ask U. S. To Meeting

Karachi, Pakistan — (U.P.) — Member nations of the Baghdad Pact will formally ask the United States to join during a pact meeting June 3-5, a foreign ministry spokesman said today.

The formal invitation follows last month's decision by the United States to join the pact.

84 ASK ASYLUM
Nuernberg, Germany — (U.P.) — Refugee officials said today that 84 Yugoslavs attending the German Industrial Fair at Hanover have asked for political asylum in West Germany.

INSTALLMENT THEFTS
Knoxville, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Knox county deputies said today the thieves who stole a boat from the dock at the Johnson Bible college came back the following night and stole the motor.

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