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ISRAEL CABINET DISCUSSES SOVIET WARNING ON MIDDLE EAST COMMAND

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The Cabinet today discussed the Soviet note in which the Israel Government was warned that adherence by the Jewish State to the proposed Middle East Command now being organized by the Western powers would be considered by Moscow a hostile act against the Soviet Union.

From London it was reported that it is understood there that Iraq and Lebanon have agreed to join the Middle East Command, although the Arab countries are among the lands which were warned by Moscow against joining any such defense arrangement.

From Paris it was reported that Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden had their second meeting within 24 hours this week-end in Paris. Eliahu Elath, Israel's Minister to Britain, flew from London to Paris to be present at the second meeting. Earlier, Mr. Sharett met with U.S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

(It was reported in London today that Mr. Sharett told Secretary Eden that Israel cannot commit itself exclusively to the West. The report said that Israel will remain outside of the Middle East defense pact, but will receive economic and military aid in anticipation that she will join the Western powers should war break out. The report added that Secretary Eden had acknowledged his full appreciation of Israel's situation.)

SIX DIE IN ISRAEL PLANE CRASH; COMMISSION TO START INVESTIGATION

TEL AVIV, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- A group of government and company officials left Lydda airport last night for Zurich to investigate the crash of an El Al DC-4 freighter plane three miles north of the Swiss city, in which six of the seven crew members perished. Three of the dead and the survivor are Americans.

The crash, which took place while the plane was preparing to land at the Zurich airport, is the second disaster in El Al's history. The earlier one occurred when a plane caught fire at the Lydda airport before the passengers or crew had boarded it. Yesterday's crash took place at 6 A.M. The plane was on the Rome-Amsterdam leg of a Lydda-Amsterdam flight when the disaster occurred.

The dead are: Pilot Captain Theodore Gibson, of Miami, Florida; Co-pilot Captain Robert Constant, of Manchester, New Hampshire; Navigator George Henninger, of Flint, Michigan; Morgen Jensen, of Copenhagen, Denmark; First Office Terence Melly, of Johannesburg, South Africa; and Shlomo Levite, of Rehovoth, Israel. The survivor, radio operator Michael Querzia, is from Brooklyn.

WEIZMANN SWORN IN FOR SECOND TERM AS PRESIDENT OF ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- While an Army artillery battery boomed out a 21-gun salvo in the background, President Chaim Weizmann was today sworn in for his second term as President of the Jewish state.

Because of the President's poor health and the statutory requirement that the oath of office be administered within seven days after the election, the oath was given Dr. Weizmann at his home in Rehovoth. It was administered by Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Parliament which elected the President to a four-year term.

TENSE SITUATION AT PORT OF HAIFA; STRIKERS REFUSE TO LEAVE SHIP

HAIFA, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The tense situation in the port of Haifa precipitated by the dispute between the Seamen's Union and the Histadrut, continued today as seamen of the S.S. Artza were ordered by their union not to let volunteers recruited by the Histadrut aboard to man the ship. A speaker for the union warned at a mass meeting today that the striking seamen would use force to resist any attempt to land them against their will.

The Israeli vessel Negba arrived this afternoon here with 400 immigrants from North Africa and 120 other passengers. When the ship docked, the crew immediately went on strike. A detachment of police was sent aboard.

Police units yesterday forced all 60 striking members of the crew of the S.S. Galila to leave the vessel, after they refused to heed a police request that they disembark. Although no incidents were reported, several of the crew members were arrested. A report on the Galila incident was made to Premier David Ben Gurion.

The vessels Tzfonit, Hadar and Nachson are preparing to sail from Haifa with volunteer crews. The S.S. Acco, which left on Monday, has anchored at Valetta, Malta, and the crew has been changed, while the crew of the S.S. Eilath will be flown back to Israel from Trieste since the vessel has been laid up for repairs. It is understood that the crews of two more Israel vessels due within a few days--the S.S. Negev and the Tamar--will join the strike.

A call to foreign sailors not to aid volunteers who have been recruited by the Histadrut to replace the strikers was issued here today by the Seamen's Union. The union also addressed a communication to the International Transport Workers Federation explaining its action.

ARAB "INFILTREES" IN JUDEA HILLS KILL TWO JEWISH GUARDS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The bodies of two Jews killed and mutilated by Arab "infiltrators" in the Judean Hills were recovered today. The men, standing guard at a settlement, challenged the Arabs when they heard a noise, but a volley of rifle and machine gun fire killed them instantly.

MAPAI AND MAPAM MEMBERS CLASH AT EIN HAROD KIBBUTZ

TEL AVIV, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- Several clashes have occurred at the Ein Harod Kibbutz between Mapai and Mapam settlers, it was reported here this week-end.

One clash occurred when the Mapam members scheduled a lecture at the settlement, in the face of opposition by the Mapai members, who represent a majority of the settlement's population. A second fight broke out over control of the kibbutz printing press when the left-wing Socialists refused to accept a Histadrut executive committee decision placing the press under the control of a co-directorate.

MACIVER REPORT LAUDED AND ATTACKED AT N.C.R.A.C. PLENARY SESSION

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The differences of opinion on the MacIver Report prevailing among the various Jewish groups engaged in combatting anti-Semitism in the United States were given expression here today at the plenary session of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, the central co-ordinating body of Jewish organizations engaged in fighting bigotry in this country.

A slashing attack on the MacIver Report was made by Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee, following the presentation of recommendations by the N.C.R.A.C.'s Evaluative Studies Committee. Mr. Blaustein said that Prof. MacIver's statement of principles on community relations work was acceptable, but not his practical proposals. These proposals, he insisted, "dangerously minimized the ideological differences of the national agencies" and would create a monolithic structure of Jewish life in America.

The MacIver proposals, Mr. Blaustein argued, would cause the national agencies to lose their autonomy. The American Jewish Committee would never agree to that, he emphasized. The recommendations of the Evaluative Studies Committee, he declared, were not a substitute for the MacIver Report, but accepted the premises of that report and would implement it.

Philip M. Kutznick, speaking for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, said that the proposals submitted by the Evaluative Committee would change the character of the N.C.R.A.C. from a voluntary association of voluntary agencies into one with authoritative and coercive power. He warned "such a change will cause a split which would face American Jewry with one of the tragic moments of recent communal history."

Henry Epstein, former New York State Solicitor General, placed before the convention--in the name of the Anti-Defamation League--a series of counter-proposals which he said would retain the character of a voluntary body but would strengthen its efforts at joint planning.

Jewish Congress, Labor Committee Back Recommendations

Dr. David Petegorsky, executive director of the American Jewish Congress, said his organization would back the practical proposals advanced by the Evaluative Studies Committee. He said fundamental reorganization was required because many basic needs of the Jewish community were not being met. He asserted that the proposals sought to apply to the Jewish community the elemental principles of democratic organization. He stressed the need for relating financial support to the quality of an organization's performance.

Adolph Held, of the Jewish Labor Committee, announced that his organization declared its agreement with the recommendations of the Evaluative Studies Committee. "We are for centralized planning of activities," he said. "We believe in the assignment of special duties to the organizations and committees best fitted to perform them."

Joseph F. Barr of Washington, speaking for the Jewish War Veterans, said the organization agreed with the major part of the MacIver Report estimates and conclusions. "We fully endorse the recommendation for an all-agency strategy caucus and the establishment by the N.C.R.A.C. of a special committee charged with the task of proposing an operational program in the community relations field for the agencies as a whole," he declared.

Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, told the conference "the time has come to call a halt to an interfaith

program which presents the church, on one hand, and leaves the synagogue in the background, on the other." He declared that "in seeking realistically to build an inter-faith movement and an interfaith program the synagogue and its representatives must be the focal point of American interfaith work."

He urged that the synagogue be charged with exclusive responsibility of safeguarding and representing Judaism while conceding to others the prerogatives of safeguarding and representing Jews. He said the Union, with its sister agencies, could work out a method of operation and declared it was uniquely qualified to take the lead in interfaith work if financial support were forthcoming.

The Recommendations of the Evaluative Studies Committee

The debate on the recommendations for implementation of the MacIver Report, as submitted by the N.C.R.A.C. Evaluative Studies Committee, is expected to continue through Monday. The recommendations do not cover the first section of the MacIver Report dealing with fundamental concepts of the nature of the Jewish community and Jewish life in America. They stress the following:

1. "It is important and desirable continually to study long-range needs, directions and methods of community relations work," and "this process should be the responsibility of a special N.C.R.A.C. committee with the competence, authority and resources required for such a study."

2. There should be a continuing process of joint program planning among the agencies engaged in community relations work. Greater co-ordination is "possible through continuation of the process of joint planning within the framework of the N.C.R.A.C. A certain division of responsibility should result from this process. However, the process of joint program planning should have as its objective the development of an integrated program for the field as a whole, with a logical and practical division of labor among the national agencies within the framework of a generally accepted policy." The Evaluative Committee should submit specific proposals to implement the recommendations for joint planning to the N.C.R.A.C. executive committee by a date to be determined by the plenum.

3. Where no local community relations councils exist their establishment should be encouraged. The Evaluative Committee should prepare a more detailed statement on national and local agencies' relationships.

4. The N.C.R.A.C. should be strengthened to enable it to fulfill its responsibility for stimulating and co-ordinating the planning and implementation of community relations work. Its decisions and policies shall be established by a majority vote. The base of the N.C.R.A.C. should be broadened and a further study should be made of criteria for membership. The N.C.R.A.C. should more fully utilize its initiative to conduct inquiries, make evaluative studies and recommendations on all matters within its range of aims and objectives.

5. New and equitable procedures should be devised for financing community relations work which "must relate financing to joint planning of the program so that the total funds available for national community relations activities will be distributed on the basis of the entire program of activity. The N.C.R.A.C. should continuously inform the welfare funds of progress in a co-operative process." A joint committee of the N.C.R.A.C. and the Large City Budgeting Conference should consider detailed problems of financing and should develop a specific plan for submission to the N.C.R.A.C. plenum, the L.C.B.C. and the General Assembly of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds in 1952. The financing of the N.C.R.A.C. should also be referred to that joint committee.

The dissent by participating organizations to several of these recommendations was recorded in the evaluative committee's report.

Z.O.A. COUNCIL ADOPTS \$1,750,000 PROGRAM FOR ZIONIST PROJECTS

CHICAGO, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The National Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of America, at a two-day conference here this week-end, adopted a program of projects in this country and Israel which will entail a budget of \$1,750,000. Of this sum, \$700,000 will be needed for the American portion of the program.

The program calls for the establishment in Israel of ten trade schools and an American business college, in addition to the recruitment in this country of technically-trained chalutzim who will bring to the Jewish state much needed professional and mechanical skills and teachers to train Israelis in many vocations. It was also announced that the Z.O.A. will send an additional 20,000 individual food packages to families in immigrant work villages, and that each package will be sent to a specific family whose name has been chosen by a Z.O.A. -member donor.

On the American scene, the new Z.O.A. program calls upon Zionists to participate actively in welfare funds and community councils, and urges the democratization of the American Jewish community by bringing Jewish welfare funds within the administrative framework of local community councils with a wide, democratic composition. Other major features of the program call for reorganization of Z.O.A. youth activities to elicit greater response of Jewish youth to the Zionist program and for the organization to provide greater educational, publication and sports activity within its structure.

Browdy Justifies Selective Immigration Policy for Israel

Benjamin Browdy, Z.O.A. president, commenting on the announcement last week of the institution of a policy of selective immigration to Israel, warned that this was the sounding of an alarm of a grave crisis in the Jewish state. Characterizing the move as "long overdue," Mr. Browdy pointed out that the selective policy will guarantee that newcomers to Israel will constitute a productive group capable of taking care of itself. He stressed that the selective policy will not effect the immigration of Jewish communities in danger or threatened by danger.

The Z.O.A. president criticized the American Jewish Congress for claiming to represent all Zionist organizations at its recent convention where it adopted a resolution criticizing President Truman's appointment of an ambassador to the Vatican and asking him to reconsider the step. Mr. Browdy asserted that "the Zionist Organization of America, and I dare say the Zionist movement in the United States, has no quarrel with President Truman." He referred to the American Jewish Congress' handling of the affair "as a piece of headline hunting" and asked it to speak exclusively in its own name.

Mortimer May, chairman of the Z.O.A. executive committee, charged American Jews with neglecting the promotion of private enterprise in Israel. Urging the Z.O.A. to strengthen the position of the Palestine Economic Corporation, Mr. May declared that "if Israel is to prosper it will have to be through large-scale investments of private capital combined with managerial know-how, supplemented by the best in technology." He also asked the organization to spur religious interest in Israel by providing General Zionist enterprises there with chapels and synagogues.

Abraham A. Redelheim, chairman of the Administrative Council, who presided, and Louis Lipsky, chairman of the American Zionist Council, were among the featured speakers at the meeting. The conference adopted a resolution felicitating Mr. Lipsky upon his 75th birthday.

N.C.L.L. DECIDES TO RAISE \$10,000,000 FOR HISTADRUT DRIVE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The two-day national convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel concluded here today with a resolution to raise \$10,000,000 for the Histadrut campaign in America during 1952. More than 5,000 delegates and guests from 250 cities and towns in the United States attended the convention.

Joseph Schlossberg was re-elected general chairman of the National Committee and Isaac Hamlin was named national secretary. Principal speakers at the closing session were Abba S. Eban, Israel's Ambassador to the United States, and Dr. Hayim Zadok, deputy attorney-general of Israel, who is on special leave to aid the Israel Histadrut campaign in America.

\$80,000,000 IN ISRAEL BONDS SOLD IN UNITED STATES, VENETZKY REPORTS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- A total of \$80,000,000 in Israel Independence Bonds was sold in the United States from May 1 to November of this year, Julian B. Venetzky, of Peoria, Ill., chairman of the executive committee of the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, said here today.

Mr. Venetzky arrived with Henry Montor, executive vice-president of the bond sales agency, on a brief visit here to confer with the government on 1952 bond campaign plans. He said that of the total, \$63,000,000 is available to the government and described this as "the largest amount in dollars ever put at Israel's disposal at any time in such a short period."

AMERICAN IMMIGRANTS IN ISRAEL TO HOLD FIRST NATIONAL CONFERENCE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- The newly-organized Hitachdut Olei America, organization for the integration of immigrants from the United States and Canada, will hold its first national conference here next Tuesday. The organization was founded three months ago by a group of about 100.

Plans for mobilization of support of American and Canadian Zionist organizations and groups will be submitted to the conference which will also consider housing projects for American immigrants. The organization is now negotiating for the purchase of 50 prefabricated houses to be erected in the Jerusalem area. Forty delegates, representing about 1,000 immigrants, are expected to reaffirm the organization's non-partisan and non-political policy.

JEWISH COMMUNITY IN ARGENTINA OFFERS PRAYERS FOR MME, PERON

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- A special religious service was held here by the Argentine Jewish community yesterday to offer prayers for the recovery of Mme. Juan D. Peron, wife of the Argentine President. The services were held under the auspices of the Council of Argentinian Synagogues. Representatives of all congregations and leaders of the Ashkenazic and Sephardic communities and the public participated in the services. Those present included Dr. Pablo Manguel, Argentine Minister to Israel, and Captain Joshua Goldberg, U.S. Navy chaplain.

GLORIA RUBIN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF JUNIOR HADASSAH

BOSTON, Nov. 25. (JTA) -- Miss Gloria E. Rubin of Brooklyn was elected national president of Junior Hadassah, young women's Zionist organization, at the closing session this week-end of the 28th annual convention of the organization. The three-day parley was attended by 500 delegates and guests from all parts of the country.

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