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ISRAELI OFFICIALS CONFER ON POSSIBLE EFFECT ON ISRAEL OF ABDULLAH'S ASSASSINATION

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- The possible effect of the assassination of King Abdullah of Jordan on Israel was discussed today by high Israeli officials in the Foreign Office here following a report on the matter made by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett to President Chaim Weizmann. Mr. Sharett may also report on the situation to the Security and Foreign Affairs Committee of the Israeli Parliament.

Israeli authorities were today informed unofficially by the commander of the Arab Legion in the Jordan-held part of Jerusalem that the armed forces of the Legion have been increased in the Old City, but only "for internal purposes--to maintain law and order."

A number of foreign diplomats today crossed from Israel into the Old City to attend the funeral of Abdullah. Members of the United Nations staff were not permitted by the Arab authorities to cross the lines at the same spot and had to make their way through Government House, which is situated in no man's land.

As a result of the mass arrests in Jordan of Palestine Arabs suspected of membership in groups which planned the assassination, many Palestine Arabs today attempted to leave Jordan and return to Israel. A Cairo broadcast reported that more than 500 persons were arrested in Jordan yesterday, including two relatives of the former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem.

Tribute to Abdullah Voiced in Commons; Churchill Says "Jews Lost A Friend"

LONDON, July 23. (JTA) -- Tribute to King Abdullah of Jordan was paid today in the House of Commons by Premier Clement Attlee and Winston Churchill. The latter said that the assassinated Arab ruler "was not only a champion of Arab rights, but always sought reconciliation between Arabs and Jews and Arabs and Israelites." Emphasizing that such reconciliation "is the foundation of all future hopes in Palestine," Mr. Churchill said "the Arabs have lost a great champion and the Jews have lost a friend."

Ronald Storrs, one-time Governor of Jerusalem under the Mandatory regime, in an article in today's Times, declares that the most serious loss involved in Abdullah's murder is the future of Israeli-Arab relations. "While never countenancing the methods or consequences of extreme political Zionism, and indeed alone successful in the field against them, Abdullah realized that Israel had come to stay and he would have proved an invaluable member at any final peace conference," Storrs writes. "There can be no minimizing the general intensification of the Near Eastern atmosphere. Nevertheless, Britain and the Near East have survived worse tensions than this," he concludes.

The British Government has been working for months to encourage an improvement in relations between Jordan and Israel, as well as between Jordan and Turkey. It has been London's hopes that Turkey would serve as an anchor for a projected Near East pact which would include the Arab states and, eventually, Israel.

ISRAELI SEAMEN DECLARE STRIKE; OPPOSE CURTAILMENT OF CURRENCY ALLOCATIONS TO CREWS

HAIFA, July 23. (JTA) -- Four Israeli ships were crewless and idle in the Haifa port today following a strike proclaimed by 250 seamen contesting the owners' right to curtail foreign currency allocations to the crew when the ships dock in foreign ports.

The strike is not approved by the Israel Federation of Labor. The owners of the ships refuse to start any negotiations until the strikers return to work.

LONDON STILL WAITING FOR CAIRO OFFER TO ALLOW PASSAGE OF TANKERS TO ISRAEL

LONDON, July 23. (JTA) -- The British Foreign Office has received no indication from the British Ambassador to Egypt that the Egyptian Government is prepared to permit Haifa-bound oil tankers to pass through the Suez Canal, it was learned here today. It is understood that in view of the possibility of such an offer being made, the British resolution against the Suez Canal blockade which has been circulated at the United Nations will not be presented to the Security Council immediately.

The naval correspondent of the Daily Express reported today that all British warships in the Gulf of Aqaba, the Red Sea and the Persian Gulf have been instructed to secure "safe and unmolested passage" for all merchant ships and to use "whatever force necessary to achieve this." The report added that all British merchant vessels on the Suez-Aqaba route will henceforth be escorted by warships.

ISRAEL SUPREME COURT REJECTS HERUT REQUEST DIRECTED AGAINST PRESIDENT WEIZMANN

JERUSALEM, July 23. (JTA) -- The Israel Supreme Court rejected an application for an order nisi against President Chaim Weizmann directing him to show cause why a new government was not established after the coalition government headed by Premier David Ben Gurion received a vote of non-confidence from the Israeli Parliament on February 14.

The action was brought by Eri Jabotinsky and Hillel Kook, former members of the Herut Party. The court ruled that it could not act in a political question.

TUBERCULOSIS ASSUMES "ALARMING PROPORTIONS" IN ISRAEL, BRITISH PHYSICIAN REPORTS

LONDON, July 23. (JTA) -- The incidence of tuberculosis has assumed alarming proportions in Israel and, unless checked, can become a serious danger, Dr. Dov Vardy, secretary of the British Tuberculosis League, said here today.

Dr. Vardy, who has just returned from a visit to Israel, ascribed this situation to the unparalleled immigration of the last few years, particularly from North Africa and Moslem countries, and to unsatisfactory housing conditions.

ISRAEL'S HOSPITALS NEED AMBULANCES; CALL FOR FUNDS ISSUED TO JEWS THROUGHOUT WORLD

TEL AVIV, July 23. (JTA) -- A call to Jews in Israel and in countries abroad to subscribe funds for the Red Mogen David to purchase badly needed ambulance for Israel's hospitals and first aid centers was issued here following the conclusion of the first conference of the Israel Mogen David.

The organization, which has just received its formal recognition from the Government--which places it on the same national footing as the Red Cross in other countries--has 32 branches in Israel, with some 10,000 volunteer workers on its membership lists. President Weizmann, Premier David Ben Gurion and members of the Cabinet sent greetings to the conference.

ISRAEL REPRESENTATIVE AT U.N. PARLEY HITS "FORGIVE AND FORGET" POLICY ON GERMANY

GENEVA, July 23. (JTA) -- The policy of "forgive and forget" which member states of the United Nations are carrying out with regard to Germany's annihilation of 6,000,000 Jews was severely criticized here by Dr. Jacob Robinson, Israel representative at the United Nations conference of plenipotentiaries called to deal with the status of refugees and stateless persons.

Speaking at the conference, Dr. Robinson said: "Hitlerite Germany waged two wars - one for world domination, the other for the destruction of the Jewish people. Six million victims, two-thirds of European Jewry, perished. With the division of the world into two opposing blocks one part of Germany was gradually drawn into one camp, the other into the opposite. This may in part account for the rapidity with which the process of forgive and forget is being carried out in the two parts of Germany."

The Israeli representative reminded the conference that six years ago Hans Frank, the former Governor-General of Poland and one of the major Nazi war criminals, exclaimed--standing at his trial before the Allied Military Tribunal--that thousands of years will pass and the world will not forget the crime committed by the Germans against the Jewish people. "The world appears to have forgotten and, so it seems, has Germany as well," Dr. Robinson said. "They have made no expiation whatsoever to the Jewish people. Therefore, while the two blocks may consider that their respective Germanys have expiated their guilt, the Jewish people and the state of Israel cannot do so."

B'NAI B'RITH AIDS VICTIMS OF FLOODS IN KANSAS AREA; JEWISH INSTITUTIONS ESCAPE DAMAGE

KANSAS CITY, July 23. (JTA) -- A B'nai B'rith Flood Relief Committee to aid persons who suffered from the floods in this area was organized here and a B'nai B'rith mobile canteen was established to serve food to the volunteer workers on duty night and day in the flood zones.

B'nai B'rith assistance to victims driven from their homes by the raging Missouri and Mississippi Rivers is given on a non-sectarian basis. The B'nai B'rith Flood Relief Committee, headed by Daniel Brenner, received a special grant of \$5,000 from the headquarters of the organization in Washington and is working in close touch with B'nai B'rith units in other areas which have spontaneously contributed funds to the aid program. Jewish institutions in Kansas City escaped damage in the flood.

DRIVE FOR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS OF REFORM JUDAISM SHOWS 55% INCREASE IN TWO YEARS

NEW YORK, July 23. (JTA) -- Reporting an upward trend in maintenance income for the national religious institutions of Reform Judaism, Dr. Samuel S. Hollender, general campaign chairman, announced that \$1,132,122 has been raised in the 1950-51 combined campaign of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. This is \$119,824 more than was collected during the previous fiscal year and represents the largest amount raised to date for the annual maintenance fund of the parent bodies of the Reform wing of American Judaism, he said.

In the last two years, Dr. Hollender reported, the Combined Campaign has increased the annual maintenance income of these institutions by 55 percent. He attributed this increase to the growing popular awareness of the role and responsibilities of organized religion during the present world crisis as well as to greater effectiveness in fund-raising methods.

FIRST ISRAEL INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION IN UNITED STATES OPENS IN ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, July 23. (JTA) -- The first Israel industrial exhibition in the United States opened here last night with more than 1,000 people attending the formal opening at which Hickman Price, vice-president of the Kaiser-Frazer Corporation, was the principal speaker. The exhibit is sponsored by the organization conducting the sale of Israel bonds in this country.

Mr. Price, who headed the construction of the first automobile plant ever built in Israel, said that "America's struggle to preserve freedom and peace in the Middle East can best be served by making Israel economically secure." Theodore Kollick, Minister Plenipotentiary of Israel, told the audience that Israel's policy is to encourage foreign investments. He emphasized that the Israel Bond Issue "will go a long way to make Israel the stronghold of democracy in the Middle East." Mayor Joseph Altman of Atlantic City was the host for the evening.

The exhibition is divided into two parts. One section shows articles produced in Israel by American firms, including Kaiser-Frazer, Philco, General Shoe Corporation and General Tire and Rubber Company. The other section exhibits wares of native Israeli manufacturers. They include a collection of women's fashions, samples of Israeli arts and crafts, books and religious articles.

U.S. DELEGATES LEAVING FOR ZIONIST CONGRESS WITH "MIXED FEELINGS," DR. GOLDSTEIN SAYS

NEW YORK, July 23. (JTA) -- Unless the leaders of Israel go beyond "a willingness to admit" that the Zionist movement is necessary to a point where they "believe enthusiastically" that it is "indispensable to the future of Israel as well as the Jewish people," any program evolved by the forthcoming World Zionist Congress is doomed to frustration and failure," Dr. Israel Goldstein warned last night.

In a statement issued as he boarded a plane for Israel where he will attend the 23rd World Zionist Congress as an American delegate, the chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists and member of the Jewish Agency said that American delegates are coming to the Congress with "mixed feelings." They are proud of the existence and achievements of Israel, he asserted, but at the same time they are uneasy over the current crisis which, he said, endangers the future of the Zionist movement.

He stated that there is much talk of the danger of a cleavage developing between Israel and Jews elsewhere, adding that in this connection the Zionist movement "is the only reliable bridge between Israel and the Jewish people." He saw a good chance of the Zionist organization emerging strengthened from the forthcoming Congress--the first ever held in Israel--especially if the General Zionists are able to achieve unity in their pre-Congress meeting.

FIFTY BANKS IN BOSTON AREA COOPERATE IN SETTING UP AUTOMATIC ISRAEL BOND SALES

BOSTON, July 23. (JTA) -- About 50 banks in and around Boston - practically all the large banks in the area - have agreed to cooperate in an automatic Israel Bond plan, a system designed to facilitate purchase of Israel bonds in the United States. The plan provides that depositors authorize their banks to deduct specified sums each month toward the purchase of the Israel bonds.

The arrangement facilitates bond purchases, both for those who do not have sufficient ready cash to buy bonds immediately and those who have already bought them and would like to make additional purchases. In either case, the bank deducts the authorized amount each month and forwards a cashier's check to the local Israel bond office. The bond is then mailed to the purchaser.

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