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Gen. Bull Reports Suez Canal Area Is 'Generally Quiet'

UNITED NATIONS, July 27. (JTA) -- Lt. Gen. Odd Bull, Secretary-General U Thant's personal representative in the Middle East and head of the U.N. team observing the Israel-Arab cease-fire arrangements, reported to U.N. headquarters today that the cease-fire arrangement was "holding" after the outbreak yesterday of renewed exchanges in the Suez Canal area. Gen. Bull said that mortars and heavy machineguns were used "by both sides" in yesterday's clash.

The U.N. observation chief characterized the situation in the canal area as "generally quiet." There was no indication here whether he had made any reference to the reported heavy buildups by both Israel and Egypt cited in newspaper reports.

In a meeting yesterday with Gen. Moshe Dayan, the Israel Minister of Defense, Gen. Bull reported that he had not succeeded in getting the Egyptians to agree to a proposal that neither they nor the Israelis use the waterway or to delimit the Egyptian cease-fire line. Gen. Bull told headquarters that he would not discuss this question with the press and the U.N. spokesman here said he was under instructions not to comment on this thorny issue.

Senate Committee Votes to Restrict Credits for Arms Purchases

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- The Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted today 12 to 6, to restrict U.S. Government financing of credit to underdeveloped nations for arms purchases. The measure would make it more difficult for the State Department to supply arms to nations like Jordan.

The Committee approved a proposal by Sen. Frank Church, Idaho Democrat, to delete from the Foreign Aid Bill a section providing a revolving fund for arms sales. Sen. Church said that the military aid program's revolving fund was used to guarantee repayment of loans extended by the U.S. Export-Import Bank and private banks.

He said removal of the fund would "impose reasonable restraint" on the program for arms sales. The sale of arms to Jordan came under criticism when it emerged that U.S. arms were used against Israel in the recent war.

Israel Army Puts Captured Soviet-Made Armaments Into Operational Use

TEL AVIV, July 27. (JTA) -- Soviet-made arms and equipment captured from the Arab armies during the six-day war have been put into operational use by the Israel Army of Defense, it was revealed today. No details of the types and quantities of weapons being used were divulged.

Israel captured vast quantities of armaments in the Sinai Peninsula campaign, much of it in a virtually new and unused condition. First reports from the battlefields had indicated that a greater proportion of the Soviet-built Egyptian armament had been destroyed than actually proved to be the case and the Israelis were able to salvage much more usable equipment than had been anticipated.

The quantities of material captured were so great that Israel is able to build up considerable reserves of replacement parts for the maintenance and servicing of the equipment it is putting into use. Israeli scout teams are still uncovering arsenals and dumps in the Sinai Peninsula.

In the equipment Israel captured were light and heavy tanks, troop-carriers, weapons-carriers, artillery of all sizes, radar units, other electronic detection devices, tools and spare parts to keep this equipment in service, and ammunition and fuel.

It was only because of the great quantities of material captured, with the stockpiles this permits, that Israel could consider making the Soviet arms operational since it would be most unlikely that the Soviet Union would sell Israel parts and replacements.

Israeli Army Is Testing New British Heavy Tank

Israeli Defense Ministry sources also revealed today that they had been making exhaustive tests of the powerful new British heavy tank, the Chieftain, to see how it stands up to desert conditions. Israel has two of the 45-ton behemoths but did not use them during the six-day war. Results of the tests, now nearing completion, were reportedly being awaited with interest in Britain. The Israelis have seen enough of the Chieftain to be interested in incorporating a few units composed of Chieftains in their armored divisions. The vehicles cost about \$260,000 each.

The backbone of the Israeli armored force now is the British-built Centurion, a heavier tank than the General Sherman's Israel obtained from the United States and West Germany and captured from Jordan, but not as heavy as the Chieftain. The Centurion was described as having performed excellently in the Israeli Army's dash across the Sinai Peninsula in June. Israel was said to be interested in acquiring more of the late-model Centurions from Britain.

Paris Daily Says France Will Lift Embargo on Arms to Middle East

PARIS, July 27. (JTA)--The daily newspaper Paris Presse, declared today that the French embargo on arms to Israel, imposed during the June war, would be lifted soon. French political sources expressed skepticism about the report and Israeli sources declined immediate comment.

France was, prior to June, Israel's major aircraft and missile supplier. The Israeli Air Force is built on French equipment and the French-built Mirage IV jet fighter is the backbone of the Israeli aerial defense. Estimates of Israeli aircraft losses in the six-day war have gone as high as one-fifth of its air-strength.

Replacement of its battle and attrition losses is essential to the Israeli Air Force in view of the heavy resupply by the Soviet Union of late-model fighter and bomber aircraft to Egypt. The Soviet Union is reported to have made good almost half of Egypt's aircraft losses in the relatively short period since the cessation of hostilities.

London Recalls Envoys from Israel, Jordan for Middle East Policy Review

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- The British Government, now currently subjecting its Middle East policies to exhaustive review, summoned its envoys to Israel and Jordan home today for consultations. They will engage in discussions with Foreign Secretary George Brown and top Foreign Ministry officials on a number of pending issues including the question of provision of arms to the two countries, the future of the West Bank area, now held by Israel and the plight of Jordan.

There had been no official acknowledgement that either Jordan or Israel has approached Britain directly for arms. Most of the Jordan Air Force equipment came from Britain -- although Jordan was to have received the American-built F-104 Starfighter jets and its armor was partly British and partly American. King Hussein and Jordanian officials have warned that if they do not receive arms from the Western countries they will have to accept Soviet weapons.

Mr. Brown told the House of Commons today that there had been "no change" with regard to the Suez Canal blockade and was critical of the fact that Egypt, either alone or with others willing to help, had not taken steps to begin clearing obstructions out of the waterway.

Polish Generals Purged for Opposition to Communist Middle East Policy

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- Sharp differences over the wisdom of official Polish Government policy in supporting the Arab states against Israel and in unreserved backing of Soviet policy in the Middle East have split the Communist leadership in Poland and have resulted in a purge of the Polish Army high command, according to information received here from Warsaw.

The Daily Telegraph reported today that three Polish generals had been dismissed for opposing that Government stand. The ousted officers were listed as Gen. Manciewicz, commander of the Air Defense Force; his chief of staff and his deputy for political affairs. They reportedly refused to distribute anti-Israel material to units under their command.

The purge, the first in many years, coincided, according to the Daily Telegraph, with two speeches by Marshal Marian Spychalski, the Polish Defense Minister, denouncing Polish supporters of Israel. The Defense Minister's speeches revealed that there was widespread belief in the Polish armed forces, and in those of other Communist bloc countries, that Israel's June victory over Soviet-backed Egypt had revealed the inadequacy of Soviet training and equipment.

Goldberg Sees Gain in Soviet Acceptance of Mideast Compromise Draft

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg, head of the American mission to the United Nations, told an audience here tonight that he had reached agreement with the Soviet Union during the emergency session of the General Assembly on the text of a resolution which could have concluded the session and established guidelines for an Arab-Israeli settlement.

However, this formula, Mr. Goldberg noted, "was not acceptable to all the parties that had fought against Israel; but the readiness of the Soviet Union to propose it for favorable consideration by the Arab states was a significant step, even though it was rejected."

The draft, he said, provided that "the withdrawal of Israel troops would be linked with the acknowledgement by every member of the United Nations in the area that each enjoys the right to maintain an independent, national state of its own and to live in peace and security; and with a renunciation of all claims and acts inconsistent therewith -- meaning particularly all claims or acts flowing from an asserted state of belligerency."

Rumania to Buy 82 Israeli-Assembled Leyland Buses

JERUSALEM, July 27. (JTA) -- Israel and Rumania are expected to sign a trade agreement here this weekend under which Rumania will purchase 82 buses from Israel at a cost of about \$1,500,000. The agreement, a sequel to the general economic and cultural exchange treaty signed by the two countries two months ago, is expected to provide for the purchase by Rumania of 200 vehicles yearly for the next few years.

The buses will be built here by Leyland Ashdod. While the engines will be supplied by the Leyland Motor Company of Britain, a partner in Leyland-Ashdod, most of the components will be manufactured here and the assemblies will be completed here.

Israel Acts to Aid Trade in Occupied Territories

JERUSALEM, July 27. (JTA) -- The Israel Government moved today to encourage development of trade in the occupied areas by establishing facilities for free exchange of commodities among them. Under the new arrangement, producers in the Gaza Strip may ship their products to markets in the West Bank area and vice versa. The shipments will be permitted to cross Israel proper. Since prices are higher in Israel than in the occupied areas, the goods cannot be sold in Israel but must be reserved for the occupied areas.

Allon Warns Jerusalem Arab Notables Against Challenge to Israel

TEL AVIV, July 27. (JTA) -- Labor Minister Yigal Allon warned Arab residents of the old sector of Jerusalem last night that Israel's "humane approach and attitude" toward residents of occupied territory should not be construed as a sign of weakness. He spoke at a mass meeting of Givat Haim.

His warning was aimed at a number of Arab religious leaders who recently indicated resentment against the Israeli regime. Twenty-five Moslem lay and religious leaders in Old Jerusalem challenged Israel's authority for the first time last Monday. They sent the Government a resolution stating that they did not recognize the "annexation" of the Old City. They said Old Jerusalem was only "occupied" and remained an "integral part of the Kingdom of Jordan."

The Labor Minister warned that the Arab leaders might lead the Arab man on the street to disrespect of Israeli authority. He also stressed Israel's attitude that it had no interest in any intermediate settlement with the Arab countries defeated in the June war, and would demand a final and lasting peace to end almost 20 years of Arab belligerence.

Los Angeles Mayor Warns Against Attempts to Divide Jerusalem Again

LOS ANGELES, July 27. (JTA) -- Mayor Sam Yorty of Los Angeles, reporting on a visit to Israel, said today he hoped "no one will be foolish enough" to want to see Jerusalem "divided again. It is united today and, in my opinion, it will stay united." He said the Arab residents in Jerusalem were "better off today" than they had ever been and that "unification is of great benefit to the Arabs in the city."

Haifa Court Sentences PLO Saboteur to 20 Years in Prison

TEL AVIV, July 27. (JTA) -- A 27-year-old member of the Palestine Liberation Organization was sentenced today by a Haifa court to 20 years in prison on charges of armed infiltration. Samir Shafik Darwish, who was captured May 8, disguised as a British subject, confessed to the charges when he was arraigned on July 13.

The prosecution said that when Darwish was arrested, he was carrying a collection of 122 plastic explosives, detonators, a specially equipped camera, a gun and orders to use the explosives to create destruction in Israeli cities. He also was reported to have had a transistor radio. When police asked him what he intended to use it for he replied he wanted to listen on Kol Israel Radio reporting on the results of his assignment. On the day of his arrest, Damascus Radio triumphantly announced that PLO members had exploded a bomb in a Haifa movie theater, causing "thousands of casualties." That apparently had been Darwish's first assignment.

Congressman Protests Invitation to Egyptian to Address Congress Staff

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- Although Egypt severed diplomatic relations and expelled Americans, the State Department permitted an Egyptian diplomat to make a propaganda speech before summer "interns" from various colleges who are working at the U.S. Capitol. Rep. Joel T. Broyhill, Virginia Republican, charged today.

Rep. Broyhill told the House that he is protesting the Department's permission to Dr. Ahmed Kamal Abul-Mag, Egyptian Embassy cultural counsellor, to make a "basically anti-American, pro-Soviet lecture" to young people employed by members of Congress. The address was made in the Senate by the Egyptian earlier this month. The sponsors of the lecture said they had invited an Israeli diplomat to speak in order to "balance" the speaker list.

Poland Bypasses UNRWA; Will Give \$430,000 in Kind for Refugee Aid

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., July 27. (JTA) -- The Polish Government which has never contributed to the work of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the 17 years of that organization's existence, announced today that it was bypassing the agency and would render its own "immediate assistance to the populations of Jordan, Syria and Egypt suffering as the result of Israel's military assault."

Like the Soviet Union, which made a similar announcement yesterday, the Polish Government, in its communication to the Secretary-General, made no reference to the fact that it had voted for a General Assembly declaration appealing to all nations to increase their support of UNRWA to enable it to cope with the refugee situation.

The Polish letter, like that of the Soviet Union, argued that "the responsibility for all damages and tragic consequences of the aggression against the Arab states should be borne entirely by Israel."

The letter announced that Poland had decided to contribute 430 million zlotys in kind. (At the unofficial rate, this would be the equivalent of \$430,000.) The aid will be in the form of medicines, food, blankets, clothing and household articles.

United Nations auditors reported today that UNRWA had a deficit of \$1,170,369 in its operations for 1966. It reported income from governmental and non-governmental sources of \$36,328,051 and expenditures and commitments for the year totaling \$37,498,420. The deficit was covered out of the working capital fund of the United Nations.

Canadian Foreign Secretary Pledges Aid for Jews in Arab Lands

MONTREAL, July 27. (JTA) -- Paul Martin, the Canadian Foreign Secretary, indicated today to the Canadian Jewish Congress that there were "difficulties of jurisdiction" in any efforts by the Canadian Government to do anything about the plight of Jewish nationals of Arab countries.

Mr. Martin was sent an appeal by the Canadian Jewish Congress on the problem. Hundreds of Jews were reported incarcerated, abused and in some cases killed by rampaging Arab mobs in the aftermath of Israel's victory in the June war.

He cited, in his reply, previous efforts "to alleviate the conditions of other Jewish communities which have come under pressure" and added he would "not hesitate to take such action if it appears to be desirable and useful. I wish to assure you that if any opportunity arises for me to raise this matter in a constructive context, perhaps through contacts at the United Nations, I shall certainly do what I can."

Soviet City Names Street After Jewish Resistance Hero

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- A street in Pinsk, a Soviet city occupied by the Germans in World War II, has been named for Sasha Berkowich, a Jewish resistance hero, it was reported here today from Moscow.

Berkowich was secretary of the underground committee in Pinsk during the occupation. He was a member of an underground unit which clashed with a Nazi detachment. After using most of his ammunition, he killed himself with his last bullet.

SNCC Leader Says Negroes Will Resist and 'Won't Play Jews'

WASHINGTON, July 27. (JTA) -- Black Power leader H. Rapp Brown, national chairman of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, sought today to compare the situation of Negroes with that of Jews in Nazi Germany and belittled the lack of resistance by the Jews.

Brown told a press conference at SNCC headquarters that "if you (whites) intend to play Nazis" in suppressing Negro violence, "black people ain't going to play Jews."

The SNCC leader is free on bond awaiting charges of inciting riots and arson. He will be tried by Maryland authorities for causing a riot and destruction in the town of Cambridge. Brown said "violence is necessary" and that "if America don't come around, we'll burn it down."

Explaining why Negroes would behave differently than European Jews, Brown said "violence is part of America's culture and is as American as apple pie."

Nettie Lesser Berg, Educator, Dies at 80

NEW YORK, July 27. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Mrs. Nettie Lesser Berg, educator and specialist in audio-visual instruction, who died here Tuesday after a brief illness at the age of 80. She was founder and president of the American Council on Audio-Visual Education in Israel and had served as a member of the board of United Hias Service.