

Beirut killing breaches truce

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BEIRUT — Moslem mortars and rockets blasted Christian and Muslim neighborhoods in Beirut for a third day Tuesday and pounded a key mountain outpost in the worst breach of the cease-fire in seven weeks. Police said at least four people were killed.

U.S. F-14 Tomcats streaked across the hills east of Beirut to locate the Moslem batteries after shells fell into the sea not far from 30 ships of the U.S. 6th Fleet anchored 1 1/2 miles offshore, Lebanese security forces said.

In the northern port of Tripoli, Palestinian rebels struckasser Arafat's last strongholds

with tanks, artillery and rockets in a three-front onslaught that trapped civilians in deadly cross-fire.

There were conflicting reports on the success of the blitz, which capped a 12-day rebel siege of the sprawling port and the decimation of the neighboring Beddawi refugee camp — Arafat's last outpost in Lebanon.

State-run Beirut radio said the Syrian-backed rebels, opposed to Arafat's rule of the Palestine Liberation Organization, captured land up to the outskirts of Tripoli "in quick advances" an hour after dawn.

It also said the few Arafat loyalists still in the Beddawi

camp would retreat "within hours" and stage a last stand with 5,000 comrades who moved with their mobile rocket launchers and guns to Tripoli's densely populated neighborhoods.

But Wafa, the pro-Arafat news agency in Cyprus, said the blitz was repulsed and Arafat's outnumbered forces destroyed 14 tanks and captured 51 rebels, including the leaders of two rebellious PLO factions.

Police in Beirut said at least four people were killed and 12 were wounded in the new attacks there. Three people were killed in shelling Sunday and Monday.

Fifteen shells crashed into residential areas in the morning, including Sin el Fil, where President Amin Gemayel has a home. He was at the suburban Baabda palace at the time.

A shell also exploded on the steps of the Palace of Justice and a rocket hit a hospital in the Ashrafiya area, forcing doctors and nurses to evacuate patients.

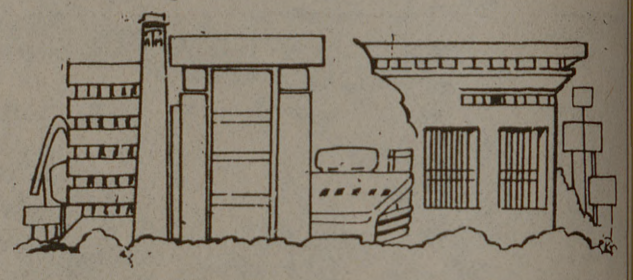
Schools closed, sending students home, and the radio of the right-wing Phalange militia that controls east Beirut warned residents to stay indoors.

Prime Minister Chefik Wazzan, a Sunni Moslem, held an emergency meeting with Gemayel and appealed for an

end to shelling of civilian areas. "This kind of situation cannot prevail," he said.

State-run Beirut Radio said Lebanese army positions at Khalde on the coastal road south of Beirut were shelled and artillery also pounded the army-held outpost of Souk el Gharb, 8 miles southeast of the capital in the Shouf mountains.

The garrison, which repelled a three-week Druze Moslem onslaught in September, is the army's last line of defense of Beirut. It guards the main southeast approach to Beirut and, if it fell, it would place the capital within the gun sights of the Druze's heavy artillery.



Around town

Prof to show movie images of Texas

"Cowboys and Cadillacs," or the images of Texas as portrayed in movies, will be the topic of a slide show and lecture tonight by Don Graham, professor of English at the University of Texas. The presentation, sponsored by the Department of History and the Department of Philosophy, will begin at 7:30 p.m. in 165 Blocker. The lecture is free and open to everyone.

Open house to be held for bonfire

The annual bonfire '83 "open house" will be held Thursday from 3 to 6 p.m. Faculty, staff, students and local residents are invited to tour the bonfire site. Bonfire coordinators will be on hand to answer any questions, and coffee and cookies will be served.

City sponsors Christmas card contest

Entries are being taken for the Second Annual Christmas Card Contest sponsored by the College Station Parks and Recreation Department. The winners will be given two four by eight foot plywood panels for painting their original designs. The giant cards will be displayed in front of the city offices. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners. The deadline for design entries is Nov. 22. For more information, contact the College Station Parks and Recreation Department at 764-3773.

Groups present display on Vietnam

The Vietnamese-American Student Association and the Vietnamese Former A&M Student Association will present a display titled "Vietnam: The War, the Arts, the Country and the Organization." It can be seen in the lobby of Rudder Tower from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Thursday. The groups put together the display share its heritage, and to make students more aware of the presence of Vietnamese culture at Texas A&M and its contribution to the University.

Aggieland photos still being taken

Juniors, seniors, veterinary and medical school students can have individual pictures for the 1984 Aggieland taken at Nov. 14-18 and Nov. 28 through Dec. 2 at the Yearbook Associates office at 1700 S. Kyle behind Culpepper Plaza; and Dec. 5 through 9 at the Pavilion on campus.

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Japan stops Soviets in air defense test

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TOKYO — Japanese jet fighters scrambled Tuesday to intercept three Soviet bombers that violated Japanese airspace in a test of the country's air defense system.

A spokesman with the Self-Defense Agency said no gunfire was exchanged and the intrusion was an apparent protest against President Reagan's visit to Japan last week.

Two TU-16 Badgers and a TU-95 Bear of the Soviet Air Force flew into Japanese airspace for about 90 seconds over the Sea of Japan in the Tsushima Strait separating the Japanese island of Kyushu and South Korea.

The intrusion came less than 24 hours after Reagan left Seoul at the end of a six-day trip to Japan and South Korea.

"The Defense Agency views

the Soviet action as a protest against the presence of U.S. President Ronald Reagan in Japan," the spokesman said.

The TU-16 Badger is, according to Jane's All the World's Aircraft, a long-range strategic jet bomber and the "K" model can carry out electronic surveillance.

The TU-95 Bear, also used on reconnaissance missions, is a large-scale bomber considered the Soviet equivalent to the American B-52.

The three bombers were part of a Siberian-based, 10-aircraft formation that flew south through the Sea of Japan, the spokesman said.

When the Japanese fighters rose to intercept them, the bombers turned back into international airspace.

On Sept. 13, shortly after Soviet jets shot down an unarmed Korean Air Lines Boeing 747 west of Sakhalin Island, two Soviet Backfire bombers and a Soviet reconnaissance plane approached Japanese airspace off western Japan but were turned back by Japanese fighters.

Tension has increased in the Far East since the Korean airliner was shot down Sept. 1. The Soviets have increased fighter groups in the region and have conducted a series of war maneuvers using live ammunition in the Sea of Japan.

The United States, Japan and South Korea have also carried out air, land and sea war games in the past two months.

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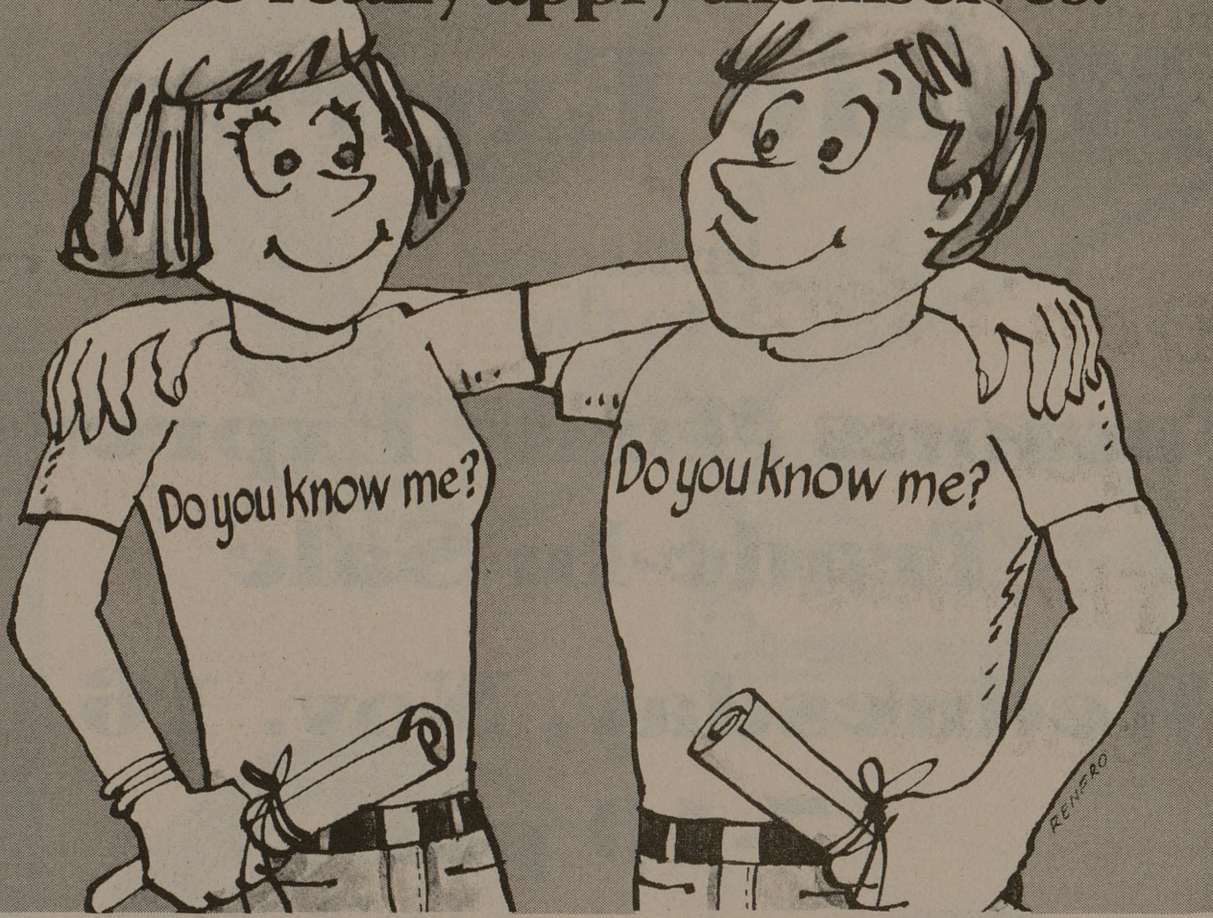
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Jewish reformist warns of Jackson candidacy

United Press International
HOUSTON — Although presidential candidate Jesse Jackson stirs deep concern among Jews, his candidacy should not be turned into a black-Jewish confrontation, a leader in the U.S. Jewish reform movement said Tuesday.

Albert Vorspan, Union of American Hebrew Congregations vice president, said Jackson's candidacy will show American problems which other candidates may overlook. Vorspan described Jackson as a showman, a demagogue and an opportunist... a symbol of black aspirations of the time.

"Jesse will infuriate us and he will shuffle and hustle a bit, but he may just help to expose the American people to the real world," Vorspan said.

"If he can articulate the pain in the streets and the desperation of those blacks and others who feel rejected and outcast in our society, America will gain, even though Jackson loses."

"An understanding of the hurt and fear and despair, of what is really happening in that other America, cannot come from the board rooms and executive suites and think tanks which advise the President and candidates."

Because of Jackson's previous expressions of sympathy for the PLO and Yasser Arafat, many Jews have turned against Jackson.

"Does that mean that we should ignore his views and his record, especially his theatrical embrace of Yasser Arafat and his tie to Arab groups, which stir

deep and justifiable concern among thoughtful Jews? Decidedly not!" Vorspan said.

"Jesse Jackson should be subjected to tough and sharp scrutiny, exactly like all other candidates and on issues across the board, not only on the Middle East," he said. "To exempt him from judgment because he is black would be supremely unfair. To seek to delegitimize his campaign and to hold him to a separate standard would be racism."

Vorspan urged Jews to reject what he called "the vigilante campaign of the Jewish Defense League thugs" who recently announced they would follow the Jackson campaign.

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