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Eight Israeli athletes feared dead Arab terrorists mar Olympics

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MUNICH—Eight Israeli athletes seized hostage by Arab terrorists at the Olympic Village Tuesday were killed in an ambush at the Munich airport in a burst of gunfire by German sharpshooters and exploding Arab grenades, German officials said. Two Israelis were killed earlier and four guerrillas and one policeman also died.

Tuesday's tragic events left in doubt whether the 20th Olympic games would continue.

Bavarian Interior Minister Otto Merk announced the deaths of the Israelis to a stunned news conference shortly after 3 a.m. (10 p.m. EDT), almost 23 hours after the Arab guerrillas invaded the

Israeli headquarters.

With Merk were Olympic press officer Hans Klein and the German Federal Republic interior minister.

Merk gave a breakdown of the day's casualties which he said totaled 15 — 10 Israelis, 4 guerrillas and 1 helicopter pilot.

Earlier it had been announced the athletes were safe.

Merk said there was a "vague hope" that two of the hostages might have escaped in the darkness, but that officials now believed all eight were dead.

The guerrillas—members of the militant Black September Movement which has engineered a number of terrorist acts, including the assassination of Jordanian Premier Wasfi Tel—shot

their way into the Israeli headquarters, killing two Israelis.

The Arabs then herded the survivors together, tied their hands in front of them and held them at gunpoint for 13 hours while they made a five-point series of demands and tried to negotiate for their escape. The Arabs said they would kill the hostages if they were not allowed to leave Germany and if the Israeli government did not free 200 Palestinians being held in Israeli jails.

While the negotiations for the release of the hostages continued, International Olympic Committee President Avery Brundage suspended the 20th Olympic Games for 24 hours.

West German Chancellor Willy Brandt

rushed in from the capital at Bonn and offered an unlimited cash ransom and even proposed Germans be substituted for the Israeli hostages.

The suggestions were rejected and for a while it appeared the guerrillas were going to succeed.

Leading their blindfolded and bound hostages, the terrorists slipped out of the three-story white stone complex onto a waiting bus in pre-midnight blackness. Then they transferred to three helicopters for the brief ride to the Furstenfeldbruck Airport, which is used by U.S. and West German forces under an agreement with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

At the airport, the group was

scheduled to transfer to a Boeing 727 jetliner, apparently for a flight to Tunisia. When two of the guerrillas went to inspect the floodlit three-engine plane, the sharpshooters—brought in specially from Weisbaden, the European headquarters for the U.S. Air Force—opened fire.

Conrad Ahler, chief spokesman for the West German government, said it was never intended to let the guerrillas take the Israelis away. "It was not the government's intention to allow the hostages to leave German soil to an unknown fate," he said.

The events began when the guerrillas, their faces blackened in commando style, scaled a wall to get into the Village. Some

technicians said they did not report the incident because they thought they were athletes breaking training.

Israeli wrestling coach Moshe Weinbert, 33, intercepted the raiders outside the Israeli complex in the Olympic Village. He was shot and killed. Another Israeli, weightlifter Josef Romano, 31, was killed by bullets fired through the door while he tried to hold it closed against the Arabs, and shout a warning to the other members of the team.

Not long thereafter there was a burst of shooting outside 31 Connollystrasse, a three-story building in which Israel had the two lower floors with Hong Kong and Uruguay sharing the third floor. One of those who escaped, Gas Zabani, 28, a lightweight wrestler, said he heard the shots, a shouted alarm and, "I ran faster than Valeri Borzov, who won the spring gold medals."

Tuvia Sokolsky, the weight lifting coach, also escaped after referee Gottfreund yelled, "Boys, get out of here." Gottfreund did not escape.

Athletes and officials of other countries poured out of their quarters. One Arab country, Libya, is at number 26-28 Connollystrasse.

The guerrillas tossed out a note listing their demands: Three airliners to carry the hostages off to an unspecified Arab country; freedom for the 200 Palestinians; more "human" treatment for Arabs in Israeli-controlled lands.

Interference with their plans would mean "liquidation" of the hostages, the note said.

"If the demands are not met by the deadline, we will carry out revolutionary and just force to give the war chiefs of the Israeli war machine a hard lesson" it went on, concluding with the militant slogan of the guerrillas: "Revolutionaries of the world unite!"

Many said as demonstrations broke out in the village that this meeting would mark the end of the modern games revived in 1896.

As if to confirm this fear, Egypt withdrew its team from the games. This became known when the Egyptian basketball team failed to appear for a match with the Philippines. Meetings were said to be under way in other Arab delegations.

More than 100 Israeli tourists demonstrated, shouting that Jewish blood was once again being spilled in Germany. The infamous Dachau camp where thousands died is on the fringe of Munich. Demonstrators were watched by a crowd of thousands standing on the hills built up from the rubble of wartime Munich.

Officials of the games, the most elaborately organized in history at a cost of \$657 million, arranged a memorial funeral service for the Olympic Stadium at 10 a.m. today to underline the thought that the Olympic ideal is stronger than acts of terrorism.



A rainy day makes life even harder for Chapel Hill's flower ladies, now located in the alley off Franklin Street beside the Intimate Bookstore. It is oft times difficult to keep dry. (Staff Photo by Tad Stewart)

Tragedy forces Spitz to evacuate

United Press International

LONDON—American super swimmer Mark Spitz flew into London from Munich Tuesday because of the kidnapping and killing of Israeli team members at the Olympics by Palestinian guerrillas.

Airport sources said he was staying overnight and would fly to his home in California today.

Spitz, a Jew who arrived aboard a British European Airways (BEA) flight from the German city, said his departure was premature but that "I had not planned to stay up to the end of the games."

He declined to comment on the Munich kidnappings other than to say they were "tragic."

Spitz, who won an unprecedented seven gold medals at the Munich games, was serious and unsmiling but appeared calm when he was met by newsmen at the airport.

Spitz was accompanied to London by his coach, Sherman Chavoor, and both traveled into the city for the night. Airport sources said they were booked to leave today on a direct flight to Los Angeles.

Before leaving Munich, what was to have been his final triumphal hour on the Olympics was turned into a tense, uncomfortable news conference.

Close to 1,000 newsmen, photographers and bystanders crowded into the main lounge of the press center in Munich to hear Spitz in his last big Olympic farewell, but Spitz huddled himself between team leaders and refused

to approach the microphone because of Arab guerrilla action in the Olympic Village.

He was placed under guard of American military police.

Spitz, one of the world's most distinguished athletes who finally had seemed to break down his reserve and relax following his 100-meter freestyle victory on Sunday night, once more was cautious and short with his words.

Because Spitz remained about 10 feet behind the microphone, most of those in the audience were unable to hear him, resulting in further confusion and pushing, a situation that was magnified by photographers trying to position themselves for pictures.

Spitz had been under guard by U.S. military police in a Munich hotel nine miles from the Olympic Village so that he would not become a target of any Arab guerrilla attempt.

Spitz won four individual gold medals in his record breaking performances while helping American teams claim three more golds in relay events.

Weather

TODAY: Decreasing cloudiness, clearing tonight; highs today in the upper 70's, lows in the mid 50's; probability of precipitation 10 percent through tonight.

Utilities worries Carrboro

Merger not desired

by Lynn Lloyd
Staff Writer

As far as small towns go, Carrboro is planning on staying alive.

With a majority of the town's population affiliated with UNC, a large annual influx of students to town apartments and little local income left, there is always the threat of the town having to merge with Chapel Hill.

But "merger with Chapel Hill is the furthest thing from our minds," said Alderman Boyd Ellington. "We have many routes to explore before that happens."

From 1960 to 1970 Carrboro's population increased from 2,600 to 5,500, according to Mayor Pro Tem Fred Chamblee. "We had the highest growth rate of a community our size in the state," he said.

As the number of UNC students increases, the size of the Carrboro and Chapel Hill communities also increases. Chamblee estimated there are "probably anywhere from 1,500 to 2,000 students living in the Carrboro area. There are very few people left here who are not associated with the University."

Now that the University may be getting out of the water, electrical,

telephone and landfill businesses, Carrboro is faced with supplying these public utilities to its citizens. A water and sewer improvement bond is scheduled for the Nov. 7 election to get the town on its feet.

The \$1.3 million bond referendum will allow the town to extend water and sewer facilities to all parts of the town. "We would like to improve the present systems and upgrade them on the whole," Chamblee continued. "We still have people within the city limits who are using wells and sewer tanks."

Part of the bond money will be used for sewer treatment because the present system is polluting Morgan Creek. Carrboro will be tying on to the Chapel Hill system to solve this.

"I feel like the bond will pass," Chamblee said. "The people are beginning to get concerned about water, pollution and the utilities. Once we get the word to them about how important the bond is, they will realize it must pass. We don't have much of an alternative to providing these facilities to them."

If the bond fails, Chamblee said the town will have to issue revenue bonds at the taxpayers' cost.

"If we pass the bond and receive federal grants to match costs the town will end up providing only about 20 percent of the costs for the improvement," he added.

"The voters will be giving the town their approval or disapproval to offer bonds for our needs up to \$1.3 million. We may never use all this. It will be issued only as we need it and matched with funds from the government."

Chamblee said all improvements will be made within the city limits, "but we are also making the water and sewer facilities easily available to outside areas for possible annexations in the next three to five years. The town has to continue to grow."

"If we don't get this bond, it will mean that growth will stop," he continued. "This doesn't mean we would merge with Chapel Hill; we would just do our best to maintain what we would have. We would not be able to progress."



Bill Snodgrass

Bill Snodgrass, a fourth-year graduate student in the Department of Environmental Engineering, has announced his candidacy for president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation (GPSF).

Snodgrass, who worked in the formation of the GPSF, believes its president must "make the whole organization more visible."

Snodgrass advocates the formation of "three major programs for the near future." First, he said, the University needs a campuswide minorities recruitment program at the graduate level.

Secondly, he wishes to see the reinstatement of the housing survey done by graduate students in the summer of 1971.

And thirdly, he recommends an educational project which "could bring in an outside consultant who will critique teaching methods and offer new systems."

A native of Canada and graduate of the University of Waterloo in Canada, Snodgrass has worked on various faculty bodies.

New ram will reign Saturday

Carolina has a new mascot, the ninth ram in a long line of distinguished victory symbols for UNC football teams.

Rameses VIII died this past summer on Hogan's Farm near Chapel Hill.

The new ram is just under two years of age. His horns have been painted blue and he has inherited the UNC blanket.

Rameses IX will run on the gridiron of Kenan Stadium for the first time Saturday when Carolina plays the University of Richmond.

The ram as the official mascot here dates back to 1922 when Jack Merritt, "The Battering Ram," was the football hero in Chapel Hill. Vic Huggins, cheerleader of the era, conceived the idea of an actual ram as Carolina's mascot, fitting into the Jack Merritt tradition.

On Rameses' first appearance, the emotional appeal caused Carolina to come from behind and beat VMI, 3-0, in October, 1922.

Rameses III ran the gamut of troubles in the 1930's, once captured by Duke students and another time in a hoax by Carolina students who tried to blame it on Duke.

Rameses VII, who reigned in the Choo Choo Justice Era, attended the Carolina-Notre Dame football game in New York City, broke up a pre-game press party, caused a traffic jam en route to Yankee Stadium and terrified a waitress at Jack Dempsey's bar.



Rameses IX with Miss Sarah Griffin