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U.S. DELEGATE'S INTERVENTION HALTS BRITON'S SPEECH AT U.N. IN FAVOR OF BERNADOTTE PLAN

PARIS, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- Last-minute intervention by the United States delegate Philip C. Jessup, taking place in full view of the press gallery, brought a sudden and sensational end to this afternoon's Palestine debate in the U.N. Political Committee and caused Britain's Minister of State Hector McNeill to withhold delivery of a speech fully supporting the Bernadotte plan.

While the Iraq delegate was speaking, McNeill and his British advisers met outside the conference room. McNeill was given the draft of his speech. After reading it, he re-entered the session, intending to deliver it if there were no other speaker.

During a two-hour filibuster by Faris el Khoury of Syria, McNeill consulted at the conference table with Jessup, British chief delegate Sir Alexander Cadogan and United States State Department officials. Later, Jessup's advisers returned with what appeared to be a draft of Jessup's speech, and again the party went into a private middle while El Khoury continued to recite Biblical history.

At 6:15 P.M. El Khoury stopped talking. Chairman Paul-Henri Spaak, of Belgium, announced he had no further speakers scheduled. No one moved. Angry, Spaak looked pointedly at the cluster of British and American delegates. McNeill and Jessup stared fixedly ahead, taking no notice of the chairman's appeals. McNeill had clearly dropped his intention of speaking today.

U.S. Hopes to Avoid Bringing Anglo-American Differences into Open

With considerable irritation Spaak adjourned the meeting until tomorrow. The British unreadiness to proceed after constantly pressing for haste is linked with Jessup's appeal not to spoil the chances of compromise by giving complete support to the Bernadotte plan and so bringing Anglo-American differences into the open.

Consultations took place immediately after adjournment, and an attempt is being made to work out an Anglo-American compromise. This follows reports that the Israelis might be ready to agree on some compromise in the Negev and belief in American circles that Israel will be more cooperative than official statements would indicate.

Informants close to acting mediator Dr. Ralph Bunche today indicated doubt about the effectiveness of the armistice proposal. They complained that it leaves the whole matter of establishing an armistice up in the air, pending the outcome of negotiations into which the Arabs have repeatedly refused to enter. Dr. Bunche is known to regret that the Security Council stopped short of ordering the parties to negotiate since he is convinced that at least two of the Arab states would actually have welcomed such an order.

U.N. LACKS SUFFICIENT STRENGTH TO ENFORCE NEGEV WITHDRAWAL ORDER, GEN. RILEY SAYS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- The United Nations does not have a large enough force to enforce the Security Council order to the Egyptians and Israelis to withdraw their troops from the Negev, Gen. William Riley, chief of staff to the acting mediator and second in command of the U.N. truce supervision machinery, declared at a press conference in Haifa last night.

For that reason, Gen. Riley said, enforcement of the withdrawal order depends on the moral support given the truce supervisory organization. He added that with good will on the part of the Jews and the Arabs it will be possible to settle all outstanding problems.

Plans for greatly increasing the available water supply to the Jewish settlements in the Negev have been worked out, it was learned here today. The plans include provision for increasing the size of existing pipelines and for linking new settlements into the water system in the immediate future. A Dutch agricultural expert has been invited to come to Israel to help plan more intensive cultivation in the southern region.

An Israeli spokesman today denied a report from Beirut that Egyptian troops smashed their way out of Israeli encirclement in the Faluja area and made their way to Hebron to join other units of the Egyptian invasion force. "The Egyptians are still in the Faluja pocket and there has been no change in the front," he said. Commenting on the Security Council's adoption of the Canadian armistice resolution, the spokesman said that the resolution's insistence on direct armistice talks was a hopeful sign. "We are interested in direct talks at all times and are ready to sit down with the Arabs, even tomorrow," he added.

Israeli school children today presented to the Israeli Air Force an air ambulance capable of flying four wounded persons. The gift was presented to the Air Force "somewhere in Israel" at ceremonies attended by Tel Aviv Mayor Israel Rokach, the commander of the Israeli Air Force and other notables.

Nearly 115,000 immigrants reached Israel since 1947, Immigration Minister Moshe Shapiro said today. He added that 35,000 more immigrants were expected to arrive in November and December. At least 30,000 have come since May from Austrian, German, and Italian displaced persons camps, he declared, and 12,000 arrived from Cyprus. Of some 4,000 Yemenites at the Aden camp, 3,000 are expected to arrive by air soon. The British authorities at Aden refuse to permit those of military age to leave the camp for Israel, he emphasized.

GEN. DE GAULLE PREDICTS ISRAEL WILL WIN ALL ITS DEMANDS, INCLUDING JERUSALEM

PARIS, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- The force of arms has decided the Palestine issue, Gen. Charles De Gaulle, former president of the French Provisional Government, declared today at a press conference in which he referred to a number of other world-wide events.

The issues of the Negev, from which the United Nations has ordered the Israeli forces to withdraw, will also be solved militarily, the General declared. The "Voice of Arms," he added, would win Israel all its demands, including possession of Jerusalem. In the case of Jerusalem, however, some sort of international control should be established to safeguard the rights of Christendom, he continued.

MASS IMMIGRATION OF DP'S TO ISRAEL DEPENDS ON AID OF U.S. JEWRY, LEADERS DECLARE

NEW YORK, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- Mass immigration of displaced Jews from Europe into Israel and their successful settlement and rehabilitation there depends primarily on the financial contribution which American Jewry will make to the United Jewish Appeal, a number of speakers emphasized tonight at a dinner arranged in honor of Dr. Israel Goldstein, newly-elected treasurer of the Jewish Agency.

The speakers included Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Berl Locker, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive in Jerusalem; Prof. Selig Brodetsky, head of the Board of Deputies of British Jews; Judge Morris Rothenberg, president of the Jewish National Fund of America, and Herman Weisman, acting chairman of the United Palestine Appeal.

Dr. Goldstein declared that the treasury of the Jewish Agency for Palestine is the "rescue chest" of the Jewish people. "Living and working in Jerusalem for the next ten months, I shall consider myself a liaison between Israel and American Jewry," he said.

Paying tribute to Dr. Goldstein for his leadership of the United Palestine Appeal, Dr. Emanuel Neumann pointed out that \$100,000,000 was forwarded to the Jews of Palestine through the unprecedented campaigns of the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal. Berl Locker emphasized that Dr. Goldstein's new post "came at a turning point in the history of Israel." The other speakers spoke in a similar vein.

SUMNER WELLES URGES U.S. TO RETURN TO "REALISM" OF U.N. PALESTINE PARTITION DECISION

NEW YORK, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- Charging that the present Palestine situation "is due solely to the policies of two great powers--Great Britain and the United States," former Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles told a dinner meeting of the American Jewish Congress tendered in his honor tonight that the government of the United States should "face the facts" and return to the "realism of the original U.N. partition resolution of Nov. 29, 1947."

Scoring efforts "still further to reduce the territory which the leaders of the people of Israel have so rightly declared to be an irreducible minimum," Mr. Welles asserted that the Nov. 29th resolution of the General Assembly "remains unchallenged as the sole authoritative declaration of the will of the U.N."

Mr. Welles was presented a citation "in recognition of his statesmanship and understanding, inspiring devoted to the services of his country and in gratitude for his courageous championing of the cause of Israel among the nations of the world."

35-MEMBER U.J.A. DELEGATION ARRIVES IN PARIS; WILL PROCEED TO ROME EN ROUTE TO ISRAEL

PARIS, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- A thirty-five member United Jewish Appeal delegation arrived here this morning en route to Israel. The delegation, which is headed by Justice Benjamin Shalleck, president of the Young Men's Philanthropic League, and Max Ogust, executive chairman of the U.J.A. Council of Organizations, will leave for Rome Friday and is scheduled to arrive in Haifa Monday.

At a press conference later in the day, Justice Shalleck outlined the purpose of the delegation. He said that the group would conduct a survey and make a report on the needs of an estimated 125,000 DP's who will immigrate to Israel in the next year, and the housing problem in Israel. Ogust, who also spoke at the conference, praised the work of the Joint Distribution Committee.

LEHMAN AWARDED GOLD MEDAL FOR EFFORTS TO PROMOTE INTER-FAITH AND INTER-RACIAL UNITY

NEW YORK, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- Former Governor Herbert H. Lehman today was awarded the 1948 Inter-Faith In Action gold medal at a testimonial dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria. The award was given in recognition of Mr. Lehman's "devoted efforts on behalf of inter-racial and inter-faith unity." The speakers at the dinner, which was attended by representatives of the three major faiths, included Henry Morgenthau Jr., Judge Samuel Rosenman, Brig. Gen. David Sarnoff and other notables.

Addressing the dinner, Gov. Lehman pointed out that many persons who pride themselves on being good Americans and lovers of democracy "express hatred and intolerance against other Americans because of their race, creed or national origin" thereby attacking and weakening the "fundamentals of both democracy and religion." Asserting that "we talk glibly of goodwill, and we give lip-service to 'Brotherhood of Man,'" he declared that "frequently we do not implement these fine words." He also insisted that "we must live brotherhood in our daily relations with others."

The former governor suggested that all Americans should test themselves to see whether they live brotherhood. "We should ask ourselves," he said, whether children at home are taught that all people are equal in the "sight of God and under the laws of our land"; whether in church and synagogue sincere attempts are made to correct untruths and misconceptions of other religious groups; whether tolerance, justice and good will are taught children in the schools and playgrounds; whether attempts are made to give all equal opportunities for employment and education; and, whether attempts are made to eliminate considerations of race, creed and color from political life. "If we are honest with ourselves, the answers to these self-questions will not always be pleasing," he added.

Proceeds from the dinner went to the \$1,000,000 building fund of the Garment Center Congregation and Community House, which will be constructed in the heart of New York's garment industry and will include a 450-seat synagogue and an auditorium which will be used for inter-faith forums and broadcasts.

RABBINICAL SEMINARY WINS LEGAL BATTLE TO CONTINUE OPERATION ON WESTCHESTER ESTATE

CHAPPAQUA, N.Y., Nov. 17. (JTA) -- The Yeshiva Farm Settlement won a legal battle to continue operation of an Orthodox rabbinical seminary for 75 young Czechoslovak refugee students on an estate in nearby New Castle.

Opposition to the existence of the school was spearheaded by the Crow Hill Development Co. and 39 residents of the area surrounding the school, who maintained that the seminary was not in harmony with the character of the New Castle area, which chiefly consists of large private homes.

In granting the seminary permission to continue operations, the New Castle Zoning Board of Appeals ruled that occupancy of the school is limited to 125 persons, in addition to 25 farm employees. All farm produce grown on the seminary's farm must be consumed on the premises and cannot be sold, while English must be made the secular language of the institution as quickly as possible.

MRS. FLORENCE KAHN, FIRST JEWISH WOMAN TO SIT IN CONGRESS, DIES IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 17. (JTA) -- Mrs. Florence Prag Kahn, the first Jewish woman to sit in the United States Congress, died here yesterday at the age of 80. Mrs. Kahn represented this area in Congress from 1925 to 1937.

A native of Salt Lake City, Mrs. Kahn was appointed to important posts on Congressional committees. In 1929 she was a member of the House Committee on Military Affairs.

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