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U.S. AID TO ISRAEL RESTORED; WILL GET \$26,000,000 FOR SIX MONTHS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower today announced at his press conference that American aid to Israel is being resumed. He said that he had conferred with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and was delighted to learn that Israel had given approval to what he, the President, described as United Nations recommendations on the water question.

Later in the day Secretary Dulles announced that he had recommended to the President that Israel receive a grant of approximately \$26,000,000 for the first six months of the current fiscal year. This, he said, was "the amount which previously had been tentatively earmarked for allocation to Israel under the Mutual Security Act of 1953 in agreement with Mr. (Harold) Stassen, director of the Foreign Operations Administration."

The President said aid to Israel was cut off under the policy laid down by the United Nations and pointed out that the U.S. does not want to prejudice any question before the United Nations but attempts to support it in everything.

Mr. Dulles said "definitive action" in the matter of aid to Israel was deferred "because of differences between the State of Israel and the United Nations truce supervision organization, relating to a Jordan River water diversion project. This work recently undertaken by Israel is in part in the demilitarized zone between Israel and Syria."

"Yesterday," Mr. Dulles said in his statement, "in the United Nations the spokesman for the Government of Israel in response to a request from the President of the Security Council agreed that the work started by Israel in the demilitarized zone would be suspended pending urgent examination of the question by the Council. The Security Council thereupon by unanimous resolution took jurisdiction of the matter and confirmed the suspension of work on the project. The spokesman for the Government of Israel also stated to the Council that it was the policy of his government that it would in the future cooperate with the Council's efforts to reach a solution taking account of all legitimate interests."

"The policy of the United States to support the UN truce supervision organization in this matter has thus been realized and the impediment to the present grant of economic aid to Israel has thus been removed. Programs for economic aid to other states in the Near East are in an advanced state of formulation and it is expected that some of them can shortly be announced," Mr. Dulles concluded.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver said today after having lunch with Secretary Dulles that the decision by President Eisenhower to resume aid to Israel had Mr. Dulles' "hearty approval." Rabbi Silver said he was invited to come to Washington three days ago to discuss the Israel situation with Mr. Dulles.

ISRAEL ANNOUNCES SUSPENSION OF WORK ON JORDAN RIVER DAM

JERUSALEM, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Work on the Jordan River dam and canal along the Israel-Syrian border was scheduled to halt at midnight tonight, an Israel Government spokesman revealed late today. He said work actually ended at the close of the working day, but some workers remained behind to control water seepage.

The government spokesman reiterated that the suspension of work was temporary and "without prejudice to the merits" of the case. He also stressed that the Israel Government had made its offer in order to facilitate the Security Council's investigation of the question.

EBAN TAKES ISSUE WITH GEN. BENNIKE'S REPORT ON KIBYA RAID

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban today challenged the report submitted yesterday to the U. N. Security Council by Gen. Vagn Bennike, U. N. truce chief, that Israeli armed forces carried out the raid on Kibya village in Jordan.

At a press conference, Mr. Eban emphasized that the statement made by Israel Premier David Ben Gurion to the effect that civilians were responsible for the raid is accurate. "Any other version is inaccurate," he stated. He added that most of the Israeli border settlers had military training and were Army reservists. "Most certainly the border settlements are armed--the government has given the civilians there arms," he declared.

The Israeli delegate said that Gen. Bennike had not accurately reflected the position in Israel when he reported that the state was impatient with the general armistice agreements since they had not been replaced by final settlements. He said the position was that Israel held the view that the armistice agreements should be replaced by final settlements. When he was asked whether any redrawing of the frontiers would help the situation, he replied that such would require agreement.

Mr. Eban also indicated that the Arab states had started the second round of the war against Israel, the second round being a form of guerrilla warfare. "Between the 17th and 20th of November, 1952, the Syrian, Lebanese, Jordanian and Egyptian representatives to the Mixed Armistice Commissions met in Amman," he said. "According to our information, among the decisions of this conference were the following:

"1. The Arabs would seek to limit the scope of the armistice agreements with Israel and refuse to see them as a transition to peace; 2. The Arabs would refuse to make new agreements supplementary to the armistice agreements or to insure their smooth operation; 3. Border incidents would be exploited in order to nullify the armistice agreements; 4. Arab policy would be designed to reduce the activities of the Mixed Armistice Commission to a minimum."

The Amman agreement, Mr. Eban said, launched the new round of guerrilla warfare which had resulted in so many Israeli citizens being killed and wounded, and was the reason for the Kibya reprisal.

ISRAEL AND JORDAN WITHDRAW CHARGES ON TROOP CONCENTRATIONS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Israel and Jordan each withdrew charges and countercharges that the other side had more troops in the Jerusalem area than permitted under the armistice agreement after United Nations observers reported at two emergency meetings of the Mixed Armistice Commission today that their checks had revealed no unauthorized forces on either side of the Jerusalem demarcation line.

INCREASED FUND-RAISING IN U.S. DISCUSSED AT JERUSALEM PARLEY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The possibility of American Jewry raising the \$125,000,000 to \$150,000,000 a year for Israel which has been proposed by Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol was discussed exhaustively last night at the five-day economic conference of world Jewish leaders here. Leading roles in that discussion were taken by United Jewish Appeal executive head Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz and Israel bond drive head Henry Montor, both of whom emphasized that the American Jewish community was united in its support of Israel.

Dr. Schwartz told the conference that there was basic unity between the UJA and the bond drive in their common goal of raising as much money for Israel's varied needs as possible. The only conflict, he pointed out, was in the timing of an occasional local meeting or campaign. Mr. Montor supported Dr. Schwartz' declaration of unity of the two campaigns. Terming reports of disunity in the American Jewish community "not only an exaggeration but a distortion," the UJA leader insisted that "we have achieved a degree of unity in the United States which is remarkable."

Dr. Schwartz warned against proposals to change the organizational structure of the UJA and bond drive, asserting that not more, but less, money would be raised by setting up one overall Israel drive or by any other type of organizational "gimmick." He also scored proposals to divorce Israel campaigns from drives for local and national needs in the various local welfare campaigns, pointing out that all American Jews were interested in both local and Israel needs. He also argued against attempts to "legislate" for the local communities, stating that coordination or any other policy is set up not in the offices of the national campaigns in New York but on the local level.

The UJA leader declared flatly that the sums proposed by the Israel Finance Minister are going to be difficult to raise and pointed out that proposals from Israel to set up a long-time fund-raising program in the United States will conflict with the efforts of the UJA and bond drive to raise larger sums in any specific year.

He insisted that it is not possible to tell American Jews that they must prepare themselves to financially support Israel for another generation or two and at the same time to ask them to increase their participation in the UJA and bond campaigns in 1954 as well as to come up with a means of helping Israel refund its current short-term obligations. The 1954 greater goals and support of efforts to refund currently due debts are enough of a program for the time being, he concluded.

Montor Urges "Collective Responsibility" in Sale of Bonds

Mr. Montor underlined the enormity of the request by Mr. Eshkol that American Jews raise between \$125,000,000 and \$150,000,000 for Israel next year. He pointed out that from all sources--UJA, bonds and other philanthropies including imports in kind--Israel received only \$90,000,000 from American Jews this past year. He maintained that more bonds could be sold in the United States if their sale was made a "collective responsibility."

"There is a vacuum today in the United States in terms of unified, organized action for Israel," Mr. Montor stressed. "If that vacuum is not filled the dangers to Israel and to the organizations helping it are great. If we fill the vacuum and mobilize American Jewry's great goodwill we can raise more money for the UJA as well as for bonds. What is involved here is not a matter of the UJA versus bonds, but a strengthening of both."

EISENHOWER'S ENVOY MEETS WITH SHARETT; COMMUNISTS DEMONSTRATE

TEL AVIV, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's personal envoy to the Near East whose mission is to work out regional cooperation on development schemes and on solving the Arab refugee problem, conferred today with Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett on the details of the plan for regional development of the Jordan River worked out by the Tennessee Valley Authority at the behest of the State Department.

The meeting at the government center here was recessed until tomorrow to permit Israel's top water resources experts to join the discussion. Mr. Johnston was accompanied to the meeting by American Embassy officials.

During the meeting, Communists and members of Dr. Moshe Sneh's "Left Group" demonstrated against the presence of Mr. Johnston in Israel. They carried signs demanding: "Johnston Go Home" and "Keep Our Water Resources Free of American Influence." The demonstrators dispersed quietly.

100 PLANES FLY OVER TEL AVIV IN ISRAEL AIR FORCE SHOW

TEL AVIV, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The Israeli Air Force today put on an air show over Tel Aviv in connection with the celebration of its sixth anniversary. More than 100 planes took part in the show which displayed the Air Force's growth from the lone single-engine Piper Cub with which it began to today's fleet which contains a number of new British-manufactured Meteor Jets.

The alertness and preparedness of the Israel Army last week prevented an Arab breakthrough into Israel, Israel Army Chief of Staff Gen. Mordecai Makleff declared today after watching Israeli units work out a problem in regional defense.

Speaking from a platform flanked by mortars and ploughs to symbolize the dual role of agriculture and defense assumed by the border settlements, Gen. Makleff stressed the importance of regional defense as a means of repelling aggression. He praised the manner in which reserve units had turned out and been integrated into the regular Army forces in these exercises, which were designed to test every possibility of defense in an area subjected to heavy infiltration.

HADASSAH ADOPTS \$9,000,000 BUDGET; MRS. SHULMAN NAMED PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The 39th annual Hadassah national convention concluded here tonight with the adoption of a \$9,000,000 budget for 1953-54 and the election of Mrs. Rebecca Shulman as national president.

The convention adopted a resolution which noted with satisfaction President Eisenhower's announcement on the resumption of Israel aid and expressed hope the U.S. and the U.N. would view the facts of the current crisis against the whole background of the last five years and use their influence to bring the Arab states together with Israel for peace.

Arthur Lourie, Assistant Director General of the Israel Ministry for Foreign Affairs, told the convention "that with respect to President Eisenhower's announcement of the resumption of Mutual Security Aid to Israel, this episode has been closed," but added "it is essential that we recognize that the basic problems now on the agenda of the Security Council, that of Arab-Israel peace, and that of Israel's economic future, are still urgently before us, and are unaffected by this decision." Mr. Lourie said Israel is looking forward "with confidence to an understanding approach by the United States to both these issues."

GERMAN STATE TO MAKE ADVANCE INDEMNIFICATION PAYMENTS

DUSSELDORF, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The British zone state of North Rhine Westphalia will make some advance payments on indemnification claims in certain hardship cases, according to an announcement by the Ministry of the Interior here.

Some \$600,000 has been made available for Nazi victims, perhaps half of them Jews, who can meet the stringent requirements. In addition to the existence of a recognized claim under the Federal Indemnification Law and acknowledged persecutor status, the requirements include physical disability rated at 50 percent or more, in cases where income from all sources is very small. Also eligible are applicants of over 70 whose economic position is unsatisfactory.

Advance payments may as a rule not exceed \$2,000 or 80 percent of the face value of the claim, whichever is lower, with all compensation and relief paid out so far to be deducted. "Special urgency" is another prerequisite.

TWO SENTENCED IN GERMANY FOR KILLING JEWS IN NAZI CAMPS

FRANKFURT, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- As an "accessory to murder," Heinrich Emde, a former SS man and assistant block leader in Buchenwald concentration camp, was given eight years in jail by a Kassel court. Witnesses testified that he shot 21 Jews in the camp's stables.

For numerous savage beatings he had administered in Buchenwald concentration camp, Joseph Tannenbaum--himself an inmate promoted to the rank of "kapo," or trustee, by the SS--was sentenced to a five-year penitentiary term by the Nuremberg Court of Assizes. He was also charged with contributing to the killing of Jewish prisoners.

The former Nazi mayor of Altona, Emil Brix, was fined the equivalent of \$70 for telling a Nazi victim what a pity it was that he had not been gassed in the days of the Third Reich.

TURKISH MINISTRY DOUBLES ITS SUBSIDY TO JEWISH HOSPITAL

ISTANBUL, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- The Turkish Ministry of Health has decided to double its subsidy to the Jewish Hospital of Istanbul, it was learned here today.

In the past few years, the government has subsidized the hospital to the extent of 15,000 Turkish pounds. Now it will give the institution 30,000 pounds (approximately \$11,000). The decision was taken because of the hospital's rendering important services to the public health.

JDC OPENS CANTEEN FOR 1,300 CHILDREN IN CASABLANCA

CASABLANCA, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Some 1,300 Jewish children of Casablanca's mellah (ghetto) are now enjoying hot, nourishing meals regularly at the new Talmud Torah canteen opened here today by the Joint Distribution Committee.

The children are former street gamins rescued from filthy, disease-breeding surroundings by the JDC's child care program. The youngsters now attend a modern Talmud Torah in a new building where they are given both an education and the best possible health care. The Talmud Torah was built and is maintained by the Jewish community of Casablanca under the supervision of the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the Ozar Hatorah, a local religious group, both of which receive JDC support.

CANADIAN JEWS STRESS ISRAEL'S DESIRE FOR PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST

MONTREAL, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- "The Canadian Jewish Congress and the United Zionist Council of Canada are profoundly distressed at the bloodshed and heightened tensions now being generated among Arab states on Israel's borders," declared Samuel Bronfman, president of Congress, and Edward E. Gelber, president of the Council, in a joint statement issued today.

"Canada," said the statement, "has an opportunity and a duty to remind both the Arab States and the Great Powers of their obligations to implement the peace recommendations of the Security Council made as early as 1948-49 when Canada played a leading role in the search for an Arab-Israel settlement. The pending Security Council hearings on border violence between Israel and Jordan will afford the world ample evidence of the continued urging on the part of Israel for peace in the Middle East, and the determined effort of Arab states to prevent any lasting peace coming to the troubled Near East--indeed, of preventing even the discussion of the possible terms of such a peace."

PROF. BOHR LEAVES FOR ISRAEL; IS GUEST OF WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

COPENHAGEN, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Prof. Neils Bohr, world famous physicist and a pioneer in working on the atom, left for Israel as a guest of the Weizmann Institute of Science to participate in the cornerstone laying ceremonies for a new physics building at the Institute.

Speaking at a dinner here given in his honor by Dr. Abraham Nissan, Israeli Minister to the Scandinavian countries, Dr. Bohr said: "I am thrilled at the prospect of visiting Israel. It is a dream which I have cherished all my life." Dr. Nissan told him that Israel would be "greatly honored by the visit of one of the greatest scientists of our time."

OHIO COURT RULES AGAINST BAN ON SYNAGOGUE CONSTRUCTION

CLEVELAND, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- Construction of a \$2,000,000 synagogue by the congregation of the Euclid Avenue Temple of Cleveland in the neighboring suburb of Beachwood has been made possible by a ruling of the Ohio State Court of Appeals to the effect that the village could not refuse a building permit.

The decision came after nearly two years of litigation which began when the Mayor and village council of Beachwood refused to permit the Temple to build on a 31-acre site. The Court of Appeals rejected the village council's plea that the village would lose \$25,000 in annual income because the Temple would be tax exempt under state and law and also threw out the council's contention that the Temple would not serve the public welfare. Rabbi Barnett Brickner is spiritual leader of the Reform congregation.

JEWISH MUSEUM OPENS EXHIBIT OF BIBLICAL PAINTINGS

NEW YORK, Oct. 28. (JTA) -- An exhibit of the paintings of Max Band, noted for his color and for his interpretations of Biblical and Jewish subjects, was opened here at the Jewish Museum, and will be on view through December.

The 30 canvasses have been selected to represent all phases of the artist's work. The subjects include: "And They Shall Beat Their Swords into Ploughshares," and "Am I My Brothers' Keeper"; portrait-like studies of Job, Isaiah, and paintings from Israel.

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