

Bahamas move to expel the Shah

THE Shah of Iran is being pressured into leaving the Bahamas to avoid terrorist action. Government officials want him to leave soon.

Doubled

This follows yesterday's threat from the Palestinian Liberation Organisation to abduct the Shah and bring him to justice in Tehran.

A spokesman in Tehran Kazi Al Hassan, said the

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order came from Yasser Arafat, the PLO leader.

A squad has reportedly been given the task of arresting the Shah and bringing him to Iran's new ruler, the Ayatollah Khomeini, to stand trial.

The Shah has ordered security to be stepped up around his family.

Since their arrival in the Bahamas on March 30, the Shah and his family have been shrouded in the strictest security. But now that has been doubled.

Action

The family have hardly ventured away from their private and secluded beach villa on Paradise Island.

Yet in Nassau, pressure is growing for the once powerful family to be expelled.

A Government spokes-

man said: "By doing nothing now we could find ourselves in the centre of Arab terrorist action."

Other countries have reacted to the Shah's plight in different ways.

Mexico has offered him asylum. But America has apparently retracted its earlier offer. The Shah is reported to have been told by Washington, "wait awhile before coming here."



THE SHAH—expelled?

Police bid to stop anti-NF clash

POLICE leave in London has been cancelled because of two big anti-racist marches this weekend.

Police said they would use whatever force was necessary to maintain order at today's Anti-Nazi League protest in Southall where New Zealand teacher Blair Peach died during an anti-National Front protest earlier this week.

Organisers said this afternoon's demonstration would be a "massive, disciplined and controlled display by anti-racists." They expected the police to keep a "low profile."

Anti-Nazi League national secretary Mr. Paul Holborow said the aims of the march were to protest against the alleged actions of the police at last Monday's riots and to honour Blair Peach who died in the disturbance.

League and Indian Workers' Association leaders met police chiefs last night to discuss arrangements for the protest.

Decision

National Front leader Mr. Martin Webster was reported to have said his members would ignore the demonstration.

Scotland Yard has invoked the Public Order Act for the first time to prevent Asians and Left-wingers marching past the National Front headquarters in East London tomorrow.

The decision was taken last night by Police Commissioner Sir David McNee. A record 8,000 policemen will be drafted into the area to prevent clashes.

The march was planned well before last Monday's riots in Southall. Sir David stressed he was not banning the march, only altering the route.

The marchers planned to link the two East London constituencies being contested by National Front chiefs Martin Webster and John Tyndall-Stepney and Bow and South Hackney.

Trudeaus' trip

AN outing with mother as the children of Pierre Trudeau, the Canadian prime minister, go shopping in New York.

The children, Michel, three, Sacha, five, and Justin, seven, carry T-shirts, bought for them by their mother, Margaret, in Serendipity, a store on Third Avenue.

The party are accompanied by Francisco Kripacz, a friend of Mrs. Trudeau.

Oil crash puts beaches in peril

By DAVID RIGBY

HOLIDAY beaches were today threatened with pollution after two oil tankers collided 90 miles off the French coast.

Thousands of gallons of crude oil were gushing from the side of the Liberian tanker Gino after it sank following a collision with an empty Norwegian tanker at 2.30 a.m.

The accident raised fears of another serious oil spill reaching the coast of Brittany where the supertanker Amoco Cadiz was wrecked last March in what was considered the worst pollution disaster ever.

The Gino's crew abandoned ship and were all picked up by a nearby Russian vessel.

At the moment north westerly winds are driving the slick towards French beaches.

A Lands End coastguard spokesman said: "The collision occurred in a similar area to the Cadiz disaster but this vessel is nothing like as big."

The cause of the collision is not known. Seas in the area were reported to be relatively calm.

The Gino was sailing from Texas with a 32,000 ton cargo of crude oil and was heading for Northern Europe when it crashed with the empty Team Castor in busy shipping lanes on the approaches to the Channel.

Please Sir, can I marry?

A SOUTH African has at last been given permission to attend his own wedding.

Peter Jones, 28, a friend of Steve Biko who died in police detention, is banned by the regime's security laws from attending any social gathering without permission from a court.

Peter, a former leader of The Black People's Convention in South Africa, had to wait three weeks before the magistrates in Somerset West, near Cape Town, gave him permission.

Today he married social worker Amelia Nilson, 29. But they are not permitted to go away for a honeymoon.

BEER SHORTAGE

A work-to-rule and an overtime ban by 39 dramsen at Whitbread's London Colney depot in Hertfordshire has led to a beer shortage in hundreds of public houses.



I won't give in says gunman

A FRIGHTENED young gunman under siege in a high-rise flat told police last night he would shoot himself if they moved in.

The 21-year-old man had been holding out in the flat at Ballymun, Dublin, for more than 36 hours. Police wanted to question him about the murder of Basil English, 31, early on Thursday morning.

English, who had a criminal record, was killed by a gunman as he walked into the flat where he lived with a woman and a two-year-old girl.

Refused

The gunman locked himself into a nearby apartment at 9 p.m. on Wednesday after police said they believed the killing was part of a gangland feud. They said they were looking for an associate of English.

Despite appeals from a priest and a social worker, the gunman has refused to surrender.

When police moved closer to the flat last night, the gunman warned he would shoot himself if they did not get back.

Armed Special Branch men wearing bullet-proof jackets moved into adjoining flats and were keeping in contact with the gunman through a loudhailer.

A police spokesman said: "The siege will only end when he sees reason and gives himself up. We are prepared for a long wait."

Crash blocks flyover

THE Hammersmith flyover was closed for nearly an hour today after a van collided with a Land Rover leading an Army convoy.

Police described conditions at the time as "very dangerous." It was raining hard and the road surface was slippery.

The AA warned drivers on the M1 to expect delays for the next month as repairs are carried out.

The van, travelling towards London, crossed the bridge reservation and hit the Land Rover.

The driver suffered slight injuries.

Both carriageways on the flyover, the main arterial link to the M4, were closed.

WEATHER SERVICE

Until noon tomorrow: Some drier, brighter weather this afternoon, with high temp around 15C. Wind mainly dry this evening and overnight with min. about 5C (41F).

Channel and North Sea: Moderate, Irish Sea: Moderate becoming rough.

Outlook: Showers or heavy outbreaks of rain, but sunny intervals. Becoming colder.

Sun sets 8:18 p.m. Moon sets 5:38 a.m. Moon rises 7:51 a.m. High water London Bridge 4:11 p.m. Tomorrow 4:27 a.m. 4:41 p.m. Lighting-up 8:45 p.m. 9:3 a.m.

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