

Invaders push on in Grenada

From the Reuter News Report

U.S. and Caribbean forces control Grenada's two airfields and are pushing toward their remaining military objectives in the second day of their invasion of the island.

The Pentagon said Tuesday two American servicemen were killed and 23 wounded.

In the first 12 hours of fighting the invading forces captured more than 200 armed Cubans and took most of their objectives but still were encountering resistance, Pentagon officials said.

Jamaican Premier Edward Seaga, an invasion supporter, said 12 Cuban soldiers were killed in fighting and that a vast amount of Soviet weapons

was discovered at one of the island's airports.

President Reagan said Tuesday the invasion's aims were to protect about 1,000 Americans in Grenada and to restore order.

Some 1,900 U.S. troops stormed into Grenada in pre-dawn darkness by parachute and helicopter to join 300 invading troops from six Caribbean island nations.

They quickly secured the airfields at opposite ends of the island as well as a medical school with 550 American students.

"The operation will continue," the Defense Department said.

Reagan plans to report to the nation on television Thursday night at 8 p.m. EDT on both the invasion

and the terrorist bombing in Lebanon which killed more than 200 U.S. servicemen.

There was no immediate word of Gen. Hudson Austin who seized power last week in a bloody coup

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during which Prime Minister Maurice Bishop was executed and 14 others killed.

Reagan said he had ordered the invasion to protect U.S. citizens in Grenada from the new government of "brutal, leftist thugs."

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Chambers: Party system corrupt

By Judi Nygren

According to Sen. Ernie Chambers the "demogogs" and "repellicans" (his labels for the two major political parties) are corrupt, greedy and racist.

"Political parties as a whole are of no earthly good to the people at large, but they are a God send to the high ranking members and the functionaries," Chambers said Tuesday night. Chambers is registered as an independent.

Party politicians present themselves as being concerned about public welfare, Chambers said, but "after their interests in power, the people who are hungry are still hungry, the people who are poor are still poor."

Party membership does not matter as long as people see the need for changes in society, he said. The Republican party is racist because they support Reagan who practices racism, he said.

"Reagan says he is against affirmative action," Chambers said, "meaning he is against black people having jobs and keeping up to our ability."

Chambers said top party officials are the racists. Party "peons" simply carry out instructions. The Democratic and Republican parties take the same stand on race issues, Chambers said.

Republicans favor the rich, despise the poor and support the system "because if you go broke then the government will bail you out like it did the (Lee) Iacocca," Chambers said.

Throughout his speech he referred to the two parties as the "demagogs" and the "repellicans." In general top black party members play token roles, he said. The black members do not represent the majority of blacks.

"It's like I were a slave on a plantation and I'm the kind who has an in with the master so they give me their hand-me-down clothes ... and call me a semi-strong boss. Then I can go out and tell other slaves, This system works. You just do like I do and you can get up there and you be my 'ol boss.'"

A student asked Chambers how he felt about declaring a national holiday in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.

Education report: Strengthen curricula

By Christopher Burbach

Nebraska high school and elementary students could be in for improved curricula, longer schools years and better-paid teachers if recommendations put forth by the Governor's Task Force in Excellence in Education are implemented.

The task force made their recommendations in a report titled "Nebraska's Schools."

According to that report, the task force's recommendations are based on its belief that "the goals of elementary and secondary education are to prepare students for lifelong learning and personal development, responsible citizenship and post-secondary education and/or entry into the work force."

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Chambers said King should be made a god because King behaved in a more Christian manner than any white Christian and saved our country from violence.

Chambers spoke to the UNL College Republicans at the Nebraska Union.



Staff photo by Craig Anderson
Sen. Ernie Chambers



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Nebraska mourns

Mourning continued across America Tuesday for the more than 200 Americans killed in Sunday's bomb blast in Lebanon. Flags flew at half-staff, including this flag in front of the Historical Society, 18th and E streets. In Dover, Del., a Pentagon spokesman said Tuesday that the first planeload of bodies of the slain servicemen was expected to arrive sometime this morning. Officials in Dover, where the Air Force has the military's largest mortuary on the East Coast, said the bodies will be shipped later to their home towns for burial.

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