

DAYAN'S ROLE IN HISTORY

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Gaza Mayor Rasad A. Shawa from his post after he gave shelter to a wanted terrorist, but later reappointed him as Mayor.

During the Likud government, Dayan, as Foreign Minister, quietly engaged in what was described as "private talks" with local Palestinian leaders, in a futile effort to find alternative partners for negotiations with the PLO. He met with PLO supporters such as Dr. Ahmad Nattshe (whom he deported as Defense Minister in the early 70's) and Khaidah Abdul Shafi of the Gaza region even though other Arab leaders were deported for their expressions of support for the PLO.

Dayan ran on the Telem ticket to the tenth Knesset elections with essentially one message: impose a unilateral autonomy on the West Bank. It was a logical consequence of his old belief that the Arabs in the territories would run their own affairs, with Israel limiting her control to security. But the Jewish voter just as his Arab partners for the negotiations did not show enthusiasm

over the idea. Dayan won only two Knesset seats much to his disappointment. Admitting the defeat, he said he would continue to work toward this end but in the months since the elections, his health had deteriorated and consequently his influence.

At least in one respect, Dayan's death came too soon. In the present political establishment there is hardly another influential Israeli who has the same potential to carry a fruitful dialogue with the Arabs. Yigal Allon, who had similar qualifications, died two years ago. The only possible heir for this mission is Dayan's former brother in law, former Defense Minister Ezer Weisman, presently out of the political doing.

NAZI ACTIVISTS ON RISE IN W. GERMANY

BONN (WNS) -- Heinz Galinski, chairman of the West Berlin community, has accused the authorities in Bonn of consistently playing down and under-estimating the dangers of neo-Nazism in the Federal Republic.

His charges were

DENY NIXON ASKED TO CONTACT PLO

WASH. (WNS) -- The State Department denied that former President Richard Nixon was asked by Secretary of State Alexander Haig to seek means to open contacts with the Palestine Liberation Organization during his visit to four Arab countries in the Middle East and North Africa.

Calling Nixon's visit to Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Tunisia and Morocco "private," State Department spokesman Alan Romberg said Nixon was not asked to engage in any discussions during the trip. He denied a report that while in

reflected in the official publication of the West Berlin domestic security services which noted the contrast between the small number of neo-Nazi activists in that city and their rapid increase in West Germany.

West Berlin, where the Allied occupation powers still exercise control, has close contacts with the Federal Republic but is not part of it. While Galinski accused Bonn of blindness toward neo-Nazism, the West Berlin publication noted the ban imposed by the Allies

Cairo for President Anwar Sadat's funeral, Nixon and Haig had discussed the need to bring the PLO into the Mideast peace talks.

Romberg stressed that the U.S. position on the PLO was "clear" and it is that the U.S. would "neither recognize nor negotiate with the PLO until it recognizes Israel's right to exist and recognizes UN Security Council Resolution 242 and 338." Romberg also called newspaper reports that Haig had kept the White House in the dark about Nixon's trip a "tempest in a teapot."

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