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DISTURBANCES ON WEST BANK LEAD TO SCORES OF ARRESTS AND CURFEW 2 Arabs Killed, 6 Israelis Injured By David Landau

JERUSALEM, May 4 (JTA)—Serious disturb ances were reported in several West Bank towns this morning following clashes yesterday in which an Arab teenager and an Arab woman were shot to death by Israeli soldiers and six Israelis, including five soldiers,—were injured by enraged mobs.

Scores of arrests were made in Jenin this morning after military forces battled crowds in the streets. A curfew was imposed on the old section in Nablus and riot police used tear gas and clubs to disperse student demonstrators in Ramallah.

Yesterday's shooting victims were identified as Bilal Abu Rob, 15 and Fatima Hamdi, 55. The youngster was killed in Kabatiyeh, a town of about 15,000 near Jenin, when Israeli troops fired into a stone-throwing crowd at a roadblock. The woman was fatally wounded several hours later when mourners at the boy's funeral attacked Israeli troops brought in to keep order. The six Israelis were injured by rocks and by an incendiary bomb that set fire to the canvas cover of their jeep.

### Real And Immediate Danger

Israeli sources said that in both incidents the soldiers involved had been in real and immediate danger. The sources said the roadblock at Kabatiyeh prevented a tank truck from proceeding or backing up while its occupants were subjected to a hail of missiles. The soldier accompanying the civilian driver fired into the air first and then fired into the crowd, the sources said. In the later incident the soldiers were endangered by the fire bomb, according to the sources. Nevertheless, the soldiers who fired the shots were later detained at military headquarters pending an investigation.

The latest eruption of violence on the West Bank has been attributed to advertisements placed in Israeli newspapers by the Gush Emunim announcing that they intended to establish more Jewish settlements in the Arab-populated Samaria district. The Mayor of Kabatiyeh has cabled the United Nations and other international bodies protesting Israeli actions there. The Military Governor summoned the Mayor to his office and urged him to cool the atmosphere in his village.

# ISRAEL LODGES COMPLAINT WITH UNDOF OVER SYRIAN MIGS

TEL AVIV, May 4 (JTA)--Israel has lodged a formal complaint with the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) over the flight of two Syrian MIG-17s over Israeli positions on Mt. Hermon in the northern Golan Heights yesterday. The planes were driven off by Israeli anti-aircraft fire.

Military sources said they were obviously on a photo-reconnaissance mission since they made several passes over the Israeli positions. The sources said it was possible that Syria may be deliberately trying to create tension along the Golan Heights demarcation line prior to renewal of the UNDOF mandate which expires May 30.

Meanwhile, Israeli sappers are inspecting fire extinguishers on buses after a bomb was dis-

covered concealed in an extinguisher on a bus near Tel Aviv. The bomb was found in a routine inspection and police decided to check all extinguishers on buses.

VANCE AFFIRMS THAT MIDEAST PEACE SETTLEMENT MUST BE MADE BY PARTIES TO THE CONFLICT, NOT BY THE U.S. By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, May 4 (JTA)—Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said today that the United States would put its "suggestions on the core issues" of the Middle East conflict to the "individual countries" involved but insisted that the peace settlement itself must come from the parties. "It cannot be made by the U.S.," he said.

Responding to questions at a press conference before leaving for a Western economic summit meeting in London, Vance said U.S. suggestions will be made after American officials meet the new Israeli leaders who will emerge from the May 17 elections in Israel. He said the U.S. still wants to see the Geneva conference reconvened this autumn but "it is terribly important that the proper base be laid before going to a Geneva conference." Vance stressed that "It is essential adequate preparations be made so that we have some idea of what will be coming out of Geneva rather than go to Geneva just to be in Geneva."

Vance said he expects to re-visit the Middle

East after the Israelis "have put together a new
government" which, he said, might take "from
three weeks to a couple of months" after the
elections. By then, he pointed out, the new Israeli Premier "will be in a position to speak with
authority with respect to the Israeli position and
what flexibility there may be in that position."
Vance noted that to return to Israel before a new
government is established "would not make sense."

#### Suggestions After Future Meetings

He was asked if the Administration would present "a comprehensive American plan without the elements of compulsion or enforcement but just for discussion." Vance replied that as President Carter has indicated, following the round of talks, including those with Israel's new leaders, "we will then complete our work and we will be prepared then to make suggestions to the parties with respect to what we believe would be a fair and equitable manner of dealing with the Middle East."

Vance added: "We will then go and discuss these suggestions with the parties in an effort to see how much common ground we can find among the parties. The ultimate decision, however, on a Middle East settlement, as we have said many times before, must be made by the parties themselves."

The Secretary said it was "getting into a question of semantics" whether "you want to call" the U.S. suggestions "comprehensive or not." However, he made it clear they would deal with the "core issues." These have been described previously by Carter as secure borders for Israel, recognition of Israel by the Arab states were solution of the Palestinian problem.

Meanwhile, the State Department has categorically denied that Carter's remarks on a BBC television interview Monday night implied in any way that the U.S. might try to impose a peace settlement in the Middle East. The State Department was responding to expressions of concern here and in Israel with respect to an imposed settlement.

### Concern About An Imposed Settlement

(In Jerusalem today, Defense Minister Shimon Peres who, has assumed the functions of Premier, was quoted in Maariv as saying that an imposed settlement in the Mideast would be no settlement at all since it would be imposed only on Israel. Peres was apparently responding to Carter's remarks broadcast in London.)

Carter, in his interview, said, "I would not hesitate, if I saw clearly a fair and equitable solution, to use the full strength of our own country and its persuasive powers to bring these (Mideast) nations to agreement." He added, "I recognize though that we cannot impose our will on others and unless the countries involved agree, there is no way for us to make progress."

The President defined the American role as that of a "communicator between the parties involved or among them, and we also are in a position of one who can influence countries to modify their positions slightly to accommodate other nations' interests."

Vance, at his press conference teday, declined to answer directly when he was asked what kind of "persuasive power" could the U.S. use, such as a reassessment of its Middle East policy or a reduction of aid to Egypt, to "accelerate voluntary compliance on the part of the parties."

The Secretary replied: "The first thing we would a have to do is put before the various parties the logic behind the position, why it appears to be fair and have a dialogue with each of the individual countries with respect to whatever suggestions we may make in terms of why we believe them to be fair and equitable. But again, I stress, ultimately the decision for a settlement has to be made by the parties. It cannot be made by the U.S."

# PERES PRAISES ARMED SERVICES By David Landau

JERUSALEM, May 4 (JTA)—Defense Minister Shimon Peres praised the efficiency of the armed services and, while conceding that certain short-comings cited in a report by State Comptroller It—zhak Nebenzahl last week existed, he stressed that they must be put "into perspective." Peres, who has assumed the duties of Premier, spoke Monday at a special session of the Knesset called by Likud to discuss charges of negligence in army storage and maintenance procedures contained in the Comptroller's report.

Peres lashed out at "certain politicians" who, he said, were trying to use the report as ammunition in the election campaign. He said the special Knesset session was uncalled for. He also charged that the Comptroller deliberately selected for inspection certain units that the army acknowledged were below par because they were "still in the process of formation."

He said he did not dispute the Comptroller's right and duty to scrutinize the army but stressed that the army itself regularly inspected all units and found the vast majority of them satisfactory.

Peres also pointed out that since the Yom Kippur War the army increased its manpower by 40 percent, its mobile artillery by 100 percent, combat aircraft by 50 percent, tanks by 50 percent and armored personnel carriers by 1000 percent. Under such intensive development, storage and maintenance problems could not be avoided, he said.

# Beigin Demands Corrective Steps

The special Knesset session marked the return to the political fray of Likud leader Menachem Beigin who has been absent for nearly two months recovering from a heart attack and pneumonia. He looked pale and weak but his oratory was as fiery as ever.

Citing the Comptroller's report and what he termed the "complacent" reaction to it by the army high command, Beigin said that instead of "exaggerated self-confidence," the situation demanded "humility, contrition and a determination to put right what has been found at fault." He and Peres agreed to refer the matter to committee for a detailed examination.

# 2 BREIRA MEMBERS DEFEATED IN ELECTION TO RA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

GROSSINGER, N.Y., May 4 (JTA)—Two members of Breira, nominated for membership on the executive council of the Rabbinical Assembly by its nominating committee, were defeated today for election at the 77th annual convention of the organization of Conservative rabbis. Those defeated were Rabbis Arnold J. Wolf, Jewish chaplain at Yale, who is chairman of Breira, and Rabbi Everett Gendler of Lowell, Mass.

It was the first time in many years that nominations were made by petition against the choice of the organization's nominating committee. Four candidates were nominated by petition. The nominations created a contest in which the two rabbis were defeated. The nominating committee renominated all the present Assembly officers who were re-elected. Rabbi Stanley S. Rabinowitz of Washington, was re-elected president for a second term.

#### EBAN GAINING SUPPORT

JERUSALEM, May 4 (JTA)—Labor Party & leaders are rallying behind former Foreign Minister Abba Eban in his efforts to show that he committed no offense against the currency laws by maintaining substantial bank accounts in the United States. Adi Amorai, Labor's top financial expert in the Knesset, told party colleagues yesterday that a study of Eban's case convinced him there was no wrong-doing. "If Eban were prosecuted he would be acquitted," Amorai said.

Eban, who has the number three spot on the Labor Party election list, is virtually certain to be named Foreign Minister if Labor forms the next government after the May 17 elections. He is being urged by key party members to make more public appearances in the election campaign. However, the Treasury is investigating the case and the final decision as to whether Eban committed an offense and should be prosecuted rests with Attorney General Aharon Barak.

According to informed sources, no decision is likely before election day. This has aroused the ire of Likud which claims that the government is dragging its feet to keep the case out of court until after elections. Likud legal circles may seek an order nisi from the Supreme Court to speed up the investigation.

BONN (JTA)--Police think neo-Nazis may have caused a fire in the "Blauer See" restaurant outside of Hanover last Saturday night which resulted in an estimated \$100,000 damage. The walls of the building, which overlooks a lake and resort area, were painted with swastikas the night before the fire. Meanwhile, a new rash of Nazi slogans and swastikas were painted in various parts of the city Saturday night.

PROFILE OF ISRAELI PARTIES

By Gil Sedan

(Third Part Of A Three-Part Series)

JERUSALEM, May 4 (JTA)—The list of 22 parties running for Knesset seats on May 17 includes many small factions that were unknown on the political scene until this year. However, the two ultra-Orthodox parties, Agudat Israel and Poalei Agudat Israel, are familiar to voters. Together they hold five seats in the outgoing Knesset and are known as the Aguda bloc. But the bloc split and the two factions are now running separate lists

## POALEI AGUDAT ISRAEL

The Poalei Agudat is more right-wing nationalist than the Agudat on the issue of the West Bank and is believed to be prepared to join either a Labor-led or Likud-led coalition. It demands an end to the conscription of women, a ban on autopsies and an amendment of the Law of Return specifying that conversions to Judaism must be according to halacha, religious law.

It is believed that the last issue is the only one on which the Poalei Agudat would insist were it to be invited to join a coalition government. The faction is headed by Rabbi Kalman Kahane, a rabbinical scholar and member of Kibbutz Hafetz Haim. It has its own kibbutz movement and yeshive youth movement and is more Zionist-oriented than the Agudat though neither party is formally affiliated with the World Zionist Organization.

### AGUDAT ISRAEL

Agudat Israel is governed by a panel of Torah sages whose word is law for the followers of the ultra-Orthodox sect. It is therefore considered unlikely to join a coalition government unless all the religious demands made by the Poalei Agudat and several more of its own are accepted.

But Agudat has cooperated quietly with Labor in the present Knesset on most issues in return for government support for its independent educational network. It would probably cooperate similarly with a Likud-led government.

The Agudat list is headed by Yehuda Meir Abramowitz, Deputy Mayor of Tel Aviv, who represents the Gur Hasidim who make up a large portion of the party's membership. The number two man is Menahem Porush, an Orthodox politician from Jerusalem and third on the list is Shlomo Lorincz, leader of the Orthodox township of Bnei Brak.

# SHLOMZION

This was the name selected by Yom Kippur War hero Gen. Ariel Sharon for his new faction after he broke with Likud. He opposes any withdrawal from the West Bank but does not trust King Hussein of Jordan as a negotiating partner and has suggested that the PLO take over Jordan.

Sharon attempted to build a coalition of "Eretz Israel Faithful" around his faction that would embrace Likud, the National Religious Party and other hawkish factions. Having failed, he sought to return to the Likud fold. But its leader Menachem Beigin would not agree to his terms. Shlomachem Beigin would not agree to his terms. Shlomachem counts on the votes of right-wingers disillustioned with Likud, especially among younger voters. Sharon has a small personal following among veterans he commanded in his early army days.

## HOFESH (FREEDOM)

This party represents a merger between former

Black Panther leader Shalom Cohen and longshoreman boss Yehoshua Peretz, the formerenfant terrible of the Ashdod docks. Cohen is
presently serving a three-month jail term for
participating in a violent demonstration. He
chose jail over a fine in order to claim that he
was thrown into prison for fighting against poverty. The party counts on support in the new
development towns and slum neighborhoods.
Cohen heads the list and Peretz has second place.

### ARAB REFORM MOVEMENT

This group is headed by the Arab writer Mahmoud Abassi, a close associate of Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, who broke with the Labor Party when it failed to include him on its election list. There is, in fact, no Arab on the Labor list. Abassi is a member of the Israeli Arab intelligentsia and he counts on its support to win at least one Knesset seat. His followers are mainly from Arab villages and Arab Christian communities in northern Israel.

### ZIONIST PANTHERS

This is a break-away group from the Black
Panthers. Originally they joined Prof. Yigal
Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change but left
it when DESH failed to elect their leader, Victor
Tayar to its list. The Panthers are identified
with the Oriental community. Tayar is number
one on the list and Michael Goldstein number two.

# UNITED ARAB LIST

This is a merger of the two Arab lists that hold three seats in the outgoing Knesset. It is supported by the Labor Party and is establishment oriented. Its backers are drawn from the relatively small traditional segment of the Arab population and several Bedouin tribes. Its list consists of Seif Ad Din Zuabi, former Mayor of Nazareth; Sheikh Hammad Abu Rabia, a Bedouin; Jaber Maadi, Deputy Minister of Communications, who is a Druze; and Mohammed Hussein Ghadir, a Bedouin.

# MOVEMENT FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RENOVATION

This movement is headed by former Laborite Mordechai Ben Porat who had been influential in Labor's Rafi faction and was a close associate of Defense Minister Shimon Peres. He quit Labor before Peres was selected as the party's new leader. The faction looks to the right-wing for support.

# HAI (LIFE)

The one-man list of businessman Samuel Flatto-Sharon who is wanted by French authorities for alleged fraud is probably the most unconventional of all political groups. He speaks no Hebrew and his campaign, which is based on the issue of low rental housing for young couples, is run from Flatto-Sharon's carefully guarded, lavishly furnished villa in the exclusive Savyon section outside Tel Aviv. Political observers believe Flatto-Sharon is seeking a Knesset seat in order to enjoy immunity from extradition. France's extradition request is now making its slow way through Israel's courts.

The other parties are:

CO-EXISTENCE: A small Israeli Arab list headed by teacher Shawkat Shalabi.

KACH (Thus): The faction headed by Rabbi
Meir Kahane, founder of the Jewish Defense
League. Its platform calls for a "Greater Israel"

ruled by Torah law.

headed by Shoshana Elings.

THE NEW GENERATION: A new party headed by lawyer Zvi Saar. It concentrates on international issues.

THE BEIT YISRAEL LIST: A new faction representing Yemenite Jews. It is headed by Dr. Yemini Ben Hur.

#### RABBI WARNS ABOUT DANGER FACING LATIN AMERICAN JEWS

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--Rabbi Marshall Meyer, founder and president of the Seminario Rabbinico Latino Americana in Buenos Aires, warned that "If anything will do away with Latin American Jewry, it is not going to be anti-Semitism but internal dissension, leading to stagnation and disintegration." He expressed this view here last week at a special meeting of the leadership of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism.

Meyer, a working rabbi in Argentina for the past 18 years and a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, acknowledged that there is "a great deal of anti-Semitism in Argentina which is not, happily, the policy of the national government." Anti-Semitism, he said is spread by various anti-Semitic publications which are funded? by three sources: the "Arab League, local fascist and anti-Semitic groups and international and anti-Semitic monies. However, this material is monitored and appropriate responses are made by responsible local organizations specializing in this area."

Meyer asserted that "far more important than the problem of external anti-Semitism is the need ta have Jews accept each other in creative endeavor and mutual responsibility." He noted that this acceptance was lacking in the separate Jewish\_com--munities in Argentina: Sephardim, Ashkenazim and the two major German groupings who seldom work on a cooperative basis.

"Jewish apathy and indifference," Meyer said, "is evident in many ways. In the Argentine hinterland, it is estimated that there is up to 80 percent assimilation. In the 18 years that I have been there, some Jewish communities have completely disappeared." Synagogue attendance is on the decrease, he said, while membership in Jewish sports clubs and community centers is rising. He attributed the malaise in Jewish life to a lack of enlightened spiritual leadership and the absence of a wider involvement of Jewish intellectuals in leadt ership roles dating back to the early years of Jewish immigration into Latin America.

# Some Hopeful Signs

Meyer noted some of the steps instituted under his leadership in the past two decades in the effort to reverse the trend toward Jewish "self-suicide." These include publication of prayer books in Hebrew and Spanish, with additional readings to make them more relevant to the contemporary scene; the publication of contemporary Judaica in Spanish; the establishment of the largest scientific Jewish library in South America, a day school and a day and evening high school; and Ramah Camps. Most significant, he said, is that the Seminario has already graduated Spanish-speaking, modern trained rabbis who today serve congregations in Mexico, Venezuela, Chile, Brazil and Argentina. Additionally, students from the Seminario serve congregations on the High Holidays throughout Centrall and South America.

While citing the close ties of Latin American

Jewry to Israel, Meyer decried the little contact THE WOMEN'S PARTY: A new feminist faction with American Jewry. He urged American Jews to become more concerned with the problems and needs of their Latin American counterparts. He called on American Jews "to visit South America, to set up tours which would explore areas of specifie Jewish interest in Latin America, and to read and learn more about what is happening in Latin America."

## CARTER HAILED FOR ENDORSING AN AGREEMENT ON ANTI-BOYCOTT MEASURE

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--President Carter's statement yesterday endorsing an agreement on amendments to the Senate anti-boycott bill between the Bussiness Roundtable and three national Jewish organizations was hailed by the Jewish groups as underscoring a "broad national consensus in support of effective anti-boycott legislation."

In a joint statement, the American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress and Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith thanked the President for his "strong support" of the legislation, expressed appreciation to the Senate and House Committees for working out its provisions and looked forward to final Senate action "as: soon as possible."

The agreement reached by the three Jewish groups with the Business Roundtable "reflects the understanding by all those most directly concerned with the boycott of the importance of protecting the American people and American business from the invidious effects of the Arab boycott," the statement said.

"We are grateful to the President for his strong support of anti-boycott legislation and his pleage to sign it. We appreciate the efforts of the Senate and House Committees in working out the provisions for such legislation. Following the overwhelming supportive vote in the House of Representatives, we look forward to final Senate action as soon as possible.

"We believe that proper enforcement of this legislation, upon its passage, will require specific regulations to discourage any attempt at avoiding the clear intent of the law and the principles it embodies--principles that condemn the boycott as a violation of the American commitment to freedom of trade and freedom from discrimination."

The Business Roundtable, which consists of about 150 major American corporations," worked out the agreement in negotiations with the AJCommittee, AJCongress and the ADL over a period of several months. The three Jewish agencies are not part of the Business Roundtable.

# PLEA ON BEHALF OF SYRIAN JEWRY

NEW YORK, May 4 (JTA)--The Committee for the Rescue of Syrian Jewry has called upon President Carter to raise the issue of the plight of Syrian Jewry when he meets with Syrian President Hafez Assad in Geneva May 9. In a telegram addressed to Carter, Abe Dwek, Committee president, declared: "The Syrian government maintains a total ban on Jewish emigration while non-Jewish Syrians are readily able to emigrate." Dwek urged Carter to appeal to Assad "to permit these hapless people to emigrate to the United States." Earlier this week in Paris, Jacob Tsur, president of the Israeli Council for Jews from Arab Countries, also appealed to Assad to improve the status of Syria's Jewish population.