

Sadat says Mideast peace is in Israelis' hands now

By The Associated Press

Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said Tuesday the peace talks with Israel are at a turning point and he is sending his vice president to Washington with a message for President Carter.

"We have reached a turning point. If the other side does not respond, well, this will be their responsibility before the whole world," said Sadat, referring to Israel.

Sadat said he was sending Vice President Hosni Mubarak to Washington on Wednesday to show "Egypt's determination to reach a peaceful solution of the Middle East conflict." The president refused to reveal the substance of the message Mubarak is carrying to Carter.

When asked what he meant by a turning point, Sadat replied, "it means a lot," but declined to elaborate. "I am not speaking today of suspending talks," he added.

The main sticking point has been Egypt's insistence that a peace treaty with Israel be bound to a commitment on speedy talks over the future of the West Bank and Gaza, where 1.1 million Palestinians live.

Israel has rejected this, saying the peace treaty should stand on its own.

Sadat spoke with reporters after a closed meeting with local members of his National Democratic Party in Ismailia. One source at the meeting reported that Sadat said he now wanted a link between the return of the Gaza Strip and the restoration of Egyptian sovereignty over Sinai.

In Tel Aviv, Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said the two sides had made much progress in the five weeks of talks but they hadn't reached "the end of the road."

"We have ended the major main text of the peace treaty, though there are still a few items we don't agree on," Dayan told reporters after returning from the Washington talks.

"Two items are not accepted by us and I think about two are not accepted by the Egyptians," he said without elaborating.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who returned Monday from a Canadian and U.S. visit, will present the Israeli cabinet Wednesday with an American compromise dealing with the issue of linking the treaty to a settlement of the Palestinian question, which has caused the talks to bog down.

Egypt's acting Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali also returned to Cairo Tuesday for consultations. No formal high-level talks were scheduled for Tuesday in the absence of Dayan and Ghali, two of the primary negotiators.

In a Washington TV interview Monday night, President Carter gave his most rueful assessment of the talks since the Camp David peace accords were signed in September.

"I just don't know what will happen about it; we just pray that agreements will be reached," Carter said. "We are involved in the negotiations, but we cannot make Israel accept the Egyptians' demands nor vice versa. We have to try to tone down those demands and use our influence."

Iranian oil strike ends

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran's 37,000 oil workers flocked back to their jobs Tuesday, ending their crippling two-week strike against Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi. But troops opened fire on two anti-shah demonstrations west of here, killing at least three persons and wounding 19, the official Pars news agency reported.

The agency said the casualties occurred in Sonqor, west of Tehran, where protesters set fire to the offices and home of the provincial governor. The deaths raised the known death toll from clashes with security forces in the last three days to at least 23.

Troops also fired into the air to disperse a crowd near the giant bazaar in Tehran, but no injuries or arrests were reported.

In the past 11 months, an estimated 1,100 Iranians have been killed in anti-government disturbances. Conservative religious groups oppose the shah's attempts at modernizing this overwhelmingly Moslem society, while his political opponents seek an end to his 37-year one-man rule and other governmental reforms. Both groups have called for the shah's abdication.

The National Iranian Oil Co. said that strike leaders agreed to order a return to work after receiving assurances from the shah, through his representatives, that he would bow to their political demands.

The demands were said to be the restoration of civilian government, release of all political de-

tainees and an end to martial law, which had been imposed Sept. 8 in Tehran and 12 other cities to suppress a burgeoning wave of civil unrest.

Sources close to the palace said it was possible that national oil officials during negotiations with the strikers had given them a pledge from the shah that their political demands would be met.

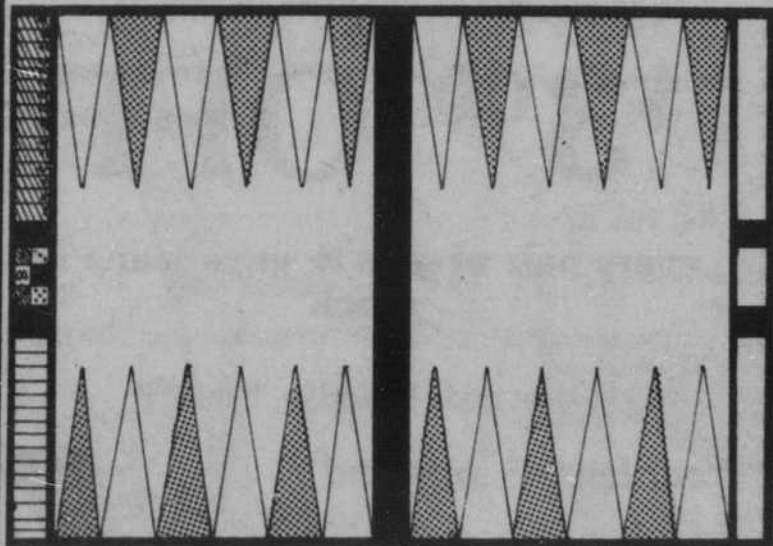
The shah approved a 22.5 percent pay increase for the oil workers last week, but also installed military government last Monday.

One of the strikers's key demands was the expulsion of all foreigners from the oil industry. Whether this demand will actually be met was not clear and appeared highly unlikely.

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LINCOLN CITY, Ore. — Supporters of legalized gambling have presented the Oregon Coast Association with a draft proposal to create a casino strip on the Oregon coast, but the association's reaction was mixed.

The proposal was submitted to the association Monday by a committee of seven Coos Bay area residents. Association Pres. Gordon Miller said more discussion is needed before the group of tourist business owners can take a stand.

"There's just too much welfare and too much unemployment in our area of the state and we've got to do something about it," said Russell Snyder, committee chairman.

He said legalized gambling would create new jobs and double tourism.

PORTLAND — Oregon's adjutant general says the time has come to revive the draft because the volunteer approach has not attracted enough recruits.

Maj. Gen. Richard Miller told the Chamber of Commerce Forum on Monday that despite all-out recruiting drives, the Oregon Army National Guard is down about 83 percent of authorized strength.

"The guard has declined to the point that in many units inadequate training results because insufficient personnel are available to train effectively," Miller said.

NAIROBI, Kenya — Ugandan Pres. Idi Amin announced Tuesday he has ordered the withdrawal of his troops from their two-week-old "hot pursuit" invasion of Tanzania. But Tanzania denounced the statement as "complete lies" and "camouflage" and vowed to keep fighting.

"The struggle continues," said a Tanzanian government statement issued in reply to Amin's announcement.

The withdrawal order was announced in a telegram to the Organization of African Unity, the United Nations and the Arab League, Radio Uganda said.

SALEM — Oregon State and Portland State universities will get new buildings because of Legislative Emergency Board action Tuesday.

But the board, which acts on funding requests when the Legislature is not in session, voted 7-5 to reject a \$2 million offer by Judson Baptist College of Portland for the former Columbia Park Hospital in The Dalles.

Legislators didn't like a proposal to have the state give Judson Baptist an interest-free mortgage of \$1.4 million for 40 years.

State officials were told to negotiate a better agreement and not to sign anything before either the Emergency Board or the Ways and Means Committee of the 1979 Legislature takes a look at it.

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