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PREPARING FOR THE SUMMIT: THE SCENE FROM JERUSALEM.

By David Landau

JERUSALEM, Aug. 9 (JTA)—Diplomatic preparations were in full swing here today to assure that the meeting Sept. 5 at Camp David between Premier Menachem Begin, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and President Carter has at least some modicum of success. There were reports this morning that a special Cabinet session has been scheduled for tomorrow for an initial discussion of the summit agenda and the return of Secretary Cyrus Vance to the Middle East within 10 days to help both sides in their preparatory work.

On the substantive level it appears that the United States would want to achieve, at the very least, the conclusion of the elusive declaration of principles that has been sought without success since the meeting between Begin and Sadat at Ismailia last Christmas Day.

Now, during the buildup before the Camp David talks, the U.S. can be expected to press with redoubled vigor for Israel to accept Carter's "Aswan formula" as the basis for a "declaration" on the Palestinian question and for a clear-cut acceptance of the "principle of withdrawal under Resolution 242" as applying to all fronts, including the West Bank.

Vance, during his talks in the area this week, highlighted Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan's recent Knesset pronouncements on the West Bank as the harbinger of a significant and meaningful shift of Israeli policy. Dayan told the Knesset, following the Leeds Castle talks in England, that Israel would be prepared to discuss West Bank sovereignty after five years and would be prepared to discuss a territorial compromise in the area if the Arab side proposed it.

That went a good deal further, at least semantically, than previous Israeli policy statements. Until then Israel had refused U.S. requests to give a prior commitment that it would discuss the sovereignty issue after five years. Moreover, Dayan's readiness to entertain the notion of a West Bank territorial compromise, even on the hypothetical plane, represented his own views, not necessarily the whole government's. Now, however, Dayan made his pronouncements after clear Cabinet endorsement and Begin has subsequently re-echoed them.

U.S. Will Seek Specific Commitments

Vance will now seek to secure from Israel a specific commitment not just to discuss these issues, but to be prepared to renounce sovereignty and control over parts of the West Bank. For Begin and Herut, of course, this poses a tremendous ideological challenge. But the U.S. is convinced that without such a clear-cut commitment to "the principle of withdrawal" it will be impossible to achieve the declaration of principles.

Begin, in announcing his acceptance of Carter's invitation to join with Carter and Sadat at the summit conference, denied rumors that

Israel had made any change in its negotiating position. He also denied that Vance had asked Israel to change its position when the Secretary held his talks with Israeli leaders last weekend.

Sadat, in making his announcement yesterday of accepting Carter's invitation, fielded reporters' questions as to whether Israel had changed its stand enough to justify his meeting Begin. Asked whether he had received any private assurances from Washington to prompt him to attend the summit, Sadat said: "All I ask in Camp David is that President Carter on behalf of the United States acts as a full partner. Whenever I am assured of this, I shall always answer any invitation from President Carter."

Both Sadat and Vance, speaking at a joint press conference in Alexandria, made it clear that the U.S. now is prepared to act as a full partner in the Mideast talks. But, Vance added, "as I have always said on many, many occasions, the United States will feel free when it sees obstacles that are impeding the road to peace to make suggestions as to how to bridge those obstacles."

Sadat also called on all sides to let bygones be bygones. The summit "is in my opinion a new page. Let us not look back," he said. Similarly, Begin, speaking in Tel-Aviv, said that "what has happened, has happened" and that "one should know how to open a new page."

THE SCENE FROM WASHINGTON

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (JTA)—American diplomacy sought today to prepare firm ground for the trilateral Middle East summit starting Sept. 5 amid signs that Egypt has agreed to the Camp David meetings on a U.S. commitment that it would persuade Israel to yield much further on withdrawals from the West Bank and Gaza.

Key U.S. diplomats flew to Saudi Arabia and Israel and scheduled a visit to Jordan for extended discussions with these governments even as Jordan's Foreign Minister, Hassan Ibrahim, announced that Jordan would not enter any negotiations unless Israel pledges withdrawal from all occupied areas and recognizes Palestinian rights. Ibrahim's statement followed acknowledgement by Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in Alexandria that the Carter Administration was to play a role as "a full partner" in the search for peace.

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, who has been clamoring for months for the U.S. to be a "full partner" and not a mere mediator in the peace process, was described as "elated" by Vance's words. Sadat declared the peace process has turned "a new page." Vance and Sadat met with the media after the two had conferred a second time in Alexandria.

The State Department today refused to define the meaning of "full partner," saying that Vance would be returning to Washington this evening and he or his chief spokesman, Hoddin Carter, would explain it. Whether Vance would meet with President Carter tonight or tomorrow was left open.

Some Confusion Over 'Full Partner' View

Some confusion has arisen over the Vance commitment to the "full partner" role. Egyptian officials, taking their cue from Sadat, said it is a

"new element" in the U.S. position favorable to Sadat. Vance was quoted as saying, "we have always indicated we were prepared to play a role as a partner, even as a full partner," but whether Vance was indicating a play on words or meant that he and Carter were to inject themselves into the negotiations with concrete proposals was not clear.

The concern is that with neither Sadat nor Israeli Premier Menachem Begin having retreated from their present positions, Carter is left in a posture of bridging gaps in only three weeks. Begin is prepared to compromise on land and governing authority in lands Israel administers, but Sadat is demanding that "not a single inch of Arab land" remain in Israeli hands.

A State Department spokesman, Thomas Reston, told reporters that the visits of American diplomats to Saudi Arabia and Jordan "obviously" are follow-ups on Vance's journeys to Israel and Egypt and is "normal procedure to keep Jordan and Saudi Arabia informed on the peace process."

Ambassador-at-Large Alfred Atherton was to be in Taif today for a two-day visit with Saudi officials and then he will fly to Amman Aug. 11 for two days with the Jordanians before returning to Washington. William Quandt, a member of the National Security Council staff, will be in Israel today and tomorrow, returning to Washington Friday.

Reston said he was not in a position to discuss possibilities of a preliminary meeting of the foreign ministers of Israel, Egypt and the United States before the heads of those states convene in the Presidential retreat in the Maryland mountains. This will be the first time Carter, Sadat and Begin will meet together.

Last Ditch Effort Seen

Although U.S. sources continue to say that Carter will not propose a U.S. plan for a Middle East settlement, they were also saying that he will be prepared to make suggestions on specific issues which they do not define. The sources were referring to the Camp David sessions as a last ditch effort to avoid a breakdown in the Egyptian-Israeli liaison and echoed the view of Senator Jacob Javits (R. NY) that the meeting is a "gamble" with uncertainty of the consequences if it fails.

Information from Alexandria received here indicated that Sadat's agreement to meet Begin apparently is aimed at bringing the strongest possible U.S. pressure to bear on the Israelis. Sadat was described as hoping that by engaging Carter in the summit, he may finally obtain an Israeli commitment to withdraw from occupied territories. Should Sadat fail to obtain that commitment, he will then claim he has gone the limit in his peace search and let the blame for failure fall on Israel, as he has often done in the past.

CONVICTED NEO-NAZI FLEES TO CHILE

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Manfred Kurt Roeder, a fugitive German neo-Nazi, has surfaced in Chile, according to Rabbi Morton M. Rosenthal, director of the Latin American affairs department of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Roeder, who fled Germany in April after being ordered to begin serving a six-month jail sentence for "defamation of the state and propaganda for an unconstitutional organization," indicated in a Santiago newspaper interview that he had no difficulty entering Chile. The 50-year-

old disbarred attorney has gained international attention as head of the German People's Movement (Deutsche Bürgerinitiative), a neo-Nazi group.

Following his escape, Roeder was first discovered in Latin America by Brazilian authorities who raided a meeting of Nazis at the Tyll Hotel in Itatiaia. The resulting publicity also led to the identification and subsequent arrest of Gustav Franz Wagner, one-time head of the Sobibor concentration camp.

True to his reputation, according to Rosenthal, Roeder picked up his neo-Nazi efforts in Latin America where he had left off prior to his departure from Germany. He told his Chilean newspaper interviewer that Adolf Hitler was the "savior" who gave Germans "an ideal for which to live." He urged that the Hitler era be reevaluated.

Roeder claimed he had asked Brazil's president for the release of Wagner because it is unjust to prosecute Wagner more than 30 years after the war. This coincided with the position of Herbert Dau, Wagner's lawyer, who has said that he will base his defense on the thesis that neither extradition nor imprisonment of Wagner have any foundation in Brazilian law, because the 20 year time span has been exceeded.

West Germany's request for Wagner's extradition was the first to be brought before the Brazilian Supreme Court; Poland and Austria have also formally asked for his extradition. The court, which has 90 days to act, must rule by the end of August.

OFFICE OF EDUCATION URGED TO PREPARE SYLLABUS ON THE HOLOCAUST

CHICAGO, Aug. 9 (JTA)--The U.S. Office of Education was urged today, in a resolution adopted by delegates to the 51st annual convention of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans, to prepare a syllabus on the Holocaust for nationwide distribution. The delegates also urged that the Postal Service issue a commemorative stamp in honor of the Jews persecuted by the Nazis.

Robert Mulholland, president of the NBC television network, was presented with the organization's public service award for the NBC telecast in April of its four-part series, "Holocaust."

The delegates also urged the Congress to insist on the participation of Israeli teams in the 1980 Olympic games in Moscow. They also proposed that "an investigative educational campaign" be organized to inform the American public about the Rev. Moon's Unification Church and other missionary groups making statements about Judaism. Sylvia Herman of Cincinnati was elected president of the auxiliary, succeeding Frances E. Wapnick.

IDA NUDEL SENT TO SIBERIA

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Ida Nudel, who was sentenced June 21 to four years internal exile for "malicious hooliganism," has been sent to a village near Tomsk in Siberia. It was reported by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry. She is working there as an economist for the State Agricultural Fund. Nudel, the "guardian angel" of the Soviet Jewry movement, was arrested June 2 as she and 13 other Jewish activists demonstrated in Moscow against the arrest of Vladimir and Maria Slepak on July 1.

Vladimir Slepak, who was sentenced to five years internal exile for "malicious hooliganism," has meanwhile arrived at Chita Oblast, in the Far East of the Soviet Union, the Conference reported. Maria Slepak, who was also charged with "mali-

cious hooliganism," was released in June after becoming ill but received a three-year suspended sentence July 26. The Conference also reported that Ida Milgram has received a letter from her son, Anatoly Shcharansky, who was sentenced last month to 13 years in prison and a labor camp on charges of treason.

U.S. WARNS ISRAEL ON LEBANON

By Joseph Polakoff

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9 (JTA)--The State Department continued today to warn Israel against supporting the Christian militia in Lebanon and lashed out at the militia for resisting Lebanese army attempts to take over Christian strongholds. The Administration did not criticize the Syrian "peace-keeping" army's continued artillery and rocket fire against Christian areas in Beirut, which has brought an overwhelmingly supported resolution in the House of Representatives to cut off foreign aid to Syria.

A State Department spokesman, Thomas Reston, said "obviously" the Department had seen reports that Israel is supplying weapons to the Lebanese Christians. "We would be concerned about the introduction of new arms in Lebanon," Reston said, because that would "work against the defusing" of the fighting.

Reston said that "a short time ago," an Israeli "representative" had given the U.S. assurances that Israel would not transfer American-origin military equipment "without specific approval" to the Christians and added that "we have no doubt Israel is keeping its assurances." Reston did not identify the "representative."

He observed, in response to a question, that the U.S. has no control over equipment "not subject to U.S. law or agreement" that Israel may be providing the Christians. Reston said the U.S. is in touch with "all parties" in the Lebanese strife, adding that "includes the Syrian government. We don't deal with the PLO."

He referred to yesterday's U.S. statement in which the U.S. deplored Lebanese Christian fire on Lebanese army units and publicly criticized the militia's "recklessness." He said the State Department renewed its call for the Christians and Syrian troops to end their fighting in Beirut.

PEACE SHIP DOCKED NEAR BEIRUT

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Abie Nathan, the peace pilot and owner of a peace ship, anchored his vessel this morning near Beirut outside the territorial waters of Lebanon. The ship was loaded with an ambulance, medicine, candy and toys which had been donated by Israeli Jews, Moslems and Christians for the Lebanese people in war-torn Beirut. Before sailing from Ashdod, Nathan said that "something must be done for the people of Lebanon."

Nathan told Lebanese journalists who came by boats from the Lebanese capital to talk to him and his crew that the items on-board were meant for civilians, not military personnel. He also said that he would wait outside the territorial waters for permission to come into the port and hoped that the Lebanese Red Cross would help unload the hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of items. If not, he would try to go to another Lebanese port where the goods could be unloaded. While the ship sat anchored, gun fire could be heard in Beirut coming from the Syrians.

MISSING ISRAELI TEAM LOCATED

By Ben Gallob

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--A spokesperson for El Al Airlines said today that an Israeli wrestling team that had been reported missing by the Israeli Sports Federation in Tel Aviv, had actually been stranded in New York since Friday but that the team had boarded a TWA plane today for Chicago and would fly from there to their original destination, Mexico City, to compete in a wrestling competition for the world title.

The team comprises two wrestlers, Rammi Meron and Edward Mordekhayev; the coach, Yaacov Mordekhayev; and Gabi Daon, head of the group. According to a report from Tel Aviv, the team left last Friday morning by El Al for New York where they were scheduled to pick up a flight for Mexico City. The team was due in Mexico City last Saturday night.

When the team did not show up, the Israel Sports federation, after a three-day silence, began an investigation and decided to publicize its concern today. The four Israelis had no United States entry visas since it had been planned they would stay at Kennedy Airport in New York as passengers in transit before boarding a plane for Mexico City.

The El Al spokesperson said the airline had no information on where the four Israelis had stayed during their enforced stopover here, nor why they had to remain here. She said it was her understanding the team would arrive in Mexico City tomorrow but that she did not know whether they would continue to Mexico City by TWA or transfer to another airline.

SAADIA AMIEL DEAD AT 48

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Funeral services were held here today for top Israeli nuclear scientist, Prof. Saadia Amiel, who died of cancer at the age of 48. Defense Minister Ezer Weizman, Labor Party leader Shimon Peres and notable scientists and members of the security establishment attended the funeral for Amiel who had served as a top military advisor to the Defense Ministry.

Arriving in Palestine as a child from Bialystok, Poland, Amiel attended the Herzlia high school in Tel Aviv. Upon graduation he enrolled at the physics department of the Hebrew University and later on at the Weizmann Institute in Rehovot. The young scholar soon was noticed for his brilliant work. He was recruited to work at the nuclear research laboratories at Nahal Sorek and succeeded in turning it into a full-time isotopes-producing laboratory for medical research and industrial use.

Over the years Amiel was head of various international agencies on physics and nuclear physics and an advisor to the International Atomic Energy Commission. He also served as professor of physics at the Hebrew University. His career was highlighted by his devotion to security problems of Israel. From 1971 he was scientific advisor to various defense ministers. He was involved in Israel's social and political life and was a member of the Labor Party.

MEXICO CITY (JTA)--Enrique Elias, a prominent Sephardi leader and vice president of the Central Jewish Committee, was elected president at the Committee's last general assembly. Sergio Nudelstejer, representative of the American Jewish Committee in Mexico and Central America, was re-elected to another term as secretary general.

SPECIAL TO THE JTA THE ODYSSEY OF A YOUNG BOY

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Hanoch Howard Moher is only 45 years old, but he packed a lifetime into an odyssey that took him from his parents' home in Manchester, England to Israel. His odyssey is the stuff of novels and motion pictures, a tale of a Jewish youth who decided that his place is in Israel and once having made that decision, took the 300 Pounds Sterling he had received for his bar mitzvah and started the long route to the Jewish homeland.

His story emerged at a Jewish Agency's new immigrants hostel near Haifa where he was sent after leaving the ship on which he was a stowaway. He was quite willing to tell his story and he told it with zest. How did he manage this feat, especially since he had no passport? Peering through his large-rimmed eyeglasses and shifting the rucksack on his back, Moher unfolded the following tale:

When he left his family of seven in Manchester, he went to London, obtained a special Europe-valid document and crossed the English Channel to France. There he got hold of a map of Europe and ascertained that with his special document he could travel as far as Turkey, the nearest country to Israel, without running into any problems. Arriving in Turkey by plane, Hanoch decided that the next, shortest step to Israel would be through Syria.

Asked if he wasn't afraid to travel through Syria, in view of the hostile relations between that country and Israel, he replied that he was not afraid of the Syrians. "After all," he observed, "I am a British subject." Fortunately for him, however, he never got to Syria, having failed for three days to hitch a car ride that would take him across the Turkish-Syrian border. He had to find an alternate route to Israel: The only other route available to him was by sea.

Stows Away On Freighter

Hanoch's next move was to go to a Turkish port where he found a freighter that was bound for Haifa. He tried to be open and above-board about it and asked the ship's captain to allow him to board the vessel. The captain refused. Time was beginning to run out, for two reasons: he couldn't find kosher food, the only kind he eats, and he was beginning to suffer from hunger pangs since his diet consisted only of some bread now and then; in addition, it was almost Shabbat and he wanted to be in Israel before Shabbat began.

When night fell, Hanoch went back to the freighter. There were no guards and captain in sight. He boarded the ship, lowered himself into the hold and hid away among crates and barrels. When the ship arrived in Haifa last Friday, he emerged, disembarked and presented himself to Israeli authorities.

It took the authorities several hours to arrange things for him and he asked them to hurry up as Shabbat was quickly approaching. About an hour before the beginning of Shabbat, immigration officials arrived at the scene and took him to the Jewish Agency's immigrant hostel at Bat Galim. Hanoch had barely enough time to change his clothes and wash up for what was to be his first Shabbat meal in Israel, and a kosher meal at that.

He knew he would be allowed to remain in Israel. "I am a Jew and there is the Law of Return," Hanoch said, smiling. He has been issued a temporary one-month permit--until his papers arrive and his parents give their consent for him to stay in Israel. He is determined to remain here.

WOJAC EXPANDING ACTIVITIES IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Aug. 9 (JTA)--The activities in the United States of the World Organization of Jews From Arab Countries (WOJAC) are expanding, according to Leatrice David, executive officer of WOJAC in New York. Two new affiliates are in formation in Texas, a chapter on the north shore of Long Island, N.Y. has just begun to function and active chapters are functioning in Ann Arbor and Detroit, Michigan.

Miles Ziltmore, assistant director of the American Jewish Committee's Dallas office, is coordinating the activities of the Dallas-Fort Worth WOJAC organization. Debbie Dubin, a member of the WOJAC-American Section national executive, is coordinating the work in Houston.

According to David, more than 800,000 Jews were forced to flee the Arab countries and many others were killed in anti-Semitic riots, tortured and imprisoned. The local branches are being formed to alert the public to the rights of Jews who left or were forced to flee. A major purpose of the branches is to locate those refugees who settled in this country and to help determine their needs. These local chapters, David added, are the first steps in setting up a national membership organization. "We anticipate that groups in other cities will be joining us soon," she said.

WOJAC was formed to give Jews a unified voice with which to protest illegal seizure of their properties by Arab governments and to focus attention on the fact that there are Jewish refugees from Arab countries. For too long, the only refugee problem in the Middle East which was given attention was that of the Palestinians, David said.

LEVIN WINS SENATE PRIMARY RACE

DETROIT, Aug. 9 (JTA)--Carl Levin, a former Detroit City Council President, bested five rivals to emerge today in the Michigan Democratic primary as the party nominee for U.S. Senator and will oppose incumbent Republican Sen. Robert P. Griffin in the November election. Griffin easily defeated his only challenger, L. Brooks Patterson, the Oakland County Prosecutor.

Levin, who is active in Jewish communal affairs, declared at a pre-election forum here that the "stranglehold" of Arab oil on U.S. foreign policy was demonstrated in the Senate vote clearing the way for the sale of U.S. fighter planes to Saudi Arabia and Egypt, a transaction he called "a tragic change" in U.S. policy. Levin denounced what he called President Carter's policy of supporting Egypt's call for Israeli concessions before peace talks resume.

WASHINGTON (JTA)--Tisha B'av will be commemorated with a worship service opposite the Soviet Embassy Sunday afternoon. The traditional Jewish day of fasting and mourning on the anniversary of the destruction of the ancient temple in 586 BCE coincides this year with the "Night of the Murdered Poets." On Aug. 13, 1952, Jewish writers, poets and intellectuals in Moscow were executed on Stalin's orders.