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Palestinian camp attacked

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BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanese air force jets strafed a Palestinian refugee camp outside Sidon yesterday after Palestinian guerrillas and Moslem militiamen overran a Christian suburb, Sidon-based Lebanese reporters said.

In dispatches to Beirut from south Lebanon's third-largest city, the newsmen reported that one Palestinian was killed and 17 people wounded when the two Hawker Hunter jets fired on the camp with 30mm cannon.

The planes, believed to be the only combat planes in the Lebanese air force, fired on the Ein el-Hilweh camp on Sidon's eastern edge after making two low passes, the reports said.

It was the first time the Lebanese warplanes had been seen in action in more than a year. Lebanese military authorities in Beirut declined comment on the reported strafing.

Military sources in Tel Aviv said no Israeli warplanes were in the air at the time.

In Beirut, Christian and Moslem militiamen fought in the middle of the city and sent rockets and shells crashing into residential neighborhoods. Police said six people were killed in west Beirut and 15 wounded.

The new battles in Beirut and Sidon broke out less than 24 hours

after Lebanon's Moslem leaders announced agreement in Damascus on steps to halt fighting in the battered cities.

At the Damascus meeting it was announced that President Hafez Assad of Syria had persuaded Prime Minister Rashid Karami of Lebanon to withdraw the resignation of his national unity government.

The resignation last week had threatened to end the year-old unity government of Lebanon and confront Lebanese President Amin Gemayel with a new political crisis. Karami had been strongly backed by the Syrians who are trying to assert their political strength in Lebanon as the Israeli occupation army withdraws from the south.

In Sidon yesterday morning, Palestinian guerrillas from the Ein el-Hilweh refugee camp joined forces with Moslem militiamen and stormed suburban Darb es-Sim, three miles southeast of Sidon. Pillars of smoke were reported rising over the suburb.

The reports said rockets and mortars struck Sidon as Christian Lebanese Forces militiamen retreated to Maghdoush, another Christian suburb south of Darb es-Sim.

The Lebanese army reported at least one man was killed and 15 wounded in the machine-gun, rocket and mortar clashes.

The Lebanese jets flew low over

the Christian suburbs during the fighting, but did not fire, according to the reports. Witnesses said an Israeli gunboat was seen offshore during the fighting, but did not open fire.

The new fighting shattered a two-day lull during which 300 Lebanese Forces militiamen were evacuated by boat from the outskirts of Sidon after nearly a month of sectarian battles.

At least 113 people were killed and more than 475 were wounded in the fighting around Sidon, which has a population of 200,000.

There was no explanation for the sudden outbreak of fighting in Beirut. Lebanese army officers telephoned militia leaders to arrange a cease-fire and the fighting eased at dusk.

The militiamen used Soviet-made Grad rockets and 120mm mortars for the first time in months in fighting in the capital, radio stations reported.

Israel radio said the Israeli army was preparing to evacuate Lebanon's southernmost port of Tyre, but did not say when the withdrawal might take place.

Assad, the Syrian president, was quoted yesterday by Lebanese newspapers as calling on Moslem guerrillas in south Lebanon to stop attacks on the Israelis to force them to speed up their withdrawal, now scheduled to be completed by early June.



Israeli tanks roll out of the village of Dahr Al-Ahmar in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley Wednesday. Israeli Army withdrawal marked the second phase of their pullback after a 34-month occupation.

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Blacks fight with police in S.Africa, rioting continues

By TOM BALDWIN
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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — Blacks stoned police and set fire to buses yesterday in rioting that spread to at least 12 black communities across South Africa.

In one incident police said they exchanged fire with a black mob. Police reported that a black man was killed when a bomb he was believed to be carrying exploded near a Durban bus stop.

The man was not identified and police said there were no other casualties in the blast.

As the white-ruled country went through new spasm of protest riots against the system of apartheid, the banned African National Congress issued a statement claiming government authority in South Africa's black slums "has largely been destroyed."

From its exile offices in Lusaka, Zambia, the main guerrilla group fighting apartheid urged blacks to maintain the protests and predicted South Africa will become ungovernable as rioting intensifies.

More than 300 people have been killed in the unrest that began in late August. Only one victim was white — an infant struck on the head by a stone thrown through a car window.

Yesterday's rioting was in black areas around Johannesburg and in eastern Cape Province.

In KwaZulu, a black township outside the manufacturing city of Port Elizabeth on the Indian Ocean, police said they engaged in a shootout with a black mob that had set fire to a home and a private car.

"In giving chase, the police were fired on by one of the petrol bombers. Police returned fire with shotguns," a police statement said. The statement said there were no casualties but that police arrested five people.

It was the first police report since August to say that blacks have been armed with more than stones, knives and gasoline bombs. The August incident involved a sniper shooting at a police car during a riot, police said.

Also in KwaZulu, police said four blacks threw gasoline inside a bus and set it on fire. Segregated buses, a favorite target for rioters, are a symbol of a system in which 5 million whites dominate more than 22 million blacks.

Police said a white woman driving through Sebokeng, a black area 40 miles south of Johannesburg, suffered minor injuries when her car was stoned.

Fifty youngsters tooted a milk truck in Soweto, Johannesburg's black ghetto. In Alexandra, another black slum near Johannesburg, youths halted a truck and stole its load of meat.

Such incidents prompt police to accuse criminal elements of taking advantage of riots. Black Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu, the Nobel Peace Prize laureate, said blacks are simply angry about apartheid.

Tutu's office announced yesterday that the government, which lifted his passport three years ago, has given him a new travel document that is good until the end of the year. Tutu, bishop of Johannesburg, had had to seek temporary travel documents for each of his overseas journeys.

Reagan to reconsider his decision to visit Bitburg.

Democrats jeered as Lotz, the chamber's second-ranking Republican, objected to consideration of the non-binding measure on the grounds that he wasn't consulted first. The objection prevented the House from altering its schedule to consider the resolution yesterday.

Lotz objected to reporters that he was doing "stitch his nose" into the issue. He said he hoped Reagan would find another site, but wasn't sure that Congress should "stick its nose" into the issue.

Rep. Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., one of the sponsors of the resolution, said the measure would be brought up again early next week, but that the delay hurt.

"We think it could have had a real effect" if passed enough in advance of Reagan's departure, he said.

state news briefs

PP&L refused profit on reactor

HARRISBURG (AP) — The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission yesterday refused to permit Pennsylvania Power & Light Co. to earn a profit on its newly opened nuclear reactor.

The commission awarded the company a 10 percent increase in the average residential customer's bill, but trimmed nearly two-thirds off what the company had sought.

The monthly bill for a residential customer using 300 kilowatt hours will rise from \$39 to \$43 beginning today, the PUC said.

In its 9-1 decision, the commission denied the utility's request to earn a return on its investment in the Susquehanna Unit 2 reactor in its base rates, but said the company can charge customers for some plant-related costs.

The PUC said the \$2 billion facility, which went on line in February, gave the company too much generating capacity for the needs of its 1 million customers.

Company officials said they were "extremely disappointed." Jerry Caliendo, PP&L's vice president and chief counsel for regulatory affairs, said the company request was conservative and reasonable.

The two nuclear reactors, located near Berwick, give PP&L "an exceptionally strong capacity position and an efficient mix of fuel sources," he said. "No one involved in the rate case challenged the prudence of our decision to build the plant."

David Barasch, the state consumer advocate, said that on balance, the PUC tried to dispense justice with its "gutty decision."

"The PUC told stockholders that ratepayers are not going to write blank checks for all their investments," Barasch said.

Pa. asks for more hearings on TMI
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The state of Pennsylvania yesterday asked a federal court to order the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to hold more hearings before deciding whether to permit a restart of the Three Mile Island nuclear plant.

In a 3-page petition, attorneys for Gov. Dick Thornburgh asked the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to reverse a Feb. 25 order, approved by the NRC on a 3-2 vote, to dispense with further hearings before ruling on the future of TMI's Unit 1 reactor.

Unit 1 has been shut down since the adjacent Unit 2 suffered the worst accident in U.S. commercial nuclear history in March 1979. "The order of the commission represents a potential threat to the health and safety of the residents of Pennsylvania as well as to the integrity of their environment," the petition said.

The state called the NRC's position "arbitrary, capricious, not based on substantial evidence and not in accordance with law." One set of hearings called for by the state, but canceled in February by the NRC, would investigate the alleged falsification of critical test data at Unit 2 in the months preceding the accident.

Metropolitan Edison Co., a subsidiary of plant owner General Public Utilities Corp., pleaded guilty last year to one criminal count and no contest to six other counts stemming from the alleged falsification. The case never went to trial.

The state called for other hearings as well, including possible irregularities in testing at Unit 1.

nation news briefs

U.S., Vietnam join to aid man

CHICAGO (AP) — An anemic Vietnamese refugee clung to life yesterday, awaiting the arrival from Southeast Asia of his brother to give him a bone marrow transplant — a trip that results from unprecedented cooperation between U.S. and Vietnamese authorities.

Vo Ten Duc is "critical, but not as bad as yesterday," Dr. Mandy Colbigh said yesterday.

Duc, 33, remained in sterile isolation yesterday in the intensive care unit of the University of Illinois Hospital. His younger brother was to leave Ho Chi Minh City yesterday for Chicago, the result of a long effort that overcame political, bureaucratic and geographic hurdles.

Duc's brother, Vo Hoang Van, 18, who lives in a Mekong Delta village, is to participate in a bone marrow transplant as soon as he arrives in Chicago, probably Friday.

"It's a miracle," Colbigh said of the cooperative effort. "But he (Duc) might not survive until then."

Hoa Truong, a family friend who works as a mechanic for a Chicago auto dealer, borrowed \$5,000 for Van's travel expenses. He said yesterday that Duc brought his wife, Lan Duc, and family to Chicago in 1979 after first settling in Michigan.

Truong said his friend has been unable to find work as a truck driver since then, and that the family has been subsisting on public aid.

State evidence points at Von Bulow
PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — A wealth of evidence will permit the jury in Claus von Bulow's retrial to visualize him injecting his wife with insulin in two murder attempts prompted by his desire for her fortune and for another woman, a prosecutor said yesterday.

In an opening statement, Assistant Attorney General Marc DeSisto conceded the case against the Danish-born financial consultant will rest on circumstantial evidence, but he said it is "every bit as powerful and every bit as good" as eyewitness testimony.

DeSisto said the state will show von Bulow tried to kill his wife to gain his \$14 million share of her \$75 million Pittsburgh utilities fortune. He said it also would show he wanted to marry his mistress at the time, Alexandra Isles, who had given him a deadline to leave his wife.

The prosecutor told the 11-woman, four-man jury that has been sequestered for the trial that "from all this evidence the state presents in this case, you will be able to see in your mind the defendant injecting his wife with insulin."

Von Bulow's normally stoical countenance reddened at several points during the statements, particularly when DeSisto said von Bulow contributed "no significant capital to the marriage."

world news briefs

Witnesses detained in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican authorities are holding three witnesses who reportedly saw two American citizens abducted in Guadalajara last Jan. 30, U.S. Ambassador John Gavin said yesterday.

U.S. officials said they had little hope that the missing Americans were still alive.

The names of the witnesses have not been released, but the embassy said their depositions indicated that the missing Americans may have been victims of Mexican drug traffickers who mistook them for U.S. drug investigators.

The two U.S. citizens are John Walker of Minneapolis and Alberto Radael of Fort Worth, Texas, who were last seen on Jan. 30 in Guadalajara.

Gavin said that according to Mexican officials, the witnesses said they saw the Americans enter a restaurant, and later saw their bloodied bodies taken out of the establishment. He did not clarify whether the witnesses said the abducted men were still alive when taken from the eatery.

The Mexican officials said the witnesses were picked up recently in the course of a different investigation, Gavin told reporters. He did not say what the investigation was about, but added that the restaurant the Americans reportedly entered was owned by reputed drug trafficker Rafael Caro Quintero.

Associates of Caro Quintero — who is now in custody, charged with kidnaping and murdering a U.S. drug enforcement agent and a Mexican pilot — were holding a party at the restaurant, according to the witnesses.

Soviets doubtful on 'star wars'

By The Associated Press

MOSCOW — The United States' assurances that it will share the technology for a space-based missile defense system with the Soviet Union "can't fool even a simpleton," the government news agency Novosti said yesterday.

The agency's commentary on the recently completed first round of the Geneva talks on nuclear and space weapons also reiterated Soviet accusations that the United States is attempting to steer toward a separate agreement to limit medium-range and strategic missiles.

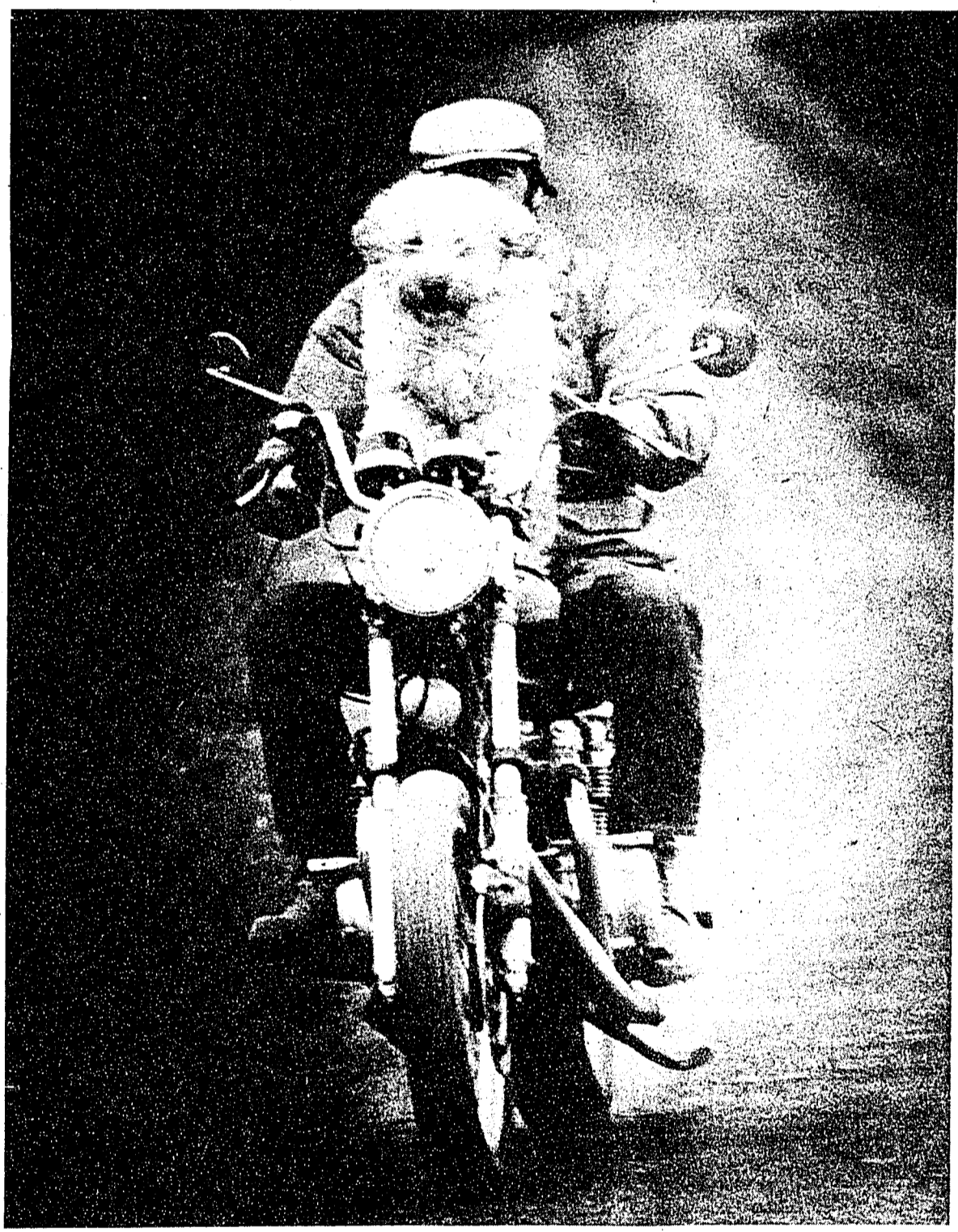
The Soviets claim space weapons and nuclear weapons must be considered interrelated issues, and that the U.S. emphasis is violating the format for the talks agreed upon in January by Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko of the Soviet Union and U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

Negotiators ended Tuesday the first round of talks that began March 12. The next six-week session is scheduled to start May 30.

"Washington's oft-repeated assurances that once it develops a workable space defense system it will share its findings with the other side can't fool even a simpleton," Novosti said.

"After all, if the White House insists that personal computers are a strategic item not to be sold to the Soviet Union, then one can hardly believe that it will willingly reveal its most sophisticated military high-tech achievements of the 'Star Wars' project," the agency said.

U.S. trade regulations prohibit sale to the Soviet Union of high-technology items, including personal computers.



Out for a spin
Rick Cartwright and his 1-year-old dog, Freeway, ride along Knitt Road outside Hudson, N.Y. Cartwright says Freeway likes riding on everything Cartwright owns, including his bicycle.

AP Laserphoto

White House mum about Reagan's trip to cemetery

By W. DALE NELSON
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — The White House ducked questions about a still-planned presidential trip to a German military cemetery yesterday as West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl thanked President Reagan for "the noble gesture of a friend."

"We are not answering Bitburg questions; there has been no change in the president's plans," spokesman Larry Speakes said, using the name of the graveyard that has embroiled the White House in controversy over the scheduled May 5 visit.

The cemetery contains the graves of some 2,000 German war dead, including 47 Nazi SS troops.

Another White House official, who frequently speaks to reporters on grounds that his name not be used, declined to go beyond Speakes' comments even over the cloak of

anonymity. He said he thought Speakes had put the situation correctly.

Even the president himself, who sometimes talks about subjects his aides shun, turned aside a reporter's question about whether he was considering changing his plans.

Holding up a plaque that he had been given by a group of youthful volunteers at a Rose Garden ceremony, he said, "I'm just considering putting this on my desk."

The USA issued a statement saying, "The focus of the Washington Post story of his morning was essentially accurate, but the fact that the good intentions of the trip are lost in the controversy is what Wick described as a 'tragedy'."

Speakes would say only that there had been "no change in the president's plans" and that "all facets of trips are always under discussion." Reagan leaves Tuesday for a 10-day European trip including an

economic summit conference in Bonn.

The White House spokesman declined to say whether Reagan had been in touch with his U.S. Information Agency director and close friend, Charles Z. Wick, about a newspaper interview quoting Wick as calling the Bitburg visit "a tragedy."

"I don't want to comment," he said. Asked whether he had been directed not to answer questions on the subject, Speakes said, "It is my policy."

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Wick also was quoted as saying that "the Russians are going to have a field day" in exploiting the trip for propaganda purposes. He said he was preparing a summary of foreign press comment, most of it critical,

for the president's perusal.

Kohl thanked Reagan for going ahead with the visit in a speech to the West German parliament in Bonn, calling it the "noble gesture of a friend" and adding, "I deeply regret that this great man who is a friend of the Germans, because of his noble conviction, must accept considerable political difficulties in the United States."

A number of Jewish organizations, concentration camp survivors and veterans' groups have expressed outrage at Reagan's plans.

An administration official said privately Wednesday that Reagan attempted to talk his way out of the cemetery visit during a telephone conversation with Kohl last Friday, but the chancellor was adamant that Bitburg remain on their joint schedule.

In Congress, House Republican Whip Trent Lott of Mississippi blocked speed-up consideration of a resolution calling on

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