

Monday, January 12, 1976

U N

At the U N today - in the Security Council - the start of an historic debate on the Middle East; boycotted by Israel - because the Palestine Liberation Organization was invited to take part. Israeli Ambassador Chaim Herzog saying Israel is willing to negotiate with its Arab neighbors - but not with the P L O. We will negotiate only on the basis of a recognition of Israel's sovereign rights, said he - "we will not negotiate our own suicide."

U.S. Ambassador Daniel Moynihan - then took up the Israeli cause; attempting to block a move to allow the PLO to participate as though it were a full U N member. Moynihan saying the PLO is ineligible - in law and in fact. Since it is not a state nor a government - nor does it claim to be - said he. Then adding: To give it such extraordinary status - would open a Pandora's box for groups in all parts of the world wanting to participate in the UN as though they

BEIRUT

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The city of Beirut was hit today by a torrential
were member states.

When the matter was finally put to a vote though -
the PLO was accorded full participation by a vote of eleven
to one. The only "no" vote - from the U.S.

And now...

BEIRUT

The city of Beirut was hit today by a torrential
downpour ^{that had} ~~but it seemed to have~~ little if any effect
on the continuing warfare between ^{the} Moslems and Christians.
Police saying ^{some} ~~during the past forty-eight hours~~ at
least seventy-five ^{or} more ^{were} ~~have been~~ killed in Beirut ^{today}
and about a hundred and fifty wounded.

MADRID-BARCELONA

Spanish police today used clubs, smoke bombs and tear gas - to break up ^{the} so-called "day of struggle" demonstrations, in Madrid and Barcelona. The one day protest led by Socialist and Communist groups - seeking wage hikes, greater trade union freedom and the release of all political prisoners.

HEALTH

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare ~~issued~~ ^{issued} today its first annual report on the state of the nation's health, ~~as required by law.~~

The government study showing a high rate of venereal disease also, showing a marked increase in medical

costs; but noting infant death ~~rates~~ ^s are ~~xx~~ down ~~xxx~~ ^{with}

life expectancy on the increase, ~~Dr. Theodore Cooper~~ ^{with}

~~further saying we could all improve our health by~~

~~taking better care of ourselves; "most death and~~

~~disability from accidents are preventable" said he.~~

~~Adding: "So are health conditions which are aggravated~~

~~by excessive use of alcohol and tobacco - and by lack~~

~~of exercise and proper diet."~~

CANBERRA

From the new Prime Minister of Australia -

Malcolm Fraser - an appeal today for a new U S
naval build-up in the Indian ocean. Fraser saying
this is needed ~~in order~~ to protect vital trade routes
from Soviet interference. "The mere presence of ships
in the right place at the right time" - said he - ~~can~~
~~"can certainly be critical in having~~^R an impact on
events." ~~in the area in question."~~

WALLINGFORD

The unchallenged queen of mystery writers
one of the best read authors of all time - dead today
in Britain. Agatha Christie passing away after a
lengthy illness - at her home in Wallingford near
London.

~~Dame Agatha - the creator of Hercule Poirot~~
~~and Miss Marple, among others.~~ ^{Her} Penning more than
eighty books ~~that~~ sold more than four hundred million
copies around the globe. ^{Her play,} ~~Also, the author of~~ "the
Mouse Trap" - now in its twenty-~~four~~ fourth year on the
London stage.

Dame Agatha once saying the secret of her
success lay in her great shyness - due partly to a
limited education. "Writing is a great consolation"
said she - "to people like me, who can't express ~~themselves~~
themselves very well any other way."

Agatha Christie - a shy genius - age eighty-five.

PUEBLA

This next - from a safari type wild animal
~~part~~ park at Puebla, Mexico. A park ranger leaving his
patrol vehicle in "Big Cat" area - ~~went~~ to warn a
group of visitors to roll up the windows in their car.
Before he could get there though - he himself was
attacked from behind by a big tiger ^{Jaguar} which, with two
quick blows - literally knocked his head off.

RIO DE JANEIRO

Another tragic accident - is reported today from Rio De Janeiro. A chap by the name of Manuel Carneiro, who got his drivers's license only last week - out for a spin in his Volkswagen when he ran into a ~~pond~~ puddle near a crowded ~~the~~ beach. Carneiro attempting to ~~to~~ hit his brake but he made a mistake hitting instead his accelerator. The car plunging madly into a mob of bathers before it came to halt, killing thirteen including two who were pinned beneath its wheels and drowned.

Manuel Carneiro now charged with manslaughter - and if convicted - he could get as much as forty-three years.