

and Egyptians to negotiate a peaceful settlement directly, as ordered by the Council. He said the threat to peace now lay in the action of the Lebanese forces in the north, rather than in the south.

In a brief statement read to the Council, acting mediator Dr. Ralph Bunche said he had informed both the Jews and Egyptians of the Council request that they withdraw their forces back to the original truce lines. Neither has yet replied, he reported, adding that he hoped for an answer shortly. The adjournment motion was made by Britain's Sir Alexander Cadogan following Bunche's statement that he expected further information from Palestine.

At this morning's session, the Egyptian, Lebanese and Syrian representatives hurled new accusations of truce breaking against Israel. The Arabs even attempted to lay the guilt for the latest Lebanese assaults against Jewish positions to the door of Israel.

ISRAELI CABINET STUDIES U.N. MEDIATOR'S REQUEST TO WITHDRAW FROM NEGEV POSITIONS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The Israeli Cabinet was today studying a request received this morning from acting U.N. Palestine mediator Dr. Ralph Bunche calling for the Israelis to withdraw from the positions they captured during the Negev fighting. Foreign Minister Moshe Shertok, who returned here from the Paris U.N. sessions last night, reported to the Cabinet on the present Palestine political situation at the United Nations.

Replying to correspondents' questions concerning Bunche's request, which was transmitted through U.N. liaison official Dr. Paul Mohr, an official Israeli spokesman asserted that the reply will not be forthcoming before tonight. The spokesman told newsmen that although the request for withdrawal of Israeli troops from the Negev may be considered, the Jews would "never" order such an evacuation.

ALL RESIDENTS OF ISRAEL WILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME CITIZENS UNDER NEW LAW, MINISTER SAYS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The proposed citizenship and naturalization law for the state of Israel provides for automatic citizenship for every person residing in the Jewish state on the day that the legislation is passed, Minister of Justice Dr. Felix Rosenbluth revealed at a press conference today.

Residents of Israel holding citizenship in other countries will be able to become naturalized citizens by declaring their readiness to accept Israeli citizenship and by renouncing their foreign allegiance, Dr. Rosenbluth stated.

Non-Jews living in Israel, and those resident in areas which may in the future be included in the Jewish state, the Israeli Minister said, are also eligible for Israeli citizenship. Palestinians living abroad who wish to adopt Israeli citizenship will be able to do so within 12 months of the law's passage, he stated.

MENTOR SAYS HE RESIGNED FROM U.P.A. ONLY; DECLARES HE STILL HOLDS POST AT U.J.A.

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Henry Mentor, in a statement today to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, declared that although he submitted his resignation as executive director of the United Palestine Appeal, he did not resign as executive vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

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UNIDENTIFIED PLANES APPEAR OVER JERUSALEM; TWO ALARMS SOUNDED; ARAB ATTACK EXPECTED

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- For the second time in five hours, Jerusalem was alerted today when unidentified aircraft flew over the blacked-out city. No bombs were dropped.

The first alarm was sounded when a single unidentified plane appeared overhead. Although no missiles were dropped, tension in the city increased as a result of the two alarms.

Meanwhile, the situation on the southern front, where Arab troops, most of them Transjordan Legionnaires, are regrouping and occupying new positions. They have already brought up reinforcements as well as artillery and automatic weapons. It is apparent here that they will attempt to launch a major night assault on Jerusalem towards the end of this week, when the moon will be at its darkest.

Well-informed neutral sources in Jerusalem agree that the danger of such an attack is immediate. It is generally believed here that Arab forces are planning to recapture positions seized by the Israelis in the Negev. In addition to Beersheba, the Jews have captured important positions along the Jerusalem-Hebron road and in the vicinity of Kfar Etzion.

ARAB MILITARY ACTIVITY CONTINUES ON NORTH PALESTINE FRONT; HAIFA HAS THREE AIR RAID ALARMS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Arab military activity continued on various sectors of the north Palestine front today following three air alerts at Haifa last night when enemy planes approached the port city. The aircraft were driven off by anti-aircraft fire before they could bomb the city.

An Israeli military spokesman denied that Lebanese and Fawzi Hukajji forces have been withdrawn from the vital Sheikh Habbad height in northern Galilee. The spokesman said the Arabs hold the height and are also sniping against Israeli positions in the area. This morning Arabs fired on Jewish positions in Nebi Yusha--the Jewish-held police fortress which controls the most important approaches to north-eastern Galilee.

Iraqi forces were active during the past 24 hours in the Lajoun sector. Jewish positions in Lajoun and Megiddo were shelled during the night and the Arabs attempted unsuccessfully to capture a height between Lajoun and Mishmar Haemek. They were reported to have suffered heavy casualties.

ISRAELI AIR FORCE CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY; CHIEF OF STAFF SENDS FELICITATIONS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The Israeli Air Force celebrated its first anniversary today. A message from Chief of Staff Yaakov Dori congratulating the air arm of the Jewish state declared that the role played by the Israeli Air Force in weakening the enemy's air power, especially in the Negev, will always be remembered as an "example of efficiency, daring and courage."

Dori's message was addressed to all fighter pilots, bomber crews and air transport and ground personnel and hailed the recent aerial victories in the Negev. "Let us go up," the Chief of Staff's message read, "for we shall surely succeed."

An Air Force rally was held last night in Tel Aviv, while the government radio broadcast a special program dedicated to the Jewish state's air force units. Brief ceremonies were also held in all Air Force installations.

COURT RULES ILLEGAL ENTRY TO ARGENTINA IS NO OFFENSE; 21 DETAINED JEWS ACQUITTED

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- A Federal Court here ruled today that illegal immigration is not an offense punishable by Argentine law. The decision was handed down at the end of a trial of 21 Jews who entered Argentina illegally and who have been detained for several weeks. The Jews were acquitted.

Anti-Semites resumed today their distribution of anti-Jewish leaflets in the streets of this city. Some of the pamphlets attempt to exploit the assassination of Count Bernadotte. Although pro-government newspapers have pressed the police to take action against the publishers and distributors, nothing has been done to stop them.

A conference of the "League for Labor Palestine," attended by more than 120 delegates from all sections of Argentina, concluded here today after reconstituting itself as the "Central Committee for the Histadruth." Marcos Regalsky was elected chairman of the new group. The Committee also launched a fund-raising campaign, but did not set a specific goal.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS TO DEVELOP ANTI-BIAS PROGRAM IN INDUSTRY

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- A proposal to develop a program to combat religious prejudice in the industrial field as has been done in the educational and community fields was adopted here last night at the opening session of a two-day meeting of the board of directors of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

The proposal was introduced by Roger W. Straus, one of the co-chairmen of the Conference, who said it was "neither complete nor systematized" yet. The program would require the organization of a special commission of industrial and labor leaders as its first step. It was also reported that the organization's income for the current year was \$1,537,000.

CUBAN JEWISH LEADER GETS AWARD FROM BELGIAN GOVERNMENT FOR WARTIME AID TO COUNTRY

HAVANA, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Adolph Kates, prominent Jewish communal leader and business man, was decorated today with the "Order of the Queen" by the Belgian Government.

The decoration was bestowed on Kates in appreciation of his services in behalf of Belgium during the war as well as for his efforts to strengthen trade relations between Cuba and Belgium.

ISRAELI OFFICIAL RECEIVED BY PERUVIAN CHANCELLOR; U.N.-PALESTINE PROBLEM DISCUSSED

LIMA, Peru, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Salvador Rozental, liaison official for the state of Israel, was received here by Chancellor Armando Revoredo. The Peruvian official discussed with Rozental at length the question of the attitude of the Peruvian delegation at the United Nations on Palestine.

After the conference, Rozental told newsmen that he was pleased with the reception accorded him and with the Peruvian Government's promises regarding future relations between Israel and Peru. The Israeli official will leave tomorrow for Quito, Ecuador.