

Officials express concern on Mideast

WASHINGTON (AP)—Administration officials are expressing concern that the growing emphasis on the Mideast at the United Nations might distract from the American effort to achieve an interim settlement between the Arabs and Israelis.

The main problem, they say, is the possibility of an early move to the dispute before the General Assembly while the United States still has a chance to work out a reopening of the Suez Canal as a first step toward a real peace.

"It would be a shame for the Mideast to get tied up in the politics of a general debate when we still have a chance to work out something through quiet diplomacy," one administration source said.

American officials spoke also with misgivings of the call U.N. Secretary General U Thant made for the world body to work now for a general Mideast settlement.

Although their main hope centers on the third-party role the United States is playing between Egypt and Israel, American officials see some light coming from bilateral talks Secretary of State William P. Rogers will be holding with other foreign ministers at the United Nations and in Washington.

Rogers will meet his counterparts from most of the nations directly or indirectly interested in the Mideast during the next two or three weeks, including at least two sessions each with the foreign ministers of Egypt, Israel and the Soviet Union.

Nevertheless, it is the interim settlement move, the so-called Rogers plan, that State Department officials say still holds the best hope for heading off resumption of the Arab-Israeli war. But whether that hope is realistic is seen as problematic at best by some administration sources and diplomats.

The State Department tenaciously sticks to the position that recent Egyptian criticism of the U.S. mediation effort does not mean Cairo has lost faith in

reaching an interim agreement. At the moment, some officials indicate, the next step is up to Israel in response to specific ideas put forth earlier this summer by Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco.

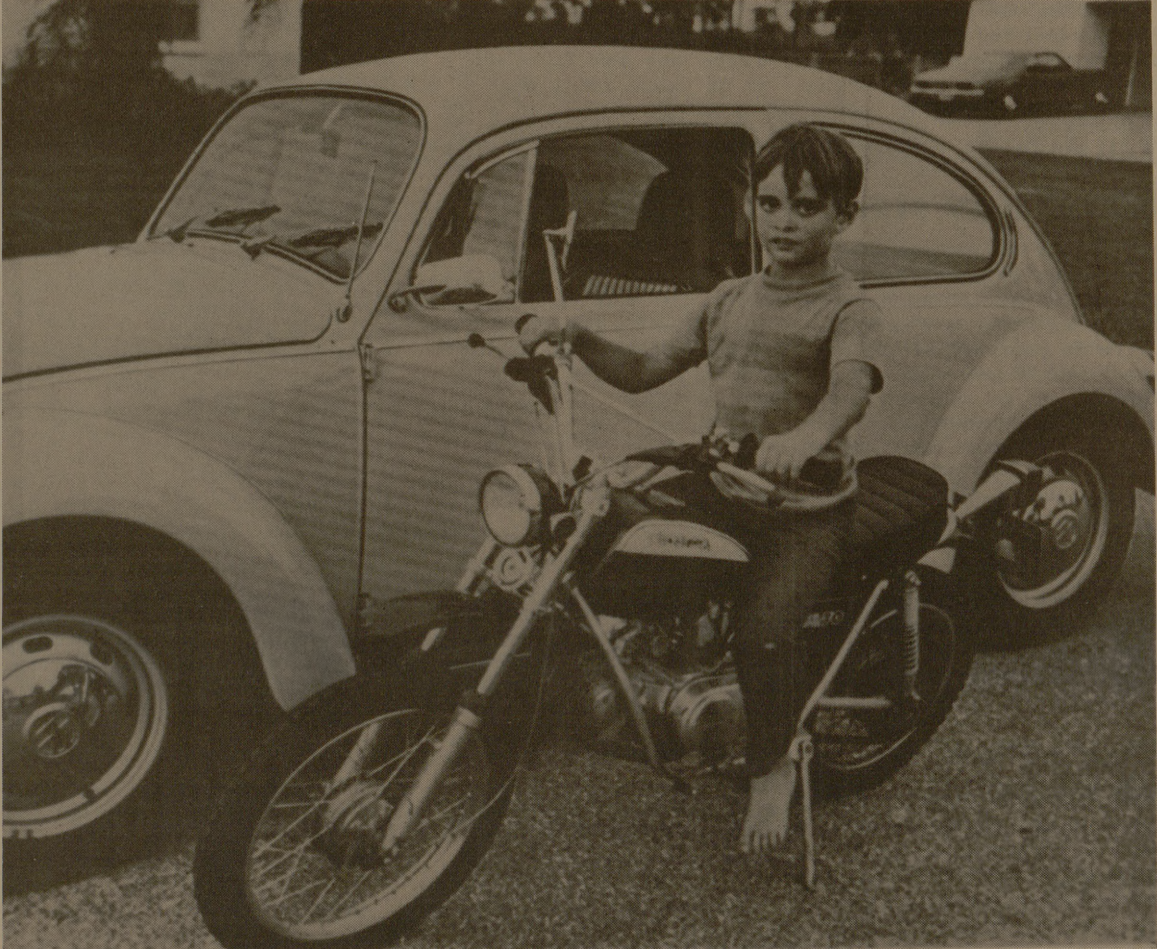
Because these ideas are still being pursued with Israel and have not yet been put in precise and concrete form they have not been presented to Egypt, American sources claim.

However, Israel does not accept the assessment that it has the next move.

The Israeli government has said its position is the same as last May when it discussed the interim settlement with Rogers when the American secretary visited Jerusalem. At that time Rogers described the Israeli response as positive.

Israel is said to have told the United States it will do nothing further until Egypt makes some response, particularly regarding a guarantee for Israel to use the Suez Canal and agreeing not to occupy the East Bank of the waterway with a large armed force.

The Jerusalem government also shares the U.S. skepticism about the U.N. role in the Mideast.



DAVID SEYMOUR, 7 years old, has been arrested on seven traffic violations, one for each year of his life, in connection with driving his new mini-bike. (AP Wirephoto)

Brezhnev denies rumors of Soviet army invasion

BELGRADE (AP)—Leonid I. Brezhnev, conditionally accepting Wednesday the doctrine of non-interference in Yugoslavia's affairs, dismissed as "fairy tales" rumors that the Soviet army is preparing to plunge into the Balkans.

The Soviet Communist party chief, who arrived for a four-day visit, said the idea that the Soviet Union held to a doctrine of "limited sovereignty" for Communist states is a slanderous invention.

His disavowal of any invasion plans in the strategic Balkans

came after President Tito bluntly reaffirmed Yugoslavia's independence from Moscow and indirectly warned Moscow to keep hands off.

Brezhnev yielded to Yugoslav pressure in affirming the principles of the famous 1955 Belgrade Declaration that recognized Yugoslavia's right to sovereignty, equality and noninterference in internal affairs.

But Brezhnev hedged by saying: "One should work in order that these principles are realized in contemporary conditions as widely and as fully as possible."

He did not say what the "contemporary conditions" were, but called for Soviet-Yugoslav "political cooperation," apparently to discourage Belgrade from drifting too close to the United States or to Communist China.

Brezhnev's remarks and those by Tito were in toasts offered at a formal dinner after the Soviet leader arrived to a polite but less-than-enthusiastic reception.

Apparently alluding to Washington which Tito is visiting this autumn — and to Peking, Brezh-

nev denounced what he termed "different sources which want to hinder" Soviet-Yugoslav relations.

The "limited sovereignty" doctrine, also called the "Brezhnev doctrine" in the West, was said to have been exemplified in the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia in 1968 after that country's Communist leaders charted a liberal course.

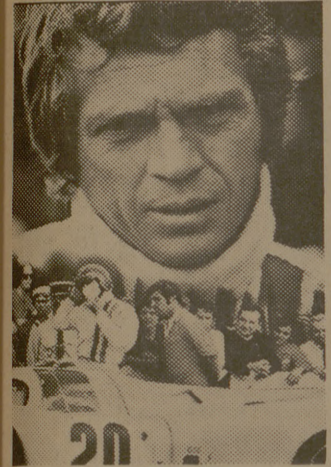
That invasion plunged Belgrade-Moscow relations to their lowest point since Tito split with Moscow in 1948.

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Medina trial

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advise him of the legality of his actions—and the machinery of warfare will surely grind to a halt.

Medina, said Eckhardt, was aware that his men were murdering civilians in My Lai.

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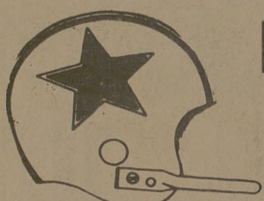
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