

Abdullah Talks About Compromise on Palestine

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AMMAN, Trans-Jordan, Aug. 4—King Abdullah spoke today of a compromise in Palestine.

He said his "Arab nation does not exclude any possible compromise that secures justice and prevents unnecessary bloodshed."

"We would like that efforts of Count Bernadotte in the refugee problem be successful, and afterwards, that any new proposals (for a Palestine settlement) which he will make should not be rejected outright but be fully discussed before they are put in final form," he told a news conference.

"If there should be any reason for their rejection, such a decision should also be preceded by joint discussion."

Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations mediator, saw the King here Monday and said later that "as always, he was helpful." Abdullah commands five of the armies arrayed against Israel.

Bernadotte's previous peace plan, which the Arab League rejected, would have annexed the Arab portions of Palestine to Trans-Jordan. The King's reference to the refugee problem concerned the 300,000 to 350,000 Arabs who have fled their homes in Israeli-held sectors of Palestine.

(Meanwhile, in Alexandria, Egypt, Count Bernadotte said he has asked the United Nations Security Council to affirm the right of the Palestine Arab refugees to return home.

(He told a news conference Israeli authorities are "not very favorable" to the idea. The Jews claimed technical difficulties exist.

(Also in Alexandria, United Nations and Red Cross officials took measures to fight a typhoid epidemic they fear may strike among Arab refugees from the Palestine war.

(Sir Rafael Cilento, an Australian who represents the refugee division of the Social Affairs Department of the U. N., said last night there was grave danger of such an epidemic. He said the refugees are homeless and eye infection is widespread.)

The King's carefully chosen words promising Arab consideration of a Palestine "compromise" set a precedent among Arab statesmen. Until now, all have avoided any public utterance indicating willingness in that direction.

His statement suggested Trans-Jordan will insist that the Arab League give full consideration to Bernadotte's next suggestion about Palestine, expected in September.

Israel Seeks Freedom

For Jews on Cypress

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 4 (AP)—Israel formally demanded today that the Security Council act to free 11,000 Jews detained by Britain on the Island of Cyprus.

The Israeli government told the United Nations Britain is misinterpreting the Council's truce resolution of May 29, regarding immigration into Palestine.

Girl Bomber Pilot

Killed in Israeli Crash

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4 (AP)—Zahara Levitov, pretty, 21-year-old, American-educated bomber pilot with the Israeli air force, was killed late yesterday in an air crash between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, Israeli officials announced.

Miss Levitov trained to fly, as a hobby, at Bakersfield, Calif. She flew several bombing missions for the Israelis against the Arabs in the Palestine fighting.

The air force refused to list her actual missions or to say whether these included the bomber sorties against Arabian capitals.

Also killed in the same crash was the co-pilot, Emmanuel Rothschild, 18, of Ramat Gan. His wife is Betty Gordon of Los Angeles, the officials announced.



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