

# MCKELDIN BACK ISSUES WARNING

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U.S. Must Aid Poor Arabs,  
Governor Says After Trip

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New York, Aug. 12—Governor McKeldin returned from the Middle East today with a solemn warning that economic progress for the individual Arab is the key to stability in that troubled area.

America must move judiciously to help provide that development, he asserted. The Governor found that President Gamal Abdel Nasser of the United Arab Republic has provided a rallying point for Arab nationalism without moving to improve the lot of the "indiscribably poor" masses.

Returning from Israel with his family and Judge and Mrs. Simon Sobeloff, the Governor said the small nation is "the only genuine friend that we have in the Middle East."

## Concern Over Aid

He reported a deep concern on the part of Israeli leaders, however, over United States military aid to some Arab nations.

The Israelis are afraid that those weapons will be turned upon them, Governor McKeldin observed, and he cited the coup in Iraq as the sort of process by which that might occur.

Wearing a black-eyed Susan

in his lapel, the Governor arrived with his party today aboard the Queen Elizabeth after more than a month abroad.

He was glad to get home. And he whooped with delight when most of his office staff and other friends met him at the vessel at the pier.

"Tom, where did you get that sultan?" he yelled to Thomas S. Carr, his executive secretary.

"Uh, I got it at my desk, Governor," Mr. Carr yelled back. "I have a sun-lamp on my desk now."

The welcoming party included three State troopers, who boarded the great liner to unload luggage and take the McKeldins back to Annapolis tonight.

In a sober vein at a press conference before the Queen Elizabeth docked, the Governor said the degree of westernization that has developed thus far in the Arab countries has served to heighten the discontent of the masses.

## Western Films Cited

While the small group of wealthy Arabs has grown richer, and the great masses poorer, the poorer are demonstrating a greater awareness of their condition, the Governor said.

One reason for that awareness of their lot, he said, is the availability of Western motion pictures and other means of modern communications.

The Governor, long a leading advocate in this country for the Israelis, said the Government of Premier David Ben-Gurion is "doing magnificently" with its program of economic development.

## "Accustomed To Danger"

The Arab crisis caused little stir in Israel, he reported, because "the Jews are accustomed to living with danger."

Meanwhile, he said, they have moved quickly to take advantage of the gains they made during the Sinai campaign of 1956.

The new access to Iranian oil through the opening of the port of Elat has enabled Israel to meet all of her own demands and promises to make her an exporter of petroleum products within a few years, the Governor reported.

The Governor attributed part of the troubles in the Middle East to an "inferiority complex" on the part of the Arabs, who, he said, "lived for 400 years under the Ottoman Empire and have made no contributions to progress."