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ISRAEL CABINET DISCUSSES THE REVOLTS IN EGYPT AND SYRIA

JERUSALEM, March 1. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet held a meeting last night on the political events of the past few days in Egypt and Syria. Premier and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett reported to the Ministers.

There was no official comment available on the views of the Cabinet in this matter. A Foreign Office spokesman merely said that the "profound upheavals in Syria cannot but cause the Israel Government grave concern and cause the nation to be on guard."

A great deal of satisfaction is being derived by all Israelis from the statement by Army Chief of Staff Gen. Moshe Dayan that if necessary, the army can mobilize a force of 250,000 military personnel. While this figure is believed to include civilian militia and women's units, it is seen as reassuring evidence that Israel has a large and modern defense force to protect the country.

Washington Postpones Discussion on Sending Arms to Arabs

WASHINGTON, March 1. (JTA) -- A discussion of the question of arms aid for Arab nations which would have been held in executive session this afternoon was postponed as a result of the armed attack which occurred in the chamber of the House of Representatives.

Under Secretary of State Walter Bedell-Smith was slated to meet with leading members of the Senate and House to discuss complaints received by the State Department with respect to proposals for United States military aid to certain Arab countries. When word came that a number of Congressmen were shot, the meeting was postponed until a later date. The new date has not yet been determined.

Revolt in Egypt and Syria Discussed at Hadassah Convention

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- Developments of the last week in Egypt and Syria reflect "the basic instability of the Arab States in the Middle East" and point up the fact that the State of Israel remains the Western world's only reliable and dependable ally in that critical part of the world, Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, Hadassah leader, told the organization's annual Mid-Winter Conference today.

Mrs. Halprin decried "the myth promoted in some quarters that the United States must pin its hopes for the defense of the Middle East on the 'strong men' of that area." She maintained that the fall of Brig. Gen. Adib Shisheky in Syria and the shaky status of Maj. Gen. Mohammed Naguib in Egypt constitute "undeniable evidence" that the Arab States are at the mercy of feuding military rulers.

The Hadassah leader contended also that the current developments in Egypt and Syria underscore the "fallacy" of the reasoning behind the proposed grant of United States arms to Arab States.

U. S. EXPERT PRESENTS REPORT ON ISRAEL'S MANPOWER PROBLEM

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- Israel has a great need to develop a long-range manpower policy directed at improving the utilization of manpower in agriculture, industry and other areas of the country's economy, it was emphasized today in a report by Dr. Eli Ginzberg, research director of the National Manpower Council, who completed a survey in Israel sponsored by the U. S. Technical Cooperation Administration in cooperation with the Israel Government.

Dr. Ginzberg, who is a professor of economics at Columbia Graduate School of Business, warned in his findings that "only through improvement in its effective human resources can Israel ever hope to solve its pressing economic problems and provide a sound base for a stable society."

Dr. Ginzberg's report offers a program for improving manpower utilization in the fields of agriculture, industry, government and the military with emphasis on greater development of managerial skills, improved civil service conditions and a more realistic agricultural settlement program. Its specific recommendations in major areas are highlighted by these suggestions:

1. Agriculture -- A recognition that new immigrants cannot be absorbed in established agricultural cooperatives but could be used as agricultural day laborers which would enable them to live in larger communities and relieve them of the burdens of individual farm management.

2. Industry -- An awareness that adequate raw materials and other assistance must be provided for industries with an export potential to enable them to utilize their manpower as efficiently as possible; greater emphasis on developing managerial and technical prowess not only in industry but in Government also; a foremanship of recruiting key technical and professional foreign personnel.

Higher Civil Service Salaries Urged

3. Government -- More continuity in office for senior administrators within each Ministry and greater coordination among them; greater use of leading private citizens on part-time commission and committee assignments and wider utilization of special consultants from among people of competence outside the Government; stricter control and selection of visiting experts; higher civil service salaries.

4. Military -- Exploration of possibilities of integrating military and civilian services and operations as a manpower and equipment economy device; a review of the reserve system to avoid wasteful call-ups of skilled people; reconsideration of compulsory military service for women "at some point in the future" when "it is no longer necessary to maintain such a high level of defense readiness."

Dr. Ginzberg also outlined a series of specific recommendations dealing with the educational problems of training professional and scientific manpower and integrating new immigrants into the economy more effectively. He pointed out that it was "a serious error in policy" to concentrate solely on expanding natural resources while devoting only a small amount of attention "to improving the quality of the human potential."

"Israel's economic planning must be focussed on the achievement of viability, which implies the reduction and eventual elimination of her large deficit of foreign exchange," he said. "The intelligent and constructive use of her manpower resources is a necessary condition for the accomplishment of this major economic objective. But it is more. For Israel's future depends on her people."

GERMAN PARLIAMENTARY BODY VINDICATES DR. AUERBACH; ISSUES REPORT

MUNICH, March 1. (JTA) -- The criminal charges against the late Dr. Philip Auerbach, postwar leader of German Jewry, are by implication repudiated in a report just issued by the Bavarian legislature's "Auerbach Investigating Committee" after 31 public hearings and a probe lasting almost three years.

The Investigating Committee was set up in the spring of 1951, shortly after Dr. Auerbach's arrest, to examine the conduct of those Bavarian civil servants and cabinet members whose functions had included supervision of the State Agency for Restitution and Indemnification, which was headed by Dr. Auerbach for more than four years. No neglect or dereliction of duty on the part of these officials can be shown, according to the 16-page final report of the inquiry group.

The allegations against Dr. Auerbach himself, which drove him to suicide after he had been sentenced by a court composed of Nazi judges, were not within the direct province of the committee. Yet its terms of reference made it inevitable that the investigation kept reverting to the personality of the Jewish leader and to the manner in which he discharged the duties of his office.

The formation of the Committee was proposed by Auerbach's foes, and its members were anything but friendly towards him. Nonetheless, the final report implicitly vindicates him with regard to the many defamatory accusations that were presented to the public as established facts in a reckless campaign of mud-slinging.

The committee notes that he was not a proper bureaucrat in the German civil service tradition, but it repeatedly acknowledges that, had he been one, he would have been unable to cope with the chaotic conditions in Bavaria before currency reform, when more than 100,000 Jewish displaced persons and tens of thousands of other Nazi victims clamored for aid. "Auerbach may have been energetic, industrious, meddling and talented," concludes the Committee report.

MORE JEWS, INCLUDING RABBIS, ARRESTED IN RUMANIA; SOME SENTENCED

TEL AVIV, March 1. (JTA) -- Many Jews, including rabbis and community leaders, were recently arrested in Rumania and some of them have already been tried on charges of illegal Zionist activity, it was reported here today.

Reports, which have been arriving over a period of weeks recently, say that among those tried were Dr. Miklos Feinfeld, identified as the Chief Rabbi of the city of Arad, and Stefan Krois, Ludwig Gardos and Moshe Weissberger, who are otherwise not identified. The sentence passed on Rabbi Feinfeld is not known, but Krois is reported to have been sentenced to a three-year prison term while each of the other two defendants have been sentenced to 12-year terms.

An appeal to American Jews of Rumanian descent to aid recent Rumanian Jewish immigrants to Israel so that they do not have to return to Rumania because of their inability to make a new life for themselves in the Jewish State, was voiced here today by Idiv Cohen, Progressive Party deputy in the Knesset. Speaking at a meeting of Israelis of Rumanian origin, Mr. Idiv criticized former immigrants from Rumania for not aiding the newcomers.

NEW NEO-NAZI PARTY FORMED IN GERMANY; EMULATES HITLER'S GROUP

LUEBECK, Germany, March 1. (JTA) -- Another neo-Nazi party, complete with its own newspaper, has been formed in this port city on the Baltic, and has even been granted permission by the municipal authorities to put up propaganda posters in certain streets. In deliberate imitation of the "NSDAP" initials of Hitler's Nazi Party, the new group styles itself "RSDAP."

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE LEADER TESTIFIES ON JOB DISCRIMINATION

WASHINGTON, March 1. (JTA) -- Testifying for the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Justice Meier Steinbrink told a Senate subcommittee on civil rights here that fair employment laws without enforcement provisions have only "a minimum of effect in eliminating discrimination."

The retired jurist, who is honorary national chairman of the ADL, appeared in support of the Humphrey-Ives bill for an enforceable FEPC. The legislation is now before the subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Justice Steinbrink testified that employment discrimination remains an existing evil "on a national scale." He cited from state reports and organizational surveys which showed statistically the inequality in job opportunity that threatens most members of racial and religious minorities.

This, he noted, was particularly true in the cases of skilled jobs and managerial posts so that minority group workers were forced into "an economic ghetto and the more servile jobs that do not allow them to attain the highest, most skilled and most productive level of which they are capable."

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO CUBA SAYS HE MADE NO ANTI-JEWISH REMARKS

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- Ambassador Arthur Gardner, U. S. envoy to Cuba, denied today having made anti-Semitic remarks attributed to him by a New York daily newspaper columnist. Writing to Henry Edward Schultz, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Mr. Gardner declared that "a perfectly innocent reference to the Jewish people (was) made by me over two months ago at a St. Andrew's dinner (and was) torn out of context and its meaning so twisted as to attribute to me anti-Semitic feelings completely foreign to my nature."

"I count among my very warmest friends many of Jewish birth, and have the most profound admiration for the philosophy, morals, and ideals the Jews have given to the development of our great country," the Ambassador wrote. "I am only too aware of the tremendous contributions the Jews have made - from 1776 to Kcrea - to the defense of our nation."

"Let me assure you that anti-Semitism has no place in my scale of values. I am keenly sensitive to my function as a representative of all the American people, regardless of race and religion. To do less than carry out that function fully would run counter to the principles that have constantly been my guide."

CROATIAN NAZI MAY BE DEPORTED FROM U. S. ; PERSECUTED JEWS

SAN FRANCISCO, March 1. (JTA) -- The United States Court of Appeals here has taken action which might lead to the deportation and trial in Yugoslavia of Andrija Artukovic, a Los Angeles resident who has been identified as a former Croatian Nazi leader notorious for his persecution of Jews.

The court here set aside an earlier ruling by the United States District Court at Los Angeles which favored Artukovic. The earlier decision held that Yugoslavia had no legal grounds on which to seek the extradition of Artukovic because an American-Serbian extradition treaty of 1902, although currently certified by the State Department, was considered by the district court to be invalid. The court of appeals, however, decided that the treaty is valid.

Artukovic was ordered remanded to the District Court to face possible extradition. Whether Arthkovic will now be deported and brought to trial will depend on the finding by the District Court as to the evidence against him.

Artukovic, as head of the Croatian Nazi police, signed an order requiring Jews to wear armbands identifying themselves with the letter "Z" (for "Zidow" or Jew). He also signed orders for deportations and extermination according to a mass of evidence from Jewish survivors and other victims of Croatian terror.

JEWISH AGENCY TREASURER ARRIVES IN U.S.; REPORTS HARDSHIPS

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- Although Israel has been making first-rate progress in its effort to achieve economic stability and independence, "there are hungry children in Israel" because not enough funds are available for programs of immigrant rehabilitation, settlement and integration, Dr. Giora Josephthal, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, declared on arrival here today to participate in the opening phase of the United Jewish Appeal's 1954 nationwide campaign. He will also assist in the special drive by the UJA to raise a \$75,000,000 loan from American Jewish communities to provide ready cash for the Jewish Agency which undertook heavy short-term obligations to meet the needs of Israel's mass immigration.

Dr. Josephthal reported that there are more than 83,000 men, women and children "still living under primitive conditions" because every available dollar has been going for increases in the means of production. "The increase in productivity," he declared, "has been made at the expense of social services."

The lack of funds, he stressed, has also imposed serious hardships on thousands of new immigrants living in farms and settlements on Israel's tense and dangerous frontier. However, Dr. Josephthal emphasized that the State's drive toward economic stability has brought "positive and encouraging results," citing a 40 percent decrease in the foreign currency trade deficit, a substantial increase in cultivated acreage and a large-scale expansion in agricultural output.

B'NAI B'RITH TO SEEK MATERIALS ON AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY

WASHINGTON, March 1. (JTA) -- A nationwide search for historical source materials which will shed light on American Jewish history from 1654 to the present day will be undertaken this year by members of the B'nai B'rith through their local lodges and chapters, it was disclosed here today by Philip M. Klutznick, president of B'nai B'rith.

The history project is one phase of the B'nai B'rith participation in the celebration this year marking the 300th anniversary of the first settlement of Jews on the Atlantic seaboard. B'nai B'rith is cooperating with the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee in this celebration.

Members throughout the country are being urged to search for minute books of the first meetings of lodges and chapters, manuscripts, photographs, paintings, documents and other historic records, and to send them to B'nai B'rith headquarters here. A special committee will arrange a significant collection of these American Jewish history records for display in the exhibit hall of the B'nai B'rith building which will be erected in the nation's capital.

BNAI ZION TO ESTABLISH TREE NURSERY IN ISRAEL FOR NEW YORK MAYOR

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- A tree nursery honoring New York Mayor Robert F. Wagner for his efforts in behalf of Israel will be established in the Jewish State by Bnai Zion, Zionist fraternal organization, it was decided here last night at the group's 46th annual dinner. The proceeds of the dinner will be used for the nursery project at Kiryat Chaim, near Haifa.

LOUIS SEGAL HONORED ON HIS ELECTION TO JEWISH AGENCY EXECUTIVE

NEW YORK, March 1. (JTA) -- More than 700 guests attended a celebration here yesterday honoring Louis Segal, general secretary of the Farband-Labor Zionist Order on the occasion of his election as a member of the Jewish Agency executive. A number of outstanding personalities in American Labor Zionist and Israeli circles greeted Mr. Segal including Israel Parliament Speaker Joseph Sprinzak and Israel Ambassador Abba Eban.