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RELATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND JORDAN REPORTED DETERIORATING; NUMBER OF DISPUTES GROWS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- "The relations between Israel and Jordan are steadily deteriorating due to the growing number of border incidents and disputes which make our work extremely difficult," Brig. Gen. William E. Riley, head of the United Nations truce supervision staff in Palestine, declared here today.

General Riley returned this morning from Amman, capital of Jordan, where he exchanged views with the Jordanian Foreign Minister regarding the latest border dispute in the northern part of the country. The Minister reiterated the charges which were contained in a cable sent by him directly to the U.N. Security Council in which he stated that Israel forces had moved into the Rutenberg hydro-electric works "with the purpose of controlling the confluence of the two rivers Yarmuk and Jordan."

An Israel Army spokesman last night denied the charges of frontier violation made by Jordan in its cabled complaint. "Jordan's charges that Israel forces have occupied Jordanian territory next to the hydro-electric works known as the Rutenberg concession have come as a complete surprise to us," he said. The accusation probably rests on the ploughing of one square kilometer of land at the intersection of the Yarmuk and Jordan Rivers near the Jordan-occupied Naharayim power station by Israel farmers 18 days ago, he stated.

Pointing out that this area was clearly allotted to Israel under the armistice agreement concluded in Rhodes between Israel and Jordan, the spokesman revealed that the matter was raised at an extraordinary meeting last Wednesday between senior Israel and Jordan officers. Colonel Derider of the United Nations armistice staff suggested then that the armistice maps be examined. "All maps issued by the United Nations clearly showed the disputed area was in Israel territory," the spokesman emphasized.

Israel Army Chief Warns Jordan Force Will be Met By Force

The Israel Army is a peace army which has no aggressive designs, but will defend each and every inch of the country, Brig. Gen. Yigal Yadin, Israel Army Chief of Staff, declared today. His statement was in reply to yesterday's threat by the Jordan Foreign Minister that the Arab Legion would eject Israel troops from land which the Jews allegedly occupied illegally.

Gen. Yadin termed "foolish and cowardly" a charge by the Jordan Foreign Minister that maps which prove that the Israelis were given possession of a disputed square kilometer of land in the Jordan-Israel armistice agreement are forgeries. He pointed out that the maps had always been in United Nations custody, and asked U.N. truce chief Gen. Riley to make an official statement on the charges. In conclusion, he warned that anyone who believes that he can change the borders of Israel by force or threat of force is fooling himself.

TRUMAN IS NOT CONSIDERING SUCCESSOR TO McDONALD AS U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14. (JTA)-- President Truman told a press conference today that he has not yet been presented with the resignation of James G. McDonald as American Ambassador to Israel and is therefore not considering a successor.

ISRAEL TO ASK RED CROSS TO INTERVENE WITH JORDAN AGAINST CRUELTY TO PRISONERS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The Israel Government will approach the International Red Cross to intervene with the government of Jordan against cruel treatment of Israel war prisoners who have fallen into the hands of the Arab Legion, a spokesman of the Israel Army said today. He emphasized that the Army takes the most serious view of the treatment of Jewish prisoners in Jordan.

The announcement was made after it was established that four Jewish war prisoners, who returned to Israel on September 4, were treated cruelly in prison and during their interrogation by officers of the Arab Legion.

Meanwhile, an Israel spokesman has revealed that Jordan has been holding eight Israel civilians in jail in Ramallah for varying periods up to seven months. No attempt has been made to either try them or release them, the spokesman said, adding that U.N. personnel have intervened unsuccessfully in behalf of fair treatment for the eight. The spokesman also listed among Jordan "obstructionist" tactics the refusal to permit cancer research equipment and material belonging to the U.N.-sponsored World Health Organization to be removed from the Hadassah Hospital atop Mt. Scopus.

BRITAIN ORDERS TEMPORARY BAN ON ARMS TO MIDDLE EAST; LOOKS TO OWN DEFENSE FIRST

LONDON, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The British Government has formally notified the Governments of Egypt, Iraq, Jordan and Israel that pending a survey of Britain's defense commitments, which is presently being conducted by Britain's military chiefs, they will receive no arms on previous contracts and all further buying of military equipment and arms of all kinds has been temporarily suspended until the survey is concluded.

A British Foreign Office spokesman today drew attention to Prime Minister Clement Attlee's statement in the House of Commons Tuesday that while Britain has allies in the Middle East and must keep the closest watch on the situation there, Britain has presently to give increasing attention to the defense of the West. Accordingly, Mr. Attlee had explained that during the past few weeks, the British Government had been re-examining the whole arms matter in the light of the international situation and Britain's needs.

The spokesman particularly stressed Mr. Attlee's conclusion that in the future Britain's own needs and those of the Atlantic Pact Allies and the Commonwealth will receive priority over all previous engagements.

Reports from Cairo indicate that Britain has told Egyptian authorities that until the survey is completed no further deliveries can be made of jet aircraft, heavy tanks and radar equipment. Similarly, equipment destined for Iraq and Jordan has also been held up. The Israel Government has been informed that because of this temporary ban, Britain is unable at present to supply arms requested by Israel.

It is understood here that both the French and American governments have taken parallel action. This affects primarily arms purchased by the Syrian and Lebanese Governments in France.

ISRAEL CABINET EASES RATIONING OF CLOTHING; WILL APPOINT PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEES

JERUSALEM, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet today decided to ease up on clothing rationing by issuing more ration coupons. It was also decided to establish public committees to serve as advisory bodies to the government on changes in rationing and the marketing of locally-produced goods as well as on increasing production.

The Cabinet voted to postpone for one week a decision on a report of a commission of experts who had been instructed to draft a report on measures which might be undertaken to improve the situation.

FORTY ZIONIST LEADERS WILL BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL IN RUMANIA; SERVING AT HARD LABOR

JERUSALEM, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- Forty Zionist leaders, who were detained in Rumania and who are now serving at hard labor on the Danube River, will be brought to trial soon, it was learned here today. It was also reported that Rumania has refused further visas to a considerable number of Jewish immigrants who have applied for emigration to Israel.

MAPAM, MAPAI DELEGATES CLASH IN HISTADRUT SESSION OVER RUMANIAN TREATMENT OF ZIONISTS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- A meeting of the Histadrut Council, policy making body of the Israel labor federation, ended in a stormy session here just in time to avert a physical clash between Mapai and Mapam delegates.

The clash broke out after the General Zionist Laborite delegates proposed that the Histadrut send greetings to Zionist leaders imprisoned in Rumania, and that the federation address an appeal to Rumanian trade unionists to intervene to obtain the release of the Zionists and their transfer to Israel.

The Mapam delegates proposed a milder resolution to the effect that Rumania be thanked for facilitating the emigration of Israel-bound Jews and that hope be expressed that Rumania would avoid hurting the Zionists in Rumania. Mapai representatives immediately attacked the left-wing Socialists and a verbal free-for-all developed, threatening to end up in fistcuffs. Pincas Lubianiker, Histadrut secretary-general, took advantage of the first opportunity to adjourn the meeting.

ISRAEL FLAG FLIES FROM EIRE PARLIAMENT FOR FIRST TIME AT INTERPARLIAMENTARY MEETING

DUBLIN, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The Israel flag was flown for the first time from the staff of the Dail (Parliament) building in honor of the presence of the delegation from the Jewish state at the meeting of the Interparliamentary Union here.

The Israel delegation includes David Hacohen and Beba Idelson of Mapai, Mordecai Bentov of Mapam, Rabbi M. Nurock of Mizrahi, Yaacov Meridor of Herut, Isaiah Kli-banov of the General Zionists, and Dov Cohn, of the Progressive Party. The arrival of the Israelis has caused considerable excitement among the Jewish population here and many functions have been arranged in their honor.

During the early stages of the meeting of the Union, several Arab delegates attacked Israel and the United Nations over the fate of the Palestine Arab refugees. Rabbi Nurock and Mr. Hacohen replied, pointing out that the Arab states themselves were responsible for the plight of the refugees and that if they were readmitted by Israel the refugees might easily become a mass fifth column. The Jewish delegates also spoke on the achievements of their country and on the aims of the people of Israel.

Later, during a debate on a resolution for the protection of children, particularly stateless children, Irish Senator Seamus O'Farrell called for the uniting of refugee children with their parents, stating that Jewish children in Eastern Europe are not permitted to join their parents in Israel. Israel delegate Mrs. Idelson outlined the measures taken by the Israel Government in behalf of children.

During a discussion on the teaching of history, Israel delegate Idov Cohen called for the eradication from all textbooks of references to racial discrimination. Mr. Hacohen and Mr. Kli-banov were elected to serve on the Council of the Union.

(A delegation of 68 Israel students arrived in London for a tour of England and France for the purpose of establishing closer connections with Jewish student bodies.)

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GERMAN DOCTORS CONFERENCE ASKS JEWISH DOCTORS TO RETURN TO PRACTICE, MEDICAL GROUPS

MUNICH, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- A national conference of German doctors today unanimously called upon all Jewish doctors living in Germany to return to the profession and to various medical professional groups from which they were barred by the Nazis. In the same resolution, the doctors petitioned the Bonn Government to restore all rights taken from Jewish doctors and to right all injustices done them by the Nazis.

All West German radio stations carried a special Rosh Hashanah program Monday. Among the speakers on the program were Bavarian Chief Rabbi Aaron Ohrenstein and Dr. Phillip Auerbach, head of the Bavarian Restitution Office.

Dr. Kurt Schumacher, head of the West German Social Democratic Party, cabled Israel President Weizmann on the eve of Rosh Hashanah and extended his party's best wishes to the Jewish state for the new year. Dr. Schumacher also addressed a statement to the Jewish Central Committee assuring it that his party "will do everything to give the Jewish citizens a feeling of being equal and of being respected." At services Sunday in memory of the victims of fascism, West Berlin's Mayor Ernest Reuter and Bavarian Minister Joseph Mueller spoke of the sufferings of the Jews during the Hitler regime.

COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IS URGED TO GUARANTEE RESTITUTION OF JEWISH PROPERTY

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress today called on the Council of Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain and France--now meeting here--to retain the restitution of Jewish property as a "reserved matter" in any revision of the occupation status. Provisions must be made, the W.J.C. stated, to guarantee the restitution to surviving Jews and to Jewish organizations, constituting the claimants to heirless Jewish property, of the property lost by individual Jews and Jewish communities in the countries occupied by the Nazi government of Germany.

A document submitted to the secretariat of the Council of Foreign Ministers, under the signatures of Dr. Israel Goldstein, and Dr. Robert S. Marcus, chairman and director, respectively, of the Western Hemisphere Section of the W.J.C., requested that the Western Allies elicit from West Germany a solemn pledge to help carry the burden of rehabilitating, in countries of their choice, the Jewish masses who have been impoverished, made homeless and physically incapacitated as a direct result of the anti-Jewish extermination campaigns carried on by the war-time government of Germany.

COLUMBIA INVESTIGATING REPORT OF BANNING OF ALL BUT CATHOLIC WORSHIP IN PROVINCE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- A spokesman for the Colombian Embassy today told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that his government was investigating a report from Bogota that Col. Nestor Mesa Prieto, chief of the Cauca Territory in Southeast Columbia, had banned all religious worship other than Roman Catholic.

The Embassy spokesman said that such discrimination was definitely a deviation from the government's policy of religious freedom and that if the facts indicate such "irresponsible" action, the guilty party or parties "would not go unpunished."

The Jewish community in Colombia, numbering about 6,000, was shocked about two years ago when an official decree ordered an investigation into the funds held by persons described as "Semites" who had entered Colombia since 1947. Several Jewish institutions protested at that time.

ENTIRE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF SOUTH AFRICA GOES INTO MOURNING FOR FIELD MARSHAL SMUTS

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The entire Jewish community of South Africa was thrown into gloom and mourning this Rosh Hashanah over the death of Field Marshal Jan Christian Smuts, former Prime Minister of the Union, long-time friend of the Jews and outspoken proponent of Zionism. The Board of Deputies of South African Jews and the South African Zionist Federation sent messages of condolence to Marshal Smuts' family.

Chief Rabbi A. Rabinowitz cancelled the customary High Holiday sermon in the Great Synagogue of Johannesburg and preached instead a memorial for Marshal Smuts. At Temple Shalom, Rabbi M.C. Weiler, leader of Reform Judaism in South Africa, also preached a memorial service for the Marshal.

(Joseph Sprinzak, Israel Acting President, and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett cabled messages of condolence to the Smuts family and to the government and people of South Africa. In London the Board of Deputies of British Jews cabled its condolences to Mrs. Smuts.)

ARGENTINE PRESIDENT AND WIFE CONTRIBUTE PRIZES TO BE AWARDED AT THIRD WORLD MACCABIAH

BUEENOS AIRES, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- Argentine President and Madame Peron have each contributed one silver cup to be used as prizes in the forthcoming Jewish "Olympic" games at the Third World Maccabiah, which will be held in Israel at the end of this month.

The original plan of sending 30 Argentine Jews to the games cannot be fulfilled, it was learned here today, because of the inability to raise the necessary funds. It is hoped that a small Argentine delegation will be able to compete.

AMERICA WILL SEND 23 ATHLETES TO ISRAEL TO COMPETE IN WORLD MACCABIAH GAMES

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- America will send a team of 36 athletes to Israel September 23 to compete in the Third World Maccabiah games, which have drawn contestants from 25 countries, it was announced today by Harry D. Henshel and Charles L. Ornstein, co-chairmen of the United States Committee for the 1950 Maccabiah. The squad will depart by plane. The games, patterned on the Olympics, will be conducted from September 27 through October 8.

NEW IRAQI ANTI-JEWISH ORDER MAY AFFECT 20 JEWISH STUDENTS AT UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

BERKELEY, Calif., Sept. 14. (JTA) -- Some 20 Iraqi Jewish students at the University of California here may be stranded financially because of the anti-Jewish policy of the Iraq Government. The students, all of whom have been receiving allowances from their families at home, have had their funds cut off by the new Iraqi decree forbidding Jews to send money out of the country.

The students are all here on students' visas, which means they are not allowed to work for a living or apply for public assistance. None of them wishes to return to Iraq because of anti-Semitic excesses there.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND WILL OFFER THREE-YEAR COURSE IN HEBREW DURING COMING SEMESTER

BAITIMORE, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- A three-year course in Hebrew will be offered this semester at the University of Maryland, it was announced here. The course includes conversational Hebrew and a survey of Hebrew literature. Meanwhile, it was revealed here that a campaign to raise \$125,000 for the construction of a new Hillel Foundation center at the University will be launched shortly. More than 1,000 Jewish students currently are enrolled at the institution.

CONVOCATION OF WORLD CONFERENCE OF RABBIS URGED FOLLOWING STUDY IN 15 COUNTRIES

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The survival of the Jewish people in Europe and North Africa depends as much, if not more, upon the moral and spiritual aid of American Jewry as on actual material and physical support, Rabbi Harold H. Gordon, general secretary of the New York Board of Rabbis, reported here today, following his return from a nine-week mission in 15 countries in behalf of the Board, which represents about 500 Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbis.

Rabbi Gordon lauded the work of the Joint Distribution Committee in Europe and North Africa. At the same time, he urged American Jews to adopt a "religious Point Four" plan for the Jews abroad. He declared that during his visit to Germany he established that there is no future for the Jews there. In Spain, he reported, Protestants and Jews alike are accorded only nominal religious toleration. He recommended the calling of a world conference of rabbis to be held in Europe for the purpose of strengthening intra-Jewish community ties.

REVISIONIST LEADER URGES ALL ISRAEL LABOR UNIONS TO AFFILIATE WITH HISTADRUT

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- Meir Grossman, Jewish Agency executive member, told a press conference here prior to his return to Israel, that in his opinion all "competitive labor unions in Israel" should affiliate with the Histadrut.

Mr. Grossman, who completed a tour of Latin America, announced that a world Revisionist conference will be held--probably in Paris--in the near future, at which time efforts will be made to separate the Revisionist Party from the right-wing Herut Party, led by Menachem Beigin. He reported that most Revisionist groups in Europe and Latin America support him in his views.

RABBI WOHL REPORTS ON ISRAEL NEEDS; SAYS U.S. JEWS MUST PROVIDE FUNDS, SKILLED MANPOWER

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- American Jews must rally to Israel in its present crisis by raising "additional millions through the United Jewish Appeal" and by "securing skilled manpower to share in the responsibilities with the leaders of Israel," Rabbi Samuel Wohl, chairman of the National Assembly for Labor Israel, declared here following his return from a visit to the Jewish state.

While he was in the Jewish state, Rabbi Wohl attended a conference with members of the Israel Cabinet and of the Jewish Agency. He proposed to the parley that a campaign for "skilled human resources" be launched in the United States and Canada and that communities throughout the country assume responsibility for the personnel selected.

UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS TO HOLD 41ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN MID-NOVEMBER

NEW YORK, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- The 41st General Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will be held beginning November 12 in Cleveland, it was announced by Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union. The Assembly will continue for four days.

DR. GRUBER NAMED CHAIRMAN OF CAMPAIGN FOR \$300,000 FOR DENTAL SCHOOL IN JERUSALEM

DETROIT, Sept. 14. (JTA) -- Dr. Bernard E. Gruber, of New York, has been appointed national chairman of a \$300,000 campaign to erect a dental school at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. The sum is to be raised among dentists in the U.S. and Canada. Announcement of Dr. Gruber's appointment was made at a dinner of Alpha Omega, national dental fraternity.

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