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Dayan Criticized After Speech Dealing With Issues Of Annexation, Peace With Arabs

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Defense Minister Gen. Moshe Dayan came under sharp criticism in some political circles here today for the speech he delivered in Tel Aviv yesterday in which he spoke pessimistically of early prospects for peace with the Arabs. He said Israel should consider annexing the territories it occupied in the June, 1967 war unless the Arabs agreed to peace. His critics maintained that the opinions he expressed ran counter to those held by a large section of the Cabinet. Prime Minister Levi Eshkol is expected to reply indirectly to Gen. Dayan when he addresses the Knesset (Parliament) next Monday. Mr. Eshkol is expected to say that he has hopes for "peace in our time" and to reiterate Israel's willingness to come to terms with any Arab government, sources said.

Gen. Dayan, addressing the National Union of Israeli Students, said the Arab countries, which lost 70 percent of their Air Forces in the Six-Day War, had more than replaced the losses and were now 50 percent stronger in the air than they were on the eve of June, 1967. He said Israel must be prepared for another Arab onslaught and, at the same time, must strive for peaceful co-existence with the Arabs in the occupied territories.

Gen. Dayan's differences with other Cabinet members were believed to center around negotiations with Jordan. He was known to oppose any separate agreement because he does not believe that King Hussein would have the power to implement it. Other Cabinet members hold that Hussein could stick by an agreement with Israel because he is backed by such Arab rulers as the kings of Saudi Arabia, Libya and Morocco and could count on United States and British support.

Gen. Dayan said, in his Tel Aviv speech, "We must settle the Golan Heights, fortify the Sinai and integrate the West Bank and Gaza economically and organizationally into Israel. Above all, we must seek to come closer to the Arab population in these territories even though they do not heed us at the moment."

Gen. Dayan's proposals for the integration of the West Bank into Israel ran counter to a plan attributed to Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Alon which suggested a kind of partition of the West Bank between Israel and Jordan. Political circles have reported that Gen. Dayan submitted a plan to the Government which called for retention of strategic points along the West Bank and establishment of Jewish settlements there, while allowing the Arab population autonomous administration. The plan was said to be favored by Herut Party leader Menachem Beigin, a member of the Cabinet, who advocates annexation of the occupied territories.

Foreign Ministry officials said today that there was a wide gulf between Jordanian demands and Israeli thinking on what form a peace treaty between the two countries might take. They stressed that negotiations must and do continue, mainly through United Nations peace envoy Dr. Gunnar V. Jarring. But so far, they said, there was no sign that Jordan would agree even in private to tell Israel it was willing to conduct talks aimed at reaching a peace treaty. According to well informed sources, Jordan has demanded a "map" of Israel's demands or, as an alternative, seeks to arrive at a timetable for "implementing" the Security Council's Nov. 22, 1967 peace resolution. That concept was rejected by Israel and by the Western powers, which do not regard the resolution as self-implementing but see it only as a basis on which both sides could reach an agreement.

State Department Says Eban Wants To Discuss Sale Of Supersonic Jets With Rusk

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The State Department indicated today that Israel's Foreign Minister Abba Eban is seeking an appointment with Secretary of State Dean Rusk to enter pending negotiations on the sale of Phantom jet fighter-bombers to Israel. Department officials said that Mr. Rusk had intended to open negotiations with Israel's Ambassador to the United States, Itzhak Rabin, but now has information that Mr. Eban wants to enter the talks. The Department said last week that Mr. Rusk would probably meet this week with Mr. Rabin to discuss arrangements for negotiations. The meeting had not taken place as of today. Earlier this week, the Department said that Mr. Rusk had a heavy schedule and that the talks probably would not be able to begin until next week. Mr. Eban expects to see President Johnson if he goes to Washington.

Defense Department sources reported however that Mr. Rusk would like to defer negotiations until a new Administration is elected. Then a "new look" would involve broader diplomatic objectives, including such matters as Israeli policy on occupied territories and adherence to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty, the sources said.

Meanwhile, Col. Robert S. Allen, syndicated columnist who frequently writes on military matters, said Thursday there were "obvious stalling maneuvers" now evident in the State Department on the Phantom negotiations. Col. Allen, who has contact with top military officers who favor the transaction, charged that Mr. Rusk is using evasive maneuvers. He said "there is actually nothing to negotiate" because Israel knows the price and is willing to pay. He said that "politics had a lot to do with the President's gesture." He noted that "all three Presidential candidates have strongly advocated sale of the Phantoms to Israel."

See Jet Announcement Affecting Egyptian Attitude On Negotiations

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 17 (JTA)--President Johnson's order to Secretary of State Dean Rusk to negotiate with Israel for the sale of supersonic jets has had a positive effect on Middle East diplomacy at the United Nations, an Israeli source said today.

While it is uncertain exactly when Israel would get the Phantom jet fighter-bombers it is seeking — if it gets them — the expectation is a delay of a year to 18 months after completion of negotiations. "President Nasser has said that his Army would be ready for war against Israel in 1970, but the Johnson announcement has made him realize that 1970 now cannot be regarded as a war year," the source said. This in turn has contributed to a seemingly more "pliant" attitude on the part of Cairo to take part in indirect talks with Israel through Dr. (Gunnar V.) Jarring, the UN's Middle East envoy, the informant said.

The Arabs have apparently decided to abandon emphasis at the UN on their Khartoum formula of no peace, no negotiations and no recognition of Israel, decided last year at an Arab summit conference. This stems from a realization that Israel has been reaping a public relations victory at the UN from the rigid Arab stand, it was reported.

Meanwhile, "movement" in the Jarring peace mission may lead Foreign Minister Abba Eban to return next week to Israel for Cabinet consultations, it was learned. He may stay a couple of days and is expected to return to the UN for further diplomatic efforts. Mr. Eban has presented Dr. Jarring with a lengthy memorandum clarifying points he made last week when presenting an Israeli program for peace. The paper is expected to be presented to Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad and Israel will await a reply, it was said. The nature and content of the reply would indicate to Israel "where we stand."

(A bitter Arab reaction that many State Department officials predicted would result from Mr. Johnson's directive last week to start negotiations with Israel on the sale of jets has failed to materialize, Christian Science Monitor correspondent David K. Willis reported from Washington today. "Its relative mildness has caused some sources to wonder if perhaps they had underestimated the degree to which Arab capitals had anticipated the sale of the jets, as an inevitable result of American backing for Israel. Such anticipation could explain the continued Arab contacts with Dr. Jarring...None of the Arabs, at this writing, had packed their bags and gone home," Mr. Willis said. "Another explanation advanced here is that neither the Arabs nor Russians want to be blamed for torpedoing the Jarring talks...As long as the Jarring efforts continue, there is hope, it is felt, no matter how tenuous.")

6 Arab Saboteurs Killed, Israeli Wounded In Jordan Valley Clash

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Six Arab saboteurs were killed and one Israeli soldier was wounded slightly in a clash in the Jordan Valley today. Six saboteurs were captured by the Israeli forces, including a wounded man.

(Reports from Amman said that two Jordanians were killed and six others, including a woman, were wounded in two artillery duels between Jordanian and Israeli forces last night. According to a Jordanian military spokesman, the Israelis opened fire with heavy artillery near the Damiyah Bridge.)

Six Israeli settlements from the Golan Heights to the northern Jordan Valley were subjected to heavy shelling by Jordanian artillery last night forcing hundreds of civilians to take refuge for hours in bomb shelters. At one point the Jordanians used their "Long Tom" long-range artillery to shell Kibbutz Masada, Shaar Hagolan, Ashdod Yaacov, Mevo Hamat, Geshar and Menahamiya but no casualties were suffered at any of the settlements. A military spokesman said the damage was mainly to electric and telephone wires which were repaired today but some buildings in the settlements were damaged. Israeli artillery returned the fire and scored hits on Shuneh, a Jordanian village that was abandoned by its inhabitants and taken over by terrorist bands.

Last night's shelling, the first in many weeks on so large a scale and so wide a front, seemed to belie mounting rumors of some sort of accord between Israel and Jordan. Observers said those rumors have no substance and may have been put out by Amman for political reasons abroad. A military spokesman said that the shelling escalated from small arms fire which came from the East Bank of the Jordan. Targets were Israeli units on the West Bank. Soco automatic weapons and bazookas were replaced by mortars and finally by cannon. Israeli forces returned the fire, bringing up artillery only in response to Jordanian artillery, the spokesman said.

Allon Raps Invasion Of Czechoslovakia, Blames 'Tyrannical Regime' For Jordan Death

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17 (JTA)--A bitter denunciation of the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia was delivered here today by Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon in the course of a eulogy of the late Charles H. Jordan, former director-general of the Joint Distribution Committee, who died under mysterious circumstances in Prague in August, 1967. The occasion was the dedication of the Charles H. Jordan Student House at the ORT Technical High School in Natanya. Attending the ceremonies were Mrs. Ellie Jordan, widow of the deceased, Gen. Chaim Herzog, president of ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation and Training) in Israel, Mrs. Golda Meir, former Foreign Minister of Israel, and Dr. A. Bar Menahem, mayor of Natanya.

Addressing an audience of 1,000 students, Gen. Allon said "the murder of Charles H. Jordan is not the fault of the Czech people but of the tyrannical regime. Only a year after Mr. Jordan's tragic

disappearance, the Czech people are fighting a desperate battle for their independence. Such tyrannical regimes have no qualms about intervening in the affairs of a smaller nation. As citizens of a small nation we must remember that only by our steadfastness and readiness to defend ourselves can we build an effective deterrent."

Gen. Allon said there was "not a country where Jews were oppressed that Charles H. Jordan did not come and bring them a word of encouragement and sometimes help. He fell as a soldier in the front line of Jewish existence and he fell behind the enemy lines. We can do nothing but express our condemnation of a regime that forcibly revokes the freedom of small nations," he said.

Nablus Students Protest Alleged Persecution Of El Fatah By King Hussein

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Students at two girls' schools and one boys' school in Nablus went on strike today to protest alleged persecution of El Fatah terrorists by King Hussein of Jordan. It was the first student strike in Nablus not directed against the Israeli occupation and was apparently motivated by reports that the Arab commandos were having trouble with the Amman regime. Travellers returning from Jordan said that members of El Fatah and other irregular guerrilla bands are taking shelter in northern Jordan which is under the control of Iraqi units. The travellers reported that Bedouin tribesmen loyal to Hussein have blocked roads to the terrorists and chased them out of the cities.

Danish Boat That Saved Jews Becomes Landbound In Haifa At Emotional Ceremony

HAIFA, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The Danish fishing boat, Astrid, which was part of a flotilla of small craft that ferried nearly 8,000 Danish Jews to safety in Sweden in October, 1943, was permanently landbound today as a monument at the foot of Mount Carmel to the bravery of the Danish people. The monument was dedicated in the presence of hundreds of former Danish Jews whose lives were saved by their fellow Danes 25 years ago and a like number of former Danish resistance fighters who took part in that rescue operation and are now visiting Israel to commemorate the event.

Among the latter was Capt. Jonas Borgeesen, master of the Astrid when she made her rescue voyage across the narrow strait separating Denmark from Sweden on the night of Oct. 4, 1943. With tear-filled eyes, he accepted flowers from four Israeli boys and girls — children of men and women whom he had helped save from deportation by the Nazis. The Astrid, now property of the Haifa Maritime Museum, was purchased by Lawrence Schacht, South Orange, N.J. businessman, who is one of the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal's Israel Education Fund, which is building the Denmark High School, Israel's largest secondary school.

National Democratic Party Dissolves West Berlin Branch, Blames Mayor Schutz

WEST BERLIN, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The extreme right-wing National Democratic Party (NPD) voluntarily dissolved its West Berlin branch yesterday and cancelled a party congress that was scheduled to take place here. The move, taken after lengthy discussions between NPD chairman Adolf von Thadden and Berlin party officials, was intended to block all possible Allied action against the reputedly neo-Nazi party and to avoid repercussions from the East.

Mayor Klaus Schutz of West Berlin had requested the post-war Allied occupying powers — United States, Britain and France — two weeks ago to take steps to outlaw the NPD. On Tuesday, East German Interior Minister Friedrich Dickel warned Mr. Schutz to expect "possible consequences" from the East unless the NPD was banned in Berlin. Mayor Schutz, obviously irritated, said today that the East German warning did not influence him in the least. He told Mr. Dickel in effect to mind his own business, JTA correspondent Alfred Wolfmann reported. But Mayor Schutz said he strongly favored banning the NPD.

His request to the Allied authorities had been approved by the Berlin Senate (city government) but it angered Federal authorities in Bonn who have maintained that whatever action is taken on the NPD should be uniform throughout West Germany. However, Bonn authorities did not interfere with Mayor Schutz's request on grounds that West Berlin is a separate problem. The NPD blamed Mayor Schutz's "shameful machinations" for their decision to liquidate the party branch here and said that "in the future it will not be possible to link the NPD directly or indirectly to any moves taken against Berlin."

Yiddish Organ Of Pro-Communist Order Raps Soviet Pro-Arab Policy, Polish Bias

TORONTO, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The Yiddish organ of the pro-Communist United Jewish Peoples Order has taken a sharply critical view of Soviet Russia's pro-Arab policies and especially of anti-Semitic developments in Poland. The paper, Vochenblatt, reported the departure of prominent Polish-Jewish writers and editors from Poland for Israel and commented that the movement cannot be called an "exodus" but is in reality an "expulsion."

A Vochenblatt columnist also took to task Northern Neighbor, a periodical promoting Canadian-Soviet friendship, for a "display of un-Socialist ethnic labelling and historical ignorance." A recent article in that publication charged that the records of Czechs and Jews were "stained" with respect to the Soviet Union and alleged that "in 1918, 40,000 Czech troops invaded the young Soviet Union to overthrow it" and "Jews played a big part in fighting against Lenin and the Revolution."

JNF National Assembly Hears Gen. Marshall Urge U.S. Support For Power Balance

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--More than 1,200 delegates assembled here tonight to launch the national assembly of the Jewish National Fund at an inaugural dinner sponsored by the JNF Foundation. The five-day convalesce will be the occasion for announcing of a new master plan for development of Israel's wastelands.

The dinner tonight was the occasion for the presentation of citations to 66 supporters of the JNF, including special awards to Dr. Theodore K. Lawless of Chicago, Negro philanthropist, and to Dr. Ernest Vamos of San Francisco. The presentations were made by Meyer Pesin, chairman of the Foundation, Benjamin Swig, JNF western region president and philanthropist, served as toastmaster. Speakers included Gen. S.L.A. Marshall, military analyst, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Zionist leader, and Rabbi Irving Lehrman, Miami JNF Foundation chairman.

Gen. Marshall urged the United States Government to help restore the Mideast balance of power upset by Soviet renewal of weapons to Egypt. Dr. Neumann said that the new situation in Israel created by the June, 1967 war had imposed on the JNF "new tasks and challenges of vital importance." He added that "not only all Zionists but all true friends of Israel are called upon to give these efforts their whole-hearted support."

Harvard Doctor Studying Relationship Between Migration And Heart Disease

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Oct. 17 (JTA)--A Harvard University doctor is conducting a unique test that may determine, among other things, whether migration from North America to Israel is associated with a decrease in the risk of developing heart disease.

During 1966 and 1967, Dr. Ascher J. Segall, associate professor of epidemiology on the faculty of Public Health at Harvard, and members of his staff, supervised medical examinations of 2,500 persons now living in Israel. Dr. Segall has just sent letters to the brothers and sisters of those persons who live in the United States or Canada, asking them to submit to similar physical examinations. He said his test seeks to investigate the cause of heart disease by studying the differences in the incidence of the disease between persons who have migrated from the United States and Canada and their brothers and sisters still residing in North America. Similar studies have been made in Ireland, England, Norway and Italy. Dr. Segall said his study stemmed from the observation that coronary heart disease appears to be less frequent in Israel than in North America. The study is supported by the U.S. Public Health Service and the Israel Ministry of Health.

Synagogue Council Endorses New Voluntary Rating System For Motion Pictures

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The Synagogue Council of America has announced its support of the new voluntary rating system for motion pictures announced last week by the Motion Picture Association of America. The Council, central coordinating agency for the rabbinic and lay congregational bodies of Conservative, Orthodox and Reform Judaism in the United States, said it welcomed the measure because it afforded protection of the young from films intended for mature adult audiences and avoided censorship which the Council found objectionable.

Rabbi Jacob P. Rudin, president of the Council, and Rabbi Saul I. Teplitz, chairman of its film commission, said that the Council had always opposed the efforts of pressure groups to establish restrictions on what films the public may see. "These efforts, as well as the emphasis in certain films on sex and violence for commercial exploitation rather than artistic or literary purposes, have posed a real danger, for they invite some form of censorship, which we find objectionable. It is for these reasons that we welcome and support the recently-announced voluntary rating system by the motion picture industry. The system holds promise of offering protection to children...while it protects the freedom of legitimate movie producers and film audiences."

Labor Zionists Endorse Humphrey Ticket, Call It 'Effective Response To Crisis'

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--The Labor Zionist Organization of America has endorsed the candidacies of Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and Sen. Edmund G. Muskie for the offices of President and Vice-President of the United States. LZO president Hy Faine said his organization had concluded that the "Humphrey-Muskie ticket offers the most promise for a renewal of the tradition of American democracy and an effective response to the crises of our times."

Jewish Book Annual Lists 930 Works Of Jewish Interest Published In Year

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (JTA)--Essays on Holocaust literature and the development of fiction and poetry in Israel since it became a state 20 years ago are among the articles featured in Volume 26 of the Jewish Book Annual, published by the Jewish Book Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board. The 252-page yearbook of Jewish literary creativity also lists and briefly describes more than 930 books of Jewish interest published in the United States, Israel and Britain during the twelve month period ending May 1968.

Organizations To Campaign For Ratification Of UN Human Rights Conventions

ALBANY, N.Y., Oct. 17 (JTA)--Sixteen American and Canadian organizations concerned with international human rights announced here that they will launch a campaign to press for ratification of all United Nations human rights conventions by the United States Congress and by Canadian legislative bodies. Canada has ratified five of the covenants. The U.S. so far has accepted the convention outlawing slavery but has still not ratified those outlawing racial discrimination, genocide and political discrimination against women.