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U.S. TO INTENSIFY ITS POLICY OF PURSUING ARAB FRIENDSHIP

WASHINGTON, May 3. (JTA) -- Highly placed sources here confirmed today that the United States Government definitely does not intend to grant free arms to Israel--such as were given to Iraq--during the new fiscal year which starts on July 1. However, they said that the State Department will continue its policy of permitting Israel to buy certain categories of military supplies in this country.

Israel Ambassador Abba Eban is expected to resume high level discussions of Israel's security situation in the near future. In the meantime, State Department sources indicated that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is fearful of making any security arrangements with Israel that may "antagonize" the Arabs. On the other hand he is planning to make new intensive efforts to persuade the Arab countries to join the West against Communism.

As a result of Arab collaboration with Communist China at the Bandung conference last month, State Department policy makers are now advancing the idea that it is in Israel's own best interests to have the United States on friendly and cooperative terms with the Arab states rather than to permit an Arab arrangement with the Communist world "which might suddenly ring the Israeli borders with a solidly hung Iron Curtain based on bitterness" toward Israel, America, and the West.

The line being advanced here is that the Bandung Conference should convince Israel of the "necessity" for America to arm Iraq and to take all other possible steps to bring Arab League elements into the Western alliance. Republican Congressmen who have been privately briefed in the wake of Bandung have been told that the conference served to effectively underscore the urgency for the United States pursuing Arab friendship.

State Dept. Outlines U.S. Views on Arab-Israel Issue

WASHINGTON, May 3. (JTA) -- The views of the State Department on American-Israel relations and on the Arab-Israel issue were outlined here today to Rep. James Roosevelt, California Democrat, by Thruston B. Morton, Assistant Secretary of State.

Emphasizing that the basic thinking of the State Department was expressed by Deputy Assistant Secretary of State John D. Jernegan in his speech on March 6, Mr. Morton, in a letter to Rep. Roosevelt, said: "The Department does not feel that its policies regarding delivery of military equipment (to Iraq) constitute discrimination and abandonment of our policy of impartiality in United States relations between Israel and the Arab states."

Referring to the Arab-Israel dispute in general, Mr. Morton stated: "It is doubtful if direct intervention by outside powers would bring about a solution of this dispute. On the contrary, it would appear that a settlement can be achieved only through a step-by-step reduction of tensions by action on the part of the states directly concerned in an effort to create an improved atmosphere. A matter of great importance in this regard would be agreement between the parties on a fair division of the water resources of the area--a problem which has engaged the attention of Ambassador Eric Johnston and a staff of experts for 16 months."

The State Department today declined to comment on whether the United States is planning to enter the Anglo-Turkish-Iraqi accord. Asked at the press briefing today, State Department spokesman Henry Sydam said he had "no report" on developments.

U. N. TRUCE CHIEF DRAFTS ISRAEL-EGYPTIAN COMMANDERS' AGREEMENT

TEL AVIV, May 3. (JTA) -- Gen. E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, started today to draft a local commanders' agreement between Israel and Egypt in the Gaza strip for consideration by representatives of the two states. The draft will be presented to both parties at the next meeting of the Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission next week.

The decision to draft such an agreement was taken at a meeting of the Commission yesterday. The meeting was attended by Israel Lt. Col. Aryeh Shalev and Egyptian Lt. Col. S. Gohar, as well as Gen. Burns. The three discussed proposals by Gen. Burns for direct telephonic communications between local commanders to head off incidents or localize them after they have occurred.

YOUNG MOSLEM NATIONALISTS ATTACK JEWISH STORES IN TUNIS

PARIS, May 3. (JTA) -- Several ugly scenes occurred in Tunis when several Jewish shopkeepers failed to decorate their windows in honor of last week's Franco-Tunisian agreement giving Tunis a greater measure of home rule. A number of young Moslem nationalists precipitated the attacks.

NORWEGIAN DELEGATION ARRIVES IN GERMANY TO SELECT JEWISH DP'S

MUNICH, May 3. (JTA) -- An advance delegation from Norway has arrived here to interview residents of Foehrenwald, last Jewish DP camp on German soil, who have expressed an interest in settling in the Scandinavian country.

To help solve the problem presented by "hard-core" Jewish DP's who remained in Germany for ten years without being able to integrate themselves into the German economic life, the Norwegian Government recently agreed to accept up to 100 of them, including tubercular or post-tubercular cases. Both "legal" and "illegal" inhabitants of the camp are eligible and, if an insufficient number of candidates is forthcoming, applications will also be accepted from Jews living in German cities.

The advance delegation consists of Per Alvenbergh, chief of the governmental Department of Rehabilitation in Oslo, and Marcus Lewin, JDC Director for Norway. Potential immigrants are assured that all Norwegian social and medical facilities will be at their disposal and that they will be able to acquire Norwegian citizenship. Two small groups of former Foehrenwalders, who were offered new homes by Norway about two years ago, are reported to be happy, well-adjusted and for the most part gainfully employed.

Negotiations with the Norwegian Government were conducted by the Joint Distribution Committee, which will contribute to the integration costs incurred. At the German end, emigration and transportation procedures are being handled by United HIAS Service.

CAMP GUARDS PUT ON TRIAL IN PARIS FOR CRIMES AGAINST JEWS

PARIS, May 3. (JTA) -- The second trial of five former concentration camp guards accused of crime against humanity opened here. The five, accused of crimes against French Jews and non-Jews, were convicted and sentenced to death by a military tribunal in July, 1954, but the verdict was reversed on technical grounds and a new trial was ordered.

The French Academy of Medicine heard a report of the physical effects deportation has on survivors of concentration camps. Survivors of Nazi concentration camps, the report--based on a ten-year study--said, tend to show a lower life expectancy. Of 250,000 Frenchmen and women deported by the Nazis, only 38,000 returned. Of 450 French doctors deported, the report said, only 80 returned, and all were in poor health.

GERMAN COURT SENTENCES NAZI GUARD FOR MURDER OF JEWS

MAYENCE, Germany, May 3. (JTA) -- For having been an "accessory" to the murder of five Jewish inmates of the Bischadka labor camp in Poland, Nazi guard Jakob Emrich was sentenced to four years and six months at hard labor by the local German Court of Assizes. The prosecution had demanded a seven-year term.

He killed so many Jews, witnesses testified, that the camp commandant used to say: "Let Emrich do it - he likes to shoot." The defendant himself denied this with the assertion that he shot only such Jews as were unable to work due to sickness. "How was the degree of sickness determined?" the judge asked. "Well, we guards talked it over and selected those who had to be executed," Emrich replied.

GRAND RABBI OF TUNIS DIES; PREMIER HEADS DELEGATION AT FUNERAL

TUNIS, May 3. (JTA) -- Some 50,000 persons attended the funeral today of Tunis Grand Rabbi David Bembaron, who died here yesterday at the age of 71. Present at the funeral were a large number of Christians and Moslems. All Jewish shops in this city were closed during the funeral.

Prince Chedli, son of the Bey of Tunis, represented his father at the funeral. The members of the Tunisian Government, Moslems all, headed by Premier Tahar Ben Ammar, were present. Roger Seydou, French Deputy Resident General, also attended. Both Premier Ben Ammar and M. Seydou eulogized the Grand Rabbi, who had been the recipient of honors from both the French and Tunisian Governments.

A noted Talmudist, Rabbi Bembaron was president of the Rabbinical Tribunal of Tunis before he was named Grand Rabbi. The family received condolences from the French Resident General and the Bey, as well as from hundreds of French, Moslem and Jewish leaders of this country. It was announced at the funeral that the Jewish community would inscribe his name in the Jewish National Fund's Golden Book.

Rabbi Bembaron had been ailing for a long time before his death. He underwent a delicate eye operation recently. However, his death was caused by a heart attack.

U. S. IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION CRITICIZED AT MIGRATION PARLEY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. , May 3. (JTA) -- The United States Government was criticized for lacking the "liberal spirit" in its immigration legislation, in an address here today by Arthur Greenleigh, executive director of the United HIAS Service. Mr. Greenleigh was one of a number of speakers participating in the general debate of the fifth international conference of Non-Governmental Organizations interested in Migration. Fifty-one non-governmental groups are officially accredited to the conference, including six Jewish organizations.

"Much of the obstacle to resettlement of migrants is caused by restrictive legislation and rigid interpretation of that legislation," Mr. Greenleigh said. "The liberal spirit is lacking from the immigration legislation of too large a segment of the free world. Even in the country in which this conference is being held, legislation regarding immigration has become increasingly restrictive rather than liberal. And in this very country we have recently witnessed the dismissal from government of a courageous and competent official who dared try to interpret the restrictive legislation in as liberal a manner as the statutes permitted."

At the same session Dr. Gerhard Jacoby, delegate of the World Jewish Congress, introduced a resolution that would put the conference behind the plans of the United Nations Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities to make a complete study of immigration, emigration and travel. The six Jewish organizations represented at the parley are: Agudas Israel World Organization; Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations; United HIAS Service; World Jewish Congress; World ORT Union, and World OSE Union.

U. S. TO ADMIT 2,000 ARABS AS IMMIGRANTS; FIRST VISAS GRANTED

WASHINGTON, May 3. (JTA) -- The State Department made known today that 45 Palestinian Arab refugees have been granted American visas for permanent residence in the United States as the first of the 2,000 Arab refugees authorized admission under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953.

The Arabs will leave for the United States in the next few weeks to settle in 13 states. (At a celebration at the U. S. Embassy in Amman, Jordan, the Arabs referred to themselves as "refugees from totalitarianism" and expressed appreciation for the visas. They came from various parts of Palestine "now occupied by Israel.")

SENATE BILL ON HUMANE SLAUGHTERING NOT AIMED AT SHECHITA

WASHINGTON, May 3. (JTA) -- A Senate bill to require humane slaughtering of animals specifically exempts shochets engaged in preparing meat for persons of the Jewish faith, a staff assistant of Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota said today, correcting erroneous impressions that Sen. Humphrey might be attempting to interfere with kosher slaughtering through the humane slaughter bill he introduced recently. The Senator's intention, it was stressed, was to completely exempt all kosher slaughtering. The bill is now before the Senate Agriculture Committee.

The Humane Society, which urged Sen. Humphrey to prepare the legislation, has absolutely no objection to the Jewish method of slaughtering, it was said, because the society feels the present method is humane. Therefore, the bill includes specific wording which states: "The requirements of this section shall not apply to any individual who is duly authorized by an ordained rabbi of the Jewish religious faith to serve as a shochet while such individual is engaged in the slaughtering of livestock or poultry in accordance with the practice of such religious faith."

CANADIAN LABOR PACT TO SECURE PROTECTION AGAINST 'BIAS

MONTREAL, May 3. (JTA) -- The text of the agreement providing for the forthcoming merger of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and the Canadian Congress of Labor, Canadian affiliates of the AFL and CIO, will include a provision dealing with human rights and protection against discrimination, the joint advisory committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Jewish Labor Committee has been informed. The clause reads:

"The fundamental rights of all workers, regardless of race, color, creed, or national origin, to share fully in the benefits of trade union organizations shall be established within the constitution of the new merged Congress. In recognition of its significance and importance to the nation and the labor movement, the principle of unremitting enmity to discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, or national origin, wherever it may be found, shall also be contained within the Constitution of the new merged Congress. Effective machinery will be established to combat discrimination and promote a constructive program in the field of human rights."

LEONARD KITZ, JEWISH WAR VETERAN, ELECTED MAYOR OF HALIFAX

HALIFAX, N. S. , May 3. (JTA) -- Leonard A. Kitz, 39-year-old combat veteran, has been elected Mayor of Halifax, becoming the first Jew to hold that office. Mr. Kitz led the field of five candidates with a plurality of 2,000 votes out of a total of over 16,000.

INTERMARRIAGE, DIVORCE UNDERMINE JEWISH HOME LIFE IN U.S.

HIGHLAND PARK, Ill., May 3. (JTA) -- Intermarriage, divorce, indifference and ignorance today threaten the foundations of Jewish life in this country as never before, it was reported here today at the 55th annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, the national association of Conservative rabbis. The report was presented by Rabbi Reuben M. Katz of Freeport, Long Island.

Rabbi Katz expressed the continuing concern of the rabbis who deal with daily problems of congregants. "Our family service agencies, like those serving other religious groups, are overburdened with tremendous case loads and never-ending waiting lists. To counteract these disturbing trends, we need positive action to keep the ideals of Jewish family life alive and apparent to our people."

To cope with the problems of our age, the synagogue "must once again proclaim in unmistakable terms its passionate concern for the enduring principles of ethical religion," Rabbi Louis Katzoff of Chicago told a workshop session today. He noted that an increasing number of congregations are forming social actions committees and initiating programs to work for a better world.

JEWISH CONSUMPTIVE RELIEF SOCIETY ANNOUNCES CHANGE IN NAME

NEW YORK, May 3. (JTA) -- The Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society of Denver, one of the nation's largest free voluntary tuberculosis sanatoria, feels tuberculosis has been brought under such routine control that it is at once broadening its facilities to provide for cancer patients and for sufferers of other malignant diseases, and is changing its name to The American Medical Center at Denver.

In announcing these policy changes, Noah A. Adler, president of the J. C. R. S., told 1,000 persons at the fifty-first annual \$100-per-couple dinner at the Hotel Sheraton Astor here, that antibiotic "miracle drugs" have proven so effective at Denver in treating TB that for the first time beds of the Society can be made available to victims of other malignant diseases.

ISRAEL PRESIDENT GETS SCROLL FROM PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR

JERUSALEM, May 3. (JTA) -- President Itzhak Ben Zvi was presented today with a scroll signed by George Leader, Governor of Pennsylvania, the Attorney General of the State and the Mayor of Pittsburgh conveying their "warm friendship to the courageous men and women of the State of Israel." The scroll, presented by Philip Berman of Allentown, Penna., also bore a list of Pennsylvanians who had become Guardians of Israel--purchasers of at least \$1,000 in Israel bonds.

Gov. G. Mennen Williams of Michigan, leaving Israel after a week's stay, said today that he believed in Israel's future and added that "the United States should do everything possible to assist the economic development of all countries" in the Middle East region in order to help the people of these countries attain a higher standard of living. Only in such a manner can tension be eased in the region, Gov. Williams insisted.

GOVERNOR MCKELDIN RECEIVES AWARD FROM CONSERVATIVE JEWISH CLUBS

KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., May 3. (JTA) -- Gov. Theodore McKeldin of Maryland, chairman of the America-Israel Society, received the annual award of the National Federation of Men's Clubs tonight at the organization's convention dinner here. Presenting the award, Judge Stanley Scherr of Baltimore cited the Governor's efforts in behalf of American Jewry, Israel and his work in the field of inter-faith and inter-racial activities.

The federation, which is affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, includes 210 men's clubs. More than 30,000 Jews are members of the clubs and through them advance the program of Conservative Judaism.

QUEEN ELIZABETH FOREST PLANTED IN ISRAEL; SHARETT HAILS BRITAIN

JERUSALEM, May 3. (JTA) -- Israel Premier Moshe Sharett hailed today the "bond of Biblical heritage, democratic solidarity and quest for social justice" between the Israel and British people. Mr. Sharett spoke at a ceremony marking the planting of the 250,000-tree Queen Elizabeth Coronation Forest on a Jewish National Fund site next to the King George V Forest. Funds for the planting of both forests were raised by British Commonwealth Jews.

Addressing some 1,000 persons at the ceremony, including British Ambassador J. W. Nichols, JNF World head Abraham Granott, Lord Nathan of Churt, the Marchioness of Reading and British diplomatic officials stationed in Israel, the Premier declared: "I do not think British Commonwealth Jews could have found a more fitting symbol to express harmony in their abiding loyalty to the British crown and their deep spiritual attachment to Israel than by planting this forest and dedicating it to the name of Britain's gracious Queen."