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BRITISH SOLDIERS HUNTING SNIPERS IN EGYPT



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A squad of men with bayoneted rifles stalking through a section of Ismailia, in the Suez Canal Zone, after savage outbreaks in the current crisis.

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Push Sniper Search Despite Cairo Protest—Detain Six Policemen as Suspects

CAIRO, Jan. 24 (AP) — British troops continued to comb the Suez Canal zone city of Ismailia today in search of Egyptian snipers and guerrillas who touched off the recent bloody violence there.

A British spokesman said the searchers found the suburban village of Geneifa completely deserted except for thirty-eight auxiliary Egyptian policemen. The spokesman said six of the policemen were detained, including four who "admitted" sniping at the British.

A British communiqué denied atrocity charges by Egypt's Interior Minister Fuad Serag el-Din Pasha.

It added that Egyptian complaints that food supplies were disappearing rapidly in the search area were not the result of any action by the British authorities. A British spokesman said that food shipments into Ismailia were not being stopped and that the British had informed the Egyptians that accommodations were being provided for persons whose houses were being searched for arms.

Serag el-Din Pasha said last night that Egypt's attempt to oust the British from the Suez Canal had gone beyond the stage of "mere protestations."

This was the background to new moves by the Egyptian Parliament to consider a bill alloting another £7,000,000 (about $20,000,000) to the armed forces' budget. The 1951 budget for the armed forces was £60,000,000.

The influential pro-Government newspaper Al Ahram quoted Defense Minister Mustafa Nostrat Pasha as saying, "We will purchase all the arms we can get from abroad." He said Egypt now could buy from certain countries that previously could not sell to the Egyptians. He did not identify these countries.

In another phase of the Anglo-Egyptian feud, British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson resigned tonight from his chairmanship of the plush British-founded Gezira Club, which recently was ordered confiscated by royal decree.

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