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# Egypt, Syria Accept Cease-Fire; Israel Hits U.S. Ship, 10 Killed

## Envoy Here Apologizes For Attack

### 'Hot Line' Informs Reds AF Planes Were Rescue-Bound

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and Anthony Astrachan  
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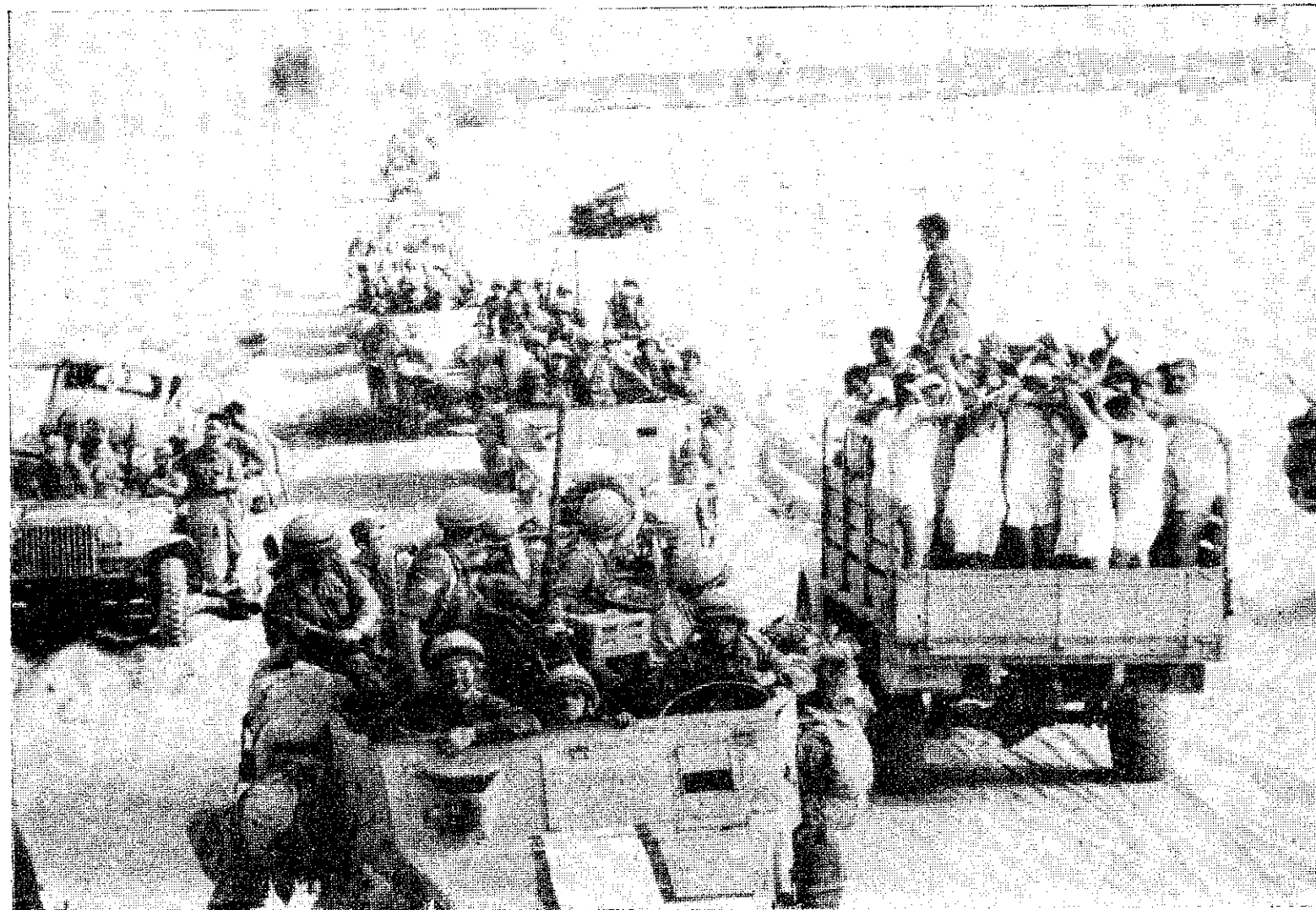
Ten U.S. sailors were killed and 100 wounded yesterday when Israeli jets and torpedo boats attacked a U.S. Navy communication ship in the Mediterranean sea.

Israel said the attack was a mistake and apologized.

The USS Liberty, a converted World War II Victory ship whose electronic equipment can also be used for eavesdropping, was in international waters about 12 miles north of El Arish on the northern coast of the Sinai peninsula and about 90 miles southwest of Tel Aviv when it was hit.

### Planes Sent From Carrier

Planes from the two attack carriers in the U.S. 6th Fleet, the Saratoga and the America, flew toward the Liberty as



By Peter Skimply—UPI via air flight from a war zone and cable from London

War of the war: Jubilant Israelis move up at El Arish in Sinai as underwear-clad Egyptian prisoners are taken back.

## U.S.-Russian Efforts Told

By Chalmers M. Roberts  
Washington Post Staff Writer

The war in the Middle East ended today as Syria followed Egypt in bowing to superior Israeli military power.

The Egyptian acceptance yesterday of the cease-fire demanded a day earlier by the U.N. Security Council was announced in mid-afternoon at the United Nations. Syria, although it had vowed defiance to the end, capitulated as dawn broke on the fifth day of the third Israeli-Arab war in the past 20 years.

The extent of Israeli military pressure on Syria which forced the capitulation was unclear. But it was evident that the Israelis, having forced both the Jordanians and the Egyptians to accept the cease-fire, could turn loose their military might on Syria. The details from the battlefronts were shrouded by censorship last night.

The day also produced a disclosure that the Soviet-American "hot line" has been used, new evidence of a joint effort to contain the Middle East crisis.

The Egyptian collapse, after four days of war during which Cairo's forces were almost totally on the defensive, came after five tank battles in the Sinai desert. An Israeli spokesman called the battle "fierce." He also said that Israeli planes struck Soviet-supplied surface-to-air missiles in the Suez Canal zone area.

### Tragic Accident Highly Revealing

Israeli planes and torpedo boats, in a tragic but highly revealing accident, mistakenly strafed and tor-

soon as they learned of the attack.

The White House informed the Soviet Union of the incident by "hot line" before the Israelis notified the United States that they had accidentally hit the Liberty. The hot-line message, signed by President Johnson, was sent so the Soviets would understand why the carrier-based planes were scrambling and heading toward the stricken vessel.

Phil G. Goulding, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, said last night that the attack occurred at 8:05 a.m. EDT, 2:05 p.m. Middle East time.

#### 6 Strafing Runs Made

He said an unknown number of Israeli jet fighters made six strafing runs on the Liberty, which was flying the U.S. colors, apparently spraying the deck with bullets.

At the same time, three torpedo boats attacked from the starboard side, firing at least two torpedoes at the Liberty 20 minutes after the jets hit.

Goulding said that men on the Liberty fired the ship's .50 caliber machine guns at one of the torpedoes as it raced through the water. One torpedo missed the mark, passing 25 yards astern of the Liberty, but the second one hit the starboard side.

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# 'Hot Line' Helps Keep Big Powers Cool

By Murrey Marder and  
Carroll Kilpatrick  
Washington Post Staff Writers

The emergency "hot line" between the White House and the Kremlin was used several times during the Middle East shooting to avert miscalculations that might have widened the war.

That disclosure by the White House yesterday officially confirmed that President Johnson and Soviet Premier Kosygin have been in frequent, direct communication throughout the crisis.

Use of the special tele-

type communication circuit between Washington and Moscow in fact represented only a small portion of critical messages exchanged between the capitals to keep the war from spreading, it was learned. It was the first time the "hot line" ever has been used in a crisis.

A prime example of the way in which the "hot line" was employed, White House Press Secretary George C. Christian disclosed, was to notify the Soviet Union yesterday that planes were being scrambled from an American aircraft carrier to

aid the U.S. Navy ship hit in the Arab-Israeli war zone.

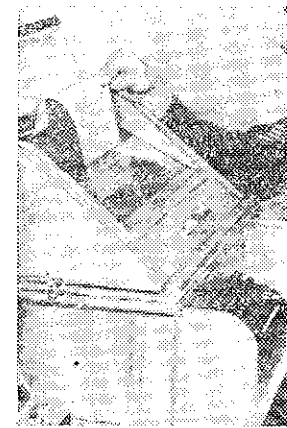
The message provided means of alerting the Kremlin immediately that launching of the planes was a non-hostile act by the United States. But in fact, informed sources noted, what has been of far larger international significance is what has amounted to a regular flow of messages between the White House and the Kremlin, more by normal diplomatic communications than by the "hot line."

The existence of these communications during the

Mideast war was reported Wednesday by The Washington Post, without official confirmation. Officials yesterday still refused to discuss the substance of any of the messages, beyond Christian's report on yesterday's "hot line" incident.

While it was unofficially known, therefore, that secret Johnson-Kosygin correspondence about the Middle East crisis began in mid-May, and was initiated by the President about two weeks before the shooting, the extent of

See HOT LINE, A17, Col. 1



The Hot Line

pedoed an American ship about 12 miles off Israeli-occupied Sinai in the Mediterranean Sea. Ten U.S. sailors were killed and 100 wounded, many of them seriously.

The vessel, named Liberty, was equipped with all types of electronic communication and eavesdropping equipment. The Pentagon said the ship, which had left Spain a week ago today, had been sent to the war area to relay information on evacuation of Americans from the Middle East.

Whatever the reasons the Pentagon ordered the ship into such a dangerous spot, the incident led to major official revelations about the United States relations with the Soviet Union just prior to and during the war.

Because American planes were sent to the Liberty's aid, the White House used the "hot line" to tell the Kremlin that this was a rescue mission and not a hostile act against Egypt. The incident came several hours before the cease-fire agreement.

It was the first official admission of the use of that emergency communications system, established by the United States and the Soviet Union after the Cuban missile crisis of 1962 had demonstrated the need for instant communication in time of crisis involving the great nuclear powers.

In the course of this disclosure, the White House confirmed what has been the Washington suspicion for several days: that the line had been called into service in the pre-fighting days of the crisis and that Soviet Premier Kosygin had been the first to use it.

Thus the curtain was officially lifted on what Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield two days earlier had termed "close cooperation and perhaps collaboration."

American officials have been saying that the first Washington aim once the Middle East crisis began to blossom was to prevent a conflict from mushrooming into World War III.

With such a catastrophe averted and with cease-fires in effect between Israel and two of her three major enemies, jockeying has begun over the shape of the future in the Middle East.

## U.S. Hopes for Soviet Cooperation

The American hope is that the Soviet Union would cooperate, if not exactly collaborate, in creating a firm foundation for future peace. As part of the effort to sound Soviet attitudes, U.N. Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg introduced a resolution calling for discussions of "withdrawal and disengagement, the maintenance of vital international rights, and the establishment of a stable and durable peace."

But Soviet Ambassador Nikolai Federenko stated that the "main task" was an Israeli withdrawal so as not "to allow Israel to enjoy the fruits of its criminal aggression."

Thus it appeared last night the United Nations will be engaged in a long and probably acrimonious struggle on the terms of Israel's withdrawal.

Israel has yet to state its price in detail. The Arab states, their unity once again apparently shattered and their spirits humiliated, have shown no sign of a willingness to accept Israel's basic aim, its recognition as a permanent sovereign state.

Cairo remained veiled in secrecy and censorship, with the fate of President Nasser unclear. Jordan's King Hussein was still on his throne but his fate, too, was uncertain.

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## The U.N.

### Sweeping U.S. Resolution Looks Past a Cease-Fire

By Robert H. Estabrook  
Washington Post Foreign Service

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., June 8.—Egypt today accepted a cease-fire in the Middle East war on condition that Israel also comply.

This appeared to pave the way for ending the major remaining conflict.

Secretary General Thant announced the communication from Egypt during an urgent meeting of the Security Council called by the United States to consider a sweeping new American resolution looking beyond a cease-fire to a broader effort to remove causes of hostilities.

Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban welcomed the Egyptian announcement as a notable step. Extra responsibility now lies with those who have not accepted the cease-fire, he said, "especially Syria."

[Some hours later, Damascus Radio an-

See NATIONS, A18, Col. 1

## Israel

### Tel Aviv Tells of Victory In Crucial Sinai Battles

From News Dispatches

TEL AVIV, June 9—Israel claimed it had defeated the Egyptians in five tank battles in the Sinai Desert today, smashing stubborn resistance.

Col. Moshe Pearlman, the Israeli spokesman, said the victories gave Israel possession of all main approaches to the Suez Canal.

He reported that he was unable to say whether Israeli troops had reached the canal. [A Defense Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem, however, said Israel controlled the "western shore of the Sinai Peninsula."]

The remnants of two Egyptian armored divisions and four infantry divisions appeared trapped in the western part of the desert. Pearlman said all escape routes for Egyptian armored units were completely closed, though it might be possible for foot soldiers to make their way to the Canal. The Israelis claimed eight Egyptian

See ISRAEL, A14, Col. 2

## Arabs

### Syria and Egypt Describe Decisions to End Fighting

From News Dispatches

Syria announced early today that it had accepted the U.N. cease-fire with Israel. Radio Damascus said the decision was taken at an emergency Cabinet session.

Egypt also broadcast to its people today that it had accepted the cease-fire yesterday. Jordan agreed to the cease-fire on Wednesday.

A Cairo radio announcer told of the cease-fire on a newscast without comment, hours after U.N. Secretary U Thant announced the news to the Security Council. There was no word from Egypt's President Nasser, who has made no public statement since the war began Monday. The semi-official newspaper Al Ahram announced that Nasser will address the nation today.

Radio Cairo, which had broadcast around the clock since the fighting started, went off the

See EGYPT, A14, Col. 6

## U.S. Weekly Toll Drops As Viet Fighting Wanes

SAIGON, June 8 (AP)—U.S. casualties in Vietnam dropped last week, reflecting a slow-down in the heavy fighting of recent weeks along the Demilitarized Zone and in the Central Highlands. Casualty tolls for South Vietnamese and enemy forces were higher than the previous week, however.

[In Washington, Pentagon officials indicated they do not know why there has been a lull in the fighting but noted that the enemy customarily has held back from time to time to regroup and refit after intensive combat.]

The U.S. Command said Thursday that 214 Americans were killed in action, 1161

were wounded and one was missing or captured.

A week earlier the U.S. totals were 313 killed, 2616 wounded and 12 missing—the highest combined American casualty toll of any week in the war.

Vietnamese military headquarters said 235 of its troops were killed last week and 55 were missing. The week before there were 212 killed and 34 missing or captured.

The U.S. Command said 2420 enemy soldiers were killed last week, compared with 2209 in the previous week.

In the ground war, U.S. Ma-

See VIETNAM, A20, Col. 5



Associated Press

### Escapes Assailant

Charles E. Bohlen, U.S. Ambassador to France, escaped unhurt when a Polish emigre armed with a long knife attempted to enter Bohlen's car in Paris, it was revealed yesterday. Story is on Page A18.

## Kennedys Swing Passage Of 1 Man, 1 Vote Now

By Robert C. Albright  
Washington Post Staff Writer

The Senate, in a dramatic support engineered by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), went on record yesterday in favor of speedy implementation of the Supreme Court's equal population rule for congressional districts.

By a vote of 44 to 39 the chamber adopted an amendment that completely rewrote House-approved legislation permitting many states what amounted to a five-year delay.

It was a gala day for the Kennedys, both Edward and his brother Robert, who jointly took the floor to argue for "one man, one vote."

They were teamed in support of the amendment with Sen. Howard H. Baker, Jr. (R-Tenn.), freshman son-in-law of Sen. Everett M. Dirksen (R-Ill.), Dirksen for his part, was opposed to the Kennedy proposal, while Baker led a GOP breakaway in support of the Kennedy move.

The new language, written into the bill on Edward Ken-

See REMAP, A7, Col. 1

Administration forces block House move to require state sharing of food stamp costs. Page A4.

## Mideast Arms Suppliers

Who Arms Whom in the Middle East

Recipient	Jets	Missiles	Warships	Tanks
Algeria	U.S.S.R.	U.S.S.R.		U.S.S.R., Fr.
Egypt	U.S.S.R.	U.S.S.R.	U.S.S.R., G.B.	U.S., G.B., Fr.
Iran	U.S.	U.S.	G.B.	U.S.
Iraq	U.S.S.R., G.B.	U.S.S.R.		U.S.S.R., G.B., U.S.
Israel	Fr.	Fr., U.S.	G.B.	G.B., Fr., U.S.
Jordan	G.B.			G.B., U.S.
Kuwait	G.B.	G.B.		G.B.
Lebanon	G.B.			G.B., Fr., U.S.
Morocco	U.S.S.R.			U.S.S.R., Fr.
Saudi Arabia	U.S., G.B.	G.B.		U.S.
Syria	U.S.S.R.	U.S.S.R.		U.S.S.R.
Tunisia				Fr.
Yemen				U.S.S.R.

Source "Arms to Developing Countries, 1945-1965," Institute for Strategic Studies.

## Mideast War Causes Review of Arms Aid

By George C. Wilson  
Washington Post Staff Writer

The changed military balance of power in the Middle East has prompted the Pentagon to review its policies for supplying arms there.

Defense Department officials said yesterday that they would reassess the sale and gift of arms to Middle Eastern nations in light of the changes wrought by the Israeli-Arab war.

This promises to bring a wholesale revamping of the American distribution of airplanes, tanks, artillery and other arms for the crisis-torn Middle East.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk reportedly told Senators Wednesday that normal U.S. shipments to Israel and Soviet shipments to the Arab states have continued. A State Department spokesman said yesterday that he had no information on what is being shipped. He also said he could add nothing on the question of U.S. aid to the nations involved in the crisis except it is under review.

Defense Department officials contend they have shown great restraint in supplying arms to the Middle East, turning down far more sales than they make.

Although proportionate figures are not available, it is believed that the Soviet Union has sold or given far more weaponry to Arab nations than has the United States to Mideast nations.

The Egyptian army, navy and air force, for instance, is virtually completely equipped by the Soviet Union.

The United States, in contrast, has given only limited arms to Israel. France has sold most of the weapons that Israel used in the war.

The Soviet Union also is the

is believed to have ordered from the United States. Only a few of the F-104s had been delivered to Jordan by the time war broke out.

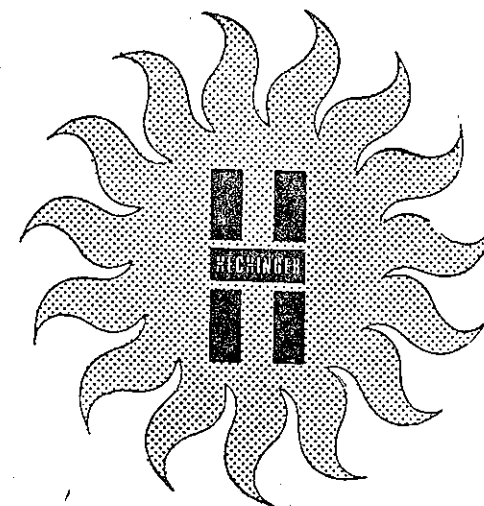
Israel, which now has a preponderance of military power in the Middle East as a result of destroying and capturing much of the Arab arsenal, has ordered A-4A fighters from the United States. It is believed that about 48 of the A-4A were to be sold to Israel under a contract signed last year.

The A-4A, a light but hard-hitting fighter bomber used with much success by our Navy against North Vietnam, would be the first offensive jet that the United States has sold Israel in years. Defense officials said yesterday that the A-4A contract was among those to be reviewed, adding that delivery was not scheduled until later this year under the current agreement.

The A-4As would come mostly from Navy reserve units, not off the Douglas production line now turning out more modern versions of the plane for the Navy. The bulk of the Israeli air force is comprised of French built planes—Mirage IIIC, Super-Mysteres and Mysteres.

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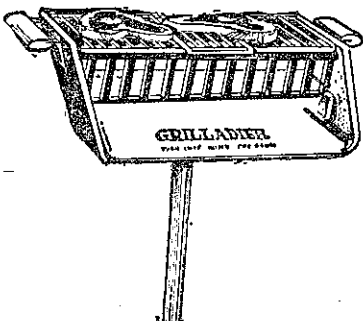
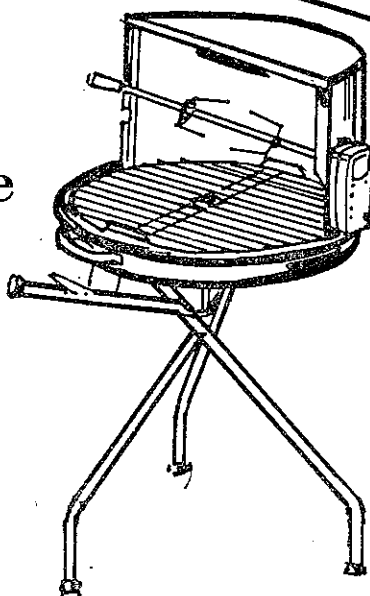
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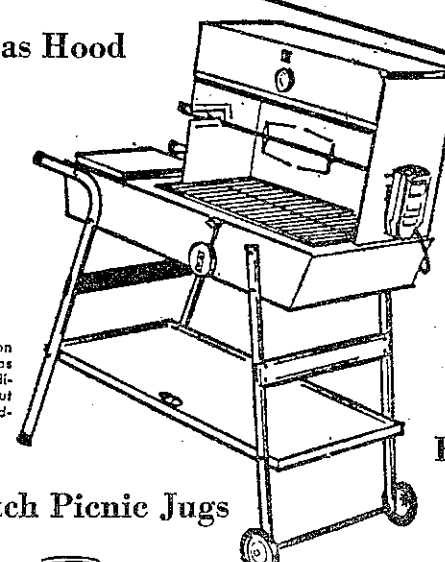
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aircraft to Saudi Arabia and to Jordan.

The changes the Pentagon makes in its own arms policy will no doubt be accompanied by these other supplies of Mid-east arms trying to fill the vacuum unless some kind of arms control agreement can be negotiated.

The Defense officials, who could not be identified under the rules of their meeting with newsmen, gave no indication when their review would be completed or what impact it would have on such countries as Jordan, which sided with Egypt in the war against Israel.

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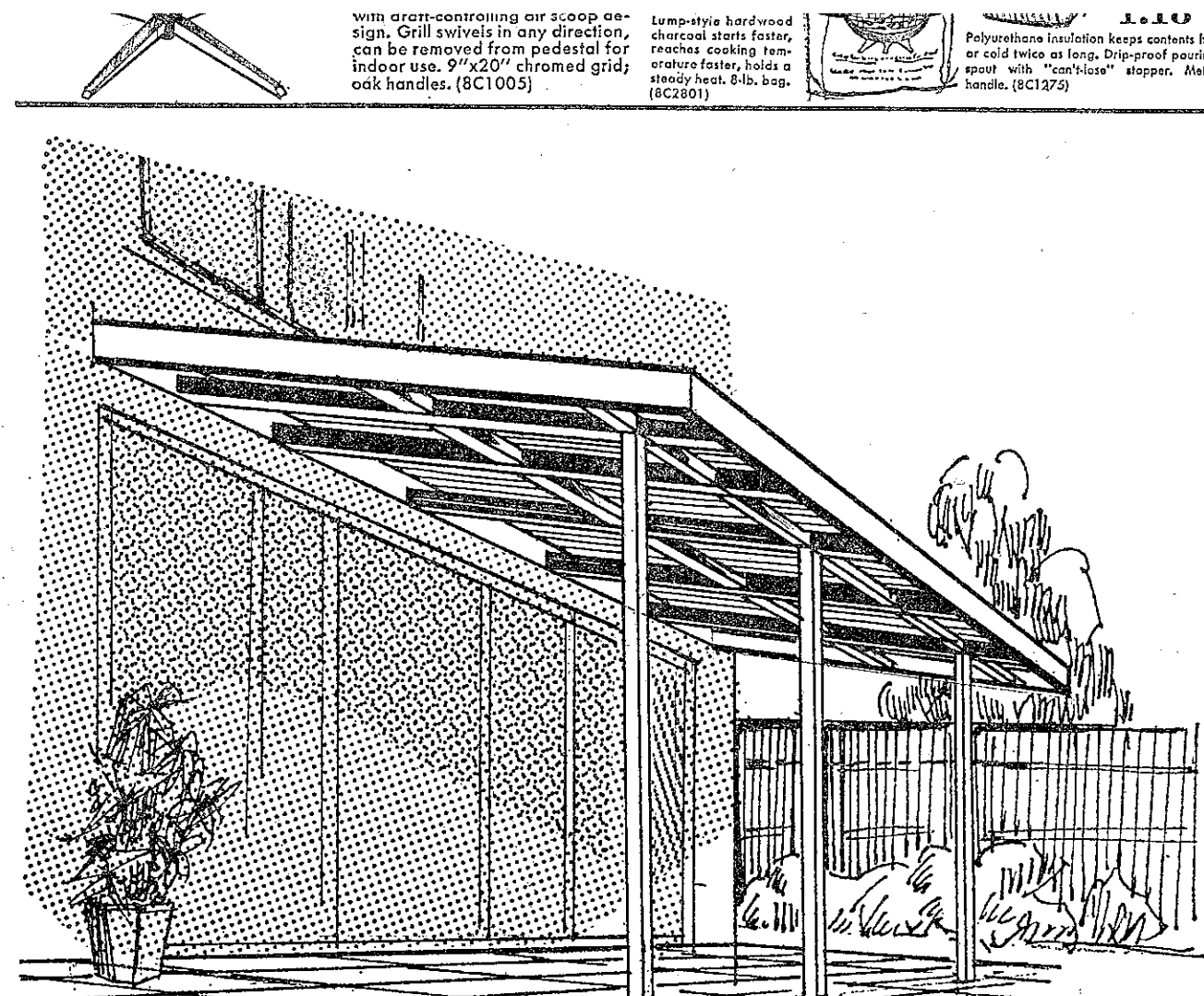
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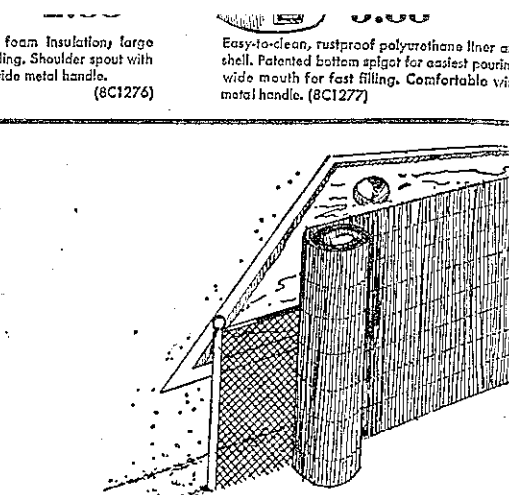
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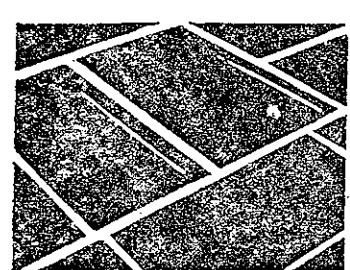
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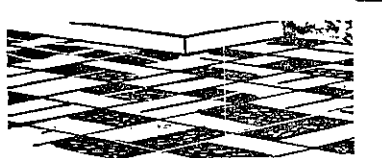
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# Soviet Restraint Hopeful Sign

By Victor Zorza  
Manchester Guardian

LONDON, June 8 — The restraint shown by the Soviet Union during the crisis in the Middle East has brought a new factor into world politics. If this is recognized as such by the other great powers, it might open a new chapter of international cooperation that could help to solve some of the problems that have plagued the world in recent years.

In the early stages of the Middle Eastern crisis, the suspicion was freely voiced that Russia had encouraged the Arabs in order to get back at the United States—for Cuba, Vietnam and other failures of Soviet policy.

But it is now clear that the Kremlin had no such intention. It has worked with the Western powers behind the scenes to mitigate the conflict, at the cost of appearing to forsake its Arab allies, instead of issuing the kind of vociferous and saber-rattling promises of support which it gave so readily in the past.

As a sign of political maturity, this is much more convincing than the "Tashkent spirit" following the India-Pakistan war in the fall of 1965.

Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin could afford to mediate between India and Pakistan in the Kashmir conflict because Soviet interests were not directly affected. In the Middle East, Russia's failure to give meaningful support to the Arabs may undo the Kremlin's grand design, dating from the day of Stalin, to take over an area of key strategic and economic importance to the West.

This was a policy pursued consistently and energetically by Premier Khrushchev, who bent all the efforts of Soviet diplomacy to disrupt the Western-sponsored Baghdad Pact. Khrushchev's successors, too, have lavished economic and military aid on Middle Eastern countries in a manner calculated to promote left-wing regimes and to make them turn towards communism, as Castro's Cuba did in the end.

But there was the strong feeling in a number of Communist parties in the West that nothing should be done to endanger the survival of the State of Israel.

## News Analysis

viet policy which might have helped, however remotely, to push Israel into the sea could have split many Communist parties wide open.

There was, too, the large question of world peace.

There was a strong possibility that, once hostilities had begun and the survival of Israel had been brought into question, the West would have intervened. If the Russians had been committed to intervene on the side of the Arabs, world war would have followed. Or would it?

It was Khrushchev's government that declared, during a previous Middle East crisis — which also arose over frontier incidents with Syria—that there was a real danger of World War.

It promised Syria that it "would not remain indiffer-

ent" in the event of an attack. Much of the same formula was used by the Soviet government almost exactly a year ago, after yet another Syrian border incident.

In the course of the present crisis, however, this old stand by both the official Soviet statements and the familiar promise "not to stand idly by" have been conveniently forgotten.

Support for the Arabs has been expressed in the most generalized and vague assurances. The Soviet Union has been aware of the dangers of the situation, and has not wished to encourage Arab recklessness by promises of support.

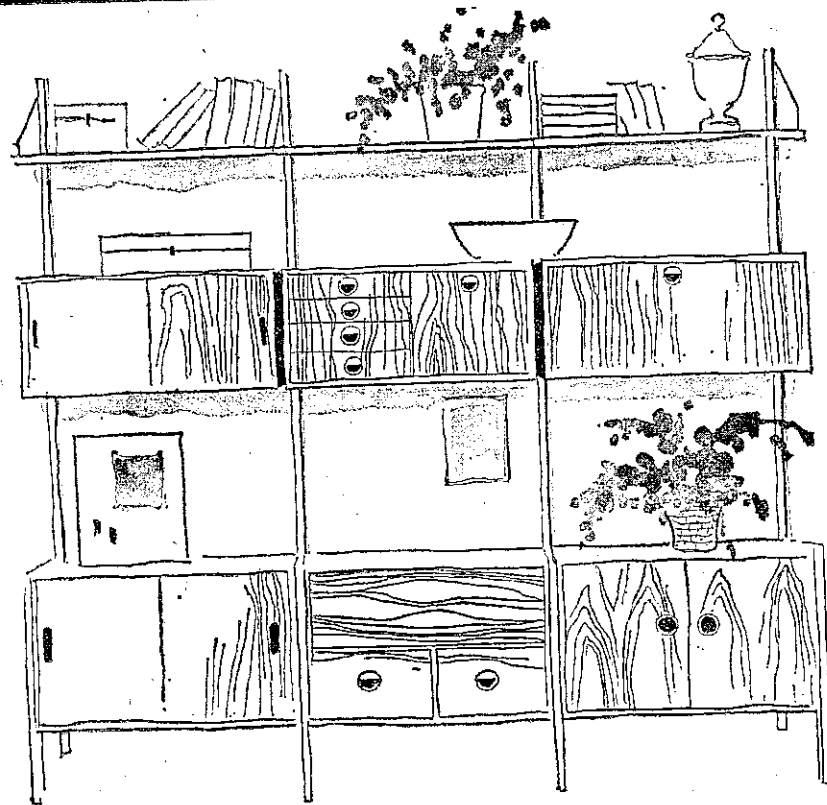
Inevitably, even the vague wording of these recent assurances has been widely taken in the West to constitute support for Arab militancy, because old suspicions of Soviet intentions die hard.

But the Soviet Union has changed a great deal in both its domestic and foreign policies in recent years. The attitude it has taken in the Middle East crisis is consistent with these changes.

This does not mean that the Kremlin will abandon the Arabs and shift its support to Israel. Politically it still stands to gain more from an alliance with the Arabs.

But it will be increasingly careful to limit its own liability and to restrain the more reckless of its allies. The Kremlin already knows that it is in their joint interest to do so.

The Kashmir crisis has shown the great powers one way to promote their joint interest, and the Middle Eastern conflict has shown them another. It need not be all that long before they learn to apply these lessons to the situation in Vietnam.



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# Israelis Occupy Bethlehem

By Bernard D. Nossiter  
Washington Post Foreign Service

**BETHLEHEM, Jordan, June 8**—At 3:40 this afternoon, the Israeli flag with its blue Star of David was raised over the police station hard by the cave where Christ was born.

Tough, young, unshaven and sun-tanned Israeli soldiers in

Manger Square below cheered. Several fired rifles in the air. Tank crews leaped to their feet, waving the Rough-Rider hats this army affects.

And so Jewish soldiers formally announced their return to Bethlehem for the first time since a small Jewish Kingdom ruled here in the 7th Century.

### Priests Chant

In the sprawling white stone Church of the Nativity, Roman Catholic priests filed down into the crypt which houses the manger, chanting their daily hymns.

In the courtyard outside, two companies of Israeli infantry sat on the ground and clapped their hands to the tune of an old song, "David King of Israel Is Alive."

The song was appropriate. This village, about ten miles south of Jerusalem and in Jordan hands until yesterday, is the legendary birthplace of David, the giant killer, as well as Christ, the bringer of peace.

### Sacred and Profane

The scene in the hot sun around the church was a curious melange of the sacred and profane, the timeless and the immediate. The church itself emerged from the brief battles nearby virtually unscathed. A few stray bullets nicked the walls and broke some glass panes. A flaming fragment burned a hole in the wooden roof over the Armenian Orthodox chapel.

These random hits were probably by-products of the fights to level the tough defenses at the nearby village of Tsur Bachar. In any event, everything inside the church, the place where Mary gave birth to Jesus, the manger, the ikons and the brocaded hangings, are all intact.

Three faiths worship here, Armenian and Greek Orthodox as well as Roman Catholic, and all have their separate chapels. The Armenian archimandrite, Depoian Masrob, a white-bearded man of 64, led me around.

### 45-Minute Fight

He said the firing around Bethlehem lasted about 45 minutes starting at noon yesterday. Father Masrob and the 50 or so other priests who officiate at the church sought refuge inside its thick walls and watched to see that none of the venerated objects were harmed. It was a Greek Orthodox colleague, he said, who put out the small blaze on the roof of the Armenian chapel.

This afternoon, apart from priests, there were no worship-

slung over the shoulders of some, came in to look around. Fifteen stone steps lead down from the Armenian chapel to the holy crypt. Christ's birthplace is marked with a banal silver star in the floor of a little alcove said to be a chapel built by the converted emperor Constantine in the 4th Century. Its walls are hung with silver brocade.

### Manger Cave

A few steps away is the rock cave of the manger, a tiny dwelling perhaps 12 feet by 8. Television cameras ground, and the Israeli soldiers watched as the Catholic priests, candles in hand, recited their prayers there.

Outside, a handful of im-

passive Arab adults and excited children looked on while an Israeli sergeant major addressed his troops.

"We are returning control over civilian life here to the regular civil authorities," he said. "We must help them bring everything here back to normal."

He dismissed his formation, and they sang Miriam's prophecy about Moses, "Yiram hayem" (The sea will move).

All the soldiers seemed to be singing. At the edge of this unimpressive Arab village with its flat stone houses, another troop came by singing, "Shalom alechem" (we brought peace to you).

## Soviet Vessel First to Enter Tiran Strait

From News Dispatches

**EILAT, Israel, June 8**—A Soviet freighter bound for the Jordanian port of Aqaba today became the first ship to pass through the Tiran Strait since Israel declared it an international waterway yesterday.

Two Israeli freighters were preparing here today to become the first Israeli ships to pass through the reopened Strait since Egypt announced that it had blockaded the Gulf May 23.

A report from Sharm el Sheikh, the fort dominating the Strait, said Israeli paratroopers landed at the fort—already abandoned by its Egyptian garrison—some time after Israeli sailors captured it yesterday.

The report from the fort said the Soviet freighter was greeted by Israeli torpedo boats.

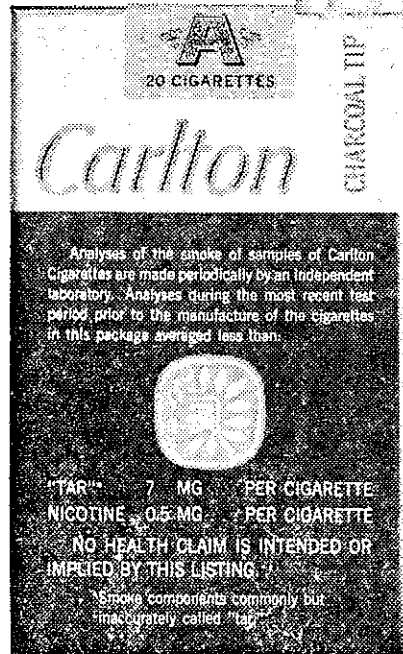
[In Tel Aviv, it was reported that the two Israeli freighters, under charter to the Zim shipping line, are the 3694-ton Liberian-registered Angela and the 7304-ton, Malta-registered Amalia, flying the Britain flag. The freighters will carry canned citrus products from Eilat to Ethiopia, Kenya and Madagascar.

[A 34,700-ton tanker loaded with oil for Israel arrived in Cape Town, South Africa, today—the first ship in an armada of merchantmen and tankers diverted from the Middle East. The ships were forced to take the long way around the southern tip of South Africa after Egypt closed their short-cut, the Suez Canal. Egypt closed the canal two days ago, saying it feared damage from Israeli attacks.

[The first arrival in Cape Town, the Liberian tanker Leon, was bound for Eilat. At least two dozen other ships are known to have changed course from the Suez route

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# Israel Claims Proof Arabs Lied on Air Aid

Washington Post Foreign Service

TEL AVIV, June 8—Israeli military officials released today the transcript of what they asserted was a radio telephone conversation in which President Nasser of Egypt and King Hussein of Jordan agreed on fabricating the story that planes from American and British aircraft carriers were fighting the Arab forces.

The conversation, intercepted by means the Israeli officials did not disclose, was said to have taken place at 4:50 a.m. on June 6—not quite 24 hours after the war began, but after the Egyptian and Jordanian air forces were all but destroyed and Israel was already close to victory.

The conversation, a tape of which was played for reporters, was in Arabic. Israeli officers insisted they could identify the voices as Hussein's and Nasser's.

At the outset, Nasser appeared to have asked the King of Jordan whether they should announce "U.S. and England or just the U.S." The transcript showed Hussein replying that it should be both.

Just two hours after the time the Israeli military spokesman said the phone call was made, Radio Cairo broadcast that British and American aircraft carriers rendered "large-scale assistance to Israel."

The following excerpts of the alleged telephone exchange were reported from Tel Aviv by the Associated Press:

Nasser: "Hello, will we say the U.S. and England or just the U.S.?"

Hussein: "The U.S. and England."

Nasser: "Does Britain have aircraft carriers?"

Answer unintelligible.

Nasser: "Good. King Hussein will make an announcement and I will make an announcement. Thank you. Do not give up. Yes, Hello, good morning brother. Never mind, be strong. Yes, I hear."

Hussein: "Mr. President, if you have something or any idea at all . . . at any time."

Nasser: "We are fighting

come despite this. God is with us. Will his majesty make an announcement on the participation of Americans and the British?"

Answer not clear.

Nasser: "By God, I say that I will make an announcement and you will make an announcement and we will see to it that the Syrians will make an announcement that American and British airplanes are taking part against us from aircraft carriers. We will issue an announcement, we will stress the matter and we will drive the point home."

Hussein: "Good, all right."

Nasser: "Your majesty, do you agree?"

Answer not clear.

Nasser: "A thousand thanks. Do not give up. We are with you with all our hearts and we are flying our planes over Israel today, our planes are striking at Israel's air fields since morning."

Hussein: "A thousand thanks. Be well."

ISRAEL—From Page A1

## Tel Aviv Claims Victories In Five Sinai Tank Battles

planes were shot down and that Israeli planes hit the sites of Russian-made surface-to-air (SAM) missiles in the Suez Canal zone during daylight raids.

On Israel's other battlefronts, there was mopping-up action in Jordan and fighting against Syrian forces in the north.

The announcement of the Sinai victory came before the news of Egypt's acceptance of the U.N. cease-fire.

Dan Kurzman reported in a special dispatch to The Washington Post that Israeli sources considered Egypt may have accepted the cease-fire in order to save its armor still in Sinai from capture.

The sources said the Israel



Associated Press

**SIGNING OFF**—The Egyptian Governor of the Gaza Strip, Gen. Munam Abdul Hussein, signs a document of unconditional surrender, according to the caption with this Israeli army photo, transmitted yesterday. The document, written in both Hebrew and Arabic, read: "I, Gen. Munam Abdul Hussein, governor of the entire Arab Strip, hereby unconditionally surrender Gaza Strip to the Israel defense forces."

Egyptians were inflicting severe losses on the Israelis on this front.

Earlier in the day, Maj. Gen. Itzhak Rabin, the Israeli chief of staff, told newsmen, "Today we actually are witnessing the total destruction of the Egyptian forces in the Sinai."

On the Jordan front, Israeli troops consolidated their roll-up of the bulge west of the Jordan River. They have taken Bethlehem, Christ's birthplace. In Jerusalem, taken Wednesday, there was sniping early in the day from isolated pockets of resistance in the Arab sector, and the Old City remained off-limits to civilians. There was also some sniping on the road from Jerusalem to Bethlehem.

[At the United Nations, Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban referred to "intensive fighting" on the Syrian front late in the day.]

Israeli officials denied a Syr-

dence of Jordanian interest in such a federation, Miss Lewis reported. She said that something more than inimical coexistence is needed, in Israeli eyes, to assure the security of Israel's borders.

Northward on the Syrian front, The Post's Dan Kurzman reported, Syrian artillery continued to shell Israeli border settlements in the Huleh valley, particularly Hulata and Yossod Hamaala. The artillery fire was less intensive than in the past few days.

Over 39,000 Americans remain in the crisis area, including 9700 in Israel and over 5000 in the countries that have broken relations.

News agencies reported

# Some U.S.-Arab Ties Remain

## 7 Nations Break; Consular Offices May Stay Open

By Anthony Astrachan  
Washington Post Staff Writer

The break in relations between seven Arab nations and the United States does not necessarily mean the complete withdrawal of the U.S. diplomatic presence in those countries, a State Department spokesman said yesterday.

Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Algeria, Yemen, Sudan and Mauritania have broken relations with America. Lebanon has asked for a mutual withdrawal of ambassadors, which in theory would leave a charge d'affaires heading a mission that would still have diplomatic status.

"We must consider that diplomatic relations are broken at their request," State Department spokesman Robert J. McCloskey said of the seven nations. "On the practical level, our diplomats are still there. Arrangements are being made for their departure or presence on some other level. It is not assumed that all diplomatic personnel will be removed."

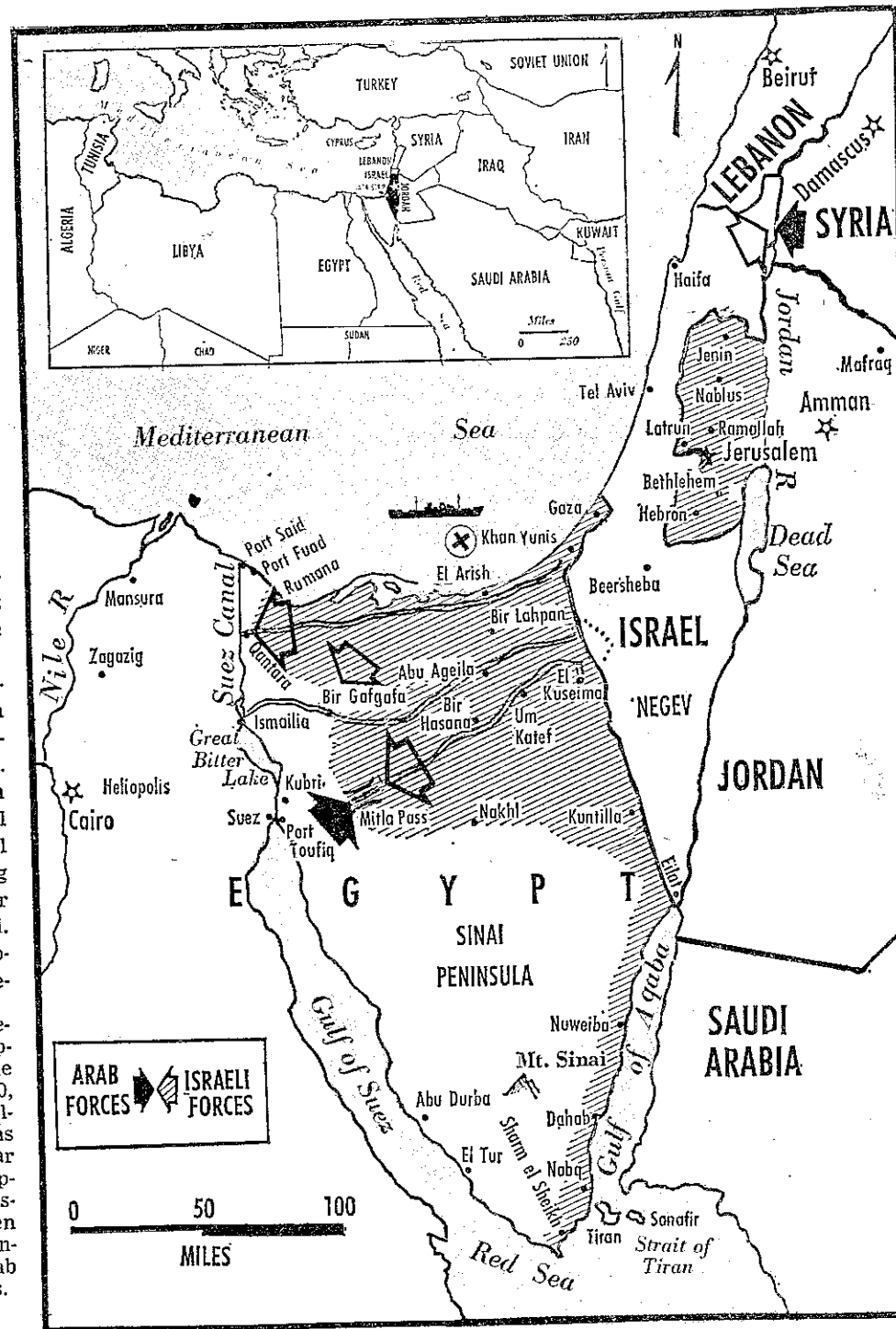
McCloskey cited the precedent of the U.S. break in diplomatic relations with the Dominican Republic in 1960, near the end of Rafael Trujillo's dictatorship. Relations were kept at the consular level and restored to the diplomatic level in 1962. McCloskey said "nothing has been concluded" on retaining consular relations with the Arab countries in the current crisis.

### Italy Offer

Italy has agreed to a U.S. request to represent it and protect its interests in Syria and Yemen, McCloskey said, while Spain will do the same in Egypt.

About 17,000 Americans have left the Middle East since the crisis began, McCloskey added; many departed voluntarily before fighting broke out, and Washington requested the evacuation of Americans from certain countries. About 7500 of them have left the countries that have broken relations with the United States.

air at its normal time, 2:30 a.m. (7:30 p.m. EDT). Before it shut down, the radio reported a military communique that said Egyptian forces had fought a battle "unprecedented in its ferocious-



The Washington Post

**ISRAELI GAINS**—Shaded areas on the large map represent territory in Egypt and Jordan now occupied by Israel. The USS Liberty (x), off El Arish, was attacked by Israeli airplanes and ships. Inset map shows the entire Mediterranean sector.

EGYPT—From Page A1

## Syria and Egypt Join Jordan In Accepting U.N. Cease-Fire

United Press International and Reuters:

Cairo was variously tense and calm throughout a day which began with a rejection of the U.N. cease-fire bid; exhortations to press the "holy war" against Israel; and con-

# Israel Denies Envoy Said It Started War

Washington Post Foreign Service

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., June 8 — Israel officially denied this afternoon that the Israeli Ambassador to Britain had acknowledged that Israel was the first to launch military operations in the Middle East.

Soviet Ambassador Nikolai Fedorenko said in the Security Council that the National Broadcasting Company had carried such a statement from London attributed to Israeli Ambassador Aharon Remez. Jordanian Ambassador Muhammad El-Farra repeated the charge.

The Washington Post also carried the alleged statement, in a report from London by the Manchester Guardian.

But the permanent Israeli representative to the United Nations, Gideon Rafael, intervened to tell the Security Council: "No such statement was made by the Israeli Ambassador."

Legal proceedings are being instituted "against those who published the false statement," Rafael said.

[In London, Remez said the published statement was a "complete distortion," adding that he had made clear in his talk with members of Parliament "that Israel had repelled aggression and that it was the Arab states and the Arab states alone who had taken the initiative in embroiling the Middle East in war."]

## Egyptian Truck Drives Into Trap

TEL AVIV, June 8 (UPI) Israeli motorized units waiting in the darkness at Sheikh Zuwayid between Rafah on the border of the Gaza Strip and El Arish in northeastern Sinai were startled Monday night by the approach of a truck full of Egyptian soldiers.

The truck drove up and stopped among the Israeli vehicles.

"Greetings," one of the Egyptians called out. "You must be the Iraqi unit sent to reinforce us."

They were taken prisoners.

does not matter, will over-

Israeli forces now occupy all the territory of the pre-1948 British mandate of Palestine as well as their gains in Sinai.

## Egyptian Tank Losses

The Israelis said at least 50 Egyptian tanks were known to be destroyed during the day's fighting, bringing the total number of enemy tanks destroyed in Sinai since June 5 to about 200. Pearlman said total Egyptian armored losses were impossible to estimate, but unofficial sources quoted by Reuters put the total of Egyptian tanks knocked out at 600.

[A Cairo communique said at least 10 Israeli tanks and six armored cars were destroyed.]

The main Israeli thrusts appeared to be directed at roads leading to Suez and Port Toufiq at the southern end of the Suez Canal, and to Ismailia at the center of the Canal. Israeli units also raced toward a bridge at Quntara, about 30 miles north of Ismailia, to bar it to any retreating Egyptian units.

## Oil Fields Captured

Israeli forces also captured oil fields at Ras Sudar, south of Port Toufiq. Israeli soldiers said the wells were afire from sabotage by the Egyptian defenders.

In fighting he called "the fiercest in this war," Pearlman said the climatic battle was at Bir Gafgafa, a road junction and airbase 45 miles east of Ismailia. Egyptian units attacked advancing Israelis between Bir Gafgafa and the Mitla Pass, 20 miles east of the Canal, apparently trying to clear an escape route to Port Toufiq.

Pearlman said the Egyptians were driven from Mitla, where Israel suffered heavy paratroop losses in the 1956 Suez war.

Elsewhere in the southern Sinai sector, Israeli columns seized Nakhl and Thamed. Nakhl is midway on the road from Israel's port of Eilat on the Gulf of Aqaba to Suez and 50 miles southeast of Mitla Pass. Thamed is on the same road about 35 miles southeast of Nakhl.

## Outpost Taken

The Egyptian outpost of Kuntilla on the Israel border was taken Wednesday by troops sweeping south to Sharm el-Sheikh, the guardian of the entrance to the Gulf of Aqaba.

On Sinai's northern, Mediterranean coast, the Israelis said only that they had reached Rumana, 20 miles from the Canal. The capture of Rumana was reported Wednesday, however, and Cairo claimed the

ing Wall, sacred to Jews as containing part of the second Temple.

[U.N. Secretary General U Thant said at the United Nations that Israel was bombing Mafraq in Jordan Thursday morning, concentrating forces west of the Jordan River. He said some Israeli troops had crossed to the eastern bank. Thant said Gen. Odd Bull, the U.N. Commander in the area, asked Israel about the bombing of Mafraq and was told Iraqi planes were concentrated nearby.]

The Israelis also said two bridges across the Jordan had been destroyed.

Flora Lewis reported in a special dispatch to Newsday and The Washington Post that Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan said he supported the idea of a federation of Israel and Jordan.

"The real enemy of Jordan is Egypt. The only country that can protect Jordan is Israel," Dayan said.

There is absolutely no evi-

## 'Same Problems as in 1957'

# Canada's Pearson Offers A Six-Point Peace Plan

By Gerald Waring  
Special to The Washington Post

OTTAWA, June 8—Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson today proposed a six-point program for United Nations action "to create peace and security for Israel based on freedom and justice" that would also be fair to Israel's Arab neighbors.

Speaking in the House of Commons, Pearson said acceptance of the U.N. cease-fire resolution by the belligerents must be followed by action to make the cease-fire effective.

"We cannot wait for another 10 years and another crisis with fighting and blood letting" before finding a political settlement, Pearson said. Especially not with the United States and the Soviet Union facing each other in a confrontation over the Middle East "that could convulse the world," he added.

Pearson, who was a principal architect of the 1956 armistice and the U.N. Emergency Force that policed the Egyptian-Israeli border for the last decade, said, "The same problems that faced us in 1957 are facing us again." To meet them, he proposed that a cease-fire be followed by:

- Military withdrawals by mutual agreement.
- Political guarantees

Kurzman reported, was that Syria was attempting to provoke an Israeli attack in order to lure the Soviet Union into the conflict.

[Syria's acceptance of the cease-fire was announced Friday morning. Thursday, Damascus Radio said Syrian ground fire brought down 18 Israeli jets. It also claimed Syrian gunners had shot down a British Canberra bomber, which British spokesman termed "an absolute lie."]

## Prisoners Build Stockade

From Beersheba, it was reported that hundreds of commandos from the Palestine Liberation Army were put to work building a prisoner-of-war stockade for themselves 10 miles north of Beersheba.

Hans Benedict of the Associated Press reported a new Israeli explanation of how the war began. An authoritative source said waves of Egyptian planes showed up on Israeli radar screens Monday morning and sent Israeli pilots scrambling.

"Arab determination in the face of the most wicked forces of the age will forever remain as a symbol," an announcer said.

The Cairo radio has not broadcast the text of the U.N. resolution calling for a cease-fire, which do not mention withdrawal of either side's forces. Egyptians quoted by the Associated Press had the impression that the cease-fire would mean a withdrawal of opposing forces to positions held before the outbreak.

## 11 Kuwait Rejection

Radio Kuwait reported that that country has informed U.N. Secretary General Thant it "absolutely refuses" to abide by the Middle East cease-fire resolution.

Official sources in Tripoli said the Libyan government had stopped oil shipments following a decision to suspend pumping and ban oil exports.

Cairo Radio said that Libyan officers had staged a protest against their own government. They said the officers, assigned to the big U.S. Wheelus Air Force base, told the government that 50 U.S. planes had flown off to attack Arab forces. When the government failed to act, Cairo Radio said, the Libyan officers "withdrew from the base in protest."

The Algerian government news agency said that President Ayub Khan of Pakistan had offered all possible material help against Israeli aggression.

Barrow said yesterday U.S. diplomats and their wives climbed down ropes to escape from the top floor of the burning building. Barrow and other evacuees were escorted to the Turkish border by Syrian police at midnight Wednesday. Another 149 foreigners and six Syrians also fled Syria to Turkey.

Radio Algiers said Algeria would continue fighting. This announcement came after Thant announced Egyptian acceptance of the cease-fire but before Radio Cairo broadcast it. Algiers has sent planes and troops to Egypt, but none have been reported in the fighting.

## Delay Before Message

The Cairo government waited an hour before flashing the cease-fire announcement to Cairo newspapers and Cairo radio waited an extra hour before announcing the major development to the population.

Before the announcement of the cease-fire, Radio Damascus was full-throated in its militancy. A Thursday broadcast said, "Arab brothers, the battle will not halt until we have hoisted the Palestinian flag in the skies of Tel Aviv." Two hours before it announced Syria's acceptance of the truce call, the radio said, "We abide by no resolutions. We are going to fight until the last man. It will be a long war and we expect nothing but complete victory."

Fighting continued yesterday on the Syrian-Israeli front

and launch back to second line positions.

Shortly after the cease-fire rejection, President Nasser reportedly conferred twice with the Soviet ambassador here and sent a message to Soviet Premier Kosygin. The contents of the message were not disclosed.

Troop convoys moved through the city. Students in trucks lauded President Nasser as the "hero in the struggle against Israel and imperialism." Three air alerts seemed no bother to shoppers and traffic. Bridges were heavily guarded. And over loudspeakers in the main squares, military announcements were admixed with martial music, anti-American slogans.

## Migs Arrive

There also were these reports of activity here: An unspecified number of Russian-built Algerian Migs had landed at an airfield.

[A report from London said that Algerian troops already were fighting in the Sinai desert.]

An advance guard of Moroccan troops—in five transport planes—had arrived.

Some 4500 Israeli prisoners-of-war were said to have arrived in two trains. They were reportedly handcuffed and then trucked from Cairo's railroad station to an unknown destination.

Earlier dispatches from Cairo from the Associated Press,



Egyptian prisoners, hands to their heads, lie under the scrutiny of Israeli captors at El Arish, Egypt.

United Press International



# Britain Will End Its Arms Embargo To Middle East

By Karl E. Meyer  
Washington Post Foreign Service

LONDON, June 8—Britain announced today it is ending its temporary suspension of arms deliveries to the Middle East because other nations declined to join in the embargo.

Foreign Secretary George Brown told Parliament Britain will revert to its practice of scrutinizing individual applications for arms export licenses, with particular care during the present crisis.

Brown asserted that it remains Britain's hope that any Arab-Israeli peace settlement will include an agreement among major arms suppliers to control shipments to the area.

Britain suspended shipments when the war broke out on Monday and appealed to other nations to join the temporary embargo. But the Soviet Union made no response, the United States declined to go along, and France and Italy announced only partial suspensions.

### Will Fulfill Contracts

In these circumstances, Brown told the House of Commons, Britain could not defend a situation in which it failed to honor existing contracts while other nations were sending in replacements.

Though governments are reluctant to discuss their Middle East arms involvements, this rough breakdown can be compiled from published sources:

British firms have supplied Israel with tanks and armor, and have sold Iraq jet fighter planes. British suppliers are also providing Saudi Arabia with a \$300 million air defense system, and some arms have been sold to Kuwait and Jordan.

The Soviet Union supplies all the military equipment for Syria and Egypt, and has sold tanks and planes to Iraq.

U.S. firms have sold arms to Israel, Saudi Arabia and Jordan. France has long been the principal supplier for the Israeli air force.

Authoritative sources said there was no evidence of any

substantial new shipment of Soviet arms to the Middle East, though orders still in the pipeline might be en route this week. The fastest route for Soviet shipments is through the Dardanelles, where any abnormal activity can be monitored by Western observers.

### Urges Limitations

Looking ahead, Brown said one of the elements in a solution of the Arab-Israeli conflict must be limitation and control of arms supplies to the Middle East.

But he also stressed that Israel "must live as a Middle Eastern power in the Middle East context." He pointedly reminded a questioner that it is as important for Israel to recognize its Arab neighbors as for the Arab states to recognize Israel.

Brown was asked if he had sent instructions to Britain's U.N. Mission to protest Egypt's reported use of poison gas in the Yemen. He replied that Egypt should not be in the Yemen and that "no civilized government could possibly support the use of poison gas in any conflict whatever." But as to taking a British initiative, he added, the lead could better come from Arab nations like Saudi Arabia that are more directly involved in the Yemen conflict.

### British Flight to Israel Mobbed by Volunteers

Reuters

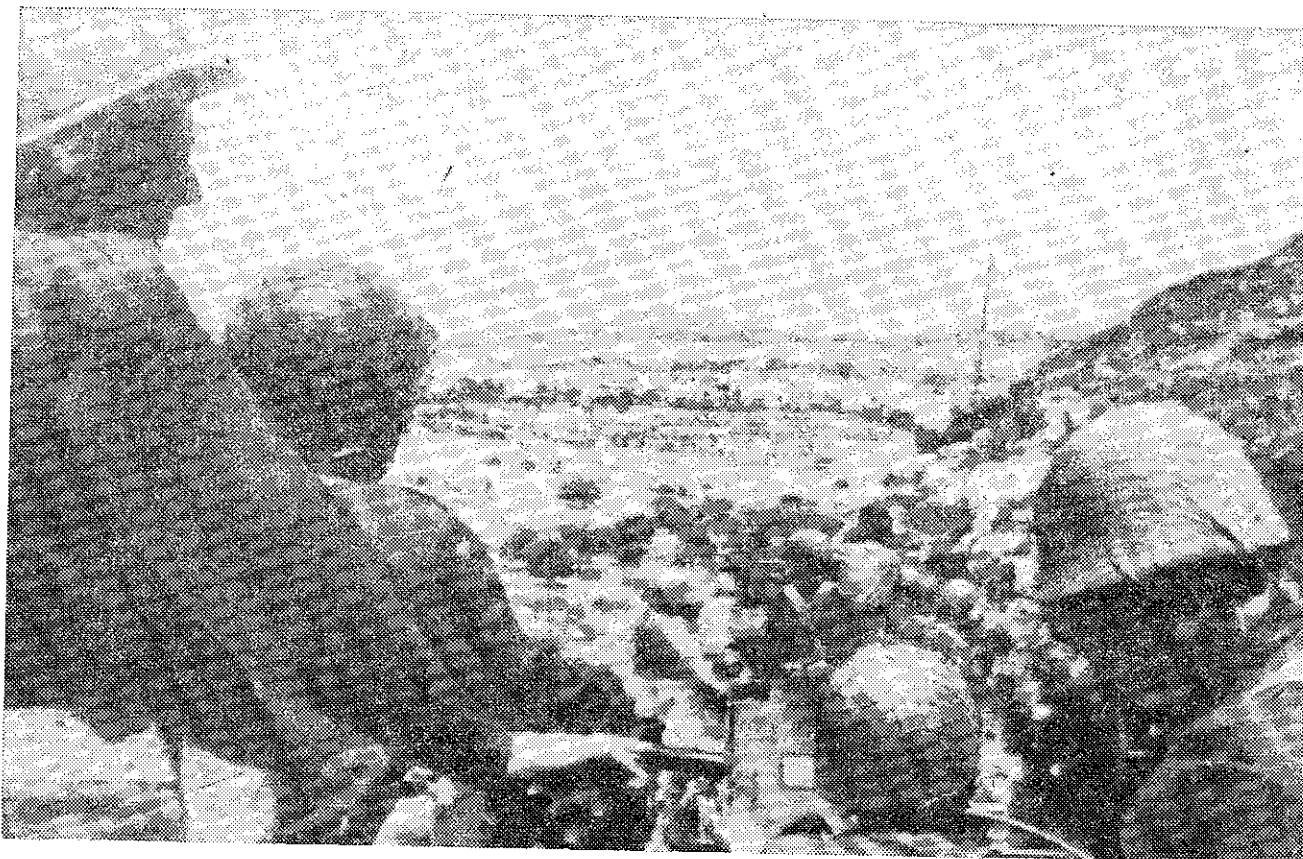
LONDON, June 8 — Police were called at London Airport to control hundreds of persons clamoring for seats on the first flight to Israel in three days.

Scores of young volunteers recruited by Jewish agencies tried to force their way to the El Al Airline desk last night to get some of the 162 seats on the Boeing 707 jetliner.

Many had spent two nights at the airport hoping for a flight, but priority was given to medical students and technicians.

### Want Recognition

## Israelis Bar Return To Pre-War Terms



Israeli troops approach town of Hebron in Jordan, south of Jerusalem. Photo is from Israel Army.

Associated Press

## 'Friends' Deserted, Hussein Laments

From News Dispatches

AMMAN, Jordan, June 8—King Hussein, whose country broke the united Arab front by implementing a cease-fire with Israel, today praised his soldiers' valor and bitterly complained of friendly countries which let Jordan down.

Hussein ended speculation that he had left the country, possibly for Britain, when he appeared at a press conference here.

He said his soldiers were now under orders only to fire in their own defense and added that there were only minor incidents since the cease-fire went into effect at 4 P.M. EDT Wednesday.

### Looking Haggard

Looking haggard, unshaven and tired, the 32-year-old monarch said Iraqi troops who moved into Jordan were also complying with the U.N. Security Council's cease-fire resolution.

"But if the enemy decides to open hostilities once again we will fight to the last man," Hussein declared.

Dressed in a khaki uniform, the king addressed about 50 foreign and Jordanian corre-

but Jordan has traditionally had close ties with the United States and Britain.

Hussein paid tribute to "our brothers of Iraq, who spilled their blood with us."

"We hope that in the future the Arab nation will find ways and means to stand more closely together and that all Arabs will rise to the level of their responsibilities, to live on their land as free, proud people," he said.

Hussein made no reference to his earlier charges that British and American planes

had aided the Israeli forces against the Arabs.

The king spoke for 15 minutes, then left the room without answering any questions.

Officers accompanying him declined to discuss the current military situation. Israel claims it is victorious in the Jordanian section of Jerusalem, and in Jericho, Bethlehem and other areas of Jordan.

Outside the army headquarters, foreigners whom Jordanians took to be Britons or Americans drew angry looks.

Foreign newsmen were advised to stay out of downtown Amman.

The people seemed to be convinced that Jordan's defeat was the result of the alleged British and American participation in the air attacks, though this has been denied in Amman as well as in London and Washington.

Many Europeans gathered in the town's main hotel to await plane flights out of the country. But there was no indication when the airport would be reopened.

## Arab Student Rally Fizzles in Moscow

By Anatole Shub  
Washington Post Foreign Service

MOSCOW, June 8—Soviet soldiers and police massed for hours today to protect the American, British and Israeli embassies from rumored demonstrations. But the demonstrations, expected to be organized by Arab students at Moscow's Lumumba University, never took place.

Either the students lost heart, or they were talked out of it by Soviet officials.

The cancellation of the demonstrations, which had been rumored for three days, was the latest sign that current Soviet leadership intends to play a very different role than former premier Nikita Khrushchev did in the 1956 Suez crisis.

There have been no violent demonstrations against the American Embassy here for more than two years despite the tensions of the Vietnam war. Soviet authorities apparently consider the Arab cause in the Middle East unworthy of such outbreaks also.

Thus today, on the fourth day of the Mideast war, Soviet reaction was limited to newspaper articles that struck most observers as routine. An Izvestia commentator accused Israel of "plunderous conquest" and insisted that as the "aggressor" it should be first to stop firing.

The Izvestia commentator, Vladimir Kudryavtsev, declared: "Israel is obliged not only to stop fighting but to

withdraw its armed forces to the territory it held on the morning of June 5." The journalist also said Israel should not annex any territory and should give guarantees that its "aggression" would not be repeated.

Most observers thought such Soviet comments were mainly for the record, while behind the scenes Russian leaders seek to work out a new policy enabling Russia to cooperate in some sort of Great-Power Mideast settlement without losing too much face among the Arabs.

[Premier Kosygin consulted with Syrian Ambassador Salah el din Tarazi today a few hours after the Syrian Radio rejected the Soviet-proposed United Nations cease-fire call. The official Tass news agency said they discussed "questions of mutual interest in a friendly atmosphere."]

It is thought that the Soviet Union thus will champion Arab claims in the long period of negotiations expected to follow the conclusion of a cease-fire. However, Soviet military intervention now or threats of force later on appear extremely unlikely.

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In our ad on Thursday, June 8, the price of Bacon should have been 69c per lb. We regret this error.

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# To Pre-War Terms

By Alfred Friendly  
Washington Post Foreign Service

TEL AVIV, June 8—In the nightmare period when the war is over and the killing still goes on, those who bear the fight and those who only watch it begin to think how future nightmares can be prevented.

The Israelis, to whom the nightmare has come three times in ten years, are not sure what the totality of the preventive measures must be. Their government has not yet discussed it, in any official sessions of parliament, cabinet or committee.

But officials and plain people alike are sure of one thing: There dare be no return to the status quo ante 1957 or 1949. There will be no armistice agreements of the kind that prevailed before, no acceptance of a continued state of "belligerence," no U.N. truce supervisory arrangements.

They are rejected out of hand by Israelis for a single reason: They failed to keep the peace.

## Two Views

The trouble with the armistice agreements after Israel's War of Independence, one top policy-making official explained today, is that they were envisioned in diametrically opposite ways by Israel and the Arab states—Israel conceived of them as a transmission mechanism to peace, the Arab states as a device to contain Israel for a time until the battle could be launched again.

After the Sinai war, Israel argued that the agreements had lapsed by an act of war. It declared that war had been brought to it by the Fedayeen terror raids from Egypt and that it had responded in self-defense. The United Nations never conceded the point, and ruled that under its terms the agreement could not be denounced unilaterally.

But on June 5, Egypt, Jordan and Syria formally declared war on Israel. Now the old agreements are gone, new ones must take their place.

## Two Changes

Peace for Israel, some of its most thoughtful people feel, must be based on two changes—changes in the kinds of peace agreements and changes in the status of certain physical areas that they say represent a constant military threat to it. The politics of the last

## News Analysis

three weeks are proof enough that the old arrangement did not work to keep the peace. The military events of the past four days are proof enough, say Israelis, of the geographical menace constituted by Israel's boundaries and by the political status of some neighboring lands.

The first geopolitical threat is the divided status of Jerusalem. Israelis hold, as demonstrated by the 2½-day artillery siege of the Israeli sector from the Jordanians. The second is Sharm el-Sheikh and the Strait of Tiran which, when in possession of a hostile nation, form a noose to be drawn at will around the throat of Israel's commerce to and from Africa and Asia and around its hopes for development of the Negev. The third is the most complex—the land on the West Bank of the Jordan River, its border within artillery range of Israel's industrial concentration and the major city of Tel Aviv.

## Old Idea Revived

Back in the days of the Balfour Declaration and the League of Nations, the West Bank was destined to be a Palestinian state, associated with the state of the Jewish homeland. In the war of Israel's independence, the Kingdom of Transjordan penetrated it, held it and incorporated it into present-day Jordan.

The old idea is being revived today, with several variations. Some months ago, Gen. Moshe Dayan, now Defense Minister, talked of a confederation of Israel, the old Transjordan and a new Palestinian nation comprised of the West Bank.

Israel believes the solution of these political and geographical problems is a requirement for its future security. But it may be that they—and solutions to other Middle East problems—are also requirements for the peace of the world.

foreign and Jordanian correspondents in the conference room of the army headquarters. He said his unkempt appearance was due solely to the fact he had been sleepless since the outbreak of the war Monday.

"Our morale is high," Hussein commented.

His eyes glistened at one point as though filled with tears.

## 'Losses Tremendous'

"Our losses were tremendous, but we are proud of the fact we fought honorably," he said. "We are proud of our men and of the fact that, despite all odds, we were able to stand like men, not only in the front line but also at home."

Without detailing reverses throughout the territory that bulges into Israel west of the River Jordan, the king said, "I hope people all over the world will recognize the efforts this country has made to defend its soil."

"The battle was waged against us almost exclusively from the air with overwhelming strength and continual, sustained air attacks on every single unit of our armed forces day and night, right until last night," he said.

Hussein complained that Jordan's many friends throughout the world had not come to its aid in the struggle.

"We are, needless to say, disappointed that this country which we felt had the sympathy of many hearts, this country which was always recognized as brave, was left alone by our many friends all over the world, by those who stood for justice and right for so long," he said.

He did not specify which "friends" he was referring to

## Svetlana to Live On Kennan Farm

NEW YORK, June 8 (UPI)—Svetlana Alliluyeva, defector daughter of the late Soviet dictator Josef Stalin, will leave her Long Island retreat shortly to stay on a Pennsylvania farm owned by the former Ambassador to Russia, George F. Kennan.

Mrs. Alliluyeva's attorney, Edward S. Greenbaum, disclosed his client's plan today when he announced she would have no comment on a new wave of attacks on her by the Soviet press. She has been staying in Locust Valley, N.Y., at the home of Stuart H. Johnson, father of her translator, Mrs. Pricilla J. MacMillan.

Kennan is a professor at the Institute of advanced studies, Princeton, N.J. He has known Mme. Alliluyeva since his first foreign service assignment in Moscow in the 1930s.

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# Pope Asks Belligerents To Heed Truce Appeal

From News Dispatches  
**VATICAN CITY, June 8**—Pope Paul VI appealed today to the chiefs of state of warring nations of the Middle East "in the name of God" to heed the request of the United Nations for a cease-fire.

The Pope's message to the chiefs of state of Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Iraq was sent before the Israeli-Egyptian acceptance of a cease-fire. Israel notified the Security Council Wednesday night that a cease-fire with Jordan had taken effect, and Jordan's King Hussein said today Iraqi troops in his country would observe the cease-fire. The Pope's message said:

"Moved by the obligation of our ministry, animated by an equal love and solicitude for all peoples, saddened by the thought of the suffering, mourning and devastation

which war brings to individuals, families and nations, we appeal to you, as to the heads of the other countries in the conflict, and in the name of God we implore you to heed the request of the United Nations for an immediate cessation of the conflict so that the violence of arms can be replaced by trustful, reasonable and honorable negotiations and the so greatly desired peace may be re-established in this region.

"We assure you of our prayers to the Almighty to assist you in the grave decisions and to cause you to choose that way which will merit the recognition of those who have feelings of humanity."

Earlier, the Pontiff sent a personal contribution of \$25,000 to Caritas International, a Roman Catholic charity organ-

ization providing aid to victims of the war.

There were these other reactions to the Mideast war:

**Vietnam**  
 South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Cao Ky said "I'm for Israel" in its war with the Arab nations. He agreed with a suggestion that the Arabs were backed by "international communism" in an effort to involve America in another war.

His comments on the war in the Middle East followed a statement by President Ho Chi Minh of North Vietnam supporting the Arabs and condemning America and Britain.

The Vietcong also voiced its full support for the Arabs, the New China News Agency said in a broadcast monitored in Hong Kong.

**India**  
**NEW DELHI**—The Israeli consul general in Bombay was summoned to the Indian Foreign Affairs Ministry over nine Indian United Nations soldiers allegedly killed by Israeli fire in the Middle East fighting.

Consul General Rueben Darni was summoned to be informed of the Indian protest because India does not have diplomatic relations with Israel. Trade relations here are in charge of consular officials.

The official Indian protest was handed over in Moscow by Indian Ambassador Kenal Singh at the Israeli mission there. The same note was delivered to Israeli missions in Washington and London.

Reports reaching here said that nine Indian soldiers were killed, 20 were wounded and 19 were listed as missing in an Israeli raid on a base where members of the United Nations Emergency Force waited for repatriation after their withdrawal from the Israeli-Egyptian border.

In a broadcast monitored in Miami, a Cuban army officer charged the Israelis are commanded by Nazi officers. First Capt. Jorge Enrique Mendoza claimed the former Nazi officers, as well as American officers, played key roles in training the Israeli army.

**Latin America**  
 The response in Latin America to war in the Middle East has uncovered an enormous reservoir of goodwill and affection for Israel, the Israelis and their cause.

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**VISITS WALL**—Former Prime Minister David Ben Gurion of Israel visits the Wailing Wall in the old city of Jerusalem. The Wall, all that remains of Solomon's Second Temple, is a holy place to Jews. Israelis had been denied the right to visit it from 1948 until the area fell to Israeli troops Wednesday.

# U.S. Fleet in Mediterranean Warns Trailing Soviet Ships

**ABOARD THE USS AMERICA IN THE MEDITERRANEAN, June 8 (UPI)**—A Soviet cruiser today joined other Russian warships shadowing U.S. 6th Fleet units in the eastern Mediterranean despite an earlier warning by the fleet commander to stop harassing American warships.

An authoritative source said the aircraft carrier USS America also made sonar contact with what may be a Soviet submarine spying on the Unit, Task Force 60 of the 6th Fleet.

Task Force destroyers tracked the underwater object with sonar for some time Wednesday night but made no positive identification, the source said.

The Soviet cruiser was reported eight miles off the port beam of the 77,600-ton America.

Vice Adm. W. I. Martin, the fleet commander whose flagship is the guided-missile light cruiser Little Rock, sent his warning to the Soviet guided-missile destroyer DDG 381.

Martin's warning was transmitted by both flashing lights and by voice in English and Russian. The Russians did not acknowledge the message.

The message was sent after the Soviet warship came within 150 yards of the American destroyer W. C. Lawe, which was in the Task Force formation.

The Russians have been playing a cat-and-mouse game with the 6th Fleet during the Middle East crisis. On several occasions, the DDG 381 has been forced to change its

course abruptly because of the Task Force's movements.

The Egyptians have claimed that two American carriers have been stationed only 20 miles off the coast of Israel, but the America and the carrier USS Saratoga have not been closer than a day's steaming—several hundred miles—away.

Top U.S. Navy officers aboard the America said they would welcome United Nations observers aboard their ship to prove that no U.S. warplanes were involved in air strikes against Egypt. The

Egyptians have charged that carrier-based U.S. planes aided the Israelis by attacking Egyptian positions.

It has been ascertained that no U.S. bombers or fighters overflew their practice missions in the eastern Mediterranean on Monday when the attacks were allegedly made. No jet warplanes have been launched off the America in the last 48 hours.

## Conference Delegates Named by Methodists

Delegates to the Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Church yesterday elected 12 of the 16 representatives they will send to next year's quadrennial General Conference of the denomination.

The Baltimore Annual Conference is made up of Methodist congregations in the District, Maryland west of the Susquehanna River and the West Virginia panhandle.

The delegation will be headed by the Rev. Edward G. Carroll, superintendent of the Washington Northwest District.

the national meeting, elected in the course of several ballots, were the Revs. Merrill W. Drennan, pastor-designate of Metropolitan Memorial Church, Washington; Edward H. Porter, superintendent of the Baltimore Northeast Dis-

trict; John Bailey Jones, pastor of Towson Church, and Marion S. Michael, superintendent of the Washington South District.

Lay delegates chosen were Everette Jones, Damascus, newly elected Conference lay leader; Mrs. Leighton Harrell, Hyattsville, Conference president of the Woman's Society; Carroll Beatty, College Park, a former Conference lay leader; Carroll Bristow, Baltimore, treasurer of the Conference; Thurman Dodson, Asbury Church, Washington; Stewart Patterson, Chevy Chase, a former Conference lay leader; and Hurst Anderson, president of American University.

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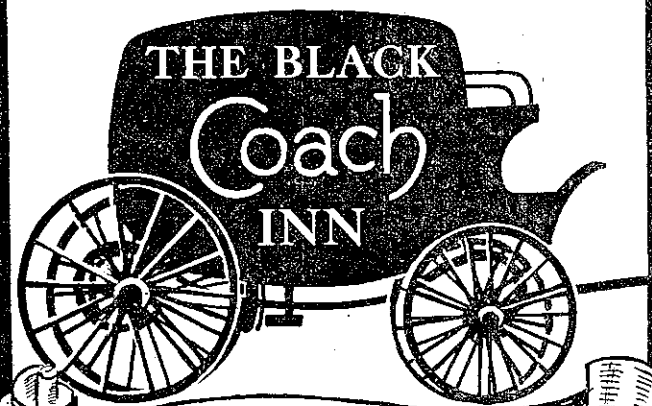
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...beginning the scenes role of the Soviet Union in the conflict received little overt official or press reaction in Latin America. In Buenos Aires, however, police broke up a demonstration by 300 anti-Communist youths outside the Soviet Embassy.

Russia has been trying hard in recent months to make more friends in South America with credits to Brazil and Uruguay and conclusion of a no-strings-attached deal with Chile in March.

**China**

PEKING—Huge columns of demonstrators accusing Britain of aggression in the Middle East war paraded outside the British charge d'affaires' office here, the second day of demonstrations.

They chanted pro-Arab slogans and condemned Britain, the United States, Israel and Russia.

The occasion was also used to renew the campaign against Britain over the recent Hong Kong rioting.

**Belgium**

BRUSSELS — Some 15,000 Belgians tonight marched in disciplined procession through this capital's streets to proclaim support for Israel.

They were led by Belgian political figures including former Foreign Minister Paul Henri Spaak and former Premier Gaston Eyskens.

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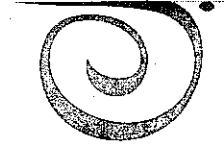
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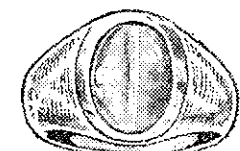
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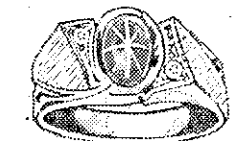
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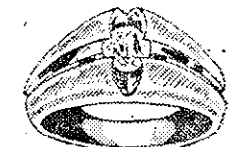
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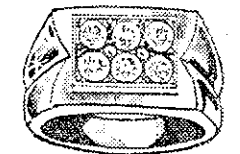
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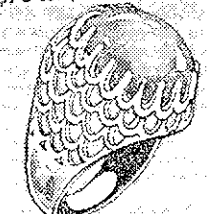


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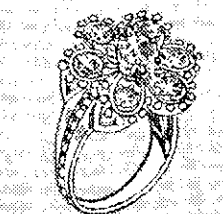


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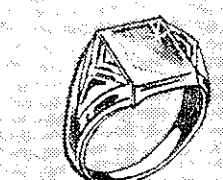


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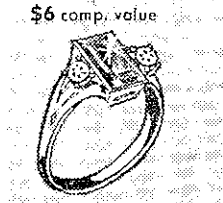
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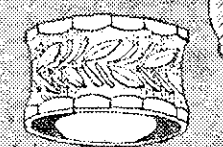


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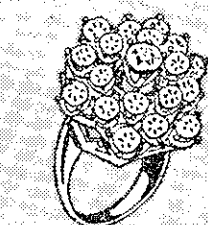
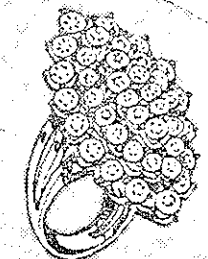
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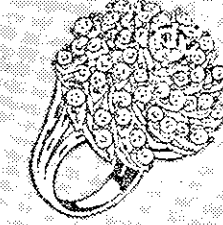
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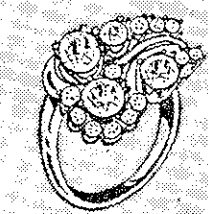
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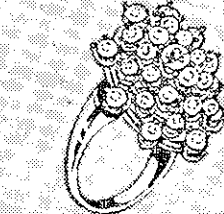
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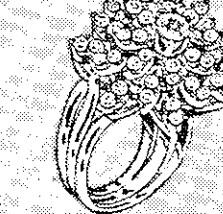
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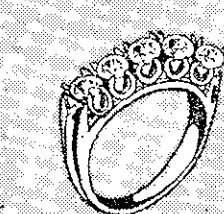
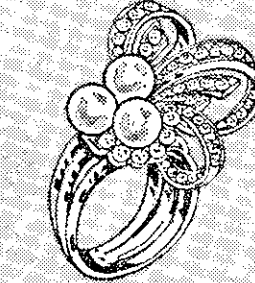
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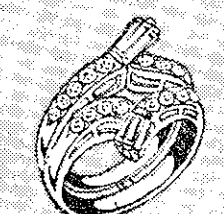
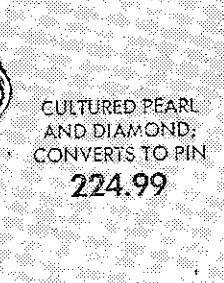
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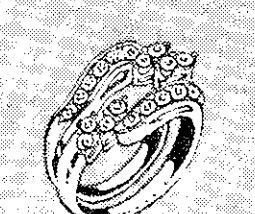
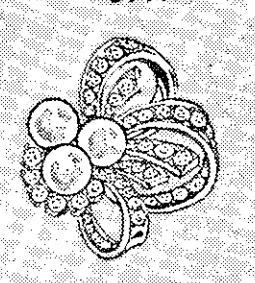
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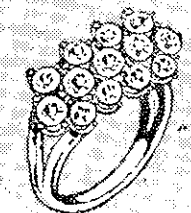
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The immediate diplomatic question now is whether the Washington-Moscow parallelism employed to stop the shooting can provide a basis for fully resolving the crisis and, more ambitiously, to help build durable peace in the Middle East.

A longer-range question is whether the parallelism displayed during the crisis will help Washington and Moscow on other East-West issues, despite, or including, the war in Vietnam.

Christian said at the White House that the "hot line" was first employed on Monday when Premier Kosygin inaugurated its use in the crisis as "the Soviet Union forwarded messages to this country."

"They were responded to on the same day," said Christian.

That was the day the shooting broke out. Christian offered no information

on the substance of Kosygin's first message. But it was that day that the Israeli air force stunned the world with its shattering blows against combined Arab airpower, which is primarily built on Soviet-supplied aircraft.

Since then, said Christian, "there have been a number of exchanges" this week over the Washington-Moscow teletype circuit.

The "hot line" was installed on August 30, 1963, as a result of the 1962 missile crisis, in which the threat of American-Soviet nuclear war aroused leaders of both nations to the danger of depending on normal communication methods in an age when national survival may depend on minutes.

Until the Middle East crisis this week, Christian said, the "hot line," which provides almost-instantaneous communications in English and Russian, was used only for testing or ceremonial purposes.

The teletype equipment itself is located in the Pentagon, with an instant relay to the White House. One great advantage, beside the speed of direct transmission, is time saved by automatic coding and decoding and the messages can be quickly scanned in both capitals by English-Russian readers.

A French government spokesman disclosed on Wednesday that the French-

Soviet "hot line," set up between Paris and Moscow last November, has been used twice during the Middle East crisis for communications between President de Gaulle and Premier Kosygin. Their exchanges similarly began last Monday and there was another on Tuesday, the spokesman said.



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NATIONS—From Page A1

# Egypt Accepts Truce

nounced Syria's acceptance. Israel had agreed to the original call of the Security Council on condition that the Arab states also accept. An Israel-Jordan cease-fire took effect yesterday.]

But Jordanian Ambassador Mohammed el-Farra told the Security Council after Eban spoke that Israel is continuing to attack Jordan.

"Israeli invaders continue to defy United Nations authority. They continue to defy two cease-fire resolutions," he charged.

Egypt's announcement relayed to Thant by Ambassador Mohamed el-Kony took the Council completely by surprise. Only two hours before, el-Kony and other Arabs reportedly were talking of continued rejection of a cease-fire.

The announcement did not mention Israel by name. Egypt accepts, it said, "on the condition that the other party ceases the fire."

No one was more obviously surprised than Soviet Ambassador Nikolai Fedorenko, who was preparing to speak on a Soviet resolution condemning Israel for not complying with the cease-fire and demanding withdrawal to the original armistice lines.

Fedorenko at first took no notice of the Egyptian decision to quit. His only indirect acknowledgement came at the close of the session when he asserted that "Israel has succeeded in trampling the soil of foreign lands with American boots."

One purpose of Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg in presenting the American resolution was to fend off the Soviet move for a unilateral condem-

nation of Israel. But the Russians got their text in first, which may mean that it will come to a vote first when the Council reconvenes Friday afternoon.

What distinguishes the new U.S. resolution from previous cease-fire efforts is that it calls for discussions of "withdrawal and disengagement, the maintenance of vital international rights, and the establishment of a stable and durable peace in the Middle East."

In effect, this is a recognition that it would be unrealistic now to try to return to the status quo before the withdrawal of the United Nations Emergency Force, Egyptian closure of the Gulf of Aqaba and the final outbreak of fighting on Monday.

Thus the resolution could open the door for efforts to internationalize the Gulf of Aqaba. A conference could also include discussion of the status of the Palestine refugees, whose unsatisfied claims have long been a major Arab complaint against Israel.

"Our purpose," Goldberg told the Security Council, "is to provide for movement toward the final settlement of all outstanding questions between the parties which the U.N. envisaged nearly 20 years ago. And I should like to emphasize that when we say all questions, all outstanding questions, we mean all."

Another unstated objective is to bring pressure on Israel lest the exultation of victory lead her to overstep and create problems that would continue to plague the area.

Some concern is voiced privately that Eban has said nothing about eventual with-

drawal or any role for the United Nations in the establishment or maintenance of peace. He has stressed direct relations between Israel and her neighbors, but there is no indication the neighbors will agree.

[United Press International reported that Eban, talking later with reporters at Kennedy International Airport, said that Mideast peace terms must be hammered out "in direct negotiations between Israel and the Arab states."

"I think that the time has arrived for the states in the region to assert their sovereign capability to arrange their own affairs," he said.]

Under the U.S. resolution, the President of the Security Council and the Secretary General are requested to take immediate steps to assure compliance with the cease-fire and to report to the Council within 24 hours after passage. In effect, this superceded a Canadian resolution introduced yesterday.

A two-stage operation is envisaged—first a cease-fire, and then discussion which would lead to a peace conference and general settlement in the area. The Secretary General is expected to lend assistance for such discussions.

After presenting the resolution, Goldberg expressed dismay at the Israeli torpedoing of an American communications ship in the Mediterranean and asked "vigorous steps to ensure that it is not repeated." Eban apologized profusely for the incident.

British Ambassador Lord Caradon welcomed the Egyptian acceptance of the cease-fire, not as a victory in the



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AT U.N.—Soviet Ambassador Nikolai T. Fedorenko, left, and U.S. Ambassador Goldberg at emergency session of United Nations, where Egypt accepted cease-fire.

conflict between the Arabs and Israel or in the cold war, but as "a success, I am glad to say, for the United Nations."

But there was not universal rejoicing. Jordanian Ambassador el-Farra complained that some members feel that "only through force and humiliation would the Arabs make peace."

"Let me tell the patrons and protectors of Israel that they are grossly mistaken," El-Farra declared. "They do not understand the Arab mind."

Other Arab partisans had been saying earlier that Israel must withdraw to the original borders and virtually apologize for "aggression" before the Arabs would stop fighting.

Otherwise, they threatened, there would be a long guerrilla war designed to bleed Israel.

# Attempt to Kill Bohlen Is Thwarted in Paris

By Waverley Root  
Washington Post Foreign Service

PARIS, June 8 — An allegedly unbalanced Polish immigrant made an ineffectual attempt yesterday to assassinate American Ambassador Charles E. Bohlen, but was stopped before he could get started.

The American Embassy hushed up the story yesterday, but the French police reported it today.

Bohlen was leaving his residence for the American Embassy at 9:15 a.m. and, as his car emerged from the courtyard and slowly crossed the sidewalk, a man stepped up to it and seized the door handle. Before he could turn it, a policeman regularly posted there seized him and Bohlen's chauffeur sped away.

The arrested man had a knife with a ten-inch blade in his pocket.

"I was thinking of killing the Ambassador," police said.

he told them, but he could give no motive. Papers in his possession identified him as Maurice Gordon, born in 1908 at Lodz, Poland. It was later established that he was formerly a naturalized American but had relinquished his citizenship. Police believe Gordon is the same man who was seen loitering dazedly in the vicinity of the American Ambassador's residence the night before, muttering incoherently to himself. He was charged with attempted homicide and will be submitted to psychiatric examination.

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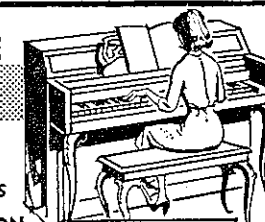
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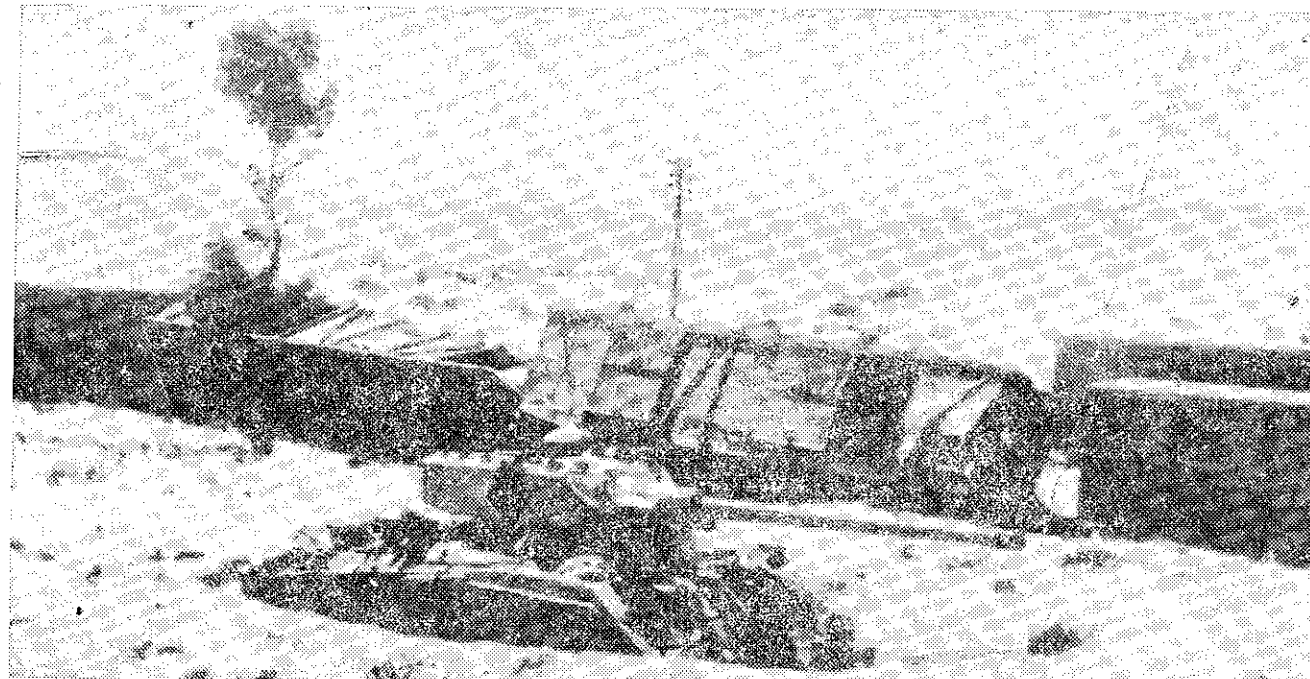
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**SPOILS OF WAR**—The last train from Cairo, after the Israeli lightning armored strike into Egypt, lies derailed next to an abandoned and dug-in Egyptian tank in the desert. The photo was made Wednesday by Israeli army.

**Letter to Mansfield**

**LBJ Hails Cease-Fire As Step Toward Peace**

United Press International

President Johnson said yesterday that Egypt's acceptance of a cease-fire in the Mideast brought peace making for the region to "the edge of progress."

The presidential assessment came in a letter to Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, who asked for a White House analysis of the situation during a meeting earlier yesterday.

Mr. Johnson said "while this letter was in the typewriter I learned of the announcement . . . that the United Arab Republic accepts the cease-fire resolutions subject only to acceptance by Israel.

"Thus we seem at the edge of progress in the direction this letter indicates."

Mr. Johnson said in the letter that he hopes the cease-fire would prompt new efforts in the Middle East for nations to "find new ways to work out their differences with each other by the means of peace, and in accordance with the charter of the United Nations."

Sen. Robert F. Kennedy (D-N.Y.) said yesterday that Secretary of State Dean Rusk has promised to provide Israel with whatever food or economic aid it needs pending a final peace settlement in the

to all international waterways. Sen. Edward W. Brooke yesterday blamed the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union in large part for the war in the Middle East.

He said the "so-called power nations in the world have been using the smaller nations for their own purposes. We've given economic assistance and we've given arms, and Russia has too, all in the name of the ideological fight."

Brooke called for:

- An agreement that neither of the big powers send arms to any nation in the Middle East.
- The establishment of borders between the nations involved with all the great powers agreeing to protect the territorial sovereignty of any nation.
- Economic assistance to both sides.



United Press International

**BURDENED** — This young unidentified American boy looks inquiringly into terminal at Yesilkoy airport in Istanbul yesterday. He is one of thousands of American nationals evacuated from war zones in the Middle East. From Istanbul, the evacuees are being flown to the United States and to points in Europe.

**Volunteers Sought to Aid Job Corps**

By Carol Honsa  
Washington Post Staff Writer

Federal antipoverty officials yesterday opened a drive here to recruit hundreds of volun-

ice organization, and church leaders. "I guess most of you people know the kind of jobs they get for Job Corpsmen," said Dug-

VIETNAM—From A1

**U.S. Losses In Vietnam Decrease**

rines probed jungle hills in the northwest corner of South Vietnam for renewed contact with enemy units after a hot firefight Wednesday near Khe-sanh.

At least 63 North Vietnamese were killed when a Marine company of about 150 men tangled with two enemy companies near Hill 881 South, the scene of heavy fighting last month. Marine casualties were 18 killed and 27 wounded.

In the Mekong Delta, a U.S. Special Forces detachment and Vietnamese irregulars flushed about 100 guerrillas 5 miles southwest of Saigon. The U.S. Command reported they killed 33 and captured five, while their own losses were light.

A bombardment by U.S. Navy jets sent numerous North Vietnamese surface-to-air missiles snaking aimlessly about like fireworks at a forest base 50 miles southwest of Hanoi, pilots said Thursday.

Nine missile carriers, all loaded, and a radar van also were reported destroyed in the raid Wednesday on the SAM base, which was detected by a Navy photo interpreter studying reconnaissance photographs.

[The Los Angeles Times reported that a kerosene-buying panic swept Saigon Thursday as a by-product of the Mideast war. Householders who depend on imported kerosene for cooking and heating water cleaned out small neighborhood shops and then lined up outside service stations.]

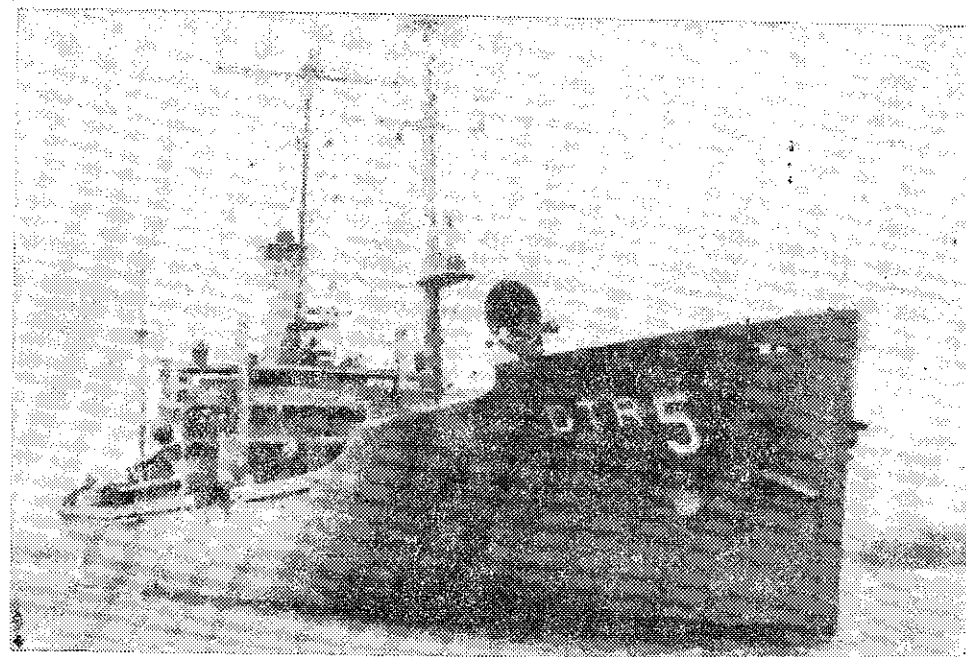
**U.S. Officer Acquitted In Viet Civilian's Death**

PHUBAI, South Vietnam, June 8 (AP)—A U.S. general court-martial acquitted 2d Lt. David Yorck, 23, on Thursday of a charge of premeditated murder in the death of a Vietnamese civilian taken prisoner by his Marine platoon.

When the verdict declaring him innocent was read, Yorck was embraced by his father, David Yorck of Port Washington, N.Y., who had flown to Vietnam to be with him during the trial.

The Vietnamese was killed by shotgun blasts sometime after being picked up by Yorck's platoon as a Vietcong suspect northwest of Hue on March 29.

A member of the platoon, Sgt. Charles D. Wilkerson, 23, of Houston, Tex., was convicted May 18 of firing the fatal shots and was sentenced to life imprisonment.



Associated Press

The USS Liberty, which was attacked by Israeli planes and torpedo boats.

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**10 Die as Israelis Attack U.S. Ship; Envoy Here Apologizes for Mistake**

reported in no danger of sinking, but it suffered such extensive damage that it will have to be put in dry dock for repairs.

The Pentagon said that 20 of the 100 wounded men were in serious condition from the strafing and the torpedo runs.

The incident caused the first American military casualties in the Arab-Israeli war. Three American newsmen have been killed.

Two U.S. destroyers left their positions off Crete, 400 miles from the scent of the attack, to assist the Liberty, which steamed north to meet them at a speed of eight knots.

[Cairo Radio said last night the Israeli attack on the ship "proves that the American aggression against the Arabs has become overt." The Associated Press reported.]

Secretary of State Dean Rusk received an emergency call about the attack yesterday morning while meeting members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Rumors flashed through Washington that a U.S. destroyer had been sunk, heightening fears that the war would spread.

An hour and a half later, Goulding made the first announcement of the nature of the attack. He said the Israeli government informed Capitol Hill. He told the Senators a communications ship had been hit, sources said, and the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv of the "error by Israeli forces" and apologized.

as to how the mistake happened, but an Israeli source pointed out later that Egyptian ships operating in the same area shelled the Israeli coast Wednesday, heightening tension in the Israeli Navy.

Rusk called Israeli Ambassador Avraham Harman to his office and delivered an oral protest. Harman apologized, repeated the Israeli government explanation that it had been a mistake, and gave requested assurance that measures would be taken to prevent a repetition.

Israeli sources said the question of compensation was not raised. At the United Nations, Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban added his regret for the "tragic and accidental error."

The Pentagon said the Liberty's displacement is 11,500 tons and its length, 400 feet. It carried a crew of 15 officers, 270 enlisted men and three civilian technicians. It also carried the latest electronic communications equipment.

Defense officials said its assignment was to "assure communications between U.S. Government posts in the Middle East and to assist in relaying information concerning the evacuation of . . . American citizens."

But the real mission of the Liberty almost certainly went beyond that. Its basic military function is electronic eavesdropping — what specialists call a "ferret."

Such ships have equipment for listening in on coded military communications and radar signals. They usually record

on tape and then send them to a cryptography center to break the code. The Liberty, however, was equipped with computers to do its own decoding.

It is a mystery why the Liberty got so close to the Middle East battle area, risking having its cover blown by even an accidental attack.

The Navy declined to elaborate on the Liberty's basic mission. It said the ship was equipped "to conduct technical research" in support of such projects as "electromagnetic propagation studies."

Of course the Liberty could do perfectly innocent communications with its radio gear.

The ship left its home port of Norfolk, Va., in November for its fourth tour of duty with the 6th Fleet, and went to the eastern Mediterranean from Rota, Spain, on June 2—three days before fighting started.

**CORRECTION**  
Inadvertently an incorrect listing appeared for the below item in our ad in this newspaper on Thursday, June 8. The correct listing appears below.

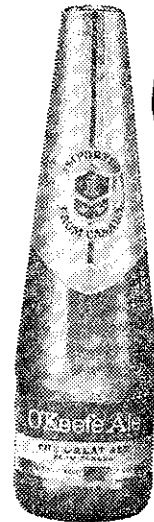
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urged that Americans "hold out our hand of friendship to the Arab peoples" while working for a just and secure peace in the long-troubled area.

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Eugene Dugger, 18, of Washington, and Leroy Costley, 19, of Baltimore, both graduates of the Camp Kilmer, N.J. Job Corps Center, said Corpsmen need backup help while adjusting to a full-time job and a new environment.

The program's Mid-Atlantic regional office here at 1200 18th st. nw. will be headquarters for an estimated 1500 volunteers aiding Job Corps returnees in Washington and the seven-state region.

While the U.S. Employment Service offices will continue actual job placement work with the returnees, the volunteers will give such personal help as telling the trainees how to get to them and to job interviews by bus, helping them find suitable housing and recreation, steering them to community agencies and services, and helping them with money management.

Dugger, now an administrative aide with Howard University's Institute of Youth Studies, was critical of USES services to Corpsmen. He spoke to a conference of business, serv-

diswashers and short-term laborers. "Corpsmen really don't want these."

Carlton Kear, regional Job Corps placement director, said about half the returning trainees are successfully placed in jobs. Of the 8153 Corpsmen who have returned or are



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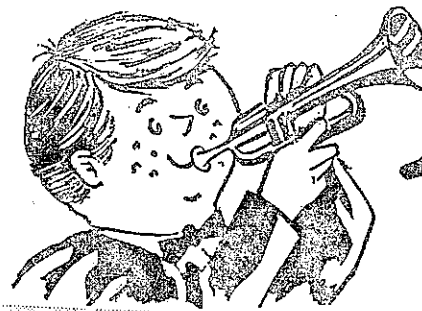
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Moscow's Mideast policy is wavering. So eager to displace Western influence was the Soviet Union that it gave its Arab clients massive arms, the stuff of their dreams, thereby emboldening them to ignore the Soviet counsel of restraint. Then, having enabled these clients to act on their unwise impulses, Moscow abandoned them at their moment of greatest military need. Those who believe in peace can despair that the Russians fed the Mideast's ugly spirals of arms and emotion; they can be relieved that, just before the point of no return, the Russians chose discretion over valor and let their clients down.

The Chinese will surely take note of these new inroads on Moscow's reputation as a friend in need. There are other losses. The Soviet "Sixth Fleet" in the Mediterranean looked ominous and powerful a week ago. Today it stands revealed as a force which singularly failed to project an image of Soviet power. The budget makers must wonder where that billion rubles' worth of arms to Arabs went. Perhaps they hope to make some of it back selling oil to the Arabs' erstwhile oil customers in Europe; it would not be the first time Moscow made money out of its friends' travail.

The prime effect of the debacle in Moscow must be, however, to fuel the long-burning internal argument on how to deal with the third world. Certainly those who would limit outlays, expectations and risks have been given powerful ammunition. The first requirement of Soviet third-world policy has always been that it not lead near a Soviet-American showdown; this requirement was breached in the Mideast. The second requirement has been that the policy succeed in its own terms of harming the West and helping the East. Western interests have been hurt in the crisis but Soviet interests have been damaged too. Soviet policy is, quite certainly, ripe for review.

The United States cannot realistically expect the Soviet Union to drop out of the Middle East, if only because the Soviet Union is a great power with the means and will to play a role there. It follows that Washington must attempt to enlist Soviet tolerance or cooperation, rather than antagonism, in the Mideast. To do otherwise would be to invite considerably more trouble than will come anyway. Such an approach, we note, would limit official American recrimination over the Soviet part in the current crisis.

The consultations which led the two powers to the Security Council ceasefire appeal illustrate one line of cooperation. This line must be kept open, and widened. Only through it can there come a start toward a broad-gauge regional settlement. Political consultation must take place not just when war flares and confrontation looms but at regular occasions of Soviet-American interaction with the region. Only by imparting order to their competition can Moscow and Washington keep it within safe bounds.

The second line of Soviet-American cooperation must center on development. The arm of Soviet policy supporting the Aswan Dam must be recognized and encouraged by the United States. Without that support, the regional backwardness the

man's search for the fruits and instrumentalities of crime . . . But we cannot agree that the Fourth Amendment interests at stake in these inspection cases are merely 'peripheral.' It is surely anomalous to say that the individual and his private property are fully protected by the Fourth Amendment only when the individual is suspected of criminal behavior."

It is no doubt very true, as the dissenters contend, that resistance to routine inspections may become a nuisance to municipal agencies and that magistrates may issue warrants authorizing them more or less routinely. Nevertheless, the procedure affords a safeguard against arbitrariness which ought not to be abandoned; and it accords an appropriate respect to the great concept that a man's home is his castle.

## The Job Ahead

For the United States, and perhaps even for all concerned, the toughest part of the Middle East crisis, very likely lies ahead. If the war has been bloody, it has at least been brief. By contrast, the making of a durable peace between Israel and the Arabs promises to be a long, tough job.

That being the prospect, the President was well advised to lift the problem out of the ordinary bureaucratic processes by establishing a special committee of the National Security Council to manage our efforts and to recall McGeorge Bundy to service as its executive secretary. Though the committee will be chaired by Secretary Rusk and is made up of other high officials who would be deeply involved in the process anyway, it will be strengthened by the addition of at least one experienced outsider, Clark Clifford. Mr. Bundy will bring to it the special experience of a man who has served this administration (as well as that of President Kennedy) and probably knows as much as anybody about where the levers are and how to make the machinery work efficiently.

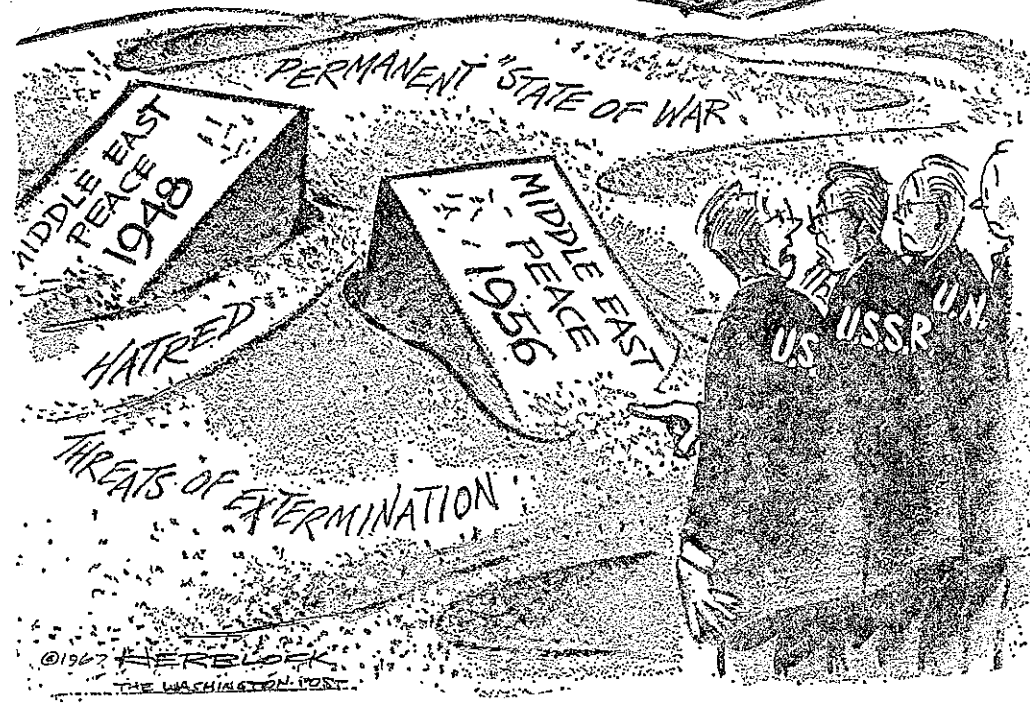
He and the others assigned this arduous task will need other talents and attributes: patience and a high degree of even-handedness; a willingness to resist domestic political pressures; a readiness to take a long view of the fundamental interest of all concerned, rather than rushing to patch together a superficial settlement.

Israel deserves something better than a security arrangement which rests, in the last analysis, on going it alone. Arab frustrations require some more constructive outlet than the venting of old hatred, artificially inflamed.

It is not too much to expect that, this time, those larger powers which claim to be the custodians of peace will tackle the problem in all of its tormenting complexities. For it is the seizing of loose ends—whether shipping rights, or the refugees, or disputed frontiers, or the sharing of water—which starts the unravelling that leads to war.

The dimensions of the job ahead, and the importance of this country's role in it, are more than enough to justify something more than a bureaucracy-as-usual approach.

"This Time, How About A Solid Foundation?"



## Defense Structure: A Big Controversy

By Marquis Childs

United Feature Syndicate

SHORTLY BEFORE the Mideast crisis flared into war, a critical Senator questioned Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara about the peril of "another Vietnam" and the lack of available reserves. McNamara responded with more than his customary cool assurance. Nonsense, he said, there is no such lack. In typical McNamara fashion he proceeded to tick off the uncommitted reserves that could be sent to the Mideast should the need arise. These ready reserves are in addition to the 250,000 American troops in Germany and the 445,000 in Vietnam.

The Secretary bases a lot of his calm, cool confidence on what has been done during the nearly six and a half years of his overlordship in the Pentagon in increasing the ready reserves. The increase is not merely in numbers but in the ability to fly ready forces to any given point in the globe.

AS CRISIS piles on crisis the Secretary's cool is even more conspicuous in the frenetic atmosphere of meeting following upon meeting. Behind the big desk in the office that looks out across the Potomac and to the Capitol beyond he is a kind of admiral of the seven seas. The controls are in the top-secret documents so neatly arrayed and in the posture statement—the compilation of aims, objectives, capabilities—put together each year that becomes the Defense Department's bible until it is replaced by another thick volume.

While his close friends intimate from time to time that he has reservations about the escalation of the Vietnam war there is not the slightest evidence of this in his public front. His unflappability is, above all, in his own conviction of the consistent course he charts. Despite interpretations—misinterpretations, he would say—that he has changed his position on the antiballistic missile, he sees no change in what he put in the posture statement.

Since this is the biggest controversy in the whole vast defense structure, it is well to try to clarify the Secretary's position. He opposed in January and continues to oppose a broad plan to protect American cities from a massive Soviet missile attack. He shows by complex calculation and computerization to his own satisfaction, and to the satisfaction of an increasing number of his critics on Capitol Hill, that this is an impossibility.

It is also an impossibility for the Soviets to protect their cities from an American retaliatory strike. Therefore, in the McNamara view, an agreement between the two nuclear giants to forgo building an antiballistic missile system is not essential. Such an agreement might be desirable as part of a broad relaxation of tensions. But the ABM system being built around Moscow has no significance in the over-all context of the relative strength of the two powers.

BUT McNAMARA is coming around to the view that a thin missile defense system as a protection against Red China's nuclear potential in the mid-'70s may be necessary. While there is nothing in the budget for the next fiscal year for this purpose, the Secretary is

## Letters to the Editor

### Neutrality Footnote

When Mr. McCloskey, spokesman for the administration, says that America is neutral "in thought, word and deed" in the Middle East war he borrows words from that beautiful penitential prayer, The Confiteor, the language of which immediately continues thusly: "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault . . ."

P. F. X. MCGUCKEN.  
Emmitsburg, Md.

### "Accept This State"

The Washington Post's editorials on the current Israeli-Arab crisis have, unfortunately, echoed the tendency of much of our media to view the crisis in an unobjective, pro-Israeli fashion in presentation

and need not fear, i.e., a just peace. There is no justice in an Israel attempting to recruit American Jews while rejecting those who were born and raised in Palestine. Such a Zionist Israel cannot and should not be accepted by Arabs, and in all honesty, few Americans, if in the position of the Arabs, would accept such a state.

Essentially this is American policy. In 1954 Assistant Secretary of State Henry Byroade stated:

"To the Israelis I say that you should come to truly look upon yourselves as a Middle Eastern State and see your own future in that context rather than as a headquarters, or nucleus so to speak, of worldwide groupings of peoples of a particular religious faith who must have

### On Firearms

Your editorial page June 7 referring to misuse of firearms adds:

"It is, of course, impossible to say whether the sniper had armed himself in response to the recent editorial suggestion in *The American Rifleman*, official organ of the NRA, that citizens acquire firearms and form civilian posses in order to provide a potential community stabilizer against urban rioting."

It is entirely possible for anyone with a sense of accuracy and truth to say that the sniper could not have armed himself in response to *The American Rifleman*, because *The American Rifleman* never urged citizens to "acquire firearms and form civilian posses." The only publicity of this nature has emanated

mount.

The Soviet Union's contribution to mischief in the Mideast is evident. So is its interest in not being dragged by the Mideast into a great war. What remains to be asserted in Moscow, and encouraged by Washington, is an interest in bringing progress and peace.

## American Casualties

Loss of American lives, injury of American sailors and damage to an American vessel, in consequence of an attack by Israeli planes and torpedo boats, must disturb and depress the whole country. These Americans, like the Indian and Brazilian soldiers killed by Israeli gunfire ashore, are the innocent victims of a war in which they have had no part.

War has its calamities for bystanders as well as participants and no country can be more aware of it than a nation which itself has had to prosecute military actions in the midst of noncombatants. Israel has made a prompt and complete apology, but this, of course, cannot restore the lives of the dead or make whole the wounded. Americans will wish to have, and are entitled to have, a more complete explanation, from Israel and from their own government.

## Inspections

Municipalities are required in the interest of the public health and safety to make numerous routine building inspections to determine whether local health, housing and fire prevention regulations are being observed. Just eight years ago the Supreme Court ruled by a five-to-four division that such inspections could be made without a search warrant over the objections of the owner or occupant of a dwelling place. On Monday, the Court reversed itself, ruling that such administrative searches are significant intrusions upon the privacy protected by the Fourth Amendment and therefore must have the prior approval of a judicial officer if resisted by the owner or occupant of the premises to be inspected. The division of the Court on this occasion was six to three.

The rationale of the Court eight years ago and of the dissenters on Monday was basically that inspections of the kind under consideration were civil rather than criminal in character. It is hard to see, however, that their invasion of privacy is any the less on that account. The essential purpose of the Fourth Amendment was to make the people of the United States secure in their house against unreasonable intrusions by public officials. Generally speaking, of course, inspections for compliance with local health and safety codes are entirely reasonable; and generally speaking homeowners and occupants will regard them in this light and submit to them cooperatively. But in the occasional situation when the homeowner or occupant objects, it seems to us that the reasonableness of the search ought to be determined by a disinterested judicial authority.

Writing for the Court, Mr. Justice White observed: "We may agree that a routine inspection of the physical condition of private property is a less hostile intrusion than the typical police-

Readers of a letter from the editor of *The American Rifleman* published elsewhere on this page today may wish to judge for themselves whether this newspaper was justified in characterizing an editorial in the official organ of the National Rifle Association as a "suggestion" that "citizens acquire firearms and form civilian posses in order to provide a potential community stabilizer against urban rioting." Here is what *The American Rifleman* said in an editorial in its May, 1967, issue:

Mob action on a scale unprecedented in the modern United States has ravaged community after community in recent years. . . . With home-front safeguards spotty and uncertain, the armed citizen represents a potential community stabilizer. His support of law and order, whether as a civilian member of the *posse comitatus* or as one of the unorganized militia, defined as "the whole body of able-bodied male citizens," could prove essential.

If this is not a "suggestion" that it would be desirable for citizens to arm themselves and join hands against rioters, what in the world is it trying to say? The editorial, by the way, is titled: "Who Guards America's Homes?" In the very same issue of *The American Rifleman*, moreover, there is an article on the "Best" Firearms for Home Defense, and another article on "Teaching Women Defensive Pistol Shooting."

The editor of *The American Rifleman* is equally wide of the mark, we think, in asserting that the NRA favors keeping firearms from undesirables. The NRA has persistently opposed legislation which would put an end to the mail-order gun business; it has persistently opposed registration of firearms; it has persistently opposed a police permit system for the possession of pistols. These are measures which the President's Crime Commission recommends as essential to effective gun control. If the NRA has abated its opposition to any of them, we should be glad to know of it—and to welcome them on the side of sanity.

## Debt Limit Defeat

The defeat in the House of the Administration's bill to raise the national debt limit from \$336 to \$365 billion is a disquieting sign. It is the first time in a decade that Mr. Wilbur D. Mills, the venerated chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, has suffered a defeat on the floor. And the fact the Northern Democrats, who oppose the conduct of the war in Vietnam, joined Republicans and Southern Democrats who oppose the domestic welfare programs, suggests the further weakening of the Democratic leadership.

Voting against the lifting of the debt ceiling is a time-honored—and politically painless—means of protesting against the rapid growth of Federal expenditures. But it is also disingenuous inasmuch as those who vote against higher debt often lack the courage to vote against the appropriations that make higher debt ceilings necessary.

Irrespective of what happens to the proposal for levying an income tax surcharge, the current debt ceiling must be raised. And the Administration, having suffered an unfortunate defeat, has little choice but to shape a compromise measure that will fit the temper of the House.

Aqaba, Egypt desires to return the status of the Gulf to the situation prior to Israel's aggression of 1956, Israel claims she withdrew on condition that America guarantee Israel access to the Gulf of Aqaba. However, President Eisenhower, on Nation-wide TV Feb. 20, 1957, asked "Should a nation which attacks and occupies foreign territory in the face of United Nations disapproval be allowed to impose conditions on its withdrawal?" Eisenhower made it clear this should not be the case. So did Ambassador Lodge; so did Secretary-General Hamarskjold; so did the U.N. resolutions demanding immediate Israeli withdrawal. Hamarskjold stated (Jan. 25, 1957) that the Emergency Force at the Strait of Tiran would not be used "so as to prejudice the solution of the controversial questions involved." Two U.N. resolutions passed overwhelmingly on Feb. 2, 1957, called upon Israel to withdraw immediately, envisioned the placing of U.N. troops on both sides of the Armistice Demarcation Line (as U Thant has observed) and called on both sides to observe the 1949 Armistice. The resolutions had in mind no conditions desired by Israel. Any private assurance Dulles gave Israel that America would guarantee Israeli access to the Gulf of Aqaba should not have been given in light of Israel's aggression, was contradicted by our President and should not be allowed to rationalize the use of force outside the U.N. to restore a situation Israel achieved by aggression in the first place. Subsequently, Israel refused to allow U.N. troops on her side of the Armistice Demarcation Line (no "borders" have yet been negotiated) and declared the Armistice dead.

More important, Israel has refused to abide by U.N. resolutions calling for the right of Palestine's refugees to return to Israel and for the internationalization of Jerusalem. The United States has voted yearly, since 1948, for the rights of the refugees. President Kennedy stated our support for the rights of the refugees in a letter to President Nasser.

If we are going to consider multilateral or U.N. action to enforce Israel's questionable legal right to free access to the Gulf of Aqaba, then in fairness we should press with equal vigor for Israel to obey the United Nations and World Law. Otherwise, we are asking of Arabs what we refuse to expect of Israel.

Our goal is Arab acceptance of an Israel they can respect

should accept this State of Israel as an accomplished fact."

Now it remains for us to follow our words with deeds—evenhandedly, across the board. Only then will the hands of both Israeli and Arab doves be strengthened; only then can America deal in good faith with both sides and help effect the compromises needed for a just peace.

EDMUND R. HANAUER.  
Washington.

## Homeland

For 2000 years, the Jews of the world have been driven from country to country in the diaspora, consoling themselves with the words of the Prophet, "If I forget thee, O mighty God with but one hope, Jerusalem, may my right hand forget its cunning."

Three times a day our pious ancestors turned their faces to the East and prayed to almighty God with but one hope, that someday the remnants of our people could return to their ancient homeland.

Nineteen years ago, the dream of centuries was finally realized and the pitifully few persons who escaped the gas chambers of Auschwitz and Buchenwald found a haven in a new Jewish homeland. For these 19 years, the Arab world has stood at our borders, menacing us with their arms, threatening us with economic discrimination and swearing on the holy Koran to drive us into the sea.

Today, the die has been cast. Israel, surrounded on all sides by its enemies, is fighting for its life against a new Hitler, who wishes to destroy it. Let Nasser beware. The remnants of our people will fight with the last drop of blood to protect the city of David and the homeland of our people.

Those of us who still live in the diaspora, will give of our worldly goods until it hurts. Our younger men will answer the call and stand by our brothers in Israel to protect its borders.

SIDNEY A. LEVY.  
Washington.

## Potable?

In return for more than a billion dollars in aid and foodstuffs that the United States has sent Mr. Nasser, Mr. Nasser has kindly thanked us by telling us to enjoy a long and full drink of sea water. Unfortunately, we now might find Russian warships in that particular beverage and that might make it even less palatable.

LYNNE SHPAK.  
Reisterstown, Md.

Los Angeles Times, and other newspapers, radio and television. Many of the latter have had the decency to admit that the original report erred. Among these have been the Denver Post, the San Francisco Examiner, and other respected newspapers. Even the New York Times, originator of the canard, admitted nine days later that it had "reported erroneously" in some respects. This was, of course, neatly buried inside the newspaper whereas the original mistake was on Page 1.

The final paragraph of your editorial this morning, asserting that "The NRA continues to befuddle Congress into allowing guns to be purchased at will by any crank or criminal, any juvenile or junkie, any hophead or hothead," is equally erroneous as many sane, honest people know. The NRA favors keeping firearms from the very undesirables that you list. Your own insistence on impractical firearms legislation has done much to delay any practical conclusion in this respect.

ASHLEY HALSEY, JR.,  
Editor, The American Rifleman.  
Washington.

## A Role for the U.N.

Whatever the role of any individual nation in the Mideast crisis ought to be, the proper role of the United Nations is clear. The United Nations is proud of the fact that forty of its members have been born, many with United Nations help, since its own creation in 1945; one of these nations is Israel. Since 1948 there have been many skirmishes with both sides to blame, but the antagonists' ultimate aims must be kept in mind: the dominant Arab countries have made plain their determination to destroy Israel, while there is no evidence that Israel harbors ultimate designs on Arab territory.

The role of the United Nations is to keep peace. Often this means simply mediation; but where one nation threatens to annihilate another, peace-keeping means protection. The League of Nations committed suicide in 1935 when its members abandoned principle for expediency and allowed Italy to conquer Ethiopia. If the United Nations allows Israel, its creation, to die, U.N. members—including the neutralists and anticolonialists—will have proved themselves as unprincipled and hypocritical as the "imperialists" of 1935. If that happens, the United Nations should and will die.

ARMAND DERFNER.  
Washington.

In short, he takes a less alarmist view than those who say that by the end of 1967 China will have 60 to 70 weapons, roughly equivalent to the bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and a capability of dropping those bombs on neighboring nations with only a slight modification of bombers now in Red China's air force.

Is the thin missile defense a foot in the door, as some critics have suggested, that will eventually mean a full-scale cities program? No, McNamara says emphatically. He is, of course, prepared to increase America's offensive missile capacity as intelligence reveals Soviet increases linked to what may or may not prove to be Moscow's determination to build a cities system.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff favor all three—the cities program, the thin system and a great step-up in offensive capacity. The difference in the McNamara price tag and that of the JCS is in the order of 10 to one—\$4 billion to \$40 billion.

In spite of initial fears of high-voltage emotionalism only the far-out right has sought to make the Secretary's stand on the ABM defense an issue. Unfortunately, McNamara has had to live down some unfortunate early prophecies on Vietnam. After one four-day visit to Saigon, carried away with the optimism of the current military command, he predicted American troops would begin to be withdrawn in 1965. Since those miscalculations his credibility record has been good. In his debate with the military, abetted by the extremist fringe, this record is standing him in good stead.

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# Matter of Fact . . . . . After the Great Victory

By Joseph Alsop

THE ISRAELIS' unaided victory—surely one of the greatest and most splendid feats of arms in modern history — has had the precise effect of a lightning flash on a pitch-dark night, luridly illuminating countless features of the landscape that had been invisible before.



Alsop

It is now clear, to begin with, that Gamal Abdel Nasser's true aim was not the mere blockade of the Gulf of Aqaba, but the actual destruction of the State of Israel. Here, clear evidence has been provided by "Battle Order No. 2" which was issued June 8 by the Egyptian army commander, Marshal Abdel Hakim Amer. Copies of this battle order were captured at the Egyptian forward headquarters at El Arish.

Hakim Amer's formal battle order did not specify the moment when operations were to begin. It can even be interpreted as meaning that the Egyptians expected a prior Israeli attack on Jordan, presumably on the assumption that the glorious might of Egypt would discourage an attack in Sinai. But the language leaves no doubt about the Egyptians' ultimate purposes:

"Accordingly," wrote Amer, "I have prepared my plans and given orders to prepare our operations. I call on each one of you to fight with the greatest strength and to fulfill the orders and directives within the framework of the over-all plan, in order that this command can gain its objectives. Our objective will be to destroy the principal armed forces of Israel. Our armed forces can do this with the tremendous resources at their disposal. I bless you all."

FROM THESE WORDS, it emerges all too plainly that the military hardware lavished on him by the Russians, had ended by persuading Gamal Abdel Nasser that he was another Saladin, instead of a rather shabby, shoddy imitation-Hitler. He was acting, in fact, in a state of intoxicated self-delusion.

rudely rescued by the Israeli counterattack.

The intoxication and the self-delusion moreover greatly aided the Israelis. For the key episode, on the very eve of the outbreak of war, was Nasser's lunatic decision to pull the linch-pin right out of the strong defensive position that his subordinate commanders had organized in Sinai.

Reliable reports indicate that Nasser was personally responsible for the thrust across the desert, toward the lower Negev region of Israel, by one of Egypt's two precious armored divisions, the Fourth. In the desert, in which a jackrabbit cannot move unobserved, this movement by a whole division was of course noted. The Israeli armor grimly lay in wait for the Egyptians.

So Nasser's 4th Division was abolished, almost at a stroke; and thus the collapse of the Egyptian army in Sinai began with startling swiftness. The collapse was in itself revealing, too, for it is a fashionable, virtuous theory that people fight better for "charismatic" leaders like Nasser than for "feudal" leaders like the late King Farouk. Yet in 1948, Farouk's army fought infinitely better than Nasser's army in 1967.

FINALLY, much has also been revealed concerning the peculiar relationship between Nasser and his Soviet friends and patrons. In the same captured battle order, already quoted, Abdel Hakim Amer assured his officers that the United States would not "enter the struggle by direct operations against Israel because of the aggressive stand of the Soviet Union, and the Soviet decision to intervene in the event of aggression by any power against the United Arab Republic."

From this one can only conclude that Nasser was deluded about the Soviets' real intentions, or was permitted, at a minimum, to delude himself that there would always be a Soviet rescue party if he ran into trouble. For you hardly promise Soviet intervention to your troops, unless you expect such intervention to occur in event of need.

To the Soviets and the world, finally, Nasser has been starkly revealed as what he really is and always

has been—a vicious mountebank, powerless except for his power of hatred, and above all powerless to give the wretched Egyptians, much less the Arabs of other lands, the serious leadership that they need so badly.

In the Kremlin, indeed, they must be looking at one another darkly, and asking pointedly, "Was it you, Kosygin, who proposed our investment of \$3 billion in arms for Nasser and for Arabs allied to him? Or was it you, Suslov, or you, Podgorny?"

Yet the stark showing up of Nasser, and the battered hulks of Russian armor now littering the Sinai Desert, do not mean that the Middle Eastern trouble is in any sense over. One may now hope it will end well; but one must wait and see, saying a prayer the while.

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# These Days . . . . .

By John Chamberlain

## Tale of Two Dropouts

I'VE JUST HEARD the dropout story to cap all dropout stories. It involves a double-barrelled narrative, with two happy endings where even one would have been remarkable.



Chamberlain

Dropout No. 1 was a factory worker from Meriden, Conn., named Charlie Byron. He had quit high school before graduation, and had puttered along getting nowhere until the U.S. Army grabbed him at age 31. Billeted at Torney General Hospital in Palm Springs, Calif., in 1943, with an uninspiring job as an orderly, Charlie started griping one day about his wasted life to a blind, one-armed and fifty per cent deaf patient named Leonard Shelhamer from North Caldwell, N.J. Shelhamer, who had been injured while working as a demolition crew member with the 79th Infantry Division at Camp Laguna, Ariz., when a mine

blew up, thought it odd that a man with perfect sight and hearing and two good arms should be quarreling with his fate. "If you think you're bad off," he told Charlie, "What about me? You can read."

The encounter led to a friendship, and, with some further prodding, Charlie Byron took advantage of his Army orderly off-hours to go back to high school. Eventually he was shipped to the China-Burma theater in the Far Pacific. He took a California high school diploma with him.

THE STORY of Charlie's education didn't stop there. I met him in Washington in 1945, when he came back from the war to marry the girl who happened to be my secretary. Charlie had an idea: he wanted to go in for physical training, but to get the sort of job he wanted in a good school he had first to get a college degree. Four years later he had one, and, not satisfied with that, he went on for his master's.



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# Industry Attacks, Labor Defends New Limit on Radiation in Mines

By J. V. Reistrup  
Washington Post Staff Writer

A congressional subcommittee yesterday heard the mining industry attack, and organized labor defend, a strict new Labor Department limit on the amount of radiation in underground uranium mines.

The order by Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz "emphatically establishes the employer as guilty unless he can prove himself innocent," Langen W. Swent told the radiation subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy.

"To place such a requirement on an industry in full knowledge that there are no technological means available for complying is manifestly unjust and improper."

Swent appeared on behalf of the American Mining Congress as well as Homestake Mining Co. and United Nuclear Corp., operators of a large New Mexico mining operation.

Another big company, Union Carbide, has asked that the Department consider revising the order.

Wirtz's order, which officially went into effect yesterday, was aimed at cutting the future toll of lung cancer among uranium miners. It sets a limit of 0.3 of a "working level" standard recommended a decade ago by the Public Health Service but still exceeded in most mines.

The order affects mines whose ore is sold to the Federal Government, still the biggest buyer. Violators can lose their contracts, although Wirtz has kept the option of allowing higher amounts of radiation during the next year and a half.

Labor union witnesses defended the order, although AFL-CIO economist George H. R. Taylor said the last paragraph was "somewhat unfortunate."

That paragraph says the

radiation limits "shall be deemed to have been exceeded" unless the mine operator's tests and records show that they weren't.

Taylor and James F. Doherty, an AFL-CIO legislative representative, supported a program that would set a limit of one working level by July 1, 1968, and 0.3 a year later.

Another labor witness, Anthony Mazzochi of the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers Union, also defended the Wirtz order. He prompted an angry exchange when he said, "There has been much talk but no action on any of the various issues which we have raised repeatedly before this committee."

Rep. Chet Holifield (D-

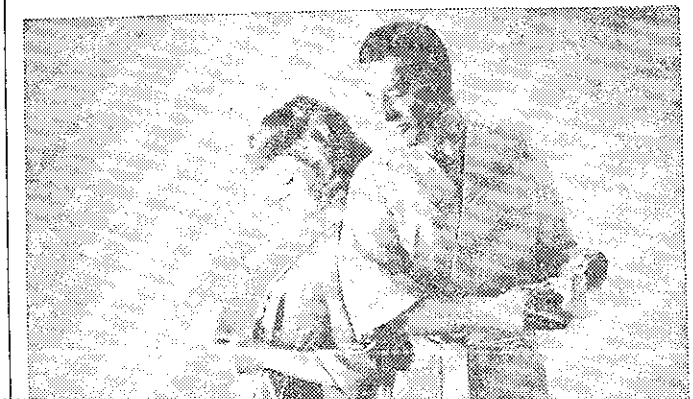
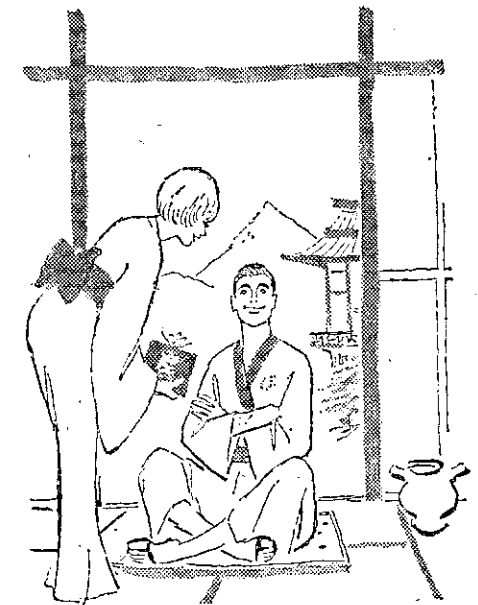
Calif.) replied that there had been constant improvements in radiation safety, costing millions of dollars.

Mazzochi said his organization had been "frustrated" in achieving radiation safety and argued that miners are dying.

Holifield said "maudlin sentimentality" didn't impress him and called Wirtz's order scientifically unsound.

Swent has sent a letter to Wirtz asking that he suspend his order or, failing that, exempt the Homestake-United Nuclear operation. Kerr-McGee Corp., another large uranium mining firm, has written Wirtz asking that he rescind his order and issue a revised version.

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An Israeli Settlement

IN PRIVATE TALKS here and at the United Nations, the eloquent Foreign Minister of Israel, Abba Eban, is repeatedly emphasizing that his government wants no interference from the Soviet Union in seeking a durable Arab-Israeli settlement.

Eban, in fact, makes few bones about the fact that no outside power—including the United States, which Israel feels let it down badly in the current crisis — is going to stand in the way of Israel's own interests now that its arms have carried the day so brilliantly.

What this means, then, is that Israel intends to work its own way toward regional stability. And that raises the paramount question of whether the Arab states will at long last begin to accept Israel's permanence some 20 years after it won independence.

The first miniscule glimmering of how Israel may go about arranging its own security system lies in the tortured indecision of Jordan's King Hussein the last two weeks.

Hussein despises Egypt's Gamal Abdel Nasser almost more than Israel and was saying privately just a month ago that he was ready to pull Jordan out of Nasser's Arab League. But when Nasser provoked the Middle East crisis, the King was forced by pressure from Palestinian Arabs inside Jordan to make an alliance with Cairo—thereby saving his throne and perhaps his head.

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Potomac Fever

By Jack Wilson

It looks as though the Arabs' magic carpet ran into headwinds on the way to Jerusalem. It may still come in handy, though, to sweep Nasser under.

The Egyptians have a perfect right to be mad at the United States. We gave them so much wheat that now they've got more people than they have room for.

Bobby Kennedy said in New York he wanted a Johnson-Humphrey ticket. For some reason he didn't say where to.

Psychiatrists think suicidal tendencies may be overcome. They've got one thing going for them — suicide is not believed to be habit forming.



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destroyed and its army humbled, Jordan cannot continue a hard line against Israel. The survival of both Hussein and his very nation hangs in the balance.

THUS, JORDAN, of all the neighboring Arab states, offers Israel the best target for the start of a new political arrangement.

Jordan has always wanted a port on the Mediterranean. Highly placed experts in Washington now believe that in exchange for permanent control of the divided city of Jerusalem, now totally in Israel's possession, Israel might well make a trade of a narrow corridor to the Mediterranean across the Negev Desert for Jordan.

Incredible as this idea sounds, it has credibility here among experts with close connections to Israel. They flatly predicted that in no case will Israel yield one inch of its new control over Jerusalem.

The point is that Jordan, with its close ties to the United States, might be persuaded to become the first neighboring Arab state to do business with Israel.

In confidential talks at the U.N., Eban actually speculated on the possibility of an Israeli-Jordanian deal—a breakthrough that would have electric repercussions throughout the Middle East.

But even before any such radical change is negotiated, the war has already drastically altered the Middle East. U.S. diplomats are convinced, for example, that the humiliating defeat of the Soviet Union in the last week will make Moscow hesitate before renewing its investment—both in weapons and in political influence—made there the past ten years.

MOSCOW'S REAL game was to use the Nasser-style "progressives" to subvert the Jordanian-style "royalists."

The war in Yemen, the riots in Aden as the British prepare to pull out, the efforts to subvert the royalists in Saudi Arabia are all Soviet designs to create chaos in the Middle East and destroy U.S. influence.

Nasser was Moscow's most

glittering client in the Middle East. Now that he is almost surely finished as a leader of the Arab World, without being rescued by the Soviets, Russian prestige is at a new low with the Arabs.

It is precisely this Soviet decline and chaotic breakup of Nasser's Arab coalition that give Israel its rare chance to maneuver on its own, without outside interference.

This is Israel's intention: It will not count on new guarantees by the United States, which are conveniently overlooked when most needed. It will not put its faith in United Nations emergency troops, conveniently withdrawn at the point of great danger.

These guarantees undoubtedly will be offered once again, and Israel will accept them. But they will be the superstructure. The foundation will be Israel's own military power, giving her a new opportunity to negotiate her own future. And the first place to watch, when Israel shifts from war to settlement, is Jordan.

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town of Meriden, he found his job as coach and director of physical education in Lincoln Junior High School. He and his wife Rae adopted two children who are not school dropouts; the son is a junior in college, the daughter is a National Honor student as a high school junior.

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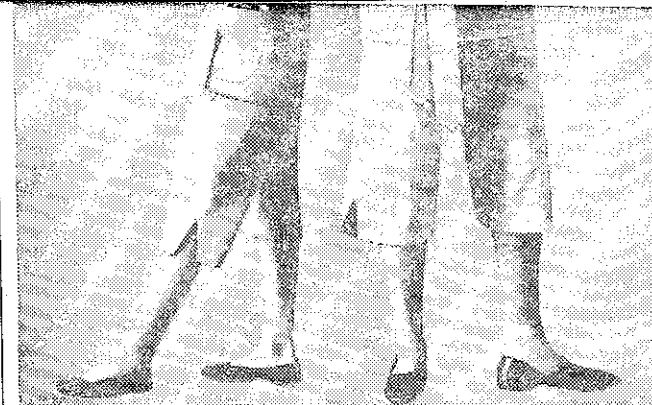
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