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Dayan Calls For Stepped-Up Offensive As Labor Party Accepts Territorial Demands

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Defense Minister Moshe Dayan said today that Israel must take offensive measures against Egypt in the Suez Canal zone, but within carefully circumscribed limits. Gen. Dayan addressed the convention of the Israel Labor Party on security problems.

He said that Israel is fighting what amounts to a "small war" on the banks of the Suez Canal in order to avert a big war which would follow an Egyptian attempt to cross the canal in force under cover of its airforce and artillery. He said it was necessary for Israel to make selective use of its air and ground forces with air raids against Egyptian military targets and commando thrusts deep into Egypt.

It is not enough to fight a defensive action "sitting in a bunker, keeping your head down," Gen. Dayan said, but he added, "every measure must be taken to avoid contact with the Russians" who are advising and directing Egypt's armed forces. He said Israel's offensive actions must also be limited by consideration of the United States' desire to avoid a confrontation in the Middle East and by the demands on manpower and materiel on Israel's other fronts.

Gen. Dayan said that Israel introduced its air force into the Suez fighting in order to reduce casualties as much as possible. He observed that in the June, 1967 Six-Day War Israel suffered 3,300 casualties including 778 dead. In more than two years since then Israel's casualties on all fronts have amounted to 2,100 including 400 dead.

He referred to the fighting along the 103-mile waterway as a battle that would decide if there is to be a battle of the Suez Canal. If Israel succeeds in this battle, it will have forestalled an Egyptian attempt to regain the Sinai peninsula, he said.

Demand For 'Strategic Boundaries' Accepted As Unwritten Party Plank

Earlier the Labor Party apparently accepted Gen. Dayan's "strategic boundaries" concept as an unwritten plank in the party's election platform. The platform's official wording refers to "secured and agreed" boundaries as Israel's goal. The Dayan plan, which was broadcast on Kol Israel radio but not announced to the press when the party formally opened its convention in Jerusalem yesterday, is more specific. It called for Israel's retention of the Golan Heights, the Gaza Strip and a contiguous section of the Sinai peninsula that would give Israel permanent control of the Sharm el-Sheikh strongpoint commanding the entrance to the Gulf of Aqaba.

The section of the plank dealing with the future of the West Bank referred to the Jordan River as Israel's eastern security frontier, "not to be crossed by foreign armies." The implication was that the heavily populated areas of the West Bank might be returned to Jordan under an agreement that it remain a demilitarized zone.

In his speech to the convention today, Gen. Dayan reiterated his belief that it was more important to establish "facts of life" in the occupied territories, such as more settlements and a measure of co-existence with the Arabs than it was to make statements or declarations concerning the future of those territories.

Eban Says Israel Can Maintain Occupation Without Jeopardizing Peace Proposals

Gen. Dayan's strategic boundaries proposal reflected his own views and were also said to incorporate the views of other cabinet members, notably Foreign Minister Abba Eban and Minister-Without-Portfolio Israel Galili who heads the government's information service. Mr. Eban, who spoke to the convention on the political situation, said the party's platform plank on boundaries advanced the idea that Israel can remain in the occupied territories without undermining the prospects of peace. But he saw those prospects as remote at present and said that as long as there is no peace with the Arabs the cease-fire lines will remain Israel's borders. Mr. Eban said that all members of the coalition government were in agreement on that point and also agreed that Israel would accept nothing less than a genuine peace.

Addressing an audience of 3,000 at the opening session of the convention last night, Premier Golda Meir appealed for party unity. She addressed herself specifically to disaffected members of the Rafi faction within the party who are supporters of Gen. Dayan. Mrs. Meir insisted that "what divides us is less important than what unites us." She warned that peace is still far off and unity was imperative on both a national and party level.

Party unity was shaken again yesterday when Gen. Dayan was angered by the party's failure to announce its adoption of his plank on boundaries. It was only after lengthy telephone conversations with Premier Meir, party secretary general Pinchas Sapir and Knesset member Reuben Barkat, chairman of that platform committee, that the plank was released to Kol Israel for broadcast. Gen. Dayan agreed however that the plank should remain unwritten though party speakers would refer to it during the election campaign. The Labor Party is obliged to stand by the plank which would become government policy in the event of a Labor victory in the October elections which appears likely at this point.

U Thant Reminds Israel Of Security Council Resolution On Withdrawal From Occupied Areas

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Aug. 4 (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary-General U Thant, through his spokesman, reminded Israel today that the Nov. 22, 1967 resolution adopted by the Security Council called

for the withdrawal of Israel's armed forces from the territories they occupied in the Six-Day War.

Mr. Thant's reminder was a reaction to press reports that the Israel Cabinet and the Israel Labor Party had decided to keep substantial portions of the occupied territory including the Golan Heights, the Gaza Strip and enough of the Sinai Peninsula to assure control of the Sharm-el-Sheikh strongpoint. With regard to the West Bank, the decision was that no foreign armies would be permitted on the west side of the Jordan.

The UN spokesman said that while the Secretary-General "has no comment on this resolution per se, he has frequently emphasized the need for a just and peaceful solution in the Middle East in the context of the Security Council resolution of Nov. 22, 1967." In response to one question as to whether Mr. Thant had in mind the phrase in the resolution calling for Israeli withdrawal, the spokesman said, "the Secretary-General is taking the resolution as a whole."

In Washington, State Department spokesman Carl Bartz termed the Israel Labor Party platform pronouncement on Israeli boundaries an internal Israeli political question at this point but asserted that the United States Government nevertheless stands behind the Nov. 22, 1967, United Nations resolution on withdrawal of forces from territories occupied in the Six-Day War.

(Mr. Bartz said the United States has not yet received an official text of the new Labor Party platform. He stressed that the United States could not concern itself with an internal political position because it was not yet established policy of the Israeli Government.)

Defense Minister Calls For New Settlements In Strategic Occupied Areas

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Defense Minister Moshe Dayan told an American Zionist audience here yesterday that the establishment of new Israeli settlements in strategic areas of the occupied Arab territories was more important than declarations of annexation which he considered unwise at the present time.

Gen. Dayan spoke at the closing session of the 60th annual convention of Mizrahi Organization of America, the religious Zionist organization. "Deeds are more important than resolutions," he declared. As long as the Arabs refuse to make peace, Israel must prepare its security boundaries by "creating the facts of settlements in the occupied territories," Gen. Dayan said.

He said that Israel must also create conditions of co-existence with the Arabs in those territories, not as an occupying power but rather as two free nations living with each other.

Replying to questions, the Defense Minister said that the reactivation of the Arab Eastern Command and the increased threat it posed made new demands on Israeli manpower and materiel. But he cautioned the Arabs that any aggression on their part "carries the seeds of an Israeli victory." Here Gen. Dayan paraphrased Napoleon adding that "every aggressive Arab leader carries another Israeli victory in his knapsack." Asked about the Soviet role in Arab armed forces, Gen. Dayan said Russians did not pilot Arab planes in the recent attacks by Egyptian and Syrian aircraft, "but they were standing not far away and were directing." He said that Russians were seeking to increase their political influence in the Middle East and possibly establish bases there. Meanwhile, they are tightening "the strings of dependency which bind the Arab states" to Moscow.

The Mizrahi convention resolved to encourage American immigration to Israel and to see to it that Jerusalem is never divided again. The convention also welcomed in principle President Richard M. Nixon's efforts to bring peace to the Middle East. But one of the speakers, Interior Minister Moshe Shapiro, stressed that Israel would hold to its present boundaries as long as the Arabs refused peace negotiations.

Gen. Allon Calls For Jewish Settlement of Hebron As Key To Southern Areas

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Deputy Premier Yigal Allon said in a radio interview yesterday that Jewish settlement in the West Bank town of Hebron was essential to the nation's security apart from Hebron's historical associations. He said that militarily Hebron was a key to the region south of Jerusalem and that the Etzion settlements in that area ensured Israel's control of the Hebron ridge.

Mr. Allon said that security settlements must be based on current needs and future defense requirements. He said he was convinced that once Israel firmly established its security borders those boundaries would in time be recognized.

The town of Hebron which had no Jewish population since 1936, was resettled by a group of religious Jews a year and a half ago. Though the group had no official permission at the time, they have been permitted to remain. Hebron is the site of the Machpela cave, reputedly the tomb of the Biblical patriarchs.

Gen. Narkiss Discounts Prospects of Full-Scale War On Suez Canal Front

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Gen. Uzi Narkiss, who commanded the Israeli central front in the Six-Day War, told newspapermen here that the fighting on the Suez Canal would not erupt into a fullscale war because Israel wanted to maintain the peace and because President Nasser of Egypt was in no position to wage war.

Gen. Narkiss, who is head of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department, arrived here on a mission to promote emigration to Israel. He told the press that Nasser was trying to keep the canal situation hot as a means of pressure on the United Nations and the Four Powers to compel Israel to accede to Arab demands.

Three Israeli Soldiers Wounded By Egyptian Gunfire In Suez Canal Sector

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Three Israeli soldiers were wounded, one seriously, last night by sporadic Egyptian machinegun and mortar fire in the southern sector of the Suez Canal zone. A military spokesman said the situation along the canal was relatively quiet last night except for an occasional volley by Egyptian machine-gunners and one or two mortar shells fired at long intervals.

Israelis Report Intensified Terrorist Activities On Eastern Cease-Fire Lines

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4, (JTA) -- Israeli military sources reported today a sharp increase in terrorist activities along the eastern cease-fire lines and ridiculed reports in the foreign press that Jordan was curbing guerrilla forays against Israel from its territory.

According to the sources, 56 incidents occurred along the eastern border during the week that ended August 2, compared to only 23 incidents during the week of June 29-July 5 which followed a series of Israeli attacks on guerrilla positions inside Jordan. Terrorist incidents were also on the increase along the Lebanese border and on the demarcation line with Syria. Military officials placed the number of guerrillas in Lebanon at 400-500.

They said that only nine of last week's 56 terrorist acts in the east occurred on Israeli territory. For the most part, the guerrillas preferred to attack from the shelter of Jordan although Jordanian authorities render them every assistance to cross the river into Israel.

(The London Telegraph reported from Amman today that the Jordanian Army was exerting firmer control over the forward areas facing Israel and was trying to curb "indiscriminate" commando activities. According to the correspondent, a system of passes has been established for guerrillas entering the Jordan Valley. He said this "fresh, tough line" toward the guerrillas stemmed from King Hussein's shake-up of the Jordanian cabinet and military command last month. He said the new commander of the Jordanian Army, Gen. Nasser Ben Jamil, has gained the confidence of his troops by preventing guerrilla groups from setting up temporary rocket sites to shell Israeli settlements.)

Nablus Town Clerk Held For Aiding Terrorists As West Bank Notables Disavow Attacks

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Israeli authorities are holding the town clerk of Nablus on charges of participation in hostile activities against Israel, it was disclosed today. The clerk, Yehyeh Aouda, was recently arrested with several other suspects. A document found in his possession contained plans for a guerrilla attack on an Israeli Army camp in the Samaria district. It was addressed to a guerrilla leader in Amman. Israeli officials said that the plans called for an attack on June 27, the day an attempted attack was made on the camp.

Some 200 local Arab notables, including Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mouhammed Ala Jaabari, joined in a meeting in Jerusalem at which they declared they were strongly opposed to Arab terrorist activities and added that they strongly dissociated themselves from such actions. The notables included sheikhs and chiefs of tribes in the West Bank - Hebron area.

They approved a memorandum which was sent to Defense Minister Moshe Dayan which said that the participants were calling on all Arab citizens to refuse all help to the terrorists and they also called on Arab countries to refuse help to the terrorists. The notables charged that the terrorists were undermining life and commerce of the Arabs themselves.

UN Members Are Reluctant To Join Commission To Study Treatment Of Arabs

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Aug. 4 (JTA) -- The United Nations is still unable to round up member nations who are willing to serve on a General Assembly mission to investigate the conditions among Arabs in Israeli-occupied territories. Fourteen countries have declined requests. Among those who turned down requests recently by Peruvian Ambassador Luis Alvarado, who made them on behalf of the Assembly, have been Italy, Mexico and Chile. The Phillipines and Rumania have not responded. The Arab delegations here have pressed for early action.

Israel bitterly opposed the Assembly resolution for the probe, passed by a minority vote last December, saying it would not admit the mission unless there were comparable efforts to investigate the condition of Jews in Arab nations.

The late President of the General Assembly, Emilio Arenales of Guatemala, had difficulty finding candidates for the mission before he died a few months ago. Secretary-General U Thant polled UN members on means of finding a successor to Mr. Arenales to carry out the latter's residual functions. Following this inquiry, the 16 other vice presidents of the 23rd Assembly session appointed Mr. Alvarado to operate on their behalf for this purpose.

Israeli Envoy And French Foreign Minister To Discuss Partial Lifting Of Arms Embargo

PARIS, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Ambassador Walter Eytan of Israel was scheduled to meet with French Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann today. It was reported that the two diplomats would discuss the possibility, raised by President Georges Pompidou last month, that France might partially rescind the total embargo on military equipment and spare parts, imposed by former President Charles De Gaulle last Jan. 19 after Israel's retaliatory raid on Beirut Airport.

There have been contacts in recent weeks between the Israel Embassy here and the French Foreign Ministry. The Israelis are trying to find out to what extent the French are prepared to lift the embargo. Before Jan. 19 it had applied only to the 50 Mirage V jets that Israel has bought and paid for but which were withheld after the June, 1967 Six-Day War. It was understood that French officials have not turned down Israel's request for a relaxation of the embargo and have promised to give it sympathetic consideration.

Boston Catholic Bishop Urges Soviet Union To Release Boris Kochubiyevsky

BOSTON, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Catholic and Protestant spokesmen joined Boston Jewry in a vigil at Boston Common to protest the arrest and conviction in the Soviet Union of Boris Kochubiyevsky, the Jewish engineer who was sentenced to three years imprisonment on charges of slandering the Soviet State and social system.

The Rt. Rev. Francis J. Lally, Editor of the Catholic organ, The Pilot; Bishop John M. Burgess of the Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts and Lewis H. Weinstein, chairman of the American-Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry, addressed the protest meeting sponsored by the Jewish Community Council of Metropolitan Boston.

"There are minority peoples in all parts of the world," Msgr. Lally said, according to the Jewish Advocate, "and, however small may be their numbers, they have every right to be proud of their heritage, their own tradition, and their own faith. To deny them this right is to rob them of their essential identity as human beings...Boris Kochubiyevsky," the prelate declared, "under Soviet law itself, should be freed from his prison camp and be allowed to emigrate in the normal manner. We appeal to the Soviet authorities not to punish this man for his Jewishness, but to realize his sentiments represent the highest kind of loyalty, for which, far from being punished, indeed he should be praised."

Two Nazis, Convicted of Wartime Mass Murder of Jews Are Given Light Sentences

BONN, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Erhard Krueger, 64, was sentenced to three years and four months imprisonment, and Andreas Von Koskull, 62, to 21 months by a Tuebingen court after they were convicted of mass murders as members of a Nazi commando unit in Russia. They were charged with participating in 90 cases of shootings of Jews and Russians in Bobrinol. The mild sentences reportedly evoked surprise.

A court in Hof sentenced Alois Doerr, 68, former commandant of the Helmbrecht concentration camps, to life imprisonment for the murder of five Jewish women in April, 1945. The defendant, who had been free on bail, was arrested and began serving his sentence.

Samuel Melton Gift of \$500,000 Endows Jewish Chair of Jewish History At Ohio State University

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Samuel M. Melton, Columbus industrialist and philanthropist, has given \$500,000 to endow the Samuel and Esther Melton Chair of Jewish history and Studies of the Ohio State University department of history, the University announced today. A professorship established in 1965 by Mr. Melton will be redesignated as the endowed chair. The chair is named for Mr. Melton and his late wife.

Mr. Melton was graduated from Ohio State University in 1923. He is president of the Melton Research Center at the Jewish Theological Seminary of New York and a founder of the Harry S. Truman Center for the Advancement of Peace in Jerusalem. The Samuel and Esther Melton Vocational High School in Bat Yam, Israel, for which he gave a construction grant in 1965, will be opened in September.

The Melton Chair will be filled by Dr. Zvi Ankori, formerly of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, who was appointed to the Melton Professorship in 1966. Another faculty member will be Assistant Prof. Robert Chazan, who teaches Jewish history in the history department.

Mr. Melton is the first individual to provide full endowment of a faculty chair at the university.

Instruction in Hebrew and Arabic languages and literature was begun at Ohio State University in 1967. The Hebrew program is headed by Asst. Prof. Yaakov Mashiah, an additional assistant professor of Hebrew and two full-time lecturers will be added this fall. Enrollment in the Hebrew courses next year has been set at approximately 150 students. The Arabic program is headed by Asst. Prof. Frederic Cadora, assisted by a lecturer.

Dr. Ankori is chiefly interested in the historic encounter between Judaism, Christianity and Islam in the Eastern Mediterranean. "If at Ohio State we can establish a neutral ground for Israeli and Arab intellectuals," he said, "we will have contributed importantly to world peace."

First Sachar International Fellowship Winners To Begin Studies Abroad

WALTHAM, Mass., Aug. 4 (JTA) -- The first group of Brandeis University students and graduates to be awarded Sachar International Fellowships will begin their studies abroad this summer and fall, it was announced here today. Four of them will attend universities in Africa, one in England and one in Jerusalem. The Fellowship Fund was established by the Brandeis Trustees and named for the university's first president and present chancellor, Dr. Abraham L. Sachar. It will enable up to 12 Brandeis students to study at selected universities abroad during 1969-70.

Moshe Menachovsky, Canadian Educator, Author, Yiddishist, Dies at 75 In Toronto

TORONTO, Aug. 4 (JTA) -- Moshe Menachovsky, Canadian Jewish educator, author, and community and cultural leader, died here at 75. Born in Pinsk, he came to Canada in 1930. In 1932, he founded the Borochov School and Kindergarten in Toronto and was its principal until 1955.

Mr. Menachovsky was a member of the Achdut Avodah central committee of Poale Zion; was on the Board of directors of YIVO; and was a member of the Congress for Jewish Culture's world bureau for education. He was the author of Jewish Youth at the Crossroads; Ber Borochov, His Life and Works and The Problem of Mixed Marriages in Jewish Literature. He was editor of Proletarian Thought (now Unser Veg) from 1938 until 1941. He had been a co-founder of the Central Yiddish School Organization (Tsisho) in Poland, and had established the first Jewish school in Brest-Litovsk (Brisk) where he had served as a member of the City Council before emigrating to Canada.

Mr. Menachovsky has been a co-principal of the Jewish Folk Schools of Toronto since 1955. He was a contributor to pedagogical and literary journals in Poland, Argentina, Canada, the United States and Israel. He recently participated in the Canadian Jewish Congress' Canadian Assembly on Yiddish.