

JORDAN

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British military forces entered the Kingdom of Jordan, today. An airlift - landing a unit of paratroopers. British intervention in Jordan - a counterpart of American action in Lebanon, which is next door. The British - invited by King Hussein, just as the Americans were invited by ~~Lebanese~~ Lebanese President Chamoun.

In London, Prime Minister MacMillan explained - that King Hussein asked for military aid, because he feared an immediate attempt against his government. Following - the overthrow in neighboring Iraq, where Hussein's cousin, King Feisal - was killed by the pro-Nasser insurgents.

The Prime Minister said, British intelligence ~~was~~ had discovered that, in MacMillan's words: "An attempt was to have taken place today." The revolution in Iraq - to be followed, promptly, by a similar pro-Nasser overthrow in Jordan.

The timing "today" would explain - the quick British action.

ADD JORDAN

The statement by the Prime Minister raised a storm in the London House of Commons. The labor party - protesting against the sending of ~~XXXX~~ troops to Jordan. Opposition leader Gaitskell - demanding immediate negotiations with Soviet Russia, in a summit conference.

Tonight, the House of Commons okayed British policy in Jordan by a vote of ~~three-hundred-and-fourteen~~ to ~~two-hundred-and-fifty-one~~.

JORDAN-AMERICANS

There was a rumor that the United States might send American troops into Jordan - joining the British. But that's denied in Washington. However, American warplanes flew over Jordan, today, in a demonstration of support for the British troops, when they landed. And American oil tanker planes have begun an airlift of gasoline from the Persian Gulf ~~to~~ Jordan, where - there's a critical fuel shortage.

ISRAEL

Israel, today - protested because Royal Air Force planes flew over Israeli territory, while airlifting paratroops to Jordan. However, there wasn't any other way to get them from Cyprus to their destination - unless they flew over Syria, Nasser-country -- ~~nam~~ which is hostile.

In fact, the Air Force of Israel made a few gestures to stop the aerial armada. Israeli fighter planes - ~~fixfame~~ forcing back British jets, which accompanied the troop transports. ~~How~~ever, the plane loads of soldiers - continued on their way.

We hear that the protest was more or less forced on Premier Ben Gurion - because of angry objections made by leftist members of his cabinet, ~~who~~ fear - that Israel may become involved in a war between the Arab countries.

The United States - faces a similar protest from Austria. The Vienna government - complaining that Austrian air space was violated, ~~By~~ the transport planes - carrying American troops from Germany to the Near East. ~~Austria~~ Austria

sending its own Air Force planes to the Tyrol, the Alps;

To stop further American military flights across Austrian territory.

Austria, of course, is neutral - its neutrality guaranteed.

ADANA

We now know where those U S paratroopers are - the sixteen hundred soldiers of the sky who left Germany yesterday. Their destination - a secret, although word about them came - from Naples, American staging ground in Italy.

Well, they were/on their way - to Turkey, the port of Adana, That ancient harbor - at a corner of the Eastern Mediterranean, not far from Syria. The frontier - of Nasser's United Arab Republic.

Just what the sixteen hundred U S paratroopers are/doing at Adana - is not revealed. Possibly - held in readiness, if needed to reinforce the marines in Lebanon.

STATE DEPARTMENT DENIAL

The State Department issues a denial - of trouble between the Marines and the people of Lebanon. Stories broadcast - by Moscow and the Nasser people in Damascus and Cairo.

One Canard, for example, that ten leathernecks were killed - many wounded, in a battle with Lebanese rebels, yesterday. The purpose - to spread falsehoods about clashes between the Americans and the Lebanese.

Two incidents have occurred. A couple of Marines - captured when they drove a jeep into rebel held territory yesterday. The ~~re~~ rebels - quickly releasing the two Americans. Then, there were a few shots fired, early today, in the direction of the Marines guarding the dock area in Beirut. No shooting - in return.

U N JORDAN

Jordan, today, made an appeal to the U N - asking the Security Council for protection against Nasser's United Arab republic. Which, ~~and~~ according to the complaint - is interfering in Jordanian ~~and~~ affairs. Jordan - making the same request as Lebanon.

The British are following the example of the United States - which told the Security Council that the U S Marines will be withdrawn from Lebanon, if a U N Security force takes over in that country. Britain indicating - that British troops will be withdrawn from Jordan, if replaced by an international military force.

U N MILITARY FORCE

The Security Council will soon take a vote - on the American demand that a U N military force be sent into Lebanon, to replace the Marines. Soviet Russia, expected to veto the proposal - if it passes. But there's other opposition too. Sweden, for example - ready to offer a resolution in opposition, criticizing the United States - in an indirect way.

The Swedish delegation to argue - ~~is~~ not only against a U N military force, ~~But~~ also - to call for the removal of the U N "watchdog team" sent into Lebanon to keep a watch on infiltration from Syria. ^{This} On the ground - that the observers are useless, while American marines are in Lebanon. The Swedes - agreeing with Swedish Dag Hammarskjold, the U N Secretary General, who doesn't approve - of American intervention.

Some Latin American ~~delegat~~ delegations are critical, while Japan is backing the United States. But - only reluctantly.

U N MILITARY FORCE

Later news - that the Russian delegation will demand an emergency session of the U N General Assembly. Unless the Security Council orders the Americans and British out of Lebanon and Jordan at once. Very likely, the Security Council will ~~do~~ such thing. In which case - the Russians declare they'll put the question before the General Assembly of all the nations of the U N.

SELWYN LLOYD


British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd - in Washington for urgent conferences. Arriving, today, he explained: "Having trans-Atlantic telephone calls and telegrams, is no substitute for personal discussions at this time."

SOVIET ARMY

At an Iranian village, along the frontier of Soviet Russia, today - people looked across the land of Communism, and saw intense military activity. Masses of Russian troops, with artillery and armor - in tactics of war.

From Red Moscow - a statement that the Soviet army is holding extensive maneuvers in the trans-Caucasus, That region - which lies on the borders of Iran and Turkey. The Black Sea - on one side, The Caspian - on the other.

Both Turkey and Iran regard the Red army maneuvers, at this time ^{as} ~~x~~ a part of a war of nerves. The Soviets making a menacing gesture. Warning Turkey and Iran - to take no action against the anti-western regime set up at Baghdad.



ADD SOVIET ARMY

In Washington, the Defense Department says it doesn't consider the Russian maneuvers - a threat, the whole thing called - propaganda.

MOSCOW

In Moscow - a demonstration before the U S Embassy, a crowd of two thousand, shouting slogans "hands off Lebanon. Shame on American colonialists." However, it ~~is~~ was not so hostile - mostly good-natured. The crowd consisting - most of youngsters, who did no damage. Kept in check by police - they merely blockaded the ~~the~~ sidewalk.

CONGRESS

The House of Representatives passed a bill - with Constitutional implications, today. A bill - providing that state laws shall have precedence over federal legislation.

This comes about as the result of a Supreme Court ruling - in the case of Steve Nelson, a Pennsylvania Communist leader, who was convicted of subversion under Pennsylvania law. The court reversing this - on the ground that federal anti-subversive laws should have applied.

The bill voted in the House of Representatives today would mean - that, in such cases, a state law shall prevail.

JUPITER

Out of the Atlantic Ocean today, the waters off Puerto Rico, a U S naval vessel spied - an orange and blue balloon. Not in the air -but in the ~~we~~ water. Sailors fished out the balloon, and with it- the nose cone of a rocket.

Evidence of the success - of a rocket experiment at Cape Canaveral, Florida, where an army Jupiter went streaking - streaking hundreds of miles into space. Then coming back into the atmosphere - at a speed of ten thousand miles an hour.

The point being - would the nose cone burn up through friction? Plunging - through dense air? The nose cone - the part which, in the war, would carry an automatic or hydrogen bomb. If it burned up through friction, there could be - no nuclear bombing.

To the nose cone was attached - the balloon of orange and blue. Which was released and inflated automatically - during the descent. ~~Enaa~~ Enabling - a tracking force of planes and ships to spot and recover the tell-tale evidence.

This was the second successful nose cone experiment
- with a Jupiter rocket.

TRUJILLO

The California Port of San Diego is a U S Naval base - where they know a warship when they see one. So, today. the Angelita - is paying mooring fees, fifteen bucks a day. Warships don't pay mooring fees. The Angelita - classed as a yacht.

A luxurious craft - belonging to General Rafael Trujillo, son of Dictator Trujillo of the Dominican Republic.

In the harbor of Los Angeles, the Angelita was moored - free. A warship - because there was a single gun aboard. Also, because the young Trujillo is a general. More logical, of course - if he were an Admiral.

Yesterday, however, the Angelita went off on a voyage, and now has put in at San Diego. Where the naval officials - took one look. They saw the single gun, also the general. They also perceived, what the news dispatch calls - the "lady in red." Young and beautiful - a Hollywood starlet in a crimson dress. Which didn't convince the Navy

people - that the Angelita was a warship.

So they said - fifteen dollars a day -- the ~~xx~~
regular mooring charge for a yacht.

Today is an anniversary - of a comic event. So funny - people still remember it, after twenty years.

On July 17th, Nineteen thirty-eight, a rickety airplane landed in Ireland. A red-headed young fellow, climbing out, and asking - "Is this Los Angeles?"

"Wrong Way" Corrigan - who made a trans-Atlantic flight against all regulations, then - gave an excuse that set the whole world laughing. Saying, he thought h^e was flying - to California.

"I set that compass wrong" he declared, "or I'd have got to Los Angeles. Honest, I meant to go there!" But it was just dumb luck - that I got to Dublin."

Then he added:-

So "Wrong Way" Corrigan became a hero of the absurd - those twenty years ago. *I presided in N.Y. at a fiction honoring him on his return* And what has he to say about it now?

A citrus grower in California - running an ~~orange~~ orange grove. Married - with three sons. A news reporter looked him up, today, and asked him about that "Wrong Way" flight.

The Middle Aged citrus grower grinned. Actually, *Don,*
he never has retracted that old excuse he gave. But now -
a halfway admission.

"I've' been telling that story so long, I'm beginning
to believe it," said "Wrong Way" Corrigan today.

SOFTBALL

Here's a story that interests me, particularly - as an old time softball player. Some years ago, I ran a team - the Nine Old Men. Which used to play - a softball club managed by the late President Roosevelt. So I'm entitled to pass judgment and say - softball is a great game. But I must admit - one can be too enthusiastic about it.

At Milwaukee, William DeVaughn was on county unemployment relief. Receiving about a hundred dollars a month - for himself and family. He had an unemployment relief job, but didn't show up for work. The reason - he was too tired. Exhausted - playing softball. William - a member of three different softball teams. Quite a star - hitting the ball and running the bases.

The authorities add - that his wife used part of the monthly relief check to hire a baby sitter. So she could watch the softball games - with William catching flies and hitting home runs.