

**ARABS SET TOP LEVEL PARLEY**

TEL AVIV (WNS) — Egypt continued its intensified level of fighting against Israel as the Arab states prepared for a top-level conference this month which is expected to result in a decision by the Arab League that only military means will end the Mideast crisis.

Cairo, as the self-claimed leader of the Arab world, has announced "Successes" in its increased commando and air strikes against Israel, Arab commentators on the radio and in the press have reported the "tremendous losses" suffered by Israel as proof that the Arab armed forces have regained the offensive and can carry the battle to Israel.

Observers in Israel have noted the battle reports from Egypt and expect that Cairo will ask for more financial aid from the wealthy, oil-producing Arab states to enable the Egyptian army to increase still further its military activities against Israel.

Russia was asked to supply additional military equipment by Egyptian officials who visited Moscow.

Israeli military spokesman have reported that the heightened Egyptian military activity last week has resulted in two Arab jets downed and eight commandos known dead. No Israel planes were lost and only a few soldiers

were wounded in the Arab attacks.

The two jets were downed when Egyptian planes attacked Israeli positions along the Est bank of the Suez Canal.

A Sukhoi-7 bomber was hit by anti-aircraft fire and the pilot was killed in the crash. A MIG-21, flying over for the bombers, was hit by an Israeli pilot 25 miles inside Egypt, or about half way between the Canal and Cairo. The two downed jets brings to 60 the total of Egyptian craft lost since the Six-Day-War. Israel has reported losing eight planes, including one piper cub reconnaissance aircraft. Two Israeli pilots are still being held captive by Egypt.

Five commandoes were killed when a group of about 130 raided the el-Shatt area in the southern sector of the canal. Military spokesman said the attackers were repulsed with no Israeli losses and two Egyptian bodies were found after the attack. There more were seen floating in the canal.

Cairo's report of this raid told of a large number of Israeli killed, plus two tanks, two mortar-equipped half-trucks and two antitank guns destroyed. The Israeli post was also occupied for about two hours Egypt claimed.

Three other commandoes were killed in an earlier raid when the Egyptians ambushed a patrol less than a mile inside Israeli-held

**ISRAELIS DEBATE PUNISHMENT OF TERRORISTS**

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Israeli leaders are publicly insisting there has been no change in the "liberal" policies practiced in occupied Arab territories. But the controversial issue of collective or neighborhood punishment of Arabs whom the authorities believe are not doing all they can to expose or combat terrorist activities, is being hotly debated by the Israeli cabinet behind closed doors. And a sharp divergence of opinion has emerged.

Premier Golda Meir, addressing the annual luncheon of the Newspaper Editors Committee in Tel Aviv yesterday declared that Israel was pursuing a "very liberal" policy in the occupied territories. She noted that "until now there has not been a single instance of capital punishment, even in cases where a terrorist is caught red-handed while carrying out an act of sabotage." He hoped there would continue to be no death sentences in the future, but added, "since we want to live we have to fight if we are attacked and when one fires, some people might get hurt. Mrs. Meir said that the government's policies were aimed at deterring Arabs rather than punishing them

territory. One of the dead men was an officer.

Egypt said that during this raid three Israeli tanks were destroyed, two other damaged and a number of Israelis killed. The three commandoes were returned to Egypt. Reports from Cairo said a large funeral procession, led by Minister of War Gen. Mohammed K. Fawzi and accompanied by dozens of commandoes honored the three men. Thousands of people watched the procession.

Israeli military spokesmen also reported two four-hour raids on Egyptian and Jordanian positions. The attack was the heaviest launched against each nation since the Six-Day-War. The Egyptian target were artillery posts along the Suez Canal while Jordanian and Iraqi artillery batteries were hit in the northern Jordan Valley area.

after the offense.

(Premier Golda Meir cabled condolences to the father of two year-old George Nassos, the Greek Child fatally wounded in last Thursday's grenade attack on the El Al ticket office in Athens by two Jordanian terrorists).

Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, the reputed author of the collective punishment policy, said on a television interview Thursday that the authorities were taking more severe measures where terrorism was increasing. Referring to the blowing up of houses Gen. Dayan said, "We were convinced that those people whose houses were destroyed

ed knew about the activities of terrorists and gave them assistance and shelter." He said "either we leave or the inhabitants leave" but since either choice was unacceptable, the areas would be retained and security forces would do all necessary to maintain order.

Israel's Foreign Minister Abba Eban took issue with Gen. Dayan in an interview published in the London Jewish Observer. He said: "We cannot accept an ideology of collective or environmental punishment, and we do not accept the more extreme proposals." He thought it advisable to give the Arabs in the territories a greater

degree of self-government, as proposed by Deputy Premier Yigal Allon, because the Arabs would not be satisfied merely with economic and social gains.

Referring to the United States, Mrs. Meir admitted to the editors there were "political problems" and suggested they may have been taken into account by the Nixon administration when it opposed a \$40 million Congressional appropriation for the construction of a water desalination plant in Israel.

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