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S. GOVERNMENT GIVES SHARP WARNING TO ISRAEL AND SYRIA; SAYS BOMBING WAS NOT JUSTIFIED

WASHINGTON, April 9. (JTA) -- The bombing of Syrian troops by the Israel Air force was condemned today in a statement by the State Department. The essence of the statement was that both Israel and Syria were in the wrong.

The State Department said it wished to make known what George C. McGhee, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, told Israel Ambassador Abba Eban and Syrian Minister Faiz El Khouri when they called at the State Department Friday to discuss the trouble between Syria and Israel in the Huleh region. Secretary McGhee made it clear that "the Government of the United States takes a serious view of the incidents." He emphasized that the U.S. considers that the stake which the two countries and the United Nations have in the maintenance of peace along their frontiers "is such that attempts to determine responsibility or validity of claims or counter-claims are dwarfed in the larger context of the necessity to maintain peace in the area."

"The U.S.," Secretary McGhee said, "regrets the recent shooting of seven Israel policemen in the southern part of the demilitarized zone. The Israel Ambassador was informed that it is the view of the U.S. Government, however, that this incident in no way justified subsequent retaliatory bombing by the Israel Air Force of Syrian territory. Further, the U.S. assumes the Israel Government will cease forthwith military action in the area and will act in accord with the findings of the United Nations."

"In the long run the position of Israel in the Near East is dependent upon the development of friendly relations with the Arab states. Incidents of this kind can only postpone the achievement by Israel of sound neighborly relations. Moreover, they contribute definitely to increased instability in an important area of the world at a time when the critical conditions of international affairs can ill-afford such a situation."

Sec. McGhee said substantially the same thing to the Syrians, but did not elaborate the details as was done in the case of Israel. The Syrian Minister "was informed that the U.S. urged Syria to take immediate steps to assure there will be no further recourse to violence on the part of Syrian forces." The U.S. has already instructed its mission in Syria and Israel to inform both government of its belief that the demilitarized zone should be immediately evacuated by military forces of both sides and both governments should act in accord with the findings of the U.N.

Both Israel and Syria were informed that "the U.S. proposes to undertake immediate discussions with France and the United Kingdom under terms of the three-power agreement of May 25, 1950." These discussions have already begun with the British and French embassies here, it was learned. The U.N. Security Council would probably take up the question this week or next, a State Department spokesman said.

(At the United Nations today, the Syrian delegation in its fourth communication on the Huleh situation, asked the Security Council to place five additional complaints against Israel on its agenda.)

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U.S. COMMISSIONER ASKS AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT TO BAN SHOWING OF FILM BY ANTI-SEMITES

VIENNA, April 9. (JTA) -- United States High Commissioner for Austria, Walter Donally, today asked the Austrian Government to ban showings of the film "The Immortal Beloved" in the American zone of Austria.

The film, produced by Veit Harlan, formerly a close associate of Hitler's Propaganda Minister Josef Goebbels and producer of the Nazi film, "Jew Sues", was the cause of a riot in Salzburg last week in which Jews and anti-Nazis, demonstrating against the showing of the picture in Austria, were injured in a clash with police and Hitler Youth groups.

In a note to the Government, the United States official said he was deeply concerned over the Salzburg incident in which people protesting against performance of the picture were attacked and seriously wounded. He pointed out that showing of the Harlan film had been banned because of Harlan's Nazi background. Austrian Minister of the Interior Oskar Helmer said today that he had ordered a rigorous investigation of complaints of police brutality against the Salzburg demonstrators.

Arieh Eshel, Israel Consul in Austria, commenting on the anti-Jewish outbreaks in Salzburg, said that information made available to him indicated that "certain local authorities acted according to the best pogrom traditions." The Israel Consul voiced the hope that the Austrian Government would sharply condemn the anti-Semitic incidents and also promise an immediate investigation to determine who was responsible for this "unnecessary bloodshed."

FRANKFURT MUNICIPALITY ENDORSES CALL FOR BOYCOTT OF FILM "IMMORTAL BELOVED"

FRANKFURT, April 9. (JTA) -- By almost a unanimous vote, the Frankfurt municipality has endorsed statements issued by the Social Democratic and Christian Democratic Parties here calling for a boycott of the film "Immortal Beloved," produced by Nazi collaborator Veit Harlan, who directed the anti-Semitic film "Jew Sues."

The statements also labelled as "fake," a poll by a film distributing company which purported to prove that Frankfurt residents, by a vote of better than eight to one, favored the exhibiting of "Immortal Beloved." The Mayor of Frankfurt, Dr. H. Kolb, expressed regret that there was no legal way for him to ban the film.

NUMBER OF SOVIET JEWS RECEIVE STALIN PRIZES FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO ART, LITERATURE

LONDON, April 9. (JTA) -- A number of Jews last week received Stalin Prizes for their contributions to Soviet art and literature, according to a report received here from Moscow.

Among the Jews honored are: Samuel Marshak, first prize in poetry; Lev Kassil, novelist; Wolf Rappaport, for films on China; Michael Gordin and Wolf Cytron, for the film "Moussorgsky"; Michael Romo, Alexander Stolper, M. Rappaport, for film. Mark Rejzin, a singer, received first prize in his field, while composer Isak Mayevsky was cited for the music he wrote for the film "Ruban Cossacks."

TWO UNITS OF ISRAELI NAVAL FLEET TO MAKE GOODWILL TOUR OF UNITED STATES PORTS

TEL AVIV, April 9. (JTA) -- Two units of the Israeli naval fleet are on their way to visit 20 East and West Coast ports of the United States on a goodwill tour, it was announced here today. The vessels will be in American waters during the period when Israel celebrates its independence day and when the \$500,000,000 Israeli bond issue is launched in the United States.

JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY CONTINUE TO REPORT INCREASED CONTRIBUTIONS

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- Jewish welfare fund campaigns throughout the United States and Canada are maintaining a strong "plus giving" pace to meet crucial needs in Israel, overseas and at home, according to reports received by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

These reports, the Council said in a statement today, indicate that early increases over 1950, averaging up to and beyond 22 percent, are continuing in many communities as campaigns approach the half-way mark. "Plus" results are in evidence from the largest down to the smallest communities, the statement declared. It mentioned as "typical" the experience in Philadelphia, Cleveland, Detroit, Newark, Miami, Buffalo, Dallas and Cincinnati.

Samuel Daroff, general chairman of the Combined Campaign of the Philadelphia Allied Jewish Appeal and the Medical Center Building Fund, reported a resounding 42 percent increase over funds raised from the same people at the Leader's Dinner, March 29. At this function \$2,054,272 was raised in contrast to their 1950 gifts totalling \$1,446,670. Philadelphia's next public report will be made April 18.

Miami, which is further advanced than most community campaigns, is still maintaining a robust 21.4 percent increase over 1950. To date Miami has raised \$1,040,257 as against \$856,923 from the same people in 1950. Cleveland has pushed its percentage of increase from 20 to 22 as the campaign has gathered momentum in that community. At a Special Gifts dinner April 3, \$1,310,695 was raised as against a 1950 total of \$1,073,000 from the same people. This by far is the highest total ever achieved by Cleveland at a fund-raising meeting.

In its first public report, Cincinnati announced a total of \$575,260 raised in 1951, contrasted to \$490,824 from the same people in 1950. This represents a 17 percent increase. Newark, which moved away to a fast campaign opening success, is continuing its "plus gift" status as it approaches the million-dollar mark. To date, \$952,000 has been raised, as against \$821,000 from the same people in 1950. This total represents a 16 percent advance over last year.

Detroit and Buffalo reported increases of 12 and 13 percent over 1950. The Motor City has now raised \$1,610,000 as against \$1,437,500 from the same people in 1950, and Buffalo has registered \$329,272 as against a 1950 sum of \$291,886 from the same contributors. Reporting an increase of 18 percent over 1950, the Dallas Jewish Welfare Federation Campaign has thus far raised \$664,587, compared to \$562,893 in 1950 from the same people. The campaign began with the largest Advance Gifts meeting in the history of the community.

ISRAEL MINISTER ADDRESSES U.J.A. LEADERS IN NEWARK; STRESSES NEED OF GIFT DOLLARS

NEWARK, April 9. (JTA) -- The importance of the United Jewish Appeal for Israel was emphasized today by Yisroel Geri, Israeli Minister for Trade and Industry, addressing several hundred U.J.A. campaign workers at the Essex House. Mr. Geri reported on up-to-the-minute economic conditions in Israel.

MILTON WEILL ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NEW YORK FEDERATION OF JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- Milton Weill, veteran of philanthropic and civic activities, was today elected president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, at a meeting of the Federation's Board of Trustees. Mr. Weill, who became the Federation's 14th president, succeeds Ralph E. Samuel.

Z.O.A. PRESIDENT APPEALS FOR QUICK PASSAGE BY CONGRESS OF GRANT-IN-AID BILL FOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- An appeal for quick passage by Congress of the joint bill, introduced under bi-partisan sponsorship, for a grant-in-aid of \$150,000,000 to the state of Israel was voiced here last night by Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, addressing a meeting of the national executive committee of the Z.O.A. at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The meeting was attended by about 100 members from all parts of the country.

Mr. Browdy also stressed the urgent need of aiding the United Jewish Appeal and supporting the Israeli bond issue of \$500,000,000 which will be offered in the United States on May 1st. The meeting was also addressed by Rabbi Abba Silver and by the two General Zionist Israeli leaders, Joseph Serlin and Major Shalom Zysman, now on a visit to this country.

J.N.F. IN AMERICA RECEIVED ABOUT \$250,000 FROM WILLS AND BEQUESTS LAST YEAR

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- Close to a quarter of a million dollars from wills and bequests was received last year by the Jewish National Fund, it was announced here by Mendel N. Fisher, executive director. Speaking at a meeting called to discuss the J.N.F.'s recently established Department of Living Legacies, Mr. Fisher said also that \$200,000 in insurance policies, naming the Jewish National Fund as a beneficiary, has already been received.

Under the Living Legacies plan the J.N.F. guarantees a fixed income for life to American Jews who assign their capital to the organization for use in the upbuilding of Israel. Mr. Fisher told the gathering that in Israel the Jewish National Fund has received the sum of \$2,800,000 under its Living Legacies program.

PIONEER WOMEN'S THREE-DAY CONFERENCE DISCUSSES AID TO CHILDREN IN ISRAEL

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 9. (JTA) -- Problems of child rescue and rehabilitation work were discussed here this week-end at a tri-state regional conference of the Pioneer Women, Zionist Labor group. The conference marked World Jewish Child's Day yesterday.

More than 100 delegates from 12 states attended the three-day parley, which closed last night. They came from Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee, Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas. The Pioneer Women has established, and now maintains, a network of more than 250 child-care centers, youth villages, agricultural and vocational guidance schools and social service institutions throughout Israel.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS HONOR DR. SILVER; PRESENT HIM WITH ORGANIZATION'S MEDAL OF MERIT

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- The Jewish War Veterans of the United States yesterday presented its medal of merit to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver at a meeting held at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. The award was given to the Zionist leader for "distinguished leadership in mobilizing the moral and material resources of world Jewry in the struggle to establish and secure in the free state of Israel a new life and a new hope for oppressed and persecuted Jews."

25,000 JEWS ATTEND MASS MEETING ADDRESSED BY GOLDA MYERSON IN BUENOS AIRES

BUENOS AIRES, April 9. (JTA) -- Twenty-five thousand Jews last night attended a mass meeting here sponsored by the United Jewish Campaign and which featured Israel's woman labor Minister, Golda Myerson, as its chief speaker. Mrs. Myerson called on Argentine Jewry to become Israel's partner in its great task. Earlier, Mrs. Myerson conferred with Gen. Juan Pistarini, Argentine Minister of Public Works. She was the recipient of flowers from Mme. Eva Peron, First Lady of Argentina.