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American University of Beirut Photo Albums, 1953-1956

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Scope and Content

The collection contains two photograph albums of 179 black and white photographs taken between 1953 and 1956. Most of the photographs have detailed captions.

The photographs cover different events, like visits of prominent Middle Eastern and international personalities such as Prince Fahd Al-Saud of Saudi Arabia, Moustafa Amin, Egyptian Journalist, Afzal Hussain, Vice-Chancellor of the Punjab University, Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Jafet, Prince Gholam Reza Pahlevi of Iran and others. The albums also cover events like the 50th Anniversary of the School of Nursing, Commencement exercises of 1955 and 1957, meetings between members of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the US House of Representatives and AUB Board of Deans, reception at the Lebanese Presidential Palace, students' extracurricular activities: exhibitions, plays, and sports competitions. A few photographs of AUB campus and buildings are also included in album I.

Album I

The album covers various events which took place on and off campus like social events: Alumni dinner and tea parties in honor of Charles Malik, President Stephen B.L. Penrose, John Foster Dulles, Bishr Fares, Hussein Fahmy, US Ambassador Hare and new faculty members. - Ceremonies: 3rd and 4th Middle East Medical Assembly (MEMA), Public Health Dept. Commencement, Convocation Ceremony, Folk Dance Festival, and the funeral procession for President Stephen B.L. Penrose. Conferences: FOA Conference, Arab Studies Conference, summer session of 1953, and "The Arab Teachers" Conference. Buildings: Medical Center including the new hospital wing, Jafet Memorial Library, School of Engineering, School of Agriculture, Department of Chemistry and Engineering Schools, Athletic field, Jesup and Fisk Halls, Assembly Hall, College Hall as well as an aerial view of the campus. Photos of the meeting to purchase the lands for Agriculture Research Center (AREC) i.e. AUB Farm, X-Ray

Equipment also included. -- Visitors: Mustafa Amin of "Akhbar al Yom", Prince Saud of Saudi Arabia, Ahmad bin Ali Al-Thani, Crown Prince of Qatar, American Korean Foundation, Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa, Sheikh of Bahrain, Adib Nahas, Saeb Salam, Mikhail Naimy, 12 US mayors, Karaj Agricultural College and Olympic Champion Mal Whitfield. Jibrael Jabbour, Nicolas Ziyadeh, Mahmoud Taymur, and Ibrahim El Aridi. Other events: Donation by William Archer Wright, Arab Department Faculty members, Vice-President Fuad Sarruf's visits to the American University of Cairo and Aleppo, Syria and Professor Jibrail Katul attending the First Arab Science Conference in Alexandria, Egypt. Staff: Rita Lola, Chairman of the AUB Hospital Bargain Box with Mrs. Easton Treasurer, Mr. Munir Maja'es Technical Assistant in the X-Ray Department at the AUB Hospital, and Dr. Ciaccai, Head of the X-Ray Department at the AUB Hospital.

Album II

Album includes photos of various events on and off campus. Visitors: Arab-American Home comers, Moustafa Amin, Egyptian Journalist, Prince Fahd Al-Saud of Saudi Arabia, Senator Leverett Saltonstall and wife, Afzal Hussain, Vice-Chancellor of the Punjab University, Nassib Hussain, Pakistani Minister to Lebanon, Executives of Bahrain Petroleum Company Ltd and CALTEX, Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Jafet and Prince Gholam Reza Pahlevi of Iran. Receptions held in honor of BOT Chairman John Case, former AUB President and Mrs. Bayard Dodge at Alumni Club, as well as a reception held at the Lebanese Presidential Palace. Donations given by Sears, Roebuck and Co. (a Tri-Trac) and donation of books by a Rodolfo Usigli, Minister of Mexico to Lebanon. Ceremonies: 50th Anniversary of the School of Nursing, Commencement exercises of 1955 and 1957, Inauguration ceremony of President J. Paul Leonard, as well as convocation ceremonies. Opening ceremony of the Special Program on Radioisotopes attended by Stephen A. Dorsey, Director of USOM to Lebanon; Robert McClintock, American Ambassador; Cevdet Dulger, Turkish Ambassador, and El Nour Ali Suleiman, First Secretary and Charge D'Affairs of the Sudan, opening ceremony of West Hall new theatre with a concert by Lebanese Pianist Marie Kassouny, dedication ceremonies of Engineering School, New Iron Lung, AREC Farm purchase meeting, and Murex Hall. Ceremony for presenting William West and Said Himadeh with the Order of the Cedars, Officer's Rank. Conferences: 5th and 8th the Middle East Medical Assembly (MEMA) as well as the 4th Industrial Exhibition. Meetings: Meetings between members of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the US House of Representatives and AUB Board of Deans, meeting for signing the AUB pension plan. In addition to a student play: "The Government Inspector".

Arrangement

The collection is arranged as received.

Album 1: Photograph album of the American University of Beirut, 1953-1955.

Album 2: Photograph album of the American University of Beirut, 1954-1956.

Subject Headings

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Sarruf, Fuad, 1900-1985.
Chamoun, Camille, 1900-1987.
Zurayk, Constantine.
Bustani, Emile, 1907-1963.
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'Usayran, 'Adil, 1905-1998.
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Album I. 1953-1955 (111 photos)

Honoring Charles Malik

- 1- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Mr. Emile Bustani, and Vice-president Fuad Sarruf at a party in honor of Ambassador Charles Malik, Alumni Club, January 1953 (4 photos)
- 2- Minister George Hakim, Jordan Minister Jamal Touqan at a Tea party given by Dr. Constantine Zurayk in honor of Ambassador Charles Malik West Hall, AUB, February 1953. (4 photos)

Visitors

- 3- Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Amin Mustafa, journalist and publisher of “Akhbar el-Yom” (Cairo), Nasser Nashahsibi, his secretary in Beirut visiting Outlook office, West Hall, AUB, March 18, 1953. (2 photos)
- 4- Visit of Prince Saud bin Abdel Aziz al-Saud to the American University of Beirut welcomed by vice-presidents Fuad Sarruf, Archie Crawford, Dr. Salim Haidar, Minister of Education in Lebanon, and Professor Jibrail Jabbour, Salam Lababidi and Leslie Leavitt, April 1953. (6 photos)
- 5- The Lebanese President, Camille Chamoun, at the opening ceremony of the ME Medical Symposium at the American University of Beirut, April 1953. Also present vice presidents Archi Crawford and Fuad Sarruf, Chairman of the ME Medical Symposium, Dr. W. Shorey, Lebanese Minister of Education Dr. Salim Haidar, Syrian Minister of Health, Dr. Murshid Khater, M. Le Reverend Pere Dupre la Tour, chancelier, Faculté Française de Médecine, Minister of Foreign Affairs George Hakim, Mustafa Nsouli, Iraqi Minister, Ibrahim Khudeiri, Dr. Fuad Ghosn, and Ramez Sarkis. (14 photos)
- 6- Professor Conn, American University of Cairo, Dr. Badeau Former AUC President, Vice president Fuad Sarruf (AUB) and Professor Brown (AUC) April 1953, American University of Cairo. (2 photos)
- 7- Luncheon party was given by Vice-President Fuad Sarruf in honor of the Crown Prince of Qatar Ahmad bin Ali Al-Thani in presence of Dr. Jidjian, Mr. Habib Abu Shahla, Dr. Tabarah, Mr. Muhyi al-din Kronfol, Abdallah Mashnouk, Professor Albert Badr, May 1953. (8 photos)
- 8- Dr. Habib Kurani, Head of Education Department at the American University of Beirut, Miss Louis Shuetz, Dr. Constantine Zurayk, George Lenczowski, Dr. Nicola Ziadeh, Vice-President, Fuad Sarruf, Dr. Afif, and officials of the Foreign Service of USA during the AUB Special Seminar of 1953. (4 photos)

Stephen Penrose

- 9- Lunch by Vice-President Fuad Sarruf in honor of AUB President Stephen B. L. Penrose, AUB Alumni Club, 2 September 1953. (2 photos)
- 10- President Stephen Penrose and Dr. J. M. Vine, Chairman, AUB Public Health Department at the Second Annual Graduation Ceremony of the Public Health Department, Assembly Hall, September 2, 1953. (2 photos)

Public Health/X-Ray

- 11- Vice-President Constantine Zurayk, Miss M. Willhoit, Directress, Public Health Nurses' course, Dr. S. K. Krikorian, Minister of Health Kazem el-Khalil, and Dr. Richard Clapp M. P. H. Regional Sanitation & training Officer Middle East at the second graduation ceremony of the Public Health Department of the American University of Beirut, Assembly Hall, September 2, 1953. (4 photos)

- 12- President Stephen B. L. Penrose presenting certificates at the second graduation ceremony of the Public Health Department of AUB, Assembly Hall, September 2, 1953. (2 photos)
- 13- Dr. Giacciai, Head of the X-Ray Department, and his technical assistant Mr. Munir Maja'es at the American University of Beirut Hospital presenting the new x-ray diagnosis equipment, September 2, 1953 (3 photos)
- 14- Mrs. Rita Lola, Chairman of the AUB Hospital Bargain Box and Mrs. Easton, secretary treasurer of the Bargain Box. September 2, 1953. (1 photo)

Visitors

- 15- Members of the American Korean Foundation: to the left of Vice-President Fouad Sarruf, Mr. John Bruins, charge d'Affaires, Beirut American Embassy Mr. [Queeny?], with Mr. Henry Leiberman, New York Times Far Eastern correspondent, Mr. Rusk James Bell Time & Life Inc., Beirut correspondent Dr. Gillis of Point IV, and Mr. Rusk; Marquand House, September 4, 1953. (2 photos)
- 16- Dr. Vine, Chairman, Public Health Department at the American University of Beirut shaking hands with the Minister of Health, Kazem Khalil, in presence of Vice President Fuad Sarruf and Dr. Constantine Zurayk at commencement exercises, September 2, 1953. (1 photo)
- 17- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Dr. Raif Abi Lamaa, alumnus and former AUB Professor of clinical Pathology and Bacteriologist, later Minister of Education in Lebanon 1945-51, and at present Assistant Secretary General of the Arab League, Abdul Khalek Hassouna, Secretary General of the Arab League and Vice-President Fuad Sarruf, in front of College Hall, June 1953 (1 photo)

AREC Land Purchase

- 18- Acting President Constantine Zurayk and Marquis de Freige at the meeting purchase of the land for School of Agriculture, AUB Farm (AREC), Marquand House, January 1953. (2 photos)

Visitors

- 19- Mr. Emile Bustani, President Alumni Association, Vice-President Fuad Sarruf, Sheikh al-Bahrain Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa, Sir Charles Belgrave, Sheikh's advisor; and a group of AUB Bahraini students, May 1953. (2 photos)
- 20- Vice-President Fuad Sarruf speaking at Aleppo (Dar El-Kutub Series Lectures), March 1953. (4 photos)

Donations

- 21- William Archer Wright presenting a gift of 250 \$ to Dr. Penrose as assistance for Arab refugee students at the American University of Beirut, February 1953. (1 photo)

- 22- George M. Barakat presenting a cheque to Dr. Penrose from American Middle East relief, and the Syrian Lebanese Relief Association as assistance for Arab refugee students at the American University of Beirut, February 1953. (1 photo)

Honoring

- 23- Vice-President Archie. S. Crawford, Mr. John Foster, Minister George Hakim, Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Mr. Harold Stassen and ex-minister Muhyi Eddin Nussouli, on their way to the AUB Alumni Club to honor Mr. John foster Dulles. May 17, 1953. (1 photo)

Visitors

- 24- General Mohammad Naguib, President of the Republic of Egypt, addressing the First Arab Science Conference held in the presence of Professor Jibrail Katul, AUB Department of Education, representing the Lebanese Ministry of Education with Emile Dumit, Professor of Science at Queen Aliya College, Baghdad Iraq, Alexandria, September 1953, (3 photos)
- 25- President of the American University of Beirut Stephen Penrose, Vice-President Fuad Sarruf and Mr. Kamel Mrowe, Editor of al-Hayat newspaper and publisher of the Daily Star, during the luncheon party in honor of the new US Ambassador Hare, Bristol Hotel, October 12, 1953. (1 photo)
- 26- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, General Van Fleet, with President Penrose, Marquand House. (1 photo)
- 27- Mr. Adib Nahas, Lebanese Minister to Brazil, Vice president Fuad Sarruf, Mr. Hanna Ghosn Editor of Addiar Newspaper and Mr. Jibran Bikh'azi during a visit to AUB Jafet library, October 20, 1953. (8 photos)

Honoring

- 28- Plaque presented to Dr. Penrose at a grand testimonial banquet tendered to him and Mrs. Penrose under the chairmanship of Mr. A. B. Malouf, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, 26th of April 1953. (1 photo)

Visitors

- 29- Mr. John Bruins, Counsellor of US Embassy Beirut, Stephen Penrose, President of the American University of Beirut Congressmen C. S Ducander (Louisiana), and Leroy Johnson (California), Mr. Fuad Sarruf, Colonel Thomas J. Lawler, Military attaché, US Embassy Beirut, Marquand House Porch 26 October 1953. (1 photo)

Buildings and Grounds

- 30- AUB New Hospital Wing, December 1953. (4 photos)

Visitors

- 31- Visit of US Mayors to AUB received by President and Mrs. Penrose and Vice-President Fuad Sarruf, October 24, 1953 (3 photos)
- 32- A reception by President Camille Chamoun in honor of Mme Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, first woman appointed to 6th [Governor of Maharashtra](#) and 8th [President of the United Nations General Assembly](#)), in presence of Dr. Stephen Penrose, Mrs. Stephan Penrose, Mr. Muhyi Eddine Nussuli Publisher and editor of “Beirut” a daily paper, Presidential Palace, December 19, 1953 (5 photos)
- 33- Luncheon party given by Vice-president Fuad Sarruf in honor of Dr. Bishr Fares, Alumni Club, February 25, 1945 (5 photos)
- 34- FOA Conference, Faculty Room AUB, February 22-25, 1954. (4 photos)

Middle East Medical Assembly (4th) MEMA

- 35- Mr. Noussouli former Minister of Justice, Mr. Salim Haidar Lebanese Minister of Education, the President of the Lebanese republic Camille Chamoun, Mr. Adil Ussayran President of the Chamber of Deputies, Lebanese Minister of Health, Kazem al-Khalil, AUB Acting President Constantine Zurayk, Dr. Joseph McDonald the British Ambassador, the Iraqi Ambassador, and the American Ambassador, at the opening ceremony of the fourth-Middle East Medical Assembly held at AUB April 9, 1954... (9 photos)

Arab Studies Conference

- 36- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Dr. Jabbur, Mr. Maroun Abboud, famous Lebanese Essayist, Dr. Qaramani, Egyptian charge d'affaires, Fuad Sarruf, Dr. Nicola Ziadeh, Mr. Rashad Bibi, Director Office of Near East Broadcasting Station, Beirut, Mr. Michael Naimy, Najib Sadaqa Director general of the Lebanese Ministry of Education, Sheikh Munir Taky al-Din, Director General of the Lebanese Ministry of Defense, Mr. Ibrahim al-Arrayed, Poet, critic of Bahrain, Second Lecturer, Mr. Mahmud Taymour, Dean of the Arab Novelists and short story writers at a reception of the Arab Studies Conference, April 26-May 1, 1954. (9 photos)
- 37- Visit of Dean Mahdavi and four professors from Karaj Agricultural College to the American University of Beirut, School of Agriculture, May 24-30, 1954(3 photos)

Buildings and Grounds

- 38- Jafet Memorial Library, American University of Beirut, 1954. (11 Photos)
- 39- School of Engineering, American University of Beirut, 1954 (4 Photos)
- 40- School of Agriculture, American University of Beirut, 1953 (3 photos)
- 41- Department of Chemistry and Engineering School, American University of Beirut, 1953. (1 photo)
- 42- Athletic Fields, American University of Beirut, 1954. (1 photo)
- 43- Folk Dance Festival, 1954. (1 photo)

44- An aerial view of Ras Beirut showing the American University of Beirut Campus, 1954. (1 photo)

Ceremonies

45- Commencement Ceremony, American University of Beirut, 1954. (4 photos)

46- Public Health Commencement Ceremony, September 2, 1954. (3 photos)

47- Convocation Service 1954. (2 photos)

Buildings and Grounds

48- Chapel, Assembly Hall, 1954. (1 photo)

49- Jessup and Fisk Halls, 1954. (1 photo)

50- New Hospital Wing, 1954. (4 photos)

51- College Hall, 1954. (1 photos)

52- Athletic Field, 1954. (1 photos)

53- School of Agriculture, 1954. (1 photos)

54- The dedication ceremony of the AUB New Hospital wing in presence of: Rev. J'aitawi founder of the Lebanese Hospital, Ashrafia, Beirut, President S.B.L. Penrose, Mr. Charles Helou Lebanese Minister of Health, and Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Sheikh Munir Taky Deen, Dr. Barakat, Dr. J. J. MacDonald, Mr. Gilbert Nee, Dr. George Saleeby, Department of Roentgenology AUB, Vice President of AUB Alumni Association. (12 photos)

55- Reception given by President and Mrs. Stephen Penrose in honor of the new faculty members, Common room, West Hall, Friday, November 5, 1954. (2 photos)

Arab Studies Conference

56- Opening Session of Conference on the "Arab Teacher" organized by the AUB Department of Education and attended by educational representatives of all the Arab States, College Hall AUB, August 1954. (2 photos)

Honoring

57- Dinner party by Vice President Fuad Sarruf in honor of Egyptian President of the Permanent Board of National Production, Hussein Fahmy. Present at the ceremony were Professor Said Himadeh, Professor Jibrail Jabbur, Mr. Saeb Salam, General Abdel Hamid Ghaleb Egyptian Ambassador, Dr. Mohammad Ali al-Kilani FAO, Professor Albert Badre, Mr. Edmond Rashisho, manager of Bank Misr Beirut, Sami Alami Manager Arab Bank, Anis Bibi Manager Cairo Bank, Rashid Karamah Minister of Economy and Social affairs, Prime Minister Sami Solh, President Penrose, Mr. Habib Abu Shahla, Vice President Archie Crawford, Mahmoud Yousry Karami, Egyptian Embassy, and Vice President Constantine Zurayk, Alumni Club, December 18, 1954. (3 photos)

President Penrose Funeral

58- Miss Copeland, Dr. A. Diab, Mrs. Copeland, Mrs. Penrose, Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Police Detachment and the band of the Lebanese Gendarmerie during the funeral service of President S. B. L. Penrose, AUB Chapel (Assembly hall) December 10, 1954. (12 photos)

Visitors

59- Mal Whitfield, American Olympic Champion, running with AUB champion Rachid Al-Rachid on AUB Athletic Field, January 7, 1955. (2 photos)

60- Professor R. Ghosn, Vice President Fuad Sarruf, and Professor R. W. Sloane, Joseph Sudki, editor of "Al-Jerida" (a Beirut daily Arabic paper), AUB School of Engineering, November 10, 1954. (2 photos)

61- American University of Beirut Graduates at Commencement, June 1954. (2 photos)

Album II. 1954-1956, (68 photos)

School of Agriculture

1- Representatives of Sears, Roebuck and Company delivering tri-trac and other equipment to the School of Agriculture, in presence of Mr. Adib Ishak, Amlevco, Beirut, Lebanon, Dr. Samuel Wheeler Edgecombe Dean of the School of Agriculture, Mr. John C. Crystal, Middle East representative of the Company Prof. Ernest E. Snavely, Assistant Professor, farm machinery, AUB, professor Woodrow R. Jenkins Assistant to the Dean of the School of Agriculture, June 25, 1954 (2 photos)

Fifth M.E. Medical Assembly

2- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, AUB Acting President, Mr. Charles Helou, Lebanese Minister of Health Dr. John Wilson, Professor of Surgery, and Dr. Nasr a Lebanese Army doctor at the Fifth M.E. Medical Assembly (MEMA) sponsored and organized by the AUB School of Medicine and AUB Medical Alumni, April 22- 23, 1955 (4 photos)

School of Engineering dedication Ceremony

3- The President of the Lebanese Republic Camille Chamoun, at the dedication of the AUB School of engineering presence of Constantine Zurayk, AUB Acting President, Mr. C.K. Weidner, Dean of the AUB School of Engineering, the US. Ambassador Mr. Donald Heath, Mr. Fuad Sarruf, AUB Vice President and Mr. Muhyi Eddin Nsouli, Lebanese Minister of Finance, April 16, 1955. (4 photos)

Arab-American Home-comers

- 4- Visit of a group of the Arab-American Home-comers Campus. Present Mr. G. Barakat, Acting President C. K. Zurayk Mrs. George Barakat and Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Jafet Library, July 21, 1955. (2 photos)

School of Nursing 50th Anniversary

- 5- AUB School of Nursing Fiftieth Anniversary celebration, in presence of Mrs. Hanna Philip Sim'an, Chairman of the Nurses Branch of the Alumnae Association AUB, Miss Emily Ravenhill, Supervisor AUB Hospital 1925-1951, Dr. George Khayat, Prof. of Medicine AUB, Miss Virginia Arnold, Chief Nurse, International Health Division US Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Dr. Constantine Zurayk, AUB Acting President, Miss Jane Van Zandt, Director AUB School of Nursing (1905-1932), Dr. Joseph J. McDonald, Dean, AUB School of Medicine, Miss Elizabeth Moser, Principal of School of Nursing and Director of Nursing Service AUB, Miss Sonia Boghassian, Chairman of the student Nurses' Council, Dr. George Harawi, Lebanese Minister of Health, Mrs. Camille Chamoun, AUB Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Dr. Edward Stephan, Director of Baabda (Lebanon) government. Hospital, Mrs. Emile Bustani, member of the Lebanese Chamber of Deputies, Judge Jawad 'Ussayran, Head of the Court of Appeal, Assembly Hall, June 24, 1955 (4 photos)

Honoring

- 6- Reception in honor of Mr. John C. Case, Chairman of AUB Board of Trustees by Acting President Constantine Zurayk in presence of Professor J. Katul, Education Department AUB Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Dr. Charles Malik, Marquand House, October 10, 1955. (2 photos)
- 7- An informal meeting between members of the foreign affairs committee of the United States House of Representatives and members of the AUB Board of Academic Deans, Faculty Room, Marquand House. October 22, 1955. (1 photo)

Commencement

- 8- Mrs. Stephen Penrose holding the Penrose Award Plaque, surrounded by the three awardees of 1955 and Acting President Constantine Zurayk, Vice President Fuad Sarruf. Sami Solh, Lebanese, Prime Minister, and Dr. J.J. McDonald, Dean, AUB Medical School. June 27, 1955 (2 photos)

Visitors

- 9- Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Senator and Mrs. Saltonstall walking towards the President's Office, AUB, October 13, 1955. (1 photo)
- 10- Prince Fahd Al-Saud, Vice President Fuad Sarruf Acting President Constantine Zurayk and Mr. C. Legge, AUB librarian, Library Roof, Dec. 1955. (1 photo)

Iron Lung dedication Ceremony

- 11- Dr. Nazih Bizri at the dedication assembly of the new iron lung in presence of Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Dr. Joseph Azar, Dean J.J. McDonald, Mr. E. Bustani, Vice President Fuad Sarruf, Dr. M. Ghantus, Associate Dean of Medicine, Mr. Gilbert Nee, Hospital administrator and Dr. George Saleeby Dept. of Roentgenology, Nov 5, 1955. (2 photos)
- 12- Visit of Prince Fahd Al-Saud to AUB welcomed by Acting President Constantine Zurayk, Faculty Room, Marquand House, December 19, 1955. (1 photo)
- 13- Reception in honor of Mr. John C. Case, Chairman, AUB Board of trustees, Mr. Emile Bustani, AUB Alumnus, and Minister of Public works in Lebanon and president of the Beirut Alumni Association Mr. Muhieddin Kronfol, Beirut Socony Executive, Alumni Club, April 23, 1956 (1 photo)

Honoring

- 14- Dinner in honor of President and Mrs. Bayard Dodge by Vice-President Fuad Sarruf, Alumni Club. (2 photos)
- 15- Reception at the Presidential Palace in honor of AUB Board of Trustees: John C. Case, Chairman, AUB Board of Trustees, Dr. Philip K. Hitti, the US Ambassador Donald R. Heath, President of The Lebanese Republic, Mr. Camille Chamoun, Salim Lahoud, Lebanese Minister of foreign Affairs, Dr. Constantine Zurayk, AUB Acting President and Harold B. Hoskins, during Feb. 22, 1956 (2 photos)
- 16- Lebanese President Camille Chamoun, Dean Samuel Wheeler Edgecombe, student, Macksad, U.S. Ambassador Heath, visiting poultry exhibit, AUB farm (AREC) during its dedication ceremony – May 25, 1956. (1 photo)

Summer Seminar

- 17- Vice President Fuad Sarruf speaking at the Summer Seminar of 1956. (1 photo)

Donation

- 18- Donation of 25000 pounds by Mr. Muhyied Din Nsouli and Anis Bibi to Dr. Constantine Zurayk for the establishment of the Khalidi Memorial Scholarship at the American University of Beirut Sept. 13, 1956. (1 photo)

- 19- Dr. Constantine Zurayk, Acting President, AUB, receiving books presented to the AUB Library by H.E Rodolf Usigli, Minister of Mexico to Lebanon in the presence of Vice President Fuad Sarruf and Mr. J. Bikhazi. (1 photo)
- 20- Visit of Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Yafet to AUB with Mrs. Constantine Zurayk Acting President Samuel Wheeler Edgecombe and Vice President Fuad Sarruf, library roof, March 19, 1957. (1 photo)
- 21- Visit of Prince Gholam Reza Pahlevi of Iran to AUB welcomed by Vice President Fuad Sarruf and AUB Iranian Students, Office of Public Relations AUB, March 25, 1957. (1 photo)

Ceremonies

- 22- Commencement Ceremony in presence of President Jean Paul Leonard, Nasri Ma'louf, Lebanese Minister of Finance and National Economy, Dr. Charles Malik, Lebanese Minister of Foreign Affairs, Constantine Zurayk, Sami al-Solh, Lebanese Prime Minister, Adel Ussayran, President, Lebanese Chamber of Deputies, and Camille Chamoun, President of the Lebanese Republic, July 1, 1957. (3 photos)
- 23- Convocation Ceremony, October 7, 1957. (1 photo)

Visitors

- 24- Luncheon given by Acting Provost Samuel Wheeler Edgecombe in honor of Professor Afzal Hussain, Vice Chancellor of the Punjab University, and Pakistani Minister to Lebanon, Nassim Hussain, nephew of the visiting Vice Chancellor as well Mr. S. Suldan, new secretary at the Beirut Pakistani Legation, AUB Alumni Club, October 16, 1957. (1 photo)
- 25- Luncheon given by Dr. N. Faris at the Alumni Club in honor of Harold Lamb, H. St. John Philby, Dr. Frederich Wilhelm Fernau, October 16, 1957. (1 photo)
- 26- The fourth industrial exhibition held in presence of the Minister of Economy, Kazim Khalil, AUB West Hall, March 24, 1958. (1 photo)
- 27- Opening ceremony of the special program on radioisotopes in presence of Fuad Sawaya, Director General of the Lebanese Ministry of Education; Stephen A. Dorsey, Director, USOM to Lebanon; Robert McClintock American Ambassador; Cevdet Dulger, Turkish Ambassador, Dr. Salwa Nassar, Professor of Physics at AUB and Chairman of the Organizing Committee; and El Nour Ali Suleiman, First Secretary and Charge D'Affaires of the Sudan, March 14, 1958. (1 photo)

West Hall Theater

- 28- Miss Marie Kassouny, Lebanese pianist, giving a piano recital on the opening ceremony of West Hall new theatre; in presence of Miss D. Stevick, Mrs. Archie. S. Crawford and Mrs. Jean Paul Leonard. Samuel W. Edgecombe. March 21, 1958. (2 photos)

- 29- Cast of Gogol's "The Government Inspector" presented by AUB Dramatic Club Suheil Abd Ennur, Setrak Kazanjian, Edward Kattan, Mazen Manassah, Salwa Habibi, George Kattan, Leila Ghantus, Samir Farah, Nabil Nassar, Yusof Bulos, Ishaq Durzi, April 11-12, 1958. (1 photo)

Visitors

- 30- Luncheon held for executives of the Bahrain Petroleum Company, Ltd., together with CALTEX (Middle East) and administrators of the University of Beirut, Alumni Club, Beirut April 11, 1958 (1 photo)

Middle East Medical Assembly (MEMA)

- 31- Dinner of the eighth Middle East Medical Assembly of the American University of Beirut with Dean J.J McDonald of the Faculty of Medical Sciences, AUB; Dr. Jamal K. Harfouche Faculty of Medical Sciences, AUB; Dr. Jean Paul Leonard President of the American University of Beirut; Dr. Walter Bierring, President Alpha Omega Honor Medical Society, Professor of Medicine, Emeritus, State University of Iowa, Dr. Albert Moukheiber, Lebanese Minister of Health; Miss Astrid Janzon, Director of the State School of Nursing, Stockholm, Sweden; Dr. William H. Shehadi, Professor of Radiology, New York Polyclinic Medical School and hospital, Member of AUB Board of Trustees, Bristol Hotel, May 20, 1958. (1 photo)

Pension Plan

- 32- The First Pension Plan in the Middle East for a private educational institution which provides coverage for all employees was signed by President Jean Paul Leonard at the American University of Beirut, in presence of Donald Marburg University Comptroller; Thomas E. Tellefsen, Assistant treasurer of the American University Board of Trustees and Thomas B. Fleming, Regional Actuary of American Life, June 13, 1958.(1 photo)

Ceremonies

- 33- AUB President J. P Leonard addresses the Graduates at the Commencement Ceremony flanked by Faculty members, Marquand House Garden, 1958. (1 photo)
- 34- President John Paul Leonard and his wife at a reception for university faculty and officers, Oct. 14, 1958. (1 photo)
- 35- Convocation Ceremony, October 13, 1958. (1 photo)
- 36- American University of Beirut President John Paul Leonard with Professor Emeritus Khaled Tabet, Professor Ibrahim Khairallah, Professor Emeritus Mansur Jurdak, Professor Emeritus Ivan Rubinsky, the Chapel (Assembly Hall), Nov. 20, 1958. (1 photo)
- 37- Board of Trustees members visiting the President of the Lebanese Republic General Fuad Chehab, 1959 (3 photos)

Founders Day

- 38- Lebanese Minister of Education, Pierre Gemayel, confers the Lebanese Golden Order of Merit on Dr. Daniel Bliss II in presence of Mr. John C. Case, Chairman, AUB Board of Trustees, President John Paul Leonard, President of the Chamber of Deputies, Adel Osseiran President of the Alumni Association of the American University of Beirut, Mrs. Frank R. Smith, AUB Chapel, April 28, 1959. (2 Photos)
- 39- Minister of Education, Pierre Gemayel, decorating Dr. William A. West with the Order of Cedars officer's rank and Professor Said Himadeh for a long service to AUB, at the commencement ceremony, June 22, 1959. (5 photos)
- 40- Stephen P. Dorsey, Director, USOM; Dr. Nabih A. Faris, representing university relations; Dr. Salwa C. Nassar, Professor of physics AUB; Reverend Pere Dupre la Tour, Chancellor of French Medical Faculty, St. Joseph University; Acting President Samuel Wheeler Edgecombe, AUB; Dr. Humphrey K. Ezell, Jr. biochemist of Oak Ridge, Dean of Arts and Sciences Farid S. Hanania, AUB; Richard E. Lippincott, Acting Deputy Director of USOM; Dr. Lawrence K. Aikers, physicist of Oak Ridge, USA; and Vice President Archie Stuart Crawford, AUB. (1 photo)

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