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ISRAEL'S PROPOSALS AT LAUSANNE PEACE CONFERENCE VIEWED WITH OPTIMISM; CRISIS IS ENDED

LAUSANNE, June 10. (JTA) -- The crisis which has hung over the Arab-Jewish peace talks held here under the auspices of the United Nations Conciliation Commission has been dispelled as a result of the proposals made yesterday by Dr. Walter Eytan, head of the Israeli delegation, to members of the Commission. It is understood that Dr. Eytan proposed that the parley be oriented toward direct talks between the interested parties instead of functioning through the intermediary of the Commission.

When Dr. Eytan first returned from his five-day trip to Tel Aviv, where he consulted with Premier David Ben Gurion and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, it was reported that he had brought back no new proposals. As a result of this false impression of Dr. Eytan's trip most observers here thought that the conference might break up. This pessimism has now been discounted.

The departure today of Mark Ethridge, for 45 days the American member of the Commission, took place on a more hopeful note than has been heard for many days. Mr. Ethridge was considered one of the "spark plugs" of the Commission and many persons, including the Israeli delegation, were not happy to see him leave, but new optimism has taken the edge off his departure. He is being replaced by Raymond Hare, deputy director of the State Department's Division of Near Eastern and African Affairs.

The Arab delegations here have filed a vigorous protest against the Israeli occupation this week of a demilitarized zone alongside of Government House in Jerusalem. Insisting on withdrawal from the newly-occupied positions, the Arabs have warned the Commission against the possible consequences of the Israeli move on the talks here.

British Resumption of Arms Shipments to Arabs May Endanger Lausanne Talks

LONDON, June 10. (JTA) -- Britain's proposed lifting of the arms embargo on the Arab states would "seriously interfere" with the Lausanne peace talks, Israeli circles declared here today. They pointed out that since only armistice agreements are in force between Israel and some of the invading Arab states, a resumption of arms shipments would constitute a violation of the Security Council ban against the supplying of arms to either side of the Palestine war.

British officials said today that the British decision to permit shipment of small arms to some Arab states did not constitute a lifting of the Palestine arms embargo imposed after war broke out a year ago. Only small arms would be sent to some of the Arab states for internal security purposes, they declared. These deliveries would not in any way affect the military balance in the Middle East, they said.

The officials compared these shipments to the recent delivery of arms to Syria by France and said that, as in that case, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, United Nations acting mediator for Palestine, had been consulted.

U.N. Mediator Did Not Give Britain Authorization for Arms Shipments

LAKE SUCCESS, June 10. (JTA) -- A spokesman for Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, United Nations acting mediator for Palestine, made it clear today that Dr. Bunche had not given authorization for shipment of small arms by Britain to certain Arab states. He disclosed that Sir Alexander Cadogan, chief of the British mission at the U.N.,

recently visited Dr. Bunche and informed him of Britain's plan to send small arms to the Middle East, although the United Nations embargo on Palestine arms shipments is still in force.

Dr. Bunche, according to his spokesman, informed Cadogan that the U.N. Security Council's provisions with reference to arms shipments were clear-cut and only the Council was in a position to pass judgment on the British decision.

SYRIAN-ISRAELI ARMISTICE MEETING CALLED OFF; SYRIA REFUSES TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- The armistice meeting between Israel and Syria, scheduled for today at Mahamaim, on the frontier between the two countries, was called off when the Syrians refused to resume negotiations, according to a communique issued here.

Meanwhile, an Israeli delegation has accepted an invitation by Brig. Gen. William E. Riley, chief of staff of the United Nations mediator, to meet in Jerusalem on Wednesday next to consider a new proposal from Dr. Ralph Bunche, U.N. acting mediator, forwarded from Lake Success, it was learned unofficially. The Bunche project, it was said, provides for the demilitarization of the disputed area in Jerusalem. Gen. Riley, it is hoped here, will also be able to solve the Arab-Israeli dispute over the Government House area favorably to both sides.

The decrease in the infiltration of Arabs into Israel from the north is due to the increased control by Lebanese security patrols, according to a report made last night at a meeting of the mixed armistice committee, held at Metullah.

Bunche Warns of Renewed Syrian-Israel Fighting Unless Armistice Is Reached

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- U.N. Palestine mediator Dr. Ralph J. Bunche warned last night that there was danger of renewed fighting on the Syrian-Israeli frontier unless the Tel Aviv and Damascus governments could reach an armistice agreement. Dr. Bunche spoke at a Waldorf-Astoria dinner tendered in his honor by the National Conference of Christians and Jews which was attended by more than 1,000 guests.

Declaring that Israel and Syria "now have under consideration a compromise proposal which I submitted to them yesterday," Dr. Bunche added: "I earnestly hope that it will assist them in bridging the gap which thus far has prevented agreement."

CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES ISSUE CALL FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM

LONDON, June 10. (JTA) -- The Catholic Archbishops and Bishops of England and Wales issued a joint statement today calling for the internationalization of Jerusalem.

"The hierarchy of England and Wales desires to draw attention to the present grave and urgent situation in Palestine," the statement said. "We consider that the internationalization of Jerusalem and its neighborhood with suitable guarantees is the best method of securing free access to the Holy Places throughout Palestine.

"The age-long rights of the Catholic Church in the Holy Land should be protected, and there should be freedom, as in the past, to continue that educational and charitable work to which Catholics have devoted themselves for so long," the statement concluded.

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VATICAN CIRCLES SEEK TO UNDERMINE CONFIDENCE IN PROMISES MADE BY ISRAELI GOVERNMENT

LONDON, June 10. (JTA) -- Vatican circles are continuing their anti-Israeli propaganda, Reuters reported today from Vatican City. The report said that Vatican sources today alleged that promises made by the Israeli Government regarding the safety of the Holy Places were "nothing but words."

ISRAEL APPOINTS CONSULS TO CANADA; WILL ESTABLISH A LEGATION IN BUENOS AIRES

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- Abraham Herman, attached to the press section of the Israeli Foreign Ministry, was today appointed consul-general to Canada, and Emanuel Bentuvim was named consul. Both will be stationed at Montreal.

The Israeli Foreign Ministry announced today that Israel and Argentina will establish legations and exchange ministers. The Argentine Minister to Tel Aviv will be Pablo Manguel, an Argentine Jewish leader. Yaakov Tsur, Israeli Minister to Uruguay, will be accredited to Buenos Aires and will take up residence there.

ISRAEL ADMITTED INTO INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION; EGYPT, IRAQ DISSENT

MONTREAL, June 10. (JTA) -- Israel has been admitted to membership in the International Civil Aviation Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations, whose third session opened here earlier this week.

A vote on Israel's admission was demanded by the Egyptian delegation. When it was tallied, it was discovered that only Egypt and Iraq opposed the Jewish state's admission. Louis Pincus, who up to now has served as Israeli observer, will be the official delegate.

LUBAVITCHER HASSIDIM ESTABLISH FIRST SETTLEMENT IN ISRAEL; MINISTERS ATTEND CEREMONY

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- The first Israeli settlement of its kind was established today by 75 families of the Lubavitcher Hassidim. The settlement was set up at Rishon-L'Zion, 13 miles south of Tel Aviv. The ceremonies were attended by Rabbi Judah I. Maimon, Minister of Religion, Rabbi I.M. Levin, Minister of Health, and Moshe Shapira, Minister of the Interior and Immigration.

A new settlement, composed of discharged Israeli soldiers, was established today along the Beersheba-Hebrun road. Another new settlement was established yesterday by the Herut Party on the northern border of Galilee.

GERSHON AGRONSKY ASSUMES DUTIES AS ISRAELI INFORMATION CHIEF; CHANGES NAME TO AGRON

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- Gershon Agronsky, editor and publisher of the Palestine Post, today took up his duties as director of the press and information department of the Israeli Government, it was announced here. He has changed his surname to Agron.

DIRECT TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN FRANCE AND ISRAEL TO BE ESTABLISHED SOON

PARIS, June 10. (JTA) -- Direct telephone communication between France and Israel will be established soon, Zvi Prihar, Israeli Postmaster General, told President Auriol of France today at a reception tendered by the French President to delegates to the International Telephone and Telegraph Conference here.

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U.S. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ADOPTS CLAUSE GUARANTEEING RIGHT OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

LAKE SUCCESS, June 10. (JTA) -- The U.S. Human Rights Commission, now meeting here, adopted a clause defending the right of religious believers but with a reservation which largely wipes out the effect of the guarantee.

The clause was incorporated as part of the Covenant on Human Rights which the Commission is drafting. The vitiating clause attached to the guarantee limits the freedom of religious practice to law and to such limitations as "are reasonable and necessary to protect public safety, order, health, morals and fundamental rights and freedom of others." It is generally believed that these limitations wipe out a good portion of religious freedom.

JEWISH SOCIAL WELFARE CONFERENCE VOICES SUPPORT OF TRUMAN'S CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAM

CLEVELAND, June 10. (JTA) -- Delegates attending the 50th anniversary convention of the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare today adopted resolutions supporting President Truman's civil rights program, urging the admission to the U.S. of displaced persons on a non-discriminatory basis and expressing solidarity with people of Israel.

The conference voted to strive for continued efforts to "enrich the relationships between Jews in the United States and the people of Israel, seeking to establish bonds of friendship, cultural cooperation and concrete practical assistance for the major social service tasks that lie ahead." George Rabinoff, executive director of the Training Bureau for Jewish Communal Service, was elected president of the organization.

Ilja M. Dijour, director of research for IIAS, addressing one of the sessions, reviewed the problem of Jewish immigration throughout the world and voiced the hope that solution to the DP problem would be achieved soon. He reported that "the Jews in the Moslem countries are strictly forbidden to leave their place of residence." He said this was "an openly discriminatory measure, designed as punishment for their sympathy with the state of Israel."

Louis Kraft, president of the International Conference of Jewish Social Work, in an address to the delegates, said that the primary welfare need in Israel today is for the training of therapists to aid emotionally disturbed refugee immigrants. "Many refugees in Israel are psychologically upset today because, after years in concentration camps, they came expecting to find a land of milk and honey, but instead face housing shortages and other problems," he added.

JEWISH CENTER WORKERS URGE SENATE TO INVESTIGATE DEHAZIFICATION IN GERMANY

CLEVELAND, June 10. (JTA) -- The National Association of Jewish Center Workers, convening jointly with the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare, today urged the U.S. Senate to initiate a public investigation of the extent to which the denazification program in Germany has been defeated and the extent to which Nazi leaders and sympathizers have regained or retained control of the economic, political and cultural life of Germany.

The parley also approved a resolution giving full support to President Truman's civil rights program and, in another resolution, urged repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act. Members of the organization throughout the nation were also urged to collect social welfare literature, books and audio-visual aid materials for shipment to the Henrietta Szold School of Social Work in Israel. Sanford Solender was reelected president of the group.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS ASKS DENIAL OF U.S. FUNDS TO SEGREGATED AND PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress has announced its support of federal aid to public school education, but urged that funds be denied to segregated and parochial schools and that sufficient funds be voted to guarantee at least an annual expenditure of \$100 a year per school child. The Congress statement was submitted to the House Committee on Education and Labor which is holding hearings on the Thomas Bill already passed by the Senate. The document was signed by Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the A.J.C. executive committee, and Leo Pfeffer, counsel.

Two-thirds of the Manhattan employment agencies supplying white collar personnel are willing to fill an order for a "white Protestant" stenographer in violation of the New York State Law Against Discrimination, according to a survey published today by the Congress. Of 246 employment agencies, 158 agreed to fill the discriminatory request, which was made over the telephone by an unidentified caller, while 88, or 36 percent, refused.

PIONEER WOMEN HOLD CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA; DELEGATES FROM WESTERN HEMISPHERE ATTEND

PHILADELPHIA, June 10. (JTA) -- The eleventh national biennial convention of the Pioneer Women's Organization will open here tomorrow and continue through Wednesday, with delegates from Canada, Mexico and South America joining the 600 delegates from the United States who are expected to attend the parley.

Among the subjects listed on the agenda are: reorientation to Israel, fund-raising for Israeli projects, relationship to the Labor Zionist movement, education in the principles and traditions of the Jewish people and development of a pioneering youth movement in this country. Speakers scheduled to address the convention include Israeli Labor Minister Golda Myerson, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Judge Morris Rothenberg and Mrs. Bert Goldstein, president of the organization.

CHIEF RABBI HERZOG RETURNS TO ISRAEL; URGES U.S. JEWS TO INTENSIFY SPIRITUAL ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- Israeli Chief Rabbi Dr. Isaac Halevi Herzog sailed from here today aboard the Nieuw Amsterdam en route home after completing a seven-week speaking tour throughout the United States in behalf of the current campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.

At a farewell reception tendered him last night by the Mizrahi Organization of America, Dr. Herzog emphasized that "a great responsibility now devolves on all religious organizations to intensify their efforts to make the influence of Torah felt in all avenues of Jewish life." Prior to his departure, Dr. Herzog paid a visit to the Lubavitcher Rebbe at the latter's Brooklyn residence, where he was apprised of the educational programs conducted in this country under the auspices of the Lubavitcher Hassidic movement.

In a statement released through the United Jewish Appeal on the eve of his sailing, the Israeli Chief Rabbi declared: "My visits to the Jewish communities in the U.S. have given me fresh evidence that American Jewry can make a great contribution to the welfare and advancement of its brethren overseas, not only in the form of funds, but in a spiritual sense. American Jewry comprises the largest body of Jews in the world. Together with the new state of Israel, with which American Jews have spiritual and cultural ties, I am confident that they will carry out to its ultimate successful conclusion our joint endeavor to provide a home and a haven for the hundreds of thousands of Jews in Europe and North Africa who wish to come to the Jewish state."

U.S. SECTION OF JEWISH AGENCY PURCHASES NEW BUILDING; WILL HOUSE ECONOMIC BUREAU

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency announced today that it has purchased the building adjoining the one it now occupies in order to provide space for expanded operations, including the establishment of an economic department to promote private capital investment in Israel.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Agency, explained that the step was taken as a result of the extensive expansion and reorganization of the Agency's programs.

SOUTH AMERICAN ZIONIST CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN MONTEVIDEO IN JULY; WILL MAP PLANS

MONTEVIDEO, June 10. (JTA) -- A South American Zionist Congress, to be held under the auspices of the Jewish Agency, will open here July 9, it was announced today. More than 175 delegates representing Zionist groups in Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Chile, Bolivia, Peru and Paraguay will participate in the week-long conference.

An Agency spokesman explained that the Congress is being convened at this time for four major purposes: 1. To review the present situation of the Zionist movement in South America; 2. To ascertain ways and means for raising the standard of the movement in Latin America and to create new instruments to strengthen Zionism in South America; 3. To expand the Chalutzim movement and widen the program of Jewish education for the continent's Jewish youth; 4. To stimulate private capital investment in Israel and enlarge the current fund-raising drives for Israel.

ISRAELI ARMY MARKS FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH OF COL. DAVID MARCUS ON JERUSALEM FRONT

JERUSALEM, June 10. (JTA) -- The Israeli Army today marked the first anniversary of the death of Col. David Marcus, American West Point graduate who was killed by a sniper's bullet during the fighting in the Jerusalem area.

A military parade was held at the spot where Col. Marcus died. Yaacov Dori, chief of staff of the Israeli Army, eulogized the American Jewish hero. A seven-gun salute was fired and the Israeli flag was dipped in his honor.

DR. ALEXANDER GOLDSTEIN, FOUNDER OF KEREN HAYESOD, DIES IN ISRAEL; WAS 66

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Alexander Goldstein, one of the organizers of the Zionist movement and a founder and general manager of the Keren Hayesod, died here today at the age of 66. Born and educated in Russia, Dr. Goldstein was an author, journalist, lecturer and communal leader. In the Zionist movement he served the Jewish Agency and was a member of the Zionist Actions Committee. While still in Russia, Dr. Goldstein was a founder and editor of the Russian Zionist periodical Rasseviet.

M. FEINLEIB, CRT LEADER, DIES IN NEW YORK; WAS ACTIVE IN COMMUNAL AFFAIRS

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- Meyer M. Feinleib, well-known Jewish leader who was active in the CRT and in other Jewish organizations, died here yesterday at the age of 59. He was born in Russia and spent three years in prison under the Czar for participating in the revolutionary movement. After the Bolshevik revolution he left Russia and settled in Germany. When the Nazis came to power he moved to France where he lived till the occupation of Paris by the German army. He immigrated with his family to the United States in 1940.