

Thursday, May 22, 1975

**VIENTIENE**

**At Vientiane, in Laos - a decision today to begin evacuating American officials and their dependents.**

**The U.S. Embassy arranging a series of charter flights - starting tomorrow. An Embassy spokesman adding that "in the next month - hundreds of personnel will leave."**

**REFUGEES**

The director of the U S Refugee Relief program

<sup>was</sup><sub>λ</sub> a witness today before a congressional panel. L. Dean Brown saying at least eight hundred Indo-China war refugees - would now like to return to their homeland; adding, however, <sup>that</sup><sub>λ</sub> the new Communist governments in Southeast Asia - are "being difficult" about arrangements and guarantees of safety. Our prime concern - said he - to <sup>make</sup><sub>λ</sub> ensure ~~that~~ "these people will be welcomed back and not punished."

And now —  
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**BEIRUT**

**Beirut, a third straight day of heavy fighting -  
between guerrillas and right wing Lebanese phalangists.**

**The fighting also leading to general protest strikes - that  
have now virtually paralyzed the entire nation.**

**The latest is that the two sides have agreed to a  
cease fire; and we wonder how long it will hold.**

## **PORTUGAL**

*At Lisbon today - the biggest demonstration yet -  
against Portugal's new Communist dominated government.*

*Socialist leader Mario Soares (Swar-ez) leading a protest  
march by an estimated fifty thousand anti-Communists.*

*Soares telling their new rulers of Portugal: "We don't want  
a Communist dictatorship - we won't accept it." His  
followers shouting: "Socialism yes - dictatorship - no."*

RIYADH

At Riyadh in Saudi Arabia - the unveiling

today of a new multi-billion dollar economic development

program. Its goal - ~~that of~~ <sup>to</sup> turning the desert

kingdom into an advanced nation; <sup>do it in a hurry,</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>do</sup> it - within

five years.

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HOUSE

*Capitol Hill - the House today passed and sent to the White House - a bill giving the securities and exchange commission sweeping new powers; to facilitate the enforcement of major reforms already ordered into effect in the various stock exchanges.*

## CAPITOL HILL

*Both house and Senate - later adjourning  
for ten days; leaving behind, among other things,  
major energy and housing bills - the strip mine  
veto - and New Hampshire's hopes of finally getting  
a second Senator.*

GUN

*From the U S food and drug administration -  
an order today banning the use of a dental soldering  
gun - such as presently found in dental offices across  
the land. The so-called "Nuva-Lite activator light"  
said to leak ultra-violet rays that have already injured  
at least thirty-one <sup>patients.</sup> ~~persons.~~*



TOKYO

Former Prime Minister Sato of Japan underwent emergency surgery today - in the same Geisha restaurant where he ~~was~~ has lain in a coma for the past three days. His doctors saying - he was having difficulty ~~breathing~~ breathing. ~~Sato you will~~ <sup>He had been</sup> ~~result~~ the victim of a stroke - while attending a dinner party last monday. Too sick to move - so the restaurant has been closed - and they're treating him right there.

## KREMLIN

The man who once ~~challenged~~ challenged Leonid Brezhnev for the leadership of all Russia - all but banished today from the Kremlin. Former ~~Secret~~ Secret Police Chief Alexander Shelepin - getting dumped from his latest second-~~nd~~ rank job, <sup>as</sup> ~~that of~~ ~~the~~ Chief of ~~the Soviet~~ Trade Unions. Observers saying:  
Now - he's nothing.

## KILWA

*How this for a fish story? From the Kilwa, Southern Tanzania, where a fisherman netted a strange fish-like creature, that has arms and legs, toes and fingers; one eye in its chest and another on its right side that glows at night; also, a small horn like that of a cow, one ear, a hump, like a camel - a large, tooth-less mouth - and a little beard like a billy goat. It even climbs trees - and winks at you.*

*And now....*

Will the Europe team take a week away

**NEW YORK**

**New York City - Senator Muskie of Maine named**

**- this year's National Father of the Year; with eight others**

**honored in special categories. Among them Playwright Neil**

**Simon - who observed: "It's unusual to receive an award**

**- for doing something so pleasurable."**

**And now.....**

... of the ...

... a firm guarantee

... and has the will to act

... in emergencies and ...

Again because of the ...

President also ...

beginning, perhaps, of a new ...

interference in the conduct of foreign policy."

"There are some things taking place in Congress" he