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Israeli Move Accepting Cease-Fire Extension Is Rendered Futile

MEDIATOR TO KEEP TRYING

He Seeks a Neutral Jerusalem —Some Fighting Is Resumed in Southern Palestine

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CAIRO, Egypt, July 8—The Palestine war was virtually on again tonight. The United Nations Mediator gave up hope of stopping it and tried instead to spare Jerusalem's holy places from destruction.

Count Folke Bernadotte of Sweden, the Mediator, announced at his Rhodes headquarters that the "war is on again."

He said that Israel had agreed to extend the truce for thirty days but that the Arabs replied "no."

The Arabs flashed orders to their soldiers to prepare for action when the truce ended. The secretary general of the Arab League, Abdul Rahman Azzam Pasha, said the Arab nations were passing through a big test.

[The situation in southern Palestine was still relatively quiet after expiration of the truce at dawn Friday, said a Tel Aviv dispatch to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

[Egyptian troops tried to come out of a pocket east of Isdud, with twelve armored cars and three tanks, supported by infantry, but were reported checked within a few kilometers. Another Egyptian thrust from the south toward Beer Tuvia, twenty-three miles south of Tel Aviv, was also reported held.

[In efforts to neutralize Jerusalem, Count Bernadotte was to see the Arabs in Cairo on Saturday and then visit Israeli leaders in Tel Aviv.]

Outstanding Developments

Other top developments of a tense day were:

(1) Count Bernadotte asked both sides to hold up hostilities in Haifa and Beirut, Lebanon, until United Nations officials and guards could leave the war zone.

(2) Arab League aides announced at a news conference that it accepted under certain conditions Count Bernadotte's request for demilitarizing the Haifa refinery and pipeline terminus and Jerusalem's holy places. Count Bernadotte may talk to Israeli leaders later but he does not expect agreement on Haifa. He does hope for agreement on Jerusalem.

(3) Arab Legion artillery and armor moved up to Jerusalem from the Jordan River base. A few shots were heard in Jerusalem.

(4) The United States and Britain were said to be working urgently behind the scenes to impress on the Arabs their feeling that the truce should be extended. But Azzam Pasha declared that Arab relations with Britain would depend on Britain's loyalty to treaties with the Arabs during this crisis.

Count Bernadotte said both Israel and the Arabs were asked to grant at least a three-day extension of the truce to permit the evacuation of United Nation's personnel and equipment.

"The Jewish reply accepted this proposal," he said. "The Arab reply makes no specific reference to it and it is apparently rejected."

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