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ARAB RENOVING SHELLING OF JEWISH POSITIONS IN JERUSALEM; JEWISH AGENCY MEETING OPENS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Hostilities were renewed in Jerusalem last night and this morning following a series of bombardments of Jewish positions in southern and western Jerusalem by Arab artillery early last night, an Israeli communique released this morning.

The communique listed Deir Abu Tor, Musrara and Beth Israel as well as Jewish positions along Mamillah Road as having been targets for the Arab Legion guns. The communique added that the Jews returned the fire. No details are available on Jewish casualties.

Members of the broadened Jewish Agency executive elected by the Zionist Actions Committee last week today began meeting. The parley is scheduled to last for several days and the distribution of portfolios will be discussed today.

Jerusalem Municipality Asks Income Tax Cut for City's Inhabitants

The Jerusalem municipality today appealed to Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan to cut the general income tax by 50 percent for Jerusalem inhabitants in view of the economic suffering which they endured as a result of the Arab siege.

The municipality also asked that traffic restrictions between the city and the rest of Israel be removed because of an adverse effect on the city's economy and because it fosters the impression that Jerusalem is still besieged.

For the first time since the surrender of the British Mandate May 15, the city yesterday witnessed a gala gathering of notables of all communities at a reception given by the Netherlands consul general in honor of the ascent of Queen Juliana to the Dutch throne. The entire consular corps was present as well as the Israeli military governor and religious dignitaries of all faiths.

Cyprus Court to Hear Challenge of Britain's Authority to Detain Jews

There are still some 12,000 displaced Jews interned on Cyprus under a "questionable" detention order, Joshua Leibner, assistant director of the Joint Distribution Committee's Cyprus staff, reported here today at a press conference. He said that on Sept. 16 hearings will take place on habeas corpus proceedings brought by some of the refugees challenging the law under which they are detained.

Pointing out that "we are not childish enough to think that this will secure the release of the persons who filed the applications," Leibner said that "whoever defends the detention order will have a big job on his hands." He reported that there were 312 infants under three months old in the camps and that babies were being born at the rate of 100 a month.

He denied that there were any plans for a mass escape from the island, but said that small groups and individuals were constantly attempting it despite the severe punishment administered to those caught. He also reported that some 51,000 persons have passed through the camps, including some 10,000 children.

STATE DEPT. LISTS CONDITIONS FOR SUPPORT OF ISRAEL'S APPLICATION FOR U.N. MEMBERSHIP

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The State Department today made public its attitude on the application which the Government of Israel intends to submit to the U.N. General Assembly for membership in the United Nations. The text of a reply on this question sent by Charles E. Bohlen, counselor of the State Department, to Rep. Jacob K. Javits of New York was officially released today. It reads:

"The Provisional Government of Israel has not yet submitted an application for membership in the United Nations. In case it does so and appears at that time to qualify under Article Four of the Charter the United States will, of course, gladly support its application. I believe you will agree that the attitude of United Nations member states toward an application for membership by Israel will be greatly influenced by the course of mediation now being attempted in Palestine by Count Bernadotte, and by the attitude of Israel toward the truce and United Nations efforts to reach a settlement."

(A cable from Tel Aviv reports that the question of the United States attitude toward Israel's application for membership in the United Nations is one of the major issues being considered at top level Foreign Ministry conferences which began today in the Israeli capital to chart the nation's strategy for the forthcoming General Assembly session. Eliahu Epstein, special representative to the U.S., and Aubrey Eban, representative to the U.N., who have just arrived from Washington and New York, respectively, are prominently participating in the conferences.)

Israeli protests against United States restrictions on Jewish emigration from Germany received backing today from Congressman Emanuel Celler of New York, who termed them cruel and based on erroneous interpretations of the United Nations truce resolutions. In a letter to Secretary of State Marshall, Celler attacked the ruling by Assistant Secretary of State for Occupied Areas Charles Saltzman, which freezes Jews of "military age and fighting personnel" in German displaced persons camps.

U.S. HOLDS KEY TO PALESTINE PEACE, SAYS WEIZMANN; ASKS LOAN, DE JURE RECOGNITION

NEW YORK, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The United States holds the key to a permanent peace in Palestine, Dr. Chaim Weizmann declared in the first interview granted by him since he became President of Israel. The interview, given to Bartley C. Crum, publisher of the New York Star and former member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine, appeared in today's Star.

President Weizmann said that much depends upon American de jure recognition of Israel and the immediate granting of a \$100,000,000 loan by the U.S. to Israel. "There is a log jam now as far as our recognition by western European states is concerned," he declared. "Only America can break it. If the United States, through President Truman, gives us de jure recognition, I believe all of western Europe will follow--meaning France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, perhaps even England, will recognize us. The effect upon Arab states would be immediate. It would mean permanent peace, not only in Israel, but throughout the Middle East. With the loan we could then go on with our work of rescue and of rebuilding."

Speaking of the relationship between Israel and American Jews, Dr. Weizmann said: "It's a clear-cut matter. The citizens of Israel are Israelis; the citizens of the United States are Americans. A parallel is that between an American of Irish descent and Eire. This is a perfectly normal relationship. He has sympathy for Eire, he follows Eire's fortunes with interest, he welcomes visits to Eire, he helps Eire in many ways. It will be the same way with the Jews."

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PARAGUAY RECOGNIZES ISRAEL; URUGUAY TO EXCHANGE DIPLOMATS WITH ISRAEL SOON

NEW YORK, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The Government of Paraguay today officially recognized Israel, it was announced here by the Latin-American department of the Israeli Mission.

(In Montevideo, Israeli Foreign Under-Secretary Moises Toff, who is now visiting Uruguay, today told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that an exchange of diplomatic representatives between Uruguay and Israel is imminent. He also revealed that the prospects are good for the recognition of Israel by the Brazilian Government.)

U.S. AUTHORITIES IN AUSTRIA WILL NOT PERMIT IRGUNISTS, STERNISTS TO LEAVE FOR ISRAEL

VIENNA, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Displaced Jews known to be Irgunists, Sternists or members of other military organizations will not be permitted to leave Austria for Israel, American military authorities announced here today.

This follows the line of the American authorities in Germany who have halted the emigration of Jewish DP's between the ages of 18 and 45 whose destination is Israel. Here such military age men will also be frozen despite visas issued to them by Kurt Lewin, special Israeli immigration representative, who recently received official recognition from the U.S. authorities.

Bronislaw Teichholz, president of the International Committee for Jewish Refugees in Austria, returning from a four-week tour of Israel, today told a meeting of Jewish leaders here that all DP camps in Austria must be closed and the Jews sent to Israel. Teichholz said that Israel is equipped and willing to accept the immigrants.

BRITISH POLICY HAS UNDERGONE A CHANGE SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL, JEWISH LEADER SAYS

LONDON, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- There has already been a "subtle change" in the attitude of the British Government toward Israel since the existence of the Jewish state became an accomplished fact, Sir Simon Marks, leader of British Jewry, last night declared at a reception given by the Joint Palestine Appeal of Britain in honor of Gershon Agronsky, editor of the Palestine Post, who just arrived from Tel Aviv.

Agronsky said he came to Britain to remind English Jewry that the war is not over yet and that what was needed in Israel nine months ago is more desperately in demand today. He stated that the present armed truce which British policy is forcing on Israel is no less expensive than war. Israel's secret weapon in winning the war, Agronsky asserted, was the will power and determination of her people.

RUMANIAN-JEWISH LAWYER APPOINTED ISRAELI SPECIAL ENVOY TO BENELUX COUNTRIES

ANTWERP, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Mishu Weissmann, Rumanian-Jewish lawyer, has been appointed special envoy for the state of Israel to the Benelux countries, it was reported here today. Weissmann is a former member of the Rumanian Parliament.

SPECIAL ISRAELI GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE ARRIVES IN RUMANIA ON OFFICIAL MISSION

BUCHAREST, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Moshe Agami-Auerbach, a special Israeli Government representative, arrived here today on an official mission. No further detail of the purpose of his visit are available.

JEWISH DP'S, ENROUTE TO AUSTRALIA FROM PARIS, DETAINED BY IRAQI GOVERNMENT

PARIS, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Fifty-nine displaced Jews, enroute to Australia from Paris, were detained during the week-end by Iraqi authorities for not having transit visas, when an American Skymaster plane was forced to land at the Basra airport due to lack of fuel.

The Australian Government's representative in Baghdad has intervened with Iraqi officials for the detainees. The case is still under consideration by the Iraqi Government.

ANTI-JEWISH DEMONSTRATION STAGED AT INTERNATIONAL SPIRITUALIST CONFERENCE IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- An anti-Jewish demonstration was staged last night at a meeting of the International Spiritualist Conference which is being held here.

While a German Jew was reading a paper, two London residents who are former German prisoners of war objected to a Jew "addressing the conference in behalf of the German Reich." The objectors, Kurt Wagner and Erwin Scholz, who also shouted "Down with the Jews," explained that they had revived the German "Ostara" movement while in a prison camp in the United States. The movement was both anti-Jewish and anti-Christian during its pre-war existence.

Wagner and Scholz were ordered removed from the meeting. However, following an appeal, they were permitted to remain.

SCHOCHTIM LEAVING FOR EIRE TO SUPERVISE KOSHER PREPARATION OF 1,000,000 POUNDS OF MEAT

PARIS, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Thirty-four schochtim are leaving shortly for Dublin to supervise the kosher slaughtering and canning of 1,000,000 pounds of meat donated by the Government of Eire for Jewish DP's in Germany and Austria, it was learned here today.

The transportation of the schochtim as well as the preparation of the meat is being arranged by the Joint Distribution Committee, which also negotiated the gift from Eire. The slaughterers were assembled from all parts of Europe, while special knives were brought from Frankfurt and whetstones from New York.

JEWISH GROUPS START ON PLAN TO SETTLE JEWISH FAMILIES AS FARMERS OUTSIDE OF ISRAEL

PARIS, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- Registration of 150 Jewish families for settlement as farmers in countries outside Israel started today in Germany, it was reported here by Jewish organizations. The plan is being sponsored by the Jewish Colonization Association and the HIAS in cooperation with the International Refugee Organization.

DP IMMIGRATION LAW EXCLUDES 185,000 POLISH JEWS WHO FLED TO CAMPS, CARUSI SAYS

NEW YORK, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The present DP immigration law automatically excludes about 185,000 of the 200,000 Jews who fled to DP camps from Poland in 1946 and 1947, Ugo Carusi, DP Commissioner, declared here yesterday just prior to flying to Germany to organize the immigration of DP's under the new law.

The New York Times today said the law "is still not a good law" because it "deliberately excludes" many Jews and Catholics and discriminates "against those who suffered most under Hitler and have suffered most since Hitler died." The Times also criticized the State Department for allowing its consuls to snarl up the administration of the law in red tape.

PROBLEMS CONCERNING AMERICAN JEWISH YOUTH DISCUSSED AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

NARROWSBURG, N.Y., Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The question of developing a more positive identification with Judaism among American Jewish youth was one of the main problems discussed today at the first National Jewish Youth Conference, which is taking place here under the auspices of the Youth Planning Commission of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Speakers at the conference, which is being attended by 200 delegates from 65 Jewish communities, today pointed out that Jewish youth must participate in campaigns to combat anti-Semitism both with education and legislation and that the progress of Jewish youth is interrelated with the democratic way of living. Some of the delegates reported that the following three developments have taken place in America since the establishment of Israel:

1. An encouragingly large number of Christians have become more sympathetic to the Jewish cause; 2. Many Jews in this country have developed a deeper sense of pride in themselves through pride in the people of Israel; and 3. Americans who had a "borderline" attitude toward the Jewish people in the past, have since developed a deep respect for them because of what has happened in Israel.

Reporting that there are 300 Jewish Youth Councils in the United States today, A.N. Pins, chairman of the Planning Commission, told the delegates that these councils are the best media through which they can meet the issues facing Jewish youth in this country. They are given direct service by the Jewish Welfare Board in the form of aid in the development of program ideas and techniques, and in the form of consultation services, he said.

JEWISH LABORITES IN CANADA DECIDE TO RAISE \$1,000,000 FOR HISTADRUTH ACTIVITIES

WINNIPEG, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- A decision to raise \$1,000,000 during the coming year to aid the expansion program of the Histadruth in Israel was adopted here last night at the conclusion of a three-day national convention of the Canadian Association for Labor Palestine.

The convention adopted a resolution urging the Canadian Government to grant immediate recognition to Israel. More than 300 delegates attended the gathering. Dr. S.B. Hurwich of Toronto was re-elected national president of the organization.

CHICAGOAN TO HEAD \$1,829,000 FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN FOR LIBERAL JUDAISM IN AMERICA

CINCINNATI, Sept. 7. (JTA) -- The appointment of Dr. Samuel S. Hollender of Chicago as 1948-49 national chairman of the \$1,829,000 annual maintenance fund campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion was announced jointly by Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

This year's campaign goal, almost double that for 1947-48, will mark two notable events in the history of Liberal Judaism in the United States; the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the merger of the two theological seminaries, the Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati and the Jewish Institute of Religion of New York City.