Syrians capture guerrilla stronghold

By MICHAEL ROSS

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) - Syrian forces sliced through Lebanon's central mountains from three directions Wednesday and captured at least three key Palestinian-held towns after battling guerrillas through the streets. Palestinian defenders retreated, vowing to "fight until the last man."

A Palestinian military spokesman conceded the loss of Aintoura and Metein, two key mountain towns 19 miles northeast of Beirut, to Syrian troops backed by tank and surface-to-surface missile batteries Wednesday night.

A third key town, Hammana, five miles further south, was also later reported to have fallen when Syrian troops stormed it from the north and the east and battled their way through it in fierce street fighting.

The loss of the three towns left two more, Qurnayel and Falougha, surrounded. At last report, they were both under heavy attack and might already have fallen.

The Christian Phalangist Party, whose forces took part in the Aintoura and Metein attacks, reported that the towns had already been taken but this was not immediatly confirmed by the Palestinians.

"The battle to liberate the mountains is over," a Phalangist official said. The Christian Phalangists had boasted they would drive the Palestinians from their entrenched mountain positions within thr ee days of the offense launched by Syrian tanks and troops Tuesday.

A Palestinian spokesman said Syrian troop and tank reinforcements brought into battle after nightfall had turned the tide against them after defenders held off advances during a day of artillery sparring in which shells fell at a rate of one every 15 seconds.

"Our situation, good for most of the day, began to deteriorate seriously after nightfall with the new Syrian attacks much heavier than before. Our position is now serious," the Palestinian spokesman said.

There was one report that Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat had ordered his forces to withdraw from the mountains front but a Palestinian Liberation Organization spokesman denied it.

"No, we will give no such orders. We will fight in our positons until the last man," he said.

In Rhodesia

Smith rallies diehard vote

SALISBURY Rhodesia (UPI) - Prime Minister Ian Smith, fearing a collapse in efforts to give Rhodesia black majority rule and end the guerrilla war, Wednesday persuaded conservatives in his ruling Rhodesia Front party to support Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's plan for peace, party officials said.

Britain said it was ready to convene a conference within two weeks, "anywhere in southern Africa acceptable to all the parties involved," to from an interim government of blacks and whites to rule the breakaway colony.

The "frontline" presidents of black Afrtica insisted that Britain should take charge of the move to form an interim government because they rejected Smith's version of the Kissinger peace plan.

There was no immediate reaction to the British proposal from Smith. He had asked London to send its African affairs expert to Salisbury for discussions. Government sources said Smith feared a breakdown in efforts to implement the proposals to avert a race war, bring Rhodesia's overwhelming black majority to power and end world ostracism of the white supremacist regime.

Des Frost, chairman of the Rhodesia Front and a hard-line conservative, said after a meeting with Smith, "Our attitude now is that we have to make the best of the job and see of we can some up with a constitution which will allow all people a permanent future in this country.

God keeps up with math says Good News Bible

LONDON (UPI) - God works his miracles in mysterious ways-in meters and liters-according to the Good News Bible.

The new Bible, billed as "today's English Version" and tipped as a runaway best-seller when it goes on sale next month, shows God knows how many centimeters there are in a meter and us up on His metric measures of wine.

He told Noah, according to the updated version, how to build the ark:

"Make it 133 meters long, 22 meters wide and 13 meters high. Make a roof for the boat and leave a space of 44 centimeters between the roof and the sides."

In the book of Exodus, the Good News Bible has God telling Aaron about the daily sacrifice of two lambs and says "with the first lamb offer one kilogram of fine wheat flour mixed with one liter of pure olive oil. Pour out one liter of wine as an offering."

The World In Brief

Britain seeks to rescue pound

LONDON (UPI) - Britain moved Wednesday to exhaust a $5 billion International Monetary Fund credit in a desperate effort to rescue the crumbling pound.

The Bank of England, which has already shelled out $1.1 billion of the standby credit granted by the IMF last June, asked for the remaining $3.9 billion.

The appeal brought some relief to the hard-pressed currency, once the strongest in the world. But bankers and foreign exchange dealers doubted the move would restore confidence in the pound, which broke through the "psychological" barrier of $1.70 earlier this week.

Japan accuses Soviets of slander

TOKYO (UPI) - Japan accused the Soviet Union Wednesday of "groundless slander" in charging that the defecting Soviet pilot of a top secret MIG25 fighter was taken to the United States against his will.

A Foreign Ministry note delivered to Soviet Embassy Counsellor Victor Denisov said Moscow has been "falsifying the facts" surrounding the defection of Soviet air force Lt. Viktor I. Belenko.

Toxic gas escapes from factory

MANFREDONIA, Italy (UPI) - Authorities Wednesday sealed off a sparsely populated zone on the southern Adriatic coast which may have been contaminated by a toxic cloud containing arsenic which killed several sheep.

The gas cloud formed Sunday when a cooling pipe used in the production of ammonia burst at the ANIC petrochemical plant.

ANIC officials said almost all the gas remained inside the plant.

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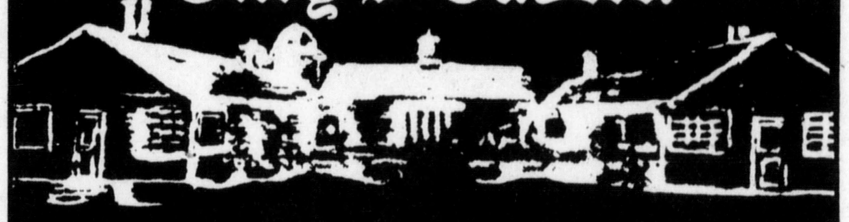

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