

Report Israeli-Syrian Fighting Still Raging

Lebanon Bolsters Border Troops

Forces Clash Near Lake Tiberius

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TEL AVIV, Israel, May 3—

An Israeli army spokesman said heavy fighting with artillery and mortar fire raged for the second day today between Israeli and Syrian forces in the border area north of Lake Tiberius.

At the same time the Baghdad radio said Lebanon, an Arab neighbor of Syria bordering Israel on the north, had "doubled its garrison along the Israeli-Lebanese border."

The spokesman, Col. Moshe Perlman, said about 20 bodies of "regular Syrian troops" had been counted in the disputed area within the past 24 hours.

Col. Perlman claimed the Israeli troops were holding positions which prevented Syrians from "crossing" into the demilitarized zone set up along the border around Lake Tiberius by the United Nations.

Syria said the incident started when Israeli troops opened fire and tried to steal cattle belonging to Arab shepherds. This account said Syrian regulars joined civilians in "repelling the aggression."

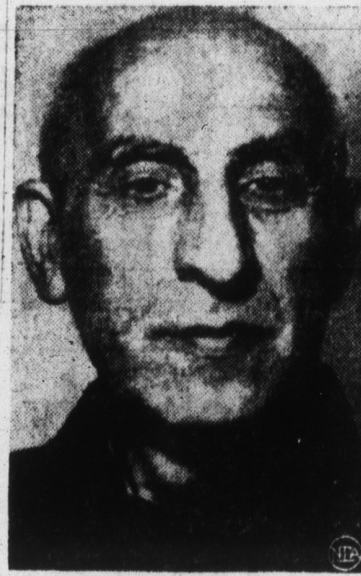
Israeli sources described the clash as the most serious since the end of the Palestine war in 1949. At least three Israeli soldiers were killed and one wounded when it started yesterday.

Want Price Controls

BRISBANE, Australia, May 3 (CDN)—Inflation-hit Australians, who voted out federal price control in 1947, now want it back. Most of them (82 per cent) also want wages pegged, according to the findings of a nationwide public opinion poll and 72 per cent want price control.

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Premier Mossadegh

Iran's Premier Faints Twice

Reports on Program For Nationalized Oil

TEHRAN, Iran, May 3 (UP)—Premier Mohammed Mossadegh, 69, who pushed the oil nationalization bill through the Iranian parliament, fainted twice today during public appearances.

The premier collapsed first at the entrance to parliament after outlining his new government's program a few minutes earlier.

He appeared to have recovered at his home an hour later and insisted upon making a scheduled prison inspection. He fainted again upon seeing a prisoner whose leg had been severed.

In his speech to parliament Mossadegh said his program was to nationalize Iran's oil, to secure the income of the oil fields for the country's general development, and to pass new laws on the press and municipal elections. He said the properties would be paid for, and the oil sold to "former buyers."

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Ike Puts Muscle Into His Air Arm

New Bombers Could Strike Deep in Russia

By United Press
PARIS, May 3—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower announced today a gigantic expansion of the U. S. Air Forces in Britain to equip the West with formidable bombers capable of penetrating deep into Russia if war breaks out.

The North Atlantic Pact Commander announced that the 3d Air Division, based for two years in the United Kingdom, had been elevated to the status of the "Third Air Force."

He also disclosed the activated 7th Air Division would leave the United States for Britain to increase Allied air power in Western Europe. Gen. Eisenhower appointed Maj. Gen. Leon W. Johnson commander of the 3d Air Force. Gen. Johnson, holder of the Congressional Medal of Honor, has commanded the 3d Air Division since 1948.

The 3d Air Force, the announcement said, will be placed at the disposal of Gen. Eisenhower's chief American air deputy—Lt. Gen. Lauris Norstad, Gen. Norstad, with present headquarters in Wiesbaden, Germany, is commander of U. S. Air Forces in Europe.

Worn-Out Pianos Set To Accompany Defense

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UP)—If your beat-up old piano sounds sour, you can still get a hot lick out of it for the defense effort.

Piano-makers promised the National Production Authority to get dealers to burn worn-out pianos. The metal scrap left over would be used to maintain steel production.

Space Ship Forerunner

PHILADELPHIA, May 3 (UP)—The Navy's new Viking rocket is the forerunner of a crew-carrying space ship which may become a reality in 10 to 15 years, according to a prominent aircraft engineer, William B. Bergen, vice president and chief engineer of the Glen L. Martin Aircraft firm, which built the rocket, said the Viking has registered speeds up to 4,000 miles an hour and an altitude of more than 105 miles.

Squeeze Play Really Works

BOSTON, May 3 (UP)—It's a home run when the ball goes over the fence. It was a home run when the outfielder went through the fence.

Tommy Freeman, 13, playing the outfield for his Roxbury team, started after a long fly. He tripped and rammed his head between the pickets of the outfield fence.

WHILE Tommy's head was stuck in the fence, the batter circled the bases and then joined in a rush to help him. The boys twisted and turned Tommy's head, but couldn't get it free. They called police, who worked Tommy loose and took him to a hospital.

Tommy was released after treatment for bruises.

Ernest M. Morris Dies at 68

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In two unusual incidents in GOP history.

In 1944, he had served four years as national committeeman, but was defeated for re-election by the late Robert W. Lyons, Indianapolis corporation lawyer.

But Mr. Lyons' election created a storm of protest that he once was allied with powerful Ku Klux Klan interests. A few days later, Mr. Lyons resigned and Mr. Morris was elected to succeed him.

In 1948, it was in Mr. Morris' room of the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis that the strategy was worked out to prevent Sen. William Jenner's nomination for Governor at the GOP state convention.

When it was apparent that the Jenner forces would lead on the first ballot, the other three candidates and Gov. Ralph Gates were called into a hurried huddle in Mr. Morris' room.

Treasurer's Office

It was decided that the real test of the Jenner bid would come on the balloting for state treasurer. All three gubernatorial candidates would throw their combined support to the anti-Jenner candidate for treasurer.

If they could block his nomination, they figured they had enough strength to keep Jenner from being nominated on the first ballot.

The strategy worked the next day at the convention.

The state treasurer test showed Jenner still could be stopped. The U. S. Senator did lead on the first ballot, but the two lowest candidates then tossed their support to Hobart Creighton to nominate him on the second ballot.

Yeggs Scrambled Over Empty Safe Bars to Teacher's

A Perfect 'Job' Goes for Naught

It's getting so a yegg just can't make a buck these days, no matter how hard he tries or plans. Cracksmen who switched from soup to screwdrivers to pull their "perfect" job last night netted not one cent for their efforts.

The general agent's office of the Indianapolis Life Insurance Co., 37 W. 30th St., had been perfectly cased, police said. The crooks knew exactly what they were doing. Only one little point was missed. The company was planning to sell the safe, and it was empty.

Police referred to the burglars as the "screw driver cracksmen." Six screw drivers and a hammer were found next to the safe, which had the combination knocked off and had been opened like a sardine can.

William Purdie, of 2119 Wendell St., the groundskeeper, discovered a broken window when he went to work at 6 a. m. No fingerprints were found.

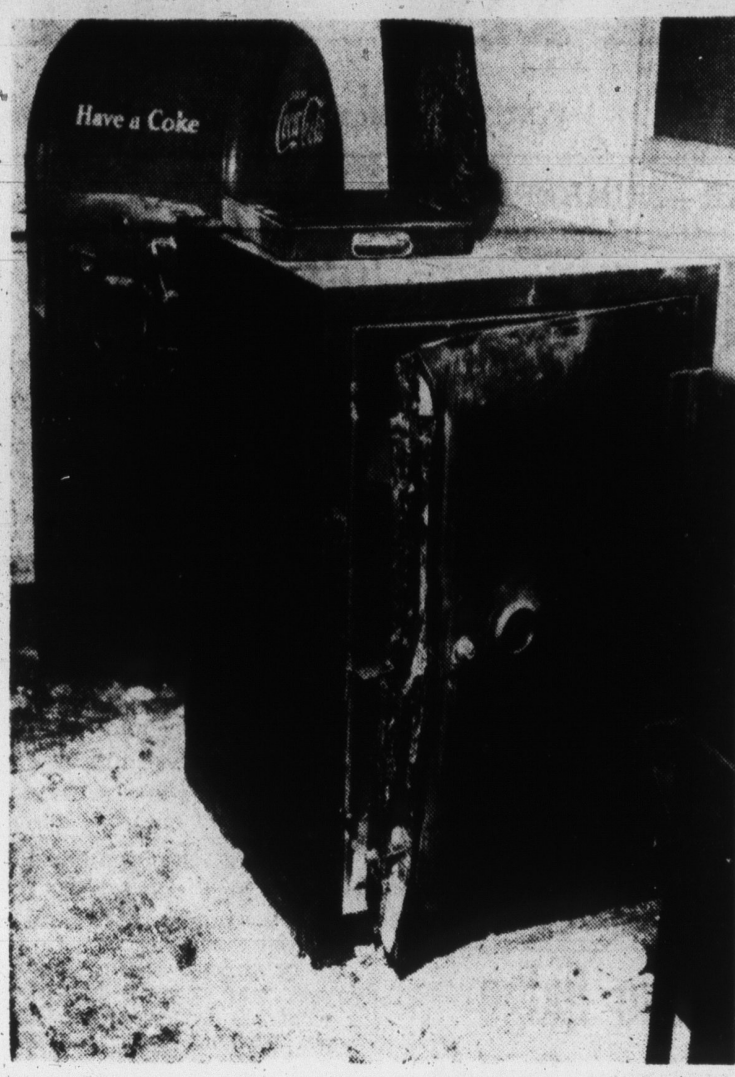
Name Community Chest Public Relations Director

Appointment of Hibbard J. James as public relations director of the Indianapolis Community Chest was announced today by chest officials.

Mr. James replaces Ralph G. Hesler, now director of sales promotion for Indianapolis Railways. Mr. James came here from Wichita, Kas., where he headed Red Feather publicity since 1948.

A graduate of Harvard University, Mr. James served on faculties at New England Conservatory of Music and Tilton Academy in New Hampshire.

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CRACKSMEN WERE WORKING—They used six screw drivers.

150,000 Reds Held

TOKYO, May 3 (UP)—Nearly 150,000 Chinese and North Korean war prisoners are confined in a huge camp in South Korea, Lt. Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's headquarters disclosed today. The prisoners are being taught trades and crafts in accordance with instructions laid down by the United Nations and the Geneva conventions.

Bars to Teacher's Pay Hike Cited

Tax Rate Cut Among 'Causes' for Delay

Cuts in the school tax rate and a drop in assessed property valuation are the stumbling blocks which prevent teacher pay raises before January.

In citing these reasons for the delayed action starting date of recently approved increases, School Board President J. Dwight Peterson yesterday told instructors the State Tax Board lopped 5 cents from the rate over the "vigorous protests" of the Board.

Mr. Peterson spoke at a Shortridge High School meeting called after many instructors objected to the amount of increases and the starting date.

Delay Budget Adoption

He also stated that the budget for the 1951-52 school year will not be adopted until August, although revenue for operating the system comes from the 1951 tax rate.

Mr. Peterson further stated that the Tax Board had anticipated an increase in total property valuation when it made the reduction in rate. Instead, he added, valuations dropped.

The five cent reduction alone cost the city \$430,000 in property tax revenue, he said.

Predicts 7-Cent Hike

The Board president anticipated an increase of seven cents on the tax rate for next year to make up the deficit in anticipated revenue.

Maximum raise granted public school teachers for the next school year would increase salaries from the current peak of \$4600 to \$4800.

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