France, Arabs Agree to End Sultan's Exile

France and Moroccan nationalists apparently narrowed their differences Saturday to a timetable for removing Sultan Mohammed Ben Moulay Arafa and ending ex-Sultan Mohammed Ben Youssef's ex-

ist ruler whom the French ousted in 1953, precipitating a wave of nationalism that culminated in violent rioting last week. He is now living in exile on the island of Madagascar.

The nationalist Istiglal (independence) and the Democratic Independence (PDI) parties contend that the French ouster was illegal and that Ben Youssef is still the legitimate sovereign.

As the week-long conference aimed at achieving peace in the troubled North African protectorate continued, French Premier Edgar Faure predicted that he will be able to present a settlement to

Istiglal leaders conferred for almost three hours Saturday afternoon with Pierre July, minister for Tunisian and Moroccan affairs, on the question of how and when Ben Youssef is to be allowed to come to France.

The Istiglal delegation spokesman, Abderrahim Bouhabib, expressed optimism as he left the conference suite in the Splendide Royal Hotel. "I have the feeling that we can make progress," he said.

A delegation from the PDI entered July's suite as the Istiglal left and it was apparent the French are seeking full support from both parties for a Moroccan settlement.

agreed with the Istiglal on Ben Youssef's return. Neither party is demanding his immediate restoration to the throne in Morocco.

Sudan Rebels To Surrender

face of government forces advancing to wipe them out, army mutineers in the Far Upper Nile village of Torit agreed late Saturday to surrender.

been in rebellion for more than a week against being placed under command of officers from the North Sudan

The rebels let a noon-time ultimatum deadline pass but seven hours later, when the government forces were on the move, they an-



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