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Israel Captures Sharm-El-Sheikh, Jericho, Bethlehem: Army Reaches Suez Canal

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) - Israel's armed forces, striking hard on two fronts in the third day of the Arab-Israel war, knocked Jordan out of the conflict today and seized Sharm-El-Sheikh, which controls the Strait of Tiren, in a two-pronged drive in the Sinai Peninsula. The armored columns driving west were reported as having reached the east bank of the Suez Canal.

Israel officially announced, in a statement by Israel's Chief of Staff, Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, that its forces had captured Sharm-El-Sheikh, near the southern tip of the Sinai Peninsula, from which Egyptian forces had maintained a blockade of the Tiran Strait since United Nations Emergency Force troops were pulled out last week at the demand of Egyptian President Nasser, He also announced the capture of Old Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Jericho in Jordan. Capture of Ismailia, the Suez Canal key center, also was reported.

Airforce commander General Moti Hod announced at a press conference that during the 60 hours of warfare, the Israeli forces have destroyed 441 enemy planes, practically wiping out the airforces of Egypt, Syria and Jordan and seriously hurting the Iraqi airforce,

The badly beaten Egyptian forces, apparently totally unable to cope with Israeli mastery of tank-air warfare, were reported retreating to a mountainous region in central Sinai but it was not certain they would give battle there. Most of the fighting in Sinai took place in the triangle formed by Abouageila, Rafia and El Arish, Most of Israel's air power, having decimated the air arms of Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Syria, was shifted to the Sinai to give air support to the tank battles. A report from the Sinai front, confirming earlier official statements that in the first two days of fighting, 200 Egyptian tanks had been destroyed or captured, said that 150 Soviet-made tanks were seized virtually untouched.

Jews Hold Prayer at Wailing Wall; First Time in 20 Years

OLD CITY OF JERUSALEM, June 7, GTA) — For the first time in 20 years, Jewish prayers were held today at the Wailing Wall in Old Jerusalem which was captured earlier in the day by Israeli troops and armor. The Army Chief Chaplain, Col, Shlomo Goren, brought a Torah Scroll to the Wailing Wall and led the prayer service. Dusty and begrimed Israeli soldiers took part with tears in their eyes. Under the 1948 armistice agreement, Jordan had agreed to permit access by Jews to the Wailing Wall but never implemented that part of the agreement.

"The Wall is ours," the Chief Chaplain told the praying soldiers. "We shall never leave it," We make a vow never to leave it," He then conducted Kaddish and a special Yizkor service for the Israelis who have been killed in the three days of war. Some of the soldiers stood with rifles at the ready during the service, watching for snipers,

Gen. Moshe Dayan, Defense Minister of Israel, told a press conference that the armed forces of Israel would never surrender the newly-liberated Old City of Jerusalem, where the Wailing Wall' is located. "We have returned to Jerusalem never to part from her again," he said, The General made clear that the status of Jerusalem was not negotiable,

Theodor Kollek, mayor of Israel's capital, visited Mount Scopus, the site of the pre-independence Hadassah Hospital and Hebrew University, which was cut off from Israel since Jordan seized the enclave and Oid Jerusalem in the War of Independence acarly 20 years ago. The enclave had been guarded by Israeli police contingents who were relieved by fortnightly convoys passing through Old Jerusalem with United Nations escorts. With the passage now free, Mayor Kollek visited the area.

He told newsmen that he did not intend to be mayor of any part of Jerusalem except that part for which he had been elected by the Jewish population. However, Jerusalem's city council was busy planning services, such as road-clearing and water supplies, to the popular on of the Old City. There were not many residents left. The areas through which Mayor like was driven on his visit to Mount Scopus had been deserted by its Arab residents.

U.N. Security Council Sets Deadline for Cease-Fire; Only Jordan Accepts

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., June 7. (JTA) -- The United Nations Security Council adopted unanimously today a Soviet resolution setting a deadline for compliance with an earlier resolution calling for a cease fire by Israel and the Arab states as the Arab-Israel war went into its third day. The first cease-fire resolution was adopted unanimously last night. Jordan accepted the cease-fire call early today but no similar acceptances were received today from Egypt, Syria and the other Arab countries involved in the fighting.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban, noting that Israel responded immediately last night with a statement welcoming the cease-fire resolution, told the Council today, after it approved the Soviet resolution, that Israel could not accept Jordan's agreement to a cease-fire because Jordan's troops were under a joint command directed by an Egyptian general, "Jordan has accepted the cease-fire," Mr. Eban declared, "but under conditions in which it is not the master of Egyptian troops in its territory."

Mr. Eban proposed that adoption of the cease-fire resolution "should be communicated to all the governments whose soldiers are involved in the fighting. The list of governments to be notified should be enlarged."

The Soviet resolution placed a 4 P.M. (New York DST) limit for compliance. After more parliamentary maneuvering, involving a Canadian addition to the resolution, the Council adjourned to await word on compliance with the cease-fire deadline. The Canadian resolution would "request the president of the Security Council, with the assistance of the Secretary-General, to take necessary measures to bring about full and effective compliance?" with the two cease-fire resolutions.

Mohamed El-Kony, the Egyptian Ambassador to the U.N. addressed the Council today. He repeated charges he and other Arab spokesmen had made previously that there had been "collusion" between the United States, Britain and Israel, "with the two big powers furnishing an air umbrella" for Israel, Arthur J. Goldberg, the United States Ambassador, and Lord Caradon, the British Envoy, severely rebuked Syrian Ambassador George Tomeh during Council debate last night for making that charge, Mr. Goldberg said the charge was "without foundation." Lord Caradon bluntly called it "a lie,"

Eban Says Egypt Is Really in Command of Troops in Jordan

The Egyptian envoy made no mention today of any Egyptian response to the cease-fire appeal and Mr. Eban, who took the floor after the Egyptian representative spoke, 'stressed that fact, Mr. Eban said that "Jordan's acceptance is not paralleled by Egyptian acceptance, yet it is the United Arab Republic that is now in command of the troops in Jordan."

Mr. Eban informed the Council also that, after the cease-fire resolution was approved last night, "an Egyptian commando unit stationed in Jordan attacked the road between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv." He added that many Israelis "were killed in that attack and we captured an Egyptian officer in command of the Egyptian unit,"

"The UAR's acceptance of the cease-fire is crucial regarding not only the south, but also the Jordanian front, not only for what happens on the Egyptian front but also in Jerusalem. Firing has continued and is continuing in Jerusalem. Many hundreds have been injured. Very cannily, Egyptian guns have been placed so close to holy places that the proximity gives the Egyptian guns immunity from Israeli counter attack," Mr. Eban told the Council.

He also replied to the repeated Arab charges of Angio-American participation with the statement that Israel has not received "a single ounce of help in the planning or the operation or the effectiveness of the present war." He said that, in regard to the cease-fire call, Israel's objectives required not only that the lighting stop but also that all the combatant nations clarify their aims and "scare to effective implementation."

In introducing the cease-fire deadline resolution, the Soviet delegate declared that his draft resolution was addressed to the "aggressor" and that the "aggressor" was Israel. He said his resolution was designed to obtain "the immediate and unconditional cessation of Israel's military action and aggression against the Arab states," He added that "it is necessary to condemn the aggressor and see to it that a continuation of the military activities by the aggressor cease because an even more menacing situation is developing in the area."

Johnson Creates Top-Level Body to Help Build a "New Peace" in Middle East

WASHINGTON, June 7, GTA) -- President Johnson announced today creation of a special top-level United States Government committee "to help build a new peace" in the Mideast after hostilities cease. The Fresident told the National Security Council he had asked McGeorge Bundy, former special assistant for national security affairs, to take a temporary leave of absence from his post as president of the Ford Foundation to head the special committee.

Soviet Government Threatens Israel with Severing Diplomatic Relations

WASHINGTON, June 7. UTA) -- The Soviet Union warned Israel today that it may sever diplomatic relations unless Israel immediately ceases military action, it was reported here from Moscow. The Russian warning was contained in a note delivered in Moscow to the Israeli Embassy.

The note said that Israell "aggression" continued and that if it was not halted "the Soviet Union will revise its attitude to Israel and take a decision concerning the further maintenance of diplomatic relations with Israel." The note claimed that "reports are coming in from different sources that the resolution of the U.N. Security Council on an immediate cease fire and discontinuance of all hostilities is not being carried out by the Israeli side."

"Israel is grossly and demonstrably trampling this decision under foot and is continuing the war against the Arab states," the note stated, "This stand of the Israeli Government is extra proof of the aggressive sesence of your policy which disregards elementary norms of international relations, openly shows disrespect to the principles and purposes of the U.N. charter. The Soviet Government had clearly warned the Government of Israel against the promotion of a policy of aggression and ventures, Butthe Israeli leaders did not heed this appeal to the voice of reason.

"If the Israel Government now does not immediately fulfill the common demand of the states for an immediate ending of firing, which is expressed in the Security Council's resolution, the Soviet Union will revise its attitude in respect of Israel and adopt a decision concerning the further maintenance of diplomatic relations with Israel which by its actions is opposing itself to all peace-loving states," the note warned. "It goes without saying that the Soviet Government will consider and implement other necessary measures stemming from Israel's aggressive policy."

Argentine Jewish Leaders Confer with Interior Minister on Ban on Pro-Israel Rally

BUENOS AIRES, June 7. (JTA) — A delegation of the DAIA, Argentine Jewry's central representative agency, met today with Interior Minister Guillermo Borda concerning a police ban on a scheduled mass meeting last night of solidarity with Israei.

Dr. Isaac Goldenberg, DAIA president, told newsmen after the meeting that the DAIA was still expecting "a clear pronouncement by President Ongania on free navigation in international waterways." He said that if Argentina declined to take a clear formal stand for that position, it might be endangering its transit rights through the Beagle Canal at the southern tip of South America. He made no comment on the talks with Minister Borda on the meeting ban.

"We have no problem with the local Arab community toward whom we feel as brothers, but regret that Arabs here follow some of their Nazi-Pascist leaders in the Middle East who are unconditionally at Moscow's service." the DAIA leader said.

Support of America's 30,000,000 Negroes to Israel Pledged by Leader

NEW YORK, Junc 7. (JTA) -- The support of America's 30,000,000 Negroes to Israel's cause in the Middle East war was pledged here last night by A. Philip Randolph, president of the Brother-hood of Sleeping Car Porters and a leader in the Negro civil rights movement.

Mr. Randolph made the pledge in a speech at the Manhattan Center where 7,000 trade uniontant attended a rally sponsored by the New York City Central Labor Council AFL-CIO. The rally was addressed by Ambassador Michael Comay, former head of Israel's delegation to the United Nations, and now Special Adviser to the Foreign Minister, Mayor John V. Lindsay, and top leaders of the 1,200,000-member labor council.

Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., Council president, who presided, announced the launching of a \$1,000,000 cash drive to help Histadrut maintain its health, education and welfare activities during the critical economic situation encompassing Israel. Ambassador Comay reported that he had just arrived from Israel and that the people there were fully confident of the outcome of the military controntation with the Arabs. Mayor Lindsay declared that the war in the Middle East should be blamed on "the posturing of the Arab nations." He added that "the United Nations should affirm at once its peacekeeping role in the Middle East;

The Jewish Labor Committee pledged today "every effort to assist the people of Israel in their struggle for survival, security, and the preservation of their national identity," and called upon President Johnson to "take steps now to bring a speedy and just end" to the war in the Middle East.

4,000 American Academicians Urge U.S. to Safeguard Integrity of Israel

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) - In a two-page advertisement to morrow's New York Times close to 4,000 American academicians call upon the administration and Congress to maintain firmly the United States' "commitment to safeguard the integrity, security and survival of Israel and its people." More than 3,740 college presidents, deans, professors and other faculty members at 128 universities in 23 states signed the statement. The Ad Hoc Committee of American Professors, sponsors of the advertisement, has reported that this list has been increased by more than a thousand academicians in the 48 hours following the first exchange of gun fire at Gaza.

Quebec Prime Minister Assures 'Confessional Education' for Jewish Children

MONTRRAL, June 7. (JTA) -- The Hon. Daniel Johnson, Prime Minister of Quebec, in andress given in Montreal, last night at a dinner of the Allied Jewish Community Services marking its Golden Jubilee, indicated that the Government of Quebec is adhering to the policy that "the grant follows the child" and will introduce legislation, which would give effect to this policy so that Jewish children will have an opportunity to get "confessional education." He said that it would not be "this year," as the Government was preoccupied with the problem of institutes and colleges.

The address of the Premier emphasized that "he will not condone the notion that there are first and second class citizens in the Province" and that "a Quebecer of Jewish descent need not deny what he stands for in order to be a good citizen. Not only does a Quebecer of Jewish descent not have to reject his heritage, but he is a good Quebecer because he has not denied his ancestral roots."

The Premier said that he was pursuing the idea of having a Human Rights Charter, guaranteeing the basic rights for all citizens enshrined in the Constitution, both as far as Canada as a whole is concerned and "internally" in Quebec and that "everything that touches on the fundamental liberties and dignity of the human person must be clearly defined and protected by the constitution." He urged Jewish community participation in the work of the Constitution Committee of Quebec.

Referring to the situation in Israel, the Premier gave expression to his full sympathy for the people of Israel, assuring that Quebec was prepared to be helpful to the utmost. Over 600 community leaders attended the banquet which was presided over by Jacob Lowy, president of the AJCS with Monroe Abbey serving as master of ceremonies, Samuel Bronfman, honorary president of the AJCS, urged the Jewish community to support the special emergency campaign for Israel which is now underway.

Rabbi Philip Bernstein Honored on 65th Birthday; Murphy Talks on Middle East

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- Robert D. Murphy, Under Secretary of State during the 1956 Israeli campaign against Egypt, said here yesterday that if the campaign had ended "as many expected, in the departure from Egypt of a miniature dictator, the world would not suffer the present turmoil and peace would prevail in the Middle East."

Mr. Murphy spoke at a luncheon meeting of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee, which honored Rabbi Philip Bernstein, chairman of the committee, on his 65th birthday. Mr. Murphy algo said he had "every confidence" in the ability of the United States Government "to act at the appropriate time in the interests of justice, He said the United States would honor its Middle East commitments and that, "naturally," those commitments "contemplate the independence and territorial interrity of the State of Israel,"

Rabbi Bernstein expressed the hope that "this time" the Arabs "and especially Arab leadership will learn that aggression does not pay," Adding that what the United Nations can and will do is far from clear," he said that "much depends on the Soviet position which remains an enigma," He said that not only "moral and legal commitments but enlightened ealf interest should move the United States to support Israel in this conflict which has been thrust upon her," He said that "this does not mean United States manpower" but that it "does mean material aid" and "generous economic aid," A message was read from President Johnson extending "warm congratulations" to Rabbi Bernstein on his 65th birthday,

B'nai B'rith Honors Irving Spiegel; Creates Scholarship Fund for Teenagers

NEW YORK, June 7, (JTA) -- Some 300 guests joined last night in honoring Irving Spiegel, who has covered Jewish news for 25 years for The New York Times, at a dinner sponsored by Brnai Brith. They heard an announcement of creation of an Irving Spiegel Scholarship Fund for college students and tecnagers to attend summer institutes in Israel and the United States spensored by the Brnai Brith Youth Organization and the Hillel Foundations, The fund will provide mainly for travel expenses,

Dr. William A. Wexler, B'nai B'rith president, presented the veteran reporter with a silver dish bearing the inscription: "B'nai B'rith honors Irving Spiegel for 25 years of interpreting Jewish affairs to readers of The New York Times," The guests included representatives of more than 30 Jewish organizations and newspaper associates of the guest of honor. Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization, was dinner chalrman,

Seven Jewish Children in New York Suburb Raise \$10,000 for Israel

NEW YORK, June 7, (JTA) — Seven Scarsdale high school students, including David Arnow, son of Robert Arnow, president of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, raised \$10,000 yesterday for Israel in a house-to-house solicitation in Scarsdale. Reporting the solicitation, the United Jewish Appeal said the donations included two checks for \$1,000 each and one check for \$5,000. The money was sought to buy medical supplies for Israel.