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ISRAEL REQUESTS U. N. TO CALL COMPULSORY ISRAEL-JORDAN MEETING

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 23. (JTA) -- In a surprise move on the eve of the expected UN Security Council vote on the Big Three resolution censuring Israel for the Kibya attack, the Government of Israel today invoked Article XII of the Israel-Jordan armistice agreement and requested UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold to call immediately a meeting between Israeli and Jordan representatives, as provided for in the armistice pact.

Article XII states that "either of the parties may call upon the Secretary General of the United Nations to convoke a conference of representatives of the two parties for purposes of reviewing, revising or suspending" most of the provisions of the armistice agreement. The article says that "participation in such conference shall be obligatory upon the parties."

In presenting the request of the Israel Government to the U. N. Secretary General, Israel's Ambassador Abba Eban emphasized that "to avoid further peril to a precarious security situation, it is urgently necessary to review the Israel-Jordan agreement in order to attain the implementation of all its provisions and objectives."

Will Seek to Postpone Vote on "Big Three" Resolution

At his press conference this afternoon, Mr. Eban spoke of being on the eve of a conference between Israel and Jordan and said that "reticence and restraint" should be exercised with "reference to specific issues."

Mr. Eban seemed to imply that he would ask that the three-power resolution condemning Israel for the Kibya raid be shelved until after the meeting with Jordan had taken place.

He said that Israel had failed to obtain a voluntary meeting which it had requested, and now was forced to invoke the compulsory clause of the armistice agreement. "We have taken the first formal step," Mr. Eban said, "to make progress from the armistice to more stable relations in our region."

The bold and constructive step which the Israel Government has initiated was taken at one o'clock this afternoon when Mr. Eban presented the letter invoking Article XII to the UN Secretary General. In his letter, the Israel diplomat pointed out that he had proposed in his speech to the Security Council a meeting with Jordan. However, the representative of Jordan had indicated his "non-acceptance" of the proposal.

"In view of the acute tension on the Israel-Jordan frontier," the letter continued, "it is necessary to act swiftly to prevent the further impairment of peace and security

in the area affected by this agreement. " For that reason, he stressed, the Israel Government felt it necessary to invoke Article XII of the armistice pact.

When asked whether it was mandatory on the Secretary General to call such a conference, Mr. Eban said that the wording of the armistice agreement says that he shall call such a conference. As to the question of time and place, Mr. Eban said he would discuss with the Secretary General the details at another meeting later in the day. (For later developments see page 3.)

BRITAIN DENIES BACKING JORDAN AGAINST ISRAEL IN BORDER TENSION

LONDON, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A British Foreign Office spokesman today denied Israel Premier David Ben Gurion's charges that Britain had discriminated in favor of Jordan in recent border incidents. The spokesman said Britain had taken into account incidents caused by Jordanians, but drew a distinction between small and unorganized incursions and large-scale military operations. He claimed that Jordan had taken steps to prevent incidents and had punished Jordanians responsible for them.

A suggestion by Clement Davies, leader of the Parliamentary Liberal Party, that the Arab states and Israel should settle their differences and make peace at direct talks was officially rejected today by the Jordan Embassy here.

Mr. Davies had proposed, in a letter in the Times of London, that the British Government take the lead in bringing about such direct peace talks. A peace settlement, he declared, "would be of advantage not only to the two sides directly concerned, but also to all interested in the peace, security and welfare of the Middle East.

"This settlement," he added, "would at once lead not only to a solution of the refugee problem, water and other border problems, but would enable the governments and peoples to cooperate together in enterprises which would quickly bring benefits, social and material, to all.

"We are deeply concerned in all matters affecting the governments and peoples of the Middle East, their welfare and security. Has not the time come when, in conjunction with our allies, we should take a real step forward to try to bring to an end the present unsatisfactory and dangerous situation, and that is, to use the full weight of our influence to persuade the governments to enter into direct negotiations with a view to a general peace settlement? Surely, in the interests of all, it is worth our while to try."

U.S. ZIONIST GROUPS CONTINUE TO ASSAIL "BIG THREE" RESOLUTION

NEW YORK, Nov. 23 (JTA) -- Zionist groups throughout the country today continued to voice strong criticism of the Big Three resolution on Israel now before the UN Security Council.

The Labor Zionist Organization of America, at an emergency meeting of its administrative committee here, today condemned the resolution as "an abdication of duty toward peace." It called upon the U.S. Government "to take its stand on the side of morality and peace as against intransigence and belligerency" in line with its record of friendship, understanding and help for Israel.

In Boston, 700 Zionists attending the annual regional conference of the Jewish National Fund, adopted a resolution urging President Eisenhower to intercede with Israel and the Arab states for immediate direct negotiations for a peace settlement. The delegates characterized the Big Three resolution on the Kibya incident as inadequate and unfair and serving to create further tension.

SECRETARY DULLES TO BE CONSULTED ON ISRAEL'S NEW MOVE AT U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., head of the American delegation to the United Nations, today indicated that Israel's invoking of the Israel-Jordan armistice agreement provision to force a meeting with Jordan representatives (see pages 1 and 2) was of such importance that he would have to consult with Secretary of State Dulles on this move. Ambassador Lodge indicated this at a meeting late this afternoon with Israel Ambassador Abba S. Eban.

Mr. Eban also saw UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold for a second time late today and was informed that Mr. Hammarskjold would contact the Jordan Government on the requested meeting. On the time and place of the meeting, Mr. Eban stressed the urgency of the parley and said Israel had an open mind on the place.

EISENHOWER ATTENDS ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE DINNER; RECEIVES AWARD

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower was tonight presented with the "America's Democratic Legacy Award" by the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League in recognition of his devotion to the "furtherance of freedom." The presentation was made at a dinner in the Mayflower Hotel marking the 40th anniversary of the ADL.

In presenting the silver medallion to the President, Henry E. Schultz, national chairman of the ADL, said: "We honor you for your leadership in the great crusade to bring about the elimination of Nazi tyranny over the oppressed peoples of Europe; for your vigorous campaign to eliminate racial segregation in the armed forces; for your efforts to end undemocratic patterns of racial segregation in Washington, our capital city. But most of all, we honor you for your continuing leadership of the free world." (President Eisenhower's acceptance remarks were not received by the time the Bulletin went to press).

The dinner was presided over by Philip Klutznick, B'nai B'rith president. Among the leading American personalities who attended the affair were Chief Justice Earl Warren, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Bernard Baruch, Justices Robert H. Jackson, Tom Clark, Sherman Minton, William O. Douglas, and Felix Frankfurter, Attorney General Herbert Brownell, FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, Mutual Security Administrator Harold Stassen, General Walter Bedell Smith, Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Matthew Ridgeway, Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, and many Governors, Senators, U.S. Representatives, and leaders in the fields of religion, business, labor, and education.

More than 500 messages of congratulation were received at the dinner, including messages from the Presidents of Israel, Italy and France, Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of Germany.

The dinner marked the closing of the four-day meeting of the ADL at which a budget of \$2,485,000 was voted for the organization's activities in 1954. Mr. Schultz was elected national chairman of the organization for a second term.

President Itzhak Ben-Zvi of Israel said in his message that he "was very happy" to learn that President Eisenhower is the recipient of the award of the Anti-Defamation League for 1953. "His presence at your anniversary dinner should be a source of pride and inspiration to you all," he cabled to the ADL. "You are to be congratulated on the choice of President Eisenhower, the valiant champion of freedom and the doughty fighter against all forms of tyranny and oppressinn." Mr. Ben Gurion congratulated the ADL for its championship of human rights.

SHARETT SLATED FOR PREMIERSHIP; WILL RETAIN FOREIGN MINISTRY POST

JERUSALEM, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Indications here point to Moshe Sharett becoming the next Premier of Israel and holding on to the Foreign Ministry portfolio. A decision on this matter is expected tonight when the Mapai Party political committee meets. Its decision must be ratified by the party's central council before it becomes effective.

Meanwhile, the Mapai-General Zionist negotiations for reconstitution of the Cabinet enter a decisive phase tomorrow when representatives of the two parties meet again. It is believed here that both parties are ready for compromises which will permit virtually the same membership in the Cabinet and several changes in the coalition program.

It is known that Premier David Ben Gurion strongly opposes the General Zionist Party demand for a Vice Premiership, beside the portfolios now held by four of its leaders. However, there is a possibility that the Mapai will offer the centrists an additional post, Deputy Minister of Education.

MIZRACHI URGES INCLUSION OF NON-ZIONISTS IN JEWISH AGENCY

LONDON, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A proposal that the World Zionist Organization be reconstituted so as to be representative of the Zionist movement outside Israel alone, was contained in a resolution adopted here last night at the annual conference of the Mizrahi Organization of Britain.

The Orthodox Zionists also suggested that the World Zionist Executive, an elected body, coopt local Jewish leaders who are not Zionists but who have proved themselves staunch friends of Israel, and that the Executive plus these non-Zionist leaders together form the Jewish Agency.

The parley further recommended that the Zionist Actions Committee, policy-making body between World Zionist Congresses, be enlarged with representation being assigned on a territorial basis to Zionist movements in every country. This enlarged body would meet only once annually, in Jerusalem. The members of the Actions Committee in each country would be constituted as a permanent local group with full authority to represent that community's Zionist movement.

In a spate of 32 resolutions, the Mizrahi also called on the great powers to exert their influence to press for direct Israel-Arab peace talks; criticized the United Nations' handling of the Arab refugee problem; warned that failure to resettle the Arab refugees would lead to further unrest along Israel's borders; and demanded that the UN implement the armistice agreement provision giving Jews access to the Wailing Wall, now in the Jordan-held Old City of Jerusalem. Dr. Israel Brodie, British Chief Rabbi, was re-elected president of the organization.

RAINSTORM IN ISRAEL SUBSIDES; LEAVES TRAIL OF SMASHED HUTS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- The rainstorm which lashed Israel and other areas of the Middle East late last week, eased off but left a trail of smashed huts and downed tents in immigrant work centers in various parts of the country. Jewish Agency work teams were busy today repairing damage, and re-erecting tents and other shelters. The occupants of the shelters had been moved elsewhere temporarily.

CJFWF ASSEMBLY ASSAILS IMMIGRATION LAW; LAUDS U.S. AID TO ISRAEL

CLEVELAND, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Resolutions urging President Eisenhower and the Congress of the United States to work out new immigration legislation and expressing appreciation to the President and the Congress for continued American economic assistance to Israel were adopted at the concluding session here last night of the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. Julian Freeman, of Indianapolis, was re-elected CJFWF president.

Declaring that the present immigration law--the McCarran-Walter Act--continues the outmoded and discriminatory national origins quota system and makes for unequal treatment for naturalized and native-born citizens "thus establishing two classes of American citizenship," the Assembly resolution asked for a new immigration law which "while continuing all proper protection to our country, will accord with the American philosophy of welcome to the despairing, the persecuted and the oppressed regardless of race, religion or nationality, and restore the equality of all citizens before the law."

The delegates, representing 800 Jewish communities, also adopted a resolution emphasizing the need for full cooperation among the national and local Jewish community relations agencies. It commended the National Community Relations Advisory Council for "the progress made in carrying out the principles" adopted by the CJFWF General Assembly last year. It also commended the president of the CJFWF for his efforts to have the American Jewish Committee and the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League rejoin the NCRAC.

"We call upon him to continue these endeavors in the earnest hope that the national unity so ardently sought by our communities and so essential for the fullest effectiveness of community relations work, may be achieved at the earliest possible date," the resolution said.

In another resolution, the Assembly affirmed the desire of the Jewish community organizations associated in the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds for integration of fund-raising in behalf of the Hebrew University, Haifa Technion, and Weizmann Institute. "Unification of the appeals for the Israel institutions of higher learning will insure maximum support for the services of these institutions, while eliminating harmful duplication of effort and needless campaign expense," the resolution stated.

The first annual William J. Shroder awards for "superior initiative and achievement in the advancement of social welfare" were presented by the Assembly to the Montefiore Hospital of New York for its home care program for chronically ill patients, and to the Southern Illinois Jewish Federation for its achievement in organizing a central community organization among 65 rural towns covering 18,000 square miles. The late Mr. Shroder, a prominent Cincinnati business and civic leader, was founder and first president of the Council. William Rosenwald of New York, and Mrs. William J. Shroder of Cincinnati, made the presentations. The award consists of a plaque with a silver scroll containing a bas relief portrait of Mr. Shroder and an engraved citation.

STRICTER REGULATION FOR ALIENS BECOMES EFFECTIVE IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A new immigration regulation which makes it more difficult for aliens to become permanent residents of Mexico has been put into effect by the Interior and Foreign Ministries since November 1.

The regulation also provides that prospective immigrants from Germany and Austria shall confirm the fact that they are not Communists and must attest to their "political reliability."

JEWISH CONGRESS WARNS U.S. AGAINST CLEMENCY TO NAZI LEADERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress today appealed to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to define the scope of the newly-established Allied-German Board of Clemency in the U.S. "Zone of Germany, lest the 300 war criminals now imprisoned escape full punishment for their crimes.

Further clemency, particularly for the high Nazis convicted in Nuremberg, the WJC warned, "cannot but weaken seriously" the Allied action on war criminals, as well as the foundations and authority of Allied military tribunals; and would be "particularly unfortunate at the present time when even the Holy See has come to the conclusion that the punishment of war criminals is an inescapable duty of the civilized world."

The WJC appeal to Secretary Dulles, in a letter signed by Dr. Nehemiah Robinson, acting director of the Department of International Affairs, was prompted by a recent order of the three Western Allied High Commissioners in Germany calling for the creation of three Allied-German boards, one for each zone, to make recommendations for clemency or parole for the German war criminals still held by them. In the U.S. zone, where approximately 300 imprisoned war criminals are affected by the new order, the board will reportedly have five members, two of them Germans.

DR. LOWDERMILK RETURNS FROM ISRAEL; LAUDS LAND DEVELOPMENT THERE

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Dr. Walter C. Lowdermilk, American soil conservation expert and author of the famous Lowdermilk Plan for the development of the Jordan River, returned yesterday from Israel after spending more than two years there as consultant for the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations. In a statement issued to the press, Dr. Lowdermilk said that the current tension between Israel and the Arab countries is preventing development of "the greatest potential breadbasket in the world." He said Israel could be a "demonstration area" from which the Arabs could learn to develop their own land and water resources.

JEANETTE LEIBEL LEAVES POST OF HADASSAH EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Jeanette N. Leibel, executive director of Hadassah, resigned her post after 17 years of service with the women's Zionist organization, it was announced today. Miss Leibel will accompany her husband, Arthur Lourie, to Jerusalem next month when he takes up his post as assistant director general of the Israel Foreign Ministry.

Miss Leibel's resignation was accepted with reluctance by Hadassah's national board. The board unanimously adopted a resolution citing Miss Leibel for her "intelligent appreciation of the fundamental principles of Hadassah's program, and her brilliant translation of these principles into action." Succeeding her as executive director is Miss Hannah Goldberg, a lawyer and ranking Hadassah leader, formerly of Boston.

"PENNSYLVANIA-ISRAEL AMITY WOODLAND" PLANTED NEAR JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- The first saplings in the "Pennsylvania-Israel Amity Woodland" were planted this afternoon on the slope of a hill above Eshtaul, birthplace of Samson. The first tree was planted by Gov. John Fine of Pennsylvania, who came to Israel for the ceremony, and the second was planted by William Sytk, Philadelphia Jewish leader. Representatives of the American Embassy, the Israel Foreign Ministry and the Jewish National Fund also participated.