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Dayan Says Any Attempt To Move Israelis From Suez Canal Would Mean War

TEL AVIV, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Gen. Moshe Dayan, Israel's Defense Minister, said today that any attempt to push Israel back from the East Bank of the Suez Canal would mean war. Asked at a press conference whether the presence of Soviet naval equipment including dredges in Egyptian ports may indicate that an attempt will be made by Russia to clear the Suez Canal, closed since the Six-Day War, Gen. Dayan said the only way that Russia could move Israeli troops from the canal would be through war and that he did not believe Moscow wanted to risk a war. Asked for his evaluation of the growing Soviet fleet in the Mediterranean, Gen. Dayan said this was a matter for NATO. (The Soviet missile-armed aircraft carrier Moskva left the Mediterranean Monday for the Black Sea, accompanied by three escorts. Eighteen Soviet naval vessels have entered the Mediterranean during the past 29 days.) Gen. Dayan noted that Egyptian policy was not to clear and operate the canal so long as Israelis are camped on it, and that Egypt still is a party to the cease-fire at the canal. The presence of Soviet marine equipment does not point to war, he said.

Gen. Dayan said that Israel had no intention of intervening in the present strife in Jordan and added that if Jordan wanted a peace settlement with Israel, she "could have it tomorrow" and without it being conditional on peace settlements with any other country, including Egypt. He noted, however, that there is a question of whether Jordan can make peace with Israel without Egypt's accord. He said he thought that King Hussein had sufficient power to enforce a peace treaty.

Gen. Dayan again warned Egypt that it would pay a "high price" if it continued to violate the cease-fire along the Suez Canal. He said Israel would always find ways and means to retaliate notwithstanding Egypt's massed artillery along the canal's West Bank. He refused to elaborate on last week's Israeli commando raid deep into Egyptian territory which damaged two bridges and a power station. Asked if the Egyptians might retaliate, he said "if they do, they will have to pay a very high price and it may not be feasible for them."

Gen. Dayan said that terrorist raids into Israel and Israel-held territories have done very little damage and not one Israeli border settlement has had to be evacuated nor have any settlers left. He noted however that 70,000 Arab farmers on the East Bank were forced to leave their lands as a result of terrorist activities and said that as "a former farmer, not as a former military man," he felt sorry for them.

He said the situation in the occupied territories was not satisfactory to either side. "The Arabs do not want to be occupied and we do not want to be occupants and therefore the only solution is peace." But, he added, "until then Israel will preserve law and order and will not permit demonstrations, strikes or disorders."

Hussein Puts Down Rebellious Guerrillas, Tells Them To Focus On West Bank

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4 (JTA)--King Hussein's loyal Bedouin Army put down Syrian-backed Arab commandos angered by his "soft stand" on Israel yesterday in some four hours of fighting in Amman, the capital. The Jordanian Interior Minister went on the state radio to denounce commandos who fired on Government forces as "criminals, traitors and bought individuals." He suggested that the guerrillas concentrate their energies against Israelis occupying the West Bank.

The Minister said anti-state elements, who he identified as the Al Nasr (Victory) organization, had infiltrated Palestinian terrorist organizations and defied Jordanian authorities, and charged them with seeking to establish a reign of terror. Earlier King Hussein went on the radio and while not openly criticizing the terrorists said that the Government had decided to halt their "treacherous activities designed to split the nation." He said that without public order there can be no war and no victory over Israel.

According to Beirut radio, heard here, the Jordanian Government served notice that it will not let its policies be dictated by terrorists, who completely oppose a peace agreement between Israel and Jordan and want the Jewish State exterminated.

Amman was under curfew today. Disturbances broke out last Saturday in Amman on the anniversary of the Balfour Declaration of 1917, which promised Jews a National Home in Palestine. Crowds of Palestinians tried to storm the American Embassy and were stopped by the Arab Legion, King Hussein's Army.

King Hussein's forces were under machine-gun and cannon fire. He moved tanks into Amman along with armored personnel carriers and infantry and quickly gained the upper hand. His troops were sent into areas where large numbers of Arab refugees demanded action against Israel. Hussein did not concede that the guerrillas were trying to overthrow his crown. Israeli observers believe that the guerrillas were angry because Hussein tried to bring them under control in order to forestall possible Israeli retaliation which could do further damage to his already politically and economically weak kingdom.

Police Patrol East Jerusalem As Arab Strike Goes Into Its Third Day

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Israeli security police and paratroopers armed with batons and shields patrolled the streets of East Jerusalem as a protest strike by local Arab merchants went into its third day. The strike was originally called as an Arab protest gesture on the 51st anniversary of the Balfour Declaration which was celebrated Saturday. It continued Sunday and Monday in protest against the confiscation of 15 Arab-owned shops and restaurants which Israeli authorities said were needed for police billets while tensions ran high in the city.

Police foot patrols were out in force, particularly in the narrow, winding lanes of the Old City which are impassable to armored vehicles. They dispersed small crowds wherever they gathered and stood by as owners of the confiscated shops removed their merchandise. Four of the shops were emptied by their owners. One owner failed to show up and his premises were forced open and his goods taken into police storage. Crowds watched but no incidents were reported.

Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem visited the Arab quarters several times today. While he refrained from open disapproval of the police measures he was clearly angered by the confiscations. Mayor Kollek is a strong advocate of leniency toward the Arab population of East Jerusalem which he has often said would lead to peaceful co-existence between Jews and Arabs if not complete reconciliation. Police sources said today that the confiscations were not final and that they might consider returning at least some of the premises to their owners if the latter pledged cooperation to prevent further strikes and to return life to normal. No official statement was issued to that effect however.

14-Year-Old Arab Boy Killed In Hebron When Bag Of Explosives Detonates

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4 (JTA)--A 14-year-old Arab boy was killed in Hebron today when a bag of explosives he was carrying detonated. Another child and an adult were injured. The explosion occurred near the Patriarchs' Tomb, the site of a terrorist grenade incident last month in which a number of Jewish worshippers and sight-seers were injured.

Security forces investigating today's blast linked it to a similar explosion which killed a 14-year-old Arab boy in Jerusalem several months ago. The victim then turned out to be a younger brother of two terrorist leaders responsible for grenade blasts in downtown Jerusalem and at the Tel Aviv central bus terminal.

The Patriarchs' Tomb in Hebron has been the scene of controversy between Jewish worshippers and Moslems who object to Jews holding prayers on the site. The tomb is located within the compound of the Ibrahim Mosque and visits by non-Moslems are restricted to certain hours. Jews however held all-day prayers there on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Jewish National Fund Building Two Experimental Dams In Captured Golan Heights

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Jewish National Fund has built two experimental dams in the Golan Heights for irrigation and flood-prevention purposes. The Kuneitra area has been subjected to floods in the winter, and agriculture in the region has been neglected for years because Syrians used the Heights primarily as a military encampment.

A Nahal -- paramilitary settlement -- established shortly after the Six-Day War near the headquarters of the Jordan River will achieve kibbutz status next week when it affiliates with Kibbutz Artzi of the Hashomer Hatzair movement. The settlement occupies a site formerly held by the Syrian Army but on Israel's side of the international boundary. The Jewish Agency's agricultural department will assist the settlers until sufficient land is made cultivable to support them.

Ben-Gurion Calls For Settlement Of Two Million Jews, Development Of Negev

BEERSHEBA, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion has called for the settlement of two million Jews in the Negev and the industrial development of that region so that it can serve as a center for exports to African markets. Mr. Ben-Gurion, who makes his home in the Negev village of Sde Boker, spoke before the Negev Development Club.

He called the region, which comprises two-thirds of Israel's territory and is in large measure arid and undeveloped, "Israel's gate to Africa," and said, "we do not need the Suez Canal, we have a Suez of our own." The Negev is served by the port of Eilat, on the Gulf of Aqaba, which leads to the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. Most of Israel's trade with East Africa and the Far East passes through Eilat.

Jewish Agency Circulating Book In Czech Containing Information About Immigration

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4 (JTA)--A Czech language edition of the Jewish Agency's booklet outlining the rights and duties of new immigrants to Israel has just been published and is being distributed throughout Europe by the Jewish Agency, it was announced here today. The booklet, which also outlines standard immigration procedures and privileges granted new immigrants has been published in eight languages but never in Czech.

Civilian Car and Military Vehicles Attacked By Bazookas, Israelis Escape Injury

TEL AVIV, Nov. 4 (JTA)--A civilian car and a military vehicle were attacked by bazooka fire last night on the Sammakh-El Hamma road in the southern Golan Heights which runs parallel with the Jordanian border, a military spokesman reported. There were no casualties in either vehicle.

Jordanian Shelling Of Eilat Draws Warning In Letter To Council

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Jordanian shelling of Israel's Red Sea port of Eilat Saturday which wounded three persons drew a warning yesterday in a letter submitted to the Security Council by Ambassador Yosef Tekoah.

The Israeli envoy, notifying the Council's November president Otto R. Borch of Denmark, of the incident, listed 36 attacks or sabotage actions allegedly carried out from Jordan since Oct. 23.

Mr. Tekoah said that since that time four Israeli soldiers have been killed and 11 wounded, five civilians have been wounded, nine Arab terrorists have been captured and four killed.

Israel said that the "Jordanian Government must bear full responsibility for warlike acts committed from its territory whether by regular or irregular forces," and noted that "in recent days Jordanian officials have publically expressed support for continued acts of warfare against Israel."

Security Council Warned Time Running Out On Middle East Resolution

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Security Council was cautioned today that the unanimity achieved by its Nov. 22, 1967 resolution on the Middle East might turn out to be the "maximum unanimity" achievable in the Middle East conflict and might not exist forever. The speaker, Joao Augusto de Araujo Castro, of Brazil, addressed the 15-nation body as it resumed debate on complaints lodged by Egypt and Israel over violations of the cease-fire along the Suez Canal. Mr. Castro followed Mohamed Awad el-Kony of Egypt, who charged Israel with trying to destroy his country's "vital economic structure" by attacks far removed from the cease-fire line; and Armand Berard, of France, who said such incidents were almost inevitable when there was no solution in substance and added that "the occupation must end." Mr. Berard acknowledged that responsibility for cease-fire violations "were sometimes shared" by both sides.

Mr. Castro said the crisis in the Middle East was now being compounded by a crisis in the Security Council. "Unanimity has not kept us from collective failure," he said. The Nov. resolution, whatever the interpretation, was the basis for a solution. What was now needed was the will to succeed. He warned that there already had been a deterioration in relations between the Big Powers, now being reflected in the Middle East. He said the parties to the conflict needed some assurance about the permanence of any settlement, and only the major powers could give them this.

Mr. el-Kony referred to last Thursday's Israeli raid on two bridges and a power station deep inside Egyptian territory. Israel said the raid was carried out by commandos and was restricted to installations. Egypt contends that Israel used bombing planes and aimed at civilian targets. He charged Israel with "unprecedented arrogance and unbound defiance" of the Security Council.

The Israeli raid followed a massive artillery barrage across the Suez Canal ten days ago which United Nations truce observers confirmed was initiated by Egypt without provocation. The latest complaint by Israel concerned two Egyptian MIG-21 jets which allegedly violated Israel-held air space over Sinai yesterday and were chased off by Israeli jets. A report on the incident from Lt. Gen. Odh Bull, chief of the UN Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO) was circulated among Security Council members before today's meeting opened. It contained a summary of Israel's version of the incident and reports from various UN observation posts that two aircraft were seen flying north, one of them "coming down with smoke from its tail and apparently in a spin." Israeli spokesmen had reported earlier that an Egyptian jet was seen trailing smoke as it fled.

Home For Mentally Ill Refugees From Nazi Persecution Named For Jordan

LONDON, Nov. 4 (JTA)--A home to care for mentally ill Jewish refugees from Nazi persecution and their children will be opened here today in the name of the late Charles H. Jordan, executive director of the Joint Distribution Committee who died under mysterious circumstances in Prague in August, 1967. The home is sponsored by the Central British Fund for Jewish Relief and Rehabilitation. It will initially house 25 patients who are presently confined to general mental hospitals. The Conference on Jewish Material Claims against Germany has contributed \$48,000 toward the \$240,000 cost of the home. Opening ceremonies will be performed by Mr. Jordan's widow.

Central Council Of Jews In Germany Expresses Concern For Persecuted In Arab Lands

BONN, Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Central Council of Jews in Germany has cabled the United Nations Human Rights Commission on the plight of Jews in Egypt, Syria and Iraq. Its message said, "As survivors of Nazi persecution, we feel compelled and justified to bring to your attention the sufferings of these people and the violation of their essential rights."

Prime Minister Gorton Recalls Australian-New Zealand Fighters In Middle East

MELBOURNE, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Prime Minister John Gorton of Australia recently recalled the time when soldiers of his country and New Zealanders fought side by side in the Middle East with Jewish soldiers of Palestine and declared that Australia's ties with Israel were as close as ties could be between any two countries. Mr. Gorton spoke here at a luncheon on behalf of the Anzac Memorial and Forest in Israel. He accepted a gold medal in recognition of his patronage of the project which honors Australian and New Zealand troops who lost their lives fighting in the Middle East during the two world wars. The Anzac Forest will be planted south of Gaza.

AJCommittee, Jewish Occupational Council Form Committee On Minority Employment

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 4 (JTA)--The American Jewish Committee and the Jewish Occupational Council have established a national joint advisory committee to work in 10 major American cities for the increased employment of Jews and other minorities in corporate management posts. The project was announced by Benjamin S. Loewenstein, chairman of the Jewish Occupational Council and a member of the board of governors of the AJCommittee following a conference of community leaders from major American cities.

Mr. Loewenstein said that the advisory committee, working with local Jewish vocational services, would try to break down historic barriers to the hiring of Jews in such fields as banking, insurance, public utilities, railroads and steel. "Not only has there been an unwillingness to hire Jews for top level management posts by such firms," Mr. Loewenstein said, "but there has also been an assumption in the Jewish community that there was no opportunity for Jews for careers in the corporate structure." Mr. Loewenstein noted that although Jews constitute eight percent of the college graduates in this country — the pool from which corporation executives are selected — they constitute only one-half of one percent of executives in major American industries. "We are not suggesting the establishment of a quota system but these figures certainly indicate the existence of a major problem of conscious or unconscious discrimination," Mr. Loewenstein said.

Jewish Agency Announces Registration For Secondary School Program In Israel

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Jewish Agency announced today that registration was opened for the third annual America-Israel Secondary School Program which accepts American high school students for a year's study at a high school in Israel. The American youngsters earn full credit for their regular high school studies in addition to receiving special courses in the Hebrew language and Israeli studies.

According to Dr. Mordecai S. Chertoff, director of the program which is sponsored by the department of education and culture of the Jewish Agency's American section, there are 43 American teenagers presently studying at the Alonei Yitzhak high school. The program was launched for the 1967-68 academic year when it was limited to 10th graders. It was expanded for the 1968-69 school year to include 10th (sophomore) and 11th (junior) grade students. The third academic year will open in September, 1969 and will be preceded by a six-week course in Hebrew, beginning in July at an Ulpan in Israel, Dr. Chertoff said. General courses are taught in English and Judaica courses are given in Hebrew as far as possible. The curriculum has been approved by an advisory committee of American educators and is supervised by the Israel Ministry of Education.

Jewish Book Month Will Be Dedicated To 25th Anniversary Of Ghetto Uprisings

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Jewish Book Month, observed from Nov. 15 to Dec. 15, will be dedicated this year to "resistance and redemption" in commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the uprisings in Warsaw and other East European ghettos during World War II, it was announced by Dr. Judah Nadich, president of the Jewish Book Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board, sponsors of the event. Dr. Nadich said that 2,000 groups all over the United States will conduct Jewish Book Month programs to "stimulate wide interest in the reading of books by and about the heroic resistance fighters."

Rockefeller Proclaims November 'Membership Month' As B'nai B'rith Set To Mark 125th

ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 4 (JTA)--Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York has proclaimed November as "B'nai B'rith Membership Month" in tribute to the 125th anniversary of B'nai B'rith, the world's oldest and largest Jewish service organization. "B'nai B'rith has served our beloved land selflessly and with significant achievements in war and peace and its sons and daughters have brought honor to our country and have given comfort and sustenance to many people overseas who are less fortunate than ourselves," the Governor's proclamation said. It noted that "In commemoration of this special anniversary in the history of B'nai B'rith, the organization has embarked on a nationwide 125th anniversary membership campaign to increase its more than 500,000 members."

California Rabbis Complain About Organizational Violations Of Sabbath

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 4 (JTA)--The Board of Rabbis of Northern California has complained that Jewish organizations were holding events which violate the Sabbath and are thereby excluding observant Jews from participating in them. The rabbis, in a statement issued here, mentioned Sabbath fund-raising, Sabbath gambling trips to Nevada and overseas charter flights that begin or terminate on the Sabbath.

"We are particularly distressed that some of the activities we oppose are promulgated in the name of Tzedakah (charity)," the statement said. "There is no philanthropic cause, however worthy, which cannot be supported the other six days of the week." The Board of Rabbis said that it "does not presume to be the watchdog of individual Sabbath practices. An individual is free to observe or not. But we reiterate that organizations which purport to be Jewish have a special responsibility to the entire Jewish community — Reform, Conservative and Orthodox."

Shoshannah Cahane Dead At 73, Was Actress, Novelist And Forward Staff Member

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (JTA)--Shoshannah Cahane, famous Yiddish actress, who was also a novelist and a regular staff member of the Forward, the Yiddish daily here, died in New York last Saturday. She was 73.