

Allies, Neutrals Applaud U.S. Lebanese Landing

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS LONDON (AP)—The Communist bloc and some neutral nations applauded the United States today for aggression in Lebanon that might touch off a global war.

But most of America's allies and some other neutrals applauded the landing of Marines at Beirut as a vital necessity not only to preserve Lebanon but also to protect the free world. A few allies had reservations.

Initial reactions from behind the Iron Curtain were slight compared with the propaganda broadsides which Western observers expect the Kremlin to unleash.

The Soviet news agency Tass said the United States was trying "to cover armed aggression with references to the rights of collective self-defense envisaged by the United Nations Charter. Pravda

said the Marines were engaged in "open piracy." Hungary chimed in with a charge of "American aggression." Czechoslovakia rejected an American note explaining the landing.

Communist Yugoslavia did not go along with Moscow in accusing Washington of aggression. But President Tito's government said only the U.N. is entitled to act in Lebanon and by going to Lebanon the United States threatened to touch off a world war.

Tito sent a cable on the crisis to Prime Minister Nehru of neutral India. Nehru had said the rebel seizure of power from a pro-Western government in Lebanon, which led to the U.S. landing in Lebanon, might lead to a conflagration from which neutrals cannot escape.

Newspapers in New Delhi attacked the landing in terms rivaled only by the unanimous condemnation of the Soviet Union last month for the execution of former Hungarian Premier Imre Nagy. "American intervention in Lebanon is no less a crime than the Soviet incursion into Hungary" to crush the 1956 uprising, the Indian Express said.

Both Britain and France supported the U.S. action. Some Frenchmen commented bitterly, however, that this seemed to justify the Anglo-French invasion of Suez in 1956, which Washington helped stop. Writing in the conservative Figaro, Andre Francois-Poncet of the French Academy said, "Eisenhower appears to have realized the failure of the tactics he has followed up to now and is disposed to adopt another course."

Iraq's three Asian associates in the anti-Soviet Baghdad Pact — Turkey, Iran and Pakistan — discussed the situation at a meeting in Ankara and expressed their "satisfaction and thanks" officially for the American landing.

Another leader whose country U.A.R. President Nasser would like to dominate, Prime Minister Abdullah Khalil of Sudan, said the U.S. action gave him "overwhelming joy" and was a turning point in the Middle East crisis. He added his government has no tendency to recognize the pro-Nasser rebel government in Iraq.

Both Nationalist China and Panama, U.S. allies sitting on the U.N. Security Council, announced support for the American action.

But three Far Eastern allies had reservations. Japanese government sources termed the landing unwise and undesirable. The sources said Japan's Security Council delegate would work for withdrawal of the Marines.

Kim Dong Jo, vice foreign minister of South Korea, declined to take a stand and said Seoul was watching the situation carefully. Foreign Secretary Felisberto Serrano of the Philippines said, "Things are too vague now to take a definite stand."

Meg Photogs Hopping Mad

VICTORIA, B.C. (AP) — Photographers assigned to cover Princess Margaret's review of an international fleet of warships off Vancouver Island were hopping mad Wednesday over the treatment they say they received.

The 13 photographers, from the United States, England and Canada, were aboard the Canadian destroyer escort Crescent with Princess Margaret during the review Tuesday, but they said they were locked in a room below decks most of the time.

"I have never been insulted like that in my life," snapped Eric Cable of the Vancouver, B.C., Province when the Crescent returned to Victoria.

William Tellow of Federal Newsphotos of Canada said it was "the most undignified treatment I have received in 25 years of news photography."

"I wonder if the Princess knew what was going on below decks," Jim Ryan of the Victoria Colonist said.

The photographers said they boarded the Crescent before Princess Margaret did and were escorted below decks. They said they were instructed to leave their equipment in a handling room and then they were locked in the chief petty officers' mess room.

They were permitted to shoot pictures for only six minutes apiece during the 3½-hour stay aboard the Crescent, they said, adding that their only refreshment during that time was a jug of cold water.

Bay Men's Death Told

SAUSALITO, Calif. (AP) — Eugene Burns, who went unscathed through much of World War II as a correspondent in the Pacific theater, has been reported killed in the Iraq revolt.

The State Department said Tuesday night unconfirmed reports from "third parties" to the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad said Burns and George S. Colley Jr., overseas construction chief for Pacific Bechtel Corp., were killed in Baghdad rioting Monday.

In messages to Mrs. Olga Burns in Sausalito and the Bechtel Corp. in San Francisco the department said "at this moment there is no way of verifying" the reported deaths.

Burns was in Baghdad as director general of the Holy Land Foundation. His wife said he left San Francisco May 28 to organize facilities for the foundation's objectives of promoting tourism in Iraq and Jordan and to combat Communist influence there.

On Dec. 7, 1941 he telephoned the first eyewitness account of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor from Honolulu to the AP bureau in San Francisco.

Since leaving the Associated Press in 1945 he has written a syndicated wild life column "Is That So?"

Mrs. Burns said her husband organized the Holy Land Foundation after returning home in March from a Middle East visit with his wife and 14-year-old twin daughters, Stephanie and Carol.

Burns wrote several books on wild life and fishing and a book on the combat career of the aircraft carrier Enterprise, "Then There Was One."

Colley, about 56, executive vice president of Pacific Bechtel Corp., overseas subsidiary of one of the nation's major engineering and construction firms, was inspecting oil company construction jobs in Iraq.

Colley's wife, Marmorie, was reported on a motor trip in Mexico.

Burns was born in Moscow and came to the United States as a child. He was naturalized in Seattle in 1929. Before starting a writing career with the Honolulu Star Bulletin, Burns studied at the University of Washington and Harvard and taught English at the University of Idaho and Albany College in Oregon.

RETURNING
 BULLWOOD (AP) — Mrs. Osborn Lovett, who left her husband in 1954, will show her own show over local TV station KCOP. It will be known as "4:30 Matinee" and will show movies along with interviews and commentaries.



BEAUTY CONTEST WINNERS DOING ALL RIGHT — It's often said that beauty contest winners return to oblivion after their victories but these winners are supporting themselves through movies, television, modeling and night clubs. They appear as a team of "moon maidens" in the film "Missile to the Moon." Left to right: Mary Ford, formerly Miss Minnesota; Lisa Simone, Miss France; Anita Pelke, Miss New York; Tania Velia, Miss Yugoslavia; Sandra Wirth, Miss Florida, and Marianne Gaba, Miss Illinois. —AP Wirephoto

Portland Sees Sputnik III

PORTLAND (AP) — The rocket section of Russia's Sputnik III satellite sailed over Oregon again Tuesday night. Its reflections were visible for the sixth consecutive night.

The rocket, which propelled the satellite into orbit May 15, is one of five separate sections of this launching now orbiting around the earth. The others are the main instrument section, two protective shields and a nose cone. They were not sighted in the flight over Oregon.

Robert Boardwell, director of a local moonwatch team, said the rocket section would be visible again Wednesday night at 8:55 p.m. low in the northwest sky. It actually will be moving from southwest to northeast.

Case Settled Out Of Court

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Liberace has settled his 20-million-dollar lawsuit against magazine.

He agreed yesterday to accept \$40,000—the biggest settlement yet made by the much-sued onetime scandal magazine.

Liberace, now appearing in Atlantic City, N.J., told his lawyers by phone that he'll give to charity whatever is left of the \$40,000 after legal and court costs have been paid.

Liberace sued the magazine in May 1957, alleging an article about him was "defamatory, vulgar, rude and completely untrue." The magazine and its publishers were later tried for criminal libel and Confidential agreed to change to a less sensational format.

Planes Seek SF Couples

JANESVILLE, Wis. (UPI)—Civil Air Patrol and Air Force pilots from Wisconsin and Iowa resumed search this morning for a single engine plane missing since Friday with two San Francisco couples aboard.

In Iowa the search will continue in an area between Waterloo and Dubuque. Wisconsin planes have been searching rough wood'd country along the Mississippi River.

Wisconsin sheriff's deputies heard reports an olive green plane similar to the one missing on a flight from Milwaukee to Des Moines, was sighted in trouble near Potosi, Wis. Officials believed the plane might have plunged into the Mississippi, accounting for its apparent disappearance.

Aboard the plane were Lester Weber, 41, the pilot; his wife, Lorraine, 41; his brother Richard, 42, and Richard's wife, Frances, 29.

SUES AGAIN

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP)—The wife of actor James Craig is suing for divorce again. Mrs. Mary June Craig asks for custody of their three children and seeks an order to keep him from molesting her. She filed suit in 1954 but they reconciled.

LOAN

CARACAS, Venezuela (UPI)—Maybore said today documents formalizing a 250-million-dollar American bank loan will be signed before the end of the month.

Progress of the loan negotiations was confirmed recently in New York banking circles.

East, West Balance Delicate

By CHARLES STAFFORD Associated Press Newsfeatures Writer

In Lebanon, that spot on the globe where for the moment peace dangles over the snakepit of war, East and West strike a delicate balance.

Across the centuries, the watch post-sized nation on the eastern shore of the Mediterranean Sea has been a crossroads for the two worlds.

It is more so than ever in this modern age when armies — and nations — travel on petroleum. Much of the Middle East's oil production is piped out of Saudi Arabia and Iraq to Lebanon's ports where it is loaded into tankers for shipment to Europe.

The Russians, who find it politic to back Gamel Abdel Nasser in his passion to unite the Arab nations, would like to see Lebanon fall into the hands of Nasser's new United Arab Republic. The United States, pledged by the Eisenhower Doctrine to fight for the "preservation of the independence" of Middle Eastern nations, would not.

Lebanon, a melting pot where Christian and Moslem have lived peacefully under the same flag, was able to remain officially neutral to the big power tug of war until recently.

Then Camille Chamoun, Lebanon's Christian and pro-Western president, upset the delicate balance. He hinted he would seek to amend the Lebanese constitution so he could serve a second term.

His hint touched off a flame of opposition among Moslem leaders, who are opposed for a variety of reasons to the Chamoun government. This flame was fanned to violence by the Nasser propagandists of Radio Cairo and Radio Damascus.

The history of Lebanon stretches back into eternity. Ancient Egypt had designs on it because of the famous cedars of Lebanon. These trees were used later to build Solomon's temple in Jerusalem.

During the Crusades, Lebanon was a gateway to the Holy Land for the Western armies. But West gave way to East in 1289 when the region fell to the Mameluke sultan of Egypt. It fell again in 1516, this time to the Ottoman Turks.

After Turkey's defeat in World War I, Lebanon was occupied by the French. In 1926 the French set up a Lebanese republic, but another world war had passed be-

fore the tiny nation became completely independent.

Size-wise, Lebanon stretches at an average width of 30 miles for 125 miles along the Mediterranean coast. It is surrounded for 150 miles by Syria and bordered for about 35 miles more by Israel.

The capital of Beirut is 100 miles from the British island of Cyprus, 150 miles from Nasser's capital in Cairo, 500 miles from the Iraq oil fields, and only 650 miles from the Soviet-Turkish border.

Its terrain is well suited to the guerrilla warfare of revolution. Two mountain ranges, the westernmost rising from narrow coastal lowlands, stretch the length of Lebanon. Some of the peaks top 10,000 feet. Between the ranges is the fertile plain of Bekaa.

Beirut, with a population of 250,000, and Tripoli with about 75,000 are the principal cities. Tripoli, an oil tanker port, is the terminus of a pipe line from the oil fields of northern Iraq.

The one and one-half million citizens are almost equally divided between Christian and Moslem religions. There are many Turks, Armenians, Greeks, Jews, Persians and Europeans among the population.

Coffee house conversation is a confused jumble of English and Arabic, French and Armenian, Greek and Hebrew.

When the balance was upset,

there were four groups principally involved in the revolt. These included the Moslems of the Tripoli area, a hotbed of pro-Syrian sentiment; the Moslems of Beirut, whose leaders are strong for Nasser; the Druses, mountain tribesmen belonging to a Islamic sect that broke off from Islam, and tribesmen from the Syrian border area who have always opposed central authority.

Behind Chamoun's government — at least theoretically — is the 8,000 to 9,000-man army commanded by Brig. Gen. Faouk Shehab, a member of an old Lebanese family respected by both Christians and Moslems. The army's five colonels are Christians as are many of its 170 officers.

But the men filling the ranks are drawn from all religions and sects.

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