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JORDANIANS FIRE THREE ATTACKS IN JERUSALEM; ONE ISRAELI SOLDIER KILLED

JERUSALEM, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- An Israeli soldier was killed this morning when Jordanian troops opened fire from positions in the old city of Jerusalem, an area where border incidents have been rare in recent years.

The Jordanians fired shots in three separate attacks; not until the third one did the Israeli soldiers return the fire. United Nations observers arrived on the spot shortly after the Israeli response, and the firing stopped. Israel urgently asked for a meeting of the United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission. In anticipation of the Israeli complaint to the Mixed Armistice Commission, Jordan submitted a charge that the shooting was started by Israel, along with stone-throwing at Jordanian positions.

The incident was viewed here not as an indication of Jordanian Government policy, but rather as stemming from the initiative of local commanders. Nevertheless, Israeli sources expressed concern and indicated that they planned to ask in the Commission that the Jordanian Government take immediate action to punish those responsible, and to ensure maintenance of firm discipline by the Jordanian gunposts.

Israeli Cabinet Discusses Attacks on Two Borders; Awaits U. N. Action

JERUSALEM, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- Israel's Cabinet today discussed the serious situations on two of its borders, resulting from Syria's recent attacks on the northern frontier and Jordan's three attacks from gunposts in the old city of Jerusalem this morning. Prior to the meeting of the entire Cabinet, Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, who is also Minister of Defense, discussed both border situations with the Deputy Chief of Staff of Israel's armed forces, Brig. Yizhak Rabin.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, addressing an election rally at Beersheba last night, said that the Government was "tensely awaiting the outcome of the Security Council's deliberations regarding our complaints of Syria's provocative actions on our northern borders."

As resumption was awaited of the Security Council's consideration of the Israeli and Syrian complaints and counter-grievances, at the meeting to be held at UN Headquarters Tuesday, interest centered here on a report concerning the Syrian-Israeli flare up sent to Secretary General U Thant by Maj. Gen. Odd Bull, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization.

Gen. Bull's report, which was submitted to Israel and Syria Friday, was said here to have confirmed in all pertinent details Israel's charges that Syrian soldiers slipped over the border at Almagor last Monday night, and set up an ambush in which they killed two 19-year old farm workers returning from the field--an attack in which a third Israeli youth managed to escape.

Gen. Bull was understood to have informed Israel and Syria that UN inspection of the defense areas and demilitarized zones on the border would begin tomorrow. A UN spokesman in Jerusalem said that at least 20 UN observers, split into two teams, would take part in the inspection, which will be carried out simultaneously on both sides of the border.

SECURITY COUNCIL TO RESUME ISRAEL-SYRIAN DEBATE TOMORROW

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Aug. 25. (JTA) -- With a full report on the latest flare-up of Syrian hostilities against Israel scheduled to be circulated here by Secretary-General U Thant tomorrow, the Security Council, which met Friday on Israel's complaint of Syrian aggression and the Damascus Government's counter-grievance, will meet Tuesday to resume discussion of the Israeli-Syrian issue.

The Council recessed after Friday's meeting, following addresses by Ambassador Michael S. Comay, Israel's permanent representative here and Salah El Dine Tarazi, Syria's delegation chairman. Mr. Thant made a brief announcement to the effect that both Israel and Syria had agreed to observe a cease-fire, and he requested both governments "to exert every possible precaution to ensure that the cease-fire will be actually and fully observed, and to prevent the occurrence of any further incidents." Norway's Ambassador Sivert A. Nielsen, this month's president of the Council, expressed a similar hope, declaring he was certain he was speaking for all the members of the 11-nation Council.

In his presentation of Israel's case, triggered by the murder of two young Israeli farmers by Syrian soldiers who penetrated into Israeli territory near the settlement of Almogor, a week ago, Mr. Comay told the Council that Israeli citizens, particularly those living in proximity to the Syrian border, "want to know whether, indeed, there is no alternative for the monotonous and futile sequences of firing and complaint."

The Israeli diplomat, on behalf of his Government, made an outright demand for a Security Council vote to condemn Syria. He accused Syria of deliberately creating a tense "war climate" so as to rally support from other Arab states "around the well-worn banners of the battle against Israel."

Mr. Comay denied categorically, as an allegation totally "without foundation in fact," that Israel had concentrated troops along the Syrian border prior to the murder of the two youths at Almogor. It was that claim, announced 10 days earlier by the Damascus Government, that Syria used as the basis for its counter complaint against Israel.

Meeting Seen as Tactical Victory for Israel; Syrian Abuses Comay

The Council session, limited chiefly to the addresses by Mr. Comay and Mr. Tarazi, evoked unusually active interest here, with the Council chamber crowded to capacity with diplomatic observers from about 100 member-states. The convening of the meeting during the weekend was seen as a tactical victory for Israel, since Syria, backed by a number of powerful delegations, had tried hard to postpone the opening of the session until this week. Israel had wanted an "urgent" meeting in the hope that the very opening of the Security Council debate on this issue would help ease tensions along the Syrian-Israeli border.

The visitors' gallery overlooking the Council proceedings was as jammed as was the Chamber floor. Mr. Tarazi tried in his address to play to that gallery, baiting the visitors and accusing them of being "in the pay of Mr. Comay." He threw that angry charge because some visitors laughed derisively when the Syrian denied that the two murdered young Israelis near Almogor had been killed by anyone. He also compared Israel's policies to those of Adolph Hitler, and used abusive language to Mr. Comay, calling the Israeli diplomat "a clown."

In spite of Mr. Tarazi's effort to provoke disorder, the meeting ended quietly with the announcement by Mr. Thant, and the endorsement of the Secretary General's call for tranquility on the Syrian-Israeli border by Mr. Nielsen.

Today, the Secretary-General's office announced that he had already received a report on last week's Syrian-Israeli developments from Maj. Gen. Odd Bull, chief of staff of the United Nations Supervision Organization. It is that report that will form the basis for a report to the Security Council tomorrow by Mr. Thant. The members of the Council will have until tomorrow when they resume debate, to study the overall situation and perhaps plan for some action.

NEWSMEN BARELY ESCAPE SYRIAN MINE AT MURDER SITE; SEE SOVIET WEAPONS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- A weekend press tour of the area near the Syrian border where two Israeli farm youths were killed last Monday night almost turned into a disaster when an Israeli truck touched off a Syrian land mine near the visiting newsmen and their military escorts.

Army officials had just explained how the Syrian infiltrators had reached a field track when a heavy truck, loaded with fertilizers, came down the road. As the reporters moved aside to make way, there was a blast and the truck halted suddenly, rocking back and forth but not overturning. Splinters of rock flew all around the group, but no one was hurt.

An on-the-spot investigation by the newsmen, including the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reporter, indicated that the mine had been planted to explode when the tractor carrying three Israeli farmhands back from the fields last week rolled over the mine. The Syrians had planned to start attacking when the mine detonated. It did not explode because it was set for detonation only by a heavier vehicle than the tractor. So the Syrian soldiers attacked, killing two of the youths. The third managed to escape.

Newsmen also visited the Ashmura section near the border, another hot spot, where they watched Israeli field workers gathering in crops. All Syrian positions in this area are high over the Israeli fields and, from a military point of view, dominate the fields. The Syrian positions in the area have been strengthened. Tanks, mostly the Soviet-made SU-100 types, were seen to have been placed in some of the positions, along with Russian recoilless guns and heavy machineguns.

Harman Discusses Syrian Crisis with Harriman, Urges UN Action

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- Israel's Ambassador Avraham Harman held a lengthy conference here this weekend with Under Secretary of State W. Averell Harriman, discussing the various aspects of the recent Syrian aggressions against Israel, about which Israel has complained to the United Nations Security Council. Mr. Harman said after the meeting that he had reviewed for Mr. Harriman the "chain of circumstances" that led to the present Syrian-Israeli situation, expressing to the American official Israel's hope that the Council will take action to "correct" the situation.

LONDON SEES JORDAN USSR RAPPROCHEMENT AS DUE TO PALESTINE ISSUE

LONDON, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- The announcement that Jordan and the Soviet Union have decided for the first time since Jordan's creation to establish diplomatic relations was seen here today by the British press as stemming partly from Jordanian frustrations over "the Palestine issue." Disclosure of the Moscow-Amman rapprochement was made this weekend.

Coming from a country created by the West, and dependent largely since its establishment on subsidies from Britain and the United States, the Times said, the move toward Russia might be considered "ungrateful." But "frustration over Palestine gnaws away," stated the Times, "and there is the familiar hope that the best can be had financially of what hitherto has been two worlds--the West and the Communist."

HOUSE PASSES MILD FOREIGN AID CLAUSE THAT MIGHT AFFECT HELP TO EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- The House of Representatives approved this weekend a sharply cut Foreign Aid bill containing a provision which would sever aid to any country engaging in aggression, if the President made such a determination. Approval followed withdrawal of a proposed clause which would have banned aid to Egypt without specific prior approval for such aid by the President.

Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, and one of the most vigorous critics of aid to Egypt, withdrew the stronger amendment, which had been drafted with bi-partisan support. Prior to passage, Chairman Thomas E. Morgan, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, defined the milder provision as applying to Egypt. Rep. Halpern extracted that definition from the Congressman who managed the bill in the House for the Administration.

Rep. Halpern withdrew his stronger amendment after learning it was opposed by Zionist spokesmen, reportedly because it was considered contrary to Israel's interests. Another reported reason was that the withdrawn amendment might have aroused opposition from Chairman J. W. Fulbright of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee which recently investigated lobbying activities. Sen. Fulbright has strongly opposed such restrictive amendments to United States foreign aid programs.

Rep. Halpern was co-sponsor of the Keating-Halpern amendment in the 1962 act, providing for severance of U. S. aid to Egypt because of that country's acquisition of Soviet arms. He insisted, in House debate, that the Nasser regime's "aggressive preparations and offenses" were already such that Egypt should not receive additional aid. He charged that the State Department had ignored previous measures making cutting off of aid subject to Presidential discretion.

Before agreeing to withdraw his stronger amendment, which seemed to have a good chance of adoption prior to the opposition of the Zionist spokesmen, Rep. Halpern obtained from the Administration the agreement to name Egypt orally as the subject of the milder clause.

As the House prepared to send its approved version to the Senate for action, Sen. Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania Republican, served notice that he favored cutting off aid to Egypt when the bill comes before the Senate. He said he did not think the United States "should be supplying United States dollars for troublemakers around the world. Cutting foreign aid to Egypt would be in the interest of peace in the Middle East."

ONE OF CHIEF EUTHANASIA DEFENDANTS MISSING, MAY HAVE FLED GERMANY

DUSSELDORF, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- One of the chief defendants in the forthcoming trial of former Nazi officials responsible for Hitler's euthanasia program, Dr. Gerhard Bohne, was reported today to have disappeared from his home here. He had been released from pre-trial custody because of poor health.

Dr. Bohne is charged with having participated in the killing of 15,000 patients hospitalized during World War II in German clinics and asylums. The 61-year-old lawyer was believed in Bonn to have fled abroad with the help of friends, to escape trial. He was to stand trial in Limburg with Dr. Werner Heyde, who is accused of murdering more than 100,000 mentally ill persons and concentration camp inmates.

Last March, Dr. Bohne was released from prison where he had been held with Heyde for three-and-a-half years, but was required to turn in his passport and report to police daily. The last time he reported was in late July.

West Berlin Synagogue Reported Desecrated with Swastikas

NEW YORK, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- A synagogue in West Berlin was found smeared with swastikas, and desecrated with Nazi slogans, according to press dispatches received here today. The dispatches stated that the stickers carrying the anti-Semitic slogans were imprinted with the name of the National Socialist Party of England.

The National Socialist movement in England, under the leadership of Colin Jordan, an ex-school teacher jailed for neo-Nazi activities, has boasted publicly that it is providing anti-Semitic materials to colleagues in Germany.

B'NAI B'RITH OFFICIAL CALLS ON U.S.A. TO RATIFY U.N. GENOCIDE CONVENTION

STARLIGHT, Pa., Aug. 25. (JTA)-- The United States should "match its racial progress at home with a step to strengthen and enhance the rule of law on an international scale by ratification of the genocide convention," a community relations worker told a B'nai B'rith youth convention this weekend.

Dr William Korey, director of the New York bureau of the B'nai B'rith International Council, said that "at a time when racial barriers across the nation are slowly but steadily falling, it is a tragic corollary that American endorsement of this modern declaration of international freedom is still lacking." He spoke before 400 delegates to the joint convention of Aleph Zadik Aleph and B'nai B'rith Girls.

He said that though 64 nations have already ratified the United Nations treaty against genocide, aimed at outlawing the kind of mass murder committed by the Nazis against European Jewish men, women and children, "in the 15 years since the convention was first proposed, it has been discussed, pigeon-holed and now apparently forgotten by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee."

CALIFORNIA COURT UPHOLDS 'RIGHT' OF NAZIS TO RALLY AGAINST CIVIL RIGHTS

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- A Superior Court decision sustaining the right of the American Nazi Party to hold rallies on public property cleared the way today for three such rallies scheduled to be held Wednesday in southern California. The rallies are slated to protest the August 28 March on Washington in support of President Kennedy's civil rights legislation.

The Nazis were represented in Superior Court by the American Civil Liberties Union. Ralph Forbes, head of the "western division" of the Nazi group, said the group had no money for private counsel. Membership of the party in Los Angeles county is estimated at about 13 persons.

Superior Judge Alfred Gitelson issued a preliminary injunction to prevent the city of Redondo Beach from stopping a Nazi rally there. Forbes said the Nazis would hold rallies on Wednesday at separate times in Burbank, Hermosa Beach and Los Alamitos. He added that other groups participating in the counter-demonstrations will be the "Fighting American Nationalists," the "Keep America White Committee" and the "Nazi Party Women's Auxiliary."

KENNEDY, EISENHOWER, TRUMAN MOURN ERIC A. JOHNSTON; DEAD AT 66

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25. (JTA)-- President Kennedy and former Presidents Eisenhower and Truman expressed their deepest condolences today over the death this weekend of Eric A. Johnston, author of a proposal for comprehensive, Arab-Israeli development of the Jordan River valley. Mr. Johnston was 66.

Keenly interested in foreign affairs, although his business career was with the Motion Picture Association of America, of which he was president, Mr. Johnston was sent by President Eisenhower to the Middle East, in 1955, as a personal representative, to help resolve Middle East tensions over the use of the Jordan River waters. He drew a plan, known by his name, which would have established in the Jordan River valley a project similar to America's TVA. Israel accepted the plan. The Arab states first approved the plan, then reneged. In their condolences, Mr. Kennedy and both Gen. Eisenhower and ex-President Truman expressed their warmest praise of Mr. Johnston.

PHYLLIS BOTTOME, NON-JEWISH, ANTI NAZI AUTHOR, DEAD; WARNED ON HITLER

LONDON, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- Phyllis Bottome, the non-Jewish novelist and lecturer who was one of the first to recognize the evils of the Nazi regime in pre World War II Germany, and attempted to warn England and America of it, died here this weekend. She was 79. Miss Bottome's best known work was "The Mortal Storm," an anti-Nazi novel published in 1938 that became a best seller.

She was greatly influenced by the Austrian-Jewish psychologist, Alfred Adler, whom she met during a period of residence in Vienna. In 1938, she worked in Austria to aid refugees fleeing Hitler. Later, she continued her anti-Hitler activities in the United States.

JOSHUA GELBFARB-GILADI, HEBREW-YIDDISH AUTHOR, EDUCATOR, DIES AT 59

NEW YORK, Aug. 25. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Joshua Gelbfarb Giladi, a well known Hebrew-Yiddish author, editor and educator, who died this weekend. He was 59.

Mr. Gelbfarb, who used "Giladi" as his pen name, was born in Poland where he became a journalist and writer on education. He subsequently emigrated to Canada where he taught and wrote for the "Canadian Eagle" in Montreal. He also edited the monthly "Kinderland" in Havana, Cuba. In New York, Mr. Gelbfarb served on the Ramaz Yeshiva faculty.