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SOVIET VETOES U. N. RESOLUTION AGAINST EGYPT'S ANTI-ISRAEL BLOCKADE

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 29. (JTA) -- The Soviet Government today used its veto rights in the United Nations to veto a resolution in the UN Security Council calling upon Egypt to abandon its anti-Israel blockade of the Suez Canal, and authorizing the Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission to deal with Egypt's interference with shipping proceeding to the Israeli port of Elath on the Gulf of Akaba.

The resolution, which was introduced by New Zealand, was backed by the United States, Britain and France and received eight of the 11 votes at today's voting. Only seven votes are needed to carry a resolution at the Security Council. The Soviet vote cast by Andrei Vishinsky killed the resolution regardless of the number of votes cast in favor.

In addition to Mr. Vishinsky, a vote against the resolution was cast by Dr. Charles Malik of Lebanon. Those who voted in favor of the resolution included: New Zealand, United States, Britain, France, Denmark, Brazil, Colombia and Turkey. The representative of Nationalist China abstained.

Explaining his opposition to the resolution, Mr. Vishinsky said that his government advocates an appeal to Israel and Egypt to settle the matter "by direct negotiations." He criticized the countries which announced their support of the resolution and said that it is the view of the Soviet Government that the resolution will not help in the Israel-Arab situation since no decision can be "imposed" upon any nation against her will.

"The veto saves the Security Council" and did not lower its prestige, Mr. Vishinsky said. The New Zealand resolution demonstrated only that the Security Council was considered "impotent" and it repeated "old moth-eaten resolutions pulled out of the files," he declared.

Israel May Complain to General Assembly, Eban Indicates

Abba Eban, Israel's permanent delegate to the UN, taking the floor after the vote in the Council, indicated that Israel might take its complaint against the Egyptian blockade directly to the General Assembly. He expressed satisfaction that the majority of the Council had voted for the resolution and expressed the opinion that the majority of the General Assembly would feel the same way "as may one day become apparent."

Mr. Eban asserted that today's vote had proven that Arab objections "must prevail" regardless of majority opinion or the right in the matter. He noted, however, that the law in the Suez Canal and the Akaba area was still the Security Council's decision on September 1, 1951, calling for an end to the blockade, and added that this resolution was still binding on the parties concerned.

JORDAN VILLAGE REPORTED ATTACKED BY ISRAELIS; TEN ARABS KILLED

LONDON, March 29. (JTA) -- The Jordan Government met in emergency session today following an alleged attack at midnight by Israelis on the Jordan village of Nahalin--three miles inside Jordan, near Bethlehem, in which 10 Arabs were said to have been killed and 16 wounded, it is reported here from Amman.

The report says that United Nations truce supervision chief Gen. Vagn Bennike sent four UN observers to the scene of the incident. According to the report, Jordan alleges that an Israel task force tried to plant mines and explosives in Arab houses, but the Jordanian National Guard, fortified by Arab Legion forces, forced the Israelis to withdraw under heavy fire. The battle lasted for 90 minutes, the report from Amman says.

(In Washington, the State Department announced officially today that it "deeply regrets the loss of life" in the reported Israel attack on Nahalin and is waiting for further information before making further comment. A State Department spokesman said that reports received in Washington on this new incident are not yet complete enough to make further comment. He said reports have been received from the American Embassies in Amman and Tel Aviv but no action will be taken pending a report on the findings of the Mixed Armistice Commission.)

A radio broadcast from Amman said that the Jordanian authorities estimate that the attack was carried out by about 200 men coming from the direction of Israel. The broadcast claimed that the attackers mined the approaches to Nahalin, preventing Arab Legion reinforcements from reaching the village. It added that residents of other Arab villages in the neighborhood are fleeing from their homes.

Nahalin village is known to be the hideout of Arabs responsible for the killing several days ago of a Jewish watchman at the Israeli village of Kissalon. It is also famous for its role in the anti-Jewish riots of 1929, during which many Jews were massacred by Arabs.

Sharett Says Arab Report Exaggerated; Incident is Local Affair

JERUSALEM, March 29. (JTA) -- Israel's Premier and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, told a press conference today that authoritative information on the Nahalin incident has not yet reached the Israel Government, but the general impression is that the Arab village was attacked in reaction to the murder by Jordanians of a Jewish guard at the village of Kissalon last week, and that this is a local affair.

Mr. Sharett said that Jordan's assertion that a large force was involved was "unreliable" and pointed out that "Arab sources generally exaggerate wildly." He added that the Israel Government deplores violence, but the primary responsibility lies with those who started the chain of violence. "Once they stop, everything will be quiet," he declared.

U. N. Armistice Commission to Consider Nahalin Incident Today

Commander E. H. Hutchison, chairman of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, announced that he has called an emergency meeting for tomorrow to consider a reported Israel attack on Nahalin in Jordanian territory.

He said that tomorrow's meeting would be official despite the absence of Israel delegates, who walked out last week. The Commission, he added, would be capable of taking action whether or not the Israelis attend.

SHARETT REITERATES DEMAND FOR URGENT SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

JERUSALEM, March 29. (JTA) -- Israel Premier and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett today reiterated his appeal to the Western Big Three to call an immediate United Nations Security Council session to deal with Israel-Jordan tension. He said that Israel preferred to bring the matter to the UN's attention through the Big Powers--whose reply was expected shortly--because it felt that in this fashion the matter would be raised more effectively.

The Premier underlined the fact that Jordan's refusal to attend the UN-convened parley under Article XII of the armistice agreement and UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's decision not to press the Arabs had contributed heavily to the worsening situation.

Mr. Sharett expressed satisfaction that a bi-partisan group of American Congressmen had made representations to the United States Government against the shipment of arms to the Arab states in the present circumstances. The Israel Government, he continued, has studied the State Department's reply to the Congressmen and appreciates the reaffirmation of the U. S. Government's friendship for Israel. The Israel Government, he continued, takes note that in the estimation of the U. S. Government an Arab-Israel peace requires "real concessions" from both sides and is "curious to know what real concessions would be required of the Arabs as a peace condition."

Says Israel Disturbed by U. S. Intention to Arm the Arabs

At the same time, Mr. Sharett added, "the Israel Government remains deeply disturbed," by the apparent U. S. determination to supply arms to the Arab states which in the past have been guilty of aggression and which today are maintaining a state of war against Israel. For this reason Israel is continuing its friendly discussions with the U. S., opposing arms shipments to the Arabs as long as they continue their present policy of thwarting peace, Mr. Sharett declared.

The Israel Premier inferentially criticized the UN Secretary General's handling of Jordan's refusal to attend a direct meeting with Israel. He noted that the Secretary's latest announcement that he would not pursue the matter further at this time, was "not easily reconcilable with Article XII (of the Israel-Jordan armistice pact) nor with the Secretary's own former statements indicating a firmer resolve to convene the conference at a fixed date," thus putting Jordan to the final test of honoring its obligation. Mr. Hammarskjold's course of action calls for "elucidation" pending which the Israel Government prefers to withhold comment, Mr. Sharett emphasized.

In what amounted to a virtual point-by-point review of the armistice agreement, Mr. Sharett maintained that there is almost no section of that document which Jordan has not already violated. Jordan has failed to discharge its obligations under Article I by not preventing armed incursions into Israel, which has levied a heavy toll on life and property in Israel culminating with the Negev bus massacre, he noted.

Jordan has consistently violated Article III, he said, which bans economic warfare and hostile propaganda against Israel. Article IV has been ignored completely--Jordan treats the demarcation lines as non-existent. Article VIII, under which Jordan has agreed to grant Israel access to Mt. Scopus and the Holy Places in Jerusalem, has never been honored. And now, the Premier stressed, Article XII, which has a vital function in the operation of the armistice, is treated "as so much ink on paper."

The question arises, he went on, whether in the estimation of Jordan the armistice agreement is still valid and whether Jordan realizes the incalculable effects upon peace and security which its virtual repudiation of the armistice is liable to have.

ISRAEL ENVOY SEEKS U.S. CONSENT TO EARLY SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

WASHINGTON, March 29. (JTA) -- Israel Minister Plenipotentiary Reuven Shiloah today met with John D. Jernegan, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, to discuss matters arising from the tense Israel-Jordan frontier situation.

"We discussed the problem of raising in the United Nations Security Council by the Big Three Western Powers of the Israel-Jordan frontier situation following the Scorpion Pass incident and Jordan's refusal to obey Article XII of the Israel-Jordan armistice which requires direct talks between the two parties involved," Mr. Shiloah said later.

Britain Favors Early Security Council Meeting

LONDON, March 29. (JTA) -- The Governments of Great Britain, United States and France--as co-signatories of the Tripartite Declaration of 1950 which guarantees the present Israel-Arab borders--are now holding consultations with regard to the need for calling an early meeting of the United Nations Security Council to discuss the situation on the Israel-Jordan frontier, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the House of Commons today.

Mr. Eden said he would like an early meeting of the Security Council to examine the Jordan-Israel problem. He emphasized that this problem is causing Britain "considerable concern." "I have expressed this view to some of the other principal governments and I hope that the meeting can take place shortly," he stated, adding that he thought the forthcoming report of Gen. Bennike, the UN truce chief, will create the occasion for such a meeting.

U.S. GROUP TO LEND ISRAEL \$1,500,000 FOR PRODUCTION OF CHEMICALS

TEL AVIV, March 29. (JTA) -- The Palestine Economic Corporation made arrangements for lending \$1,500,000 for the completion of six new units to produce chemical fertilizers for Israel's agriculture, Robert Szold, head of the PEC, told newsmen here today prior to his departure for the United States after a two-month visit to Israel. The Israel Government is cooperating in the project.

Mr. Szold also declared that he and the PEC study commission which he headed had been "impressed by the country's economic growth, expansion, building and construction. We believe that the basis for the country's future development has already been laid." The group included, beside Mr. Szold, economist Boris Margolin, industrialist Joseph Mazer and Ernest Nathan.

Dr. H. Grunbaum, Israeli director of the PEC, reported on the progress of various of the company's projects in Israel, including its citrus raising activities and the export of wines to the United States. In addition to the marketing abroad of diamonds finished in Israel, PEC plans to export other Israeli products soon, Dr. Grunbaum said.

BELGIAN POLICE FAIL TO FIND JEWISH ORPHAN KIDNAPPED BY CATHOLICS

BRUSSELS, March 29. (JTA) -- Belgian police officials have still not been able to trace the whereabouts of Anneke Beekman, teenage Jewish war orphan, who was whisked away from a Catholic school near Liege March 12 when Dutch and Belgian police officials approached the school to claim her.

The child, placed in the care of a Catholic foster mother during the Nazi occupation of Holland, was baptized by the foster mother who has refused to return her to the Jewish community, despite the decision of the Netherlands authorities.

The case has caught the imagination of the Belgian press, which has considered the problem of war orphans in general in a number of articles. The Catholic "La Libre Belgique," commenting specifically on the Beekman case, wrote today that the affection of the foster mother was far better for the girl than the care she could obtain in an orphanage or from a committee in whose care she might be placed.

JEWISH RESTITUTION OFFICE OPENS HEADQUARTERS IN FRANKFURT

FRANKFURT, March 29. (JTA) -- The United Restitution Office, a non-profit organization which provides legal assistance to indigent Jewish indemnification applicants in pressing their claims before German administrative agencies and courts, has opened new German headquarters here.

The URO, which is incorporated in London, maintains branch offices in Israel, New York, London and Paris, as well as in half a dozen German cities. Now that the Conference on Jewish Material Claims has allotted it sufficient funds, URO plans to establish additional bureaus in Stockholm, Brussels, Australia and South America, so as to cope with the flood of perhaps 200,000 applications expected under the Federal Indemnification Law which has been on the books since last fall, but has not so far been implemented.

URO's director of operations is Benjamin B. Ferencz, a New York attorney who also serves as director-general of the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization, and as director for Germany of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims. For the present, the headquarters of JRSO will remain in Nuremberg, those of the Conference in Bonn.

GERMAN SUPREME COURT ORDERS HEARING ON CONVICTION OF RABBI

KARLSRUHE, March 29. (JTA) -- The German Supreme Court here has ordered a further hearing on the appeal filed by Bavaria's former Chief Rabbi, Dr. Aron Ohrenstein, against his conviction in the 1952 Munich trial that was primarily directed against the late Dr. Philip Auerbach. Dr. Auerbach, Bavarian restitution chief, committed suicide the day after three Nazi judges making up the court found him guilty.

Dr. Ohrenstein, who was given one year in jail, filed a petition for review which has sufficient merit to warrant a full-dress hearing by the Supreme Court, says the ruling handed down this week. While awaiting the re-trial of his case, Dr. Ohrenstein lives in involuntary semi-retirement at his residence on a lakeside south of Munich. He is on leave from his rabbinical post.

GERMAN COURT RETURNS "MEIN KAMPF" TO HITLER'S HOUSEKEEPER

MUNICH, March 29. (JTA) -- The Bavarian State must return five copies of Hitler's book "Mein Kampf" and certain other "souvenirs" to Anni Winter, the former housekeeper at Hitler's Munich apartment, the District Court ruled here.

In handing down this decision, the court said that the Bavarian State, for its part, may retain the custodianship of three old Nazi Party badges engraved with Hitler's initials, a picture of Hitler in a silver frame, ten sketches "doodled" by Hitler while he was telephoning, and other such "personal possessions" of the departed Fuehrer. All were seized three years ago when Mrs. Winter offered them for sale, reportedly asking \$25,000. She sued for their return.

FAMOUS GERMAN PRODUCER INVITED TO STAGE PLAY IN ISRAEL

FRANKFURT, March 29. (JTA) -- Famed theatrical producer and director Erwin Piscator has been invited to stage Richard Wright's "Native Son" at the Chamber Theater in Tel Aviv, he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here today.

An anti-Nazi, Piscator left Germany in 1938 and went to the United States where he headed New York's "Dramatic Workshop" until his return to Germany in 1951.

Recently awarded the Goethe Plaque by the State of Hesse, Mr. Piscator hopes to travel to Israel in late April and to put "Native Son" on the stage in mid-May. He said he looks forward to Israel with great expectations, particularly since a number of Israel's leading theatrical figures studied stagecraft under his direction.

U.S. WELFARE PROGRAM LINKED TO MAIMONIDES PHILOSOPHY

CLEVELAND, March 29. (JTA) -- The welfare program of the Eisenhower Administration follows the philosophy of Moses Maimonides, outstanding Jewish philosopher of the 12th century, it was emphasized here yesterday by Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby.

Speaking at the Congregation Tifereth Israel, Secretary Hobby quoted from Maimonides' "Charity's Eight Degrees," the following: "Anticipate charity by preventing poverty; assist the reduced fellowman by teaching him a trade, or by way of putting him in the way of a business, so that he may earn an honest livelihood, and not be forced to the dreadful alternative of holding out his hand for charity. This is the highest step and the summit of charity's ladder."

Mrs. Hobby then went on to declare that "Many of the programs and services of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare which seek to cushion the shock of personal disaster are based on the same concept of practical preventive social action applied to the human needs of the twentieth century."

ROTHSCHILDS' REMAINS REMOVED FROM PARIS FOR TRANSFER TO ISRAEL

PARIS, March 29. (JTA) -- The remains of the late Baron Edmond Rothschild and his wife were removed today from their resting place in the Pere La Chaise Cemetery here and were started on the long journey to Israel where they will be re-interred. The reburial is being carried out in fulfillment of the wishes of the Baron, who has been dead 20 years.

Present at the ceremony in the cemetery were members of the famed Rothschilds family, representatives of the French Government and French cultural organizations with which the late Baron was associated including the Legion of Honor, Ambassador Yaacov Tsur of Israel and some 1,500 Parisians including Jewish community leaders.

Eulogies were delivered by Jewish leaders who pointed out that the projects carried out with the Baron's assistance, including the establishment of wineries at Rishon LeZion proved the feasibility of Jewish settlement in portions of Palestine other than Jerusalem. After Baron Guy de Rothschild, present head of the family, recited the prayer for the dead and services were conducted by Chief Rabbi I. Kaplan, the Israeli national hymn Hatikvah was sung. Then a guard of honor, consisting of Israeli sailors from the frigate waiting in Marseilles harbor to carry the coffins to Israel, lifted the coffins and began the journey.

WISE FAMILY GRANTED HONORARY "CITIZENSHIP" IN ISRAEL VILLAGE

TEL AVIV, March 29. (JTA) -- A special celebration to honor Justice Justice Wise Polier was held here today at Kfar Shmuel, named in honor of the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, her father.

During the party, a representative of the village announced that it had granted honorary citizenship to all members of the Wise family and that it had granted a plot of land to the family for the construction of a home. During the affair a number of national leaders, including Moshe Kol, head of Youth Aliyah, and Dr. Ariele Tartakower, chairman of the World Jewish Congress section in Israel, paid tribute to Rabbi Wise.

NEW YORK AREA NAMED AFTER JUSTICE PERLMAN, LATE JEWISH LEADER

NEW YORK, March 29. (JTA) -- Borough President Julian E. Jack of Manhattan yesterday renamed a two-square block area in Manhattan in honor of the late Justice D. Perlman, who died in 1952. Judge Perlman, one-time Congressman, was a leader of the American Jewish Congress.