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### ISRAEL CABINET DISCUSSES TENSE SITUATION ON EGYPTIAN FRONT

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet today considered the tense situation along the Gaza strip border which has developed into a major trouble area with extreme rapidity following a number of incidents last week beginning with the killing of three Israel officers and the wounding of two others by an Egyptian landmine.

Meanwhile, Ambassador Edward B. Lawson of the United States asked Premier Moshe Sharett today for a meeting to discuss the situation along the Gaza strip which yesterday was the scene of a two-hour artillery and machine gun battle.

Present at today's meeting of the Cabinet was Abba Eban, Israel Ambassador to Washington and head of its delegation to the United Nations. Thursday, Mr. Eban and Ambassadors Eliahu Elath and Yaacov Tsur, Israel envoys to London and Paris respectively, all of whom were recalled for consultations, will meet with the Israel Parliamentary Foreign Affairs and Security Committee. This meeting was originally scheduled for tomorrow, but was delayed to permit the envoys to meet with Foreign Ministry officials.

Yesterday's battle began when an Israel patrol in the Kissufim area was fired upon with automatic weapons and mortars. The Israelis returned the fire and after a time the Egyptian positions fell silent. The Israelis reported no casualties.

It was disclosed this week-end that the Mixed Armistice Commission would discuss last Tuesday's incident, in which the three Israel officers lost their lives, this week. The Egyptians have not yet lodged a complaint with the Commission on the officially announced reprisal raid carried out by an Israel military force next day. Meanwhile, a United Nations observer, accompanied by an Israel delegation, was forced to interrupt his investigation of an Egyptian attack on Givat Rachel last Thursday when an Egyptian post opened fire on the investigating party yesterday.

### U. N. SECRETARY GENERAL CONFERS ON ARAB-ISRAEL BORDER SITUATION

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 22. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold, prior to his departure this week-end for Europe, conferred with Mordecai R. Kidron, deputy chairman of the Israel delegation here, in connection with the present situation along the Arab-Israel borders. It is understood that he is determined to see to it that "nothing shall be left untried" in the UN efforts to improve the situation between Israel and Egypt.

Just exactly what Mr. Hammarskjold is trying to arrange vis-a-vis pacification of the Egypt-Israel border is still a closely guarded secret here. Ranking members of the Secretariat, as well as members of the Israeli delegation, denied a report circulated Thursday that Mr. Hammarskjold had planned a "high level" conference with Israel and Egypt authorities while in Paris. However, it was clearly implied by those who are in on the planning level that Mr. Hammarskjold is attempting some definitive move without, however, interfering in any manner with the authority of Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, the UN truce chief.

It was emphasized that the latter, who as chief of staff of the UN Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine acts as Mr. Hammarskjold's emissary on the spot, continues to have the Secretary General's fullest confidence. "I can assure you that from our side nothing has been left untried, and nothing will be left untried, because we can not let the situation slip back to where it was a couple of months ago," Mr. Hammarskjold stated, referring to the situation on the Egyptian-Israeli border.

Mr. Kidron revealed that he had given the Secretary General a report on Israel's official reactions to the situation as it exists now in regard to Egypt and the other Arab states. It is understood that the Israel diplomat told Mr. Hammarskjold that the "theory of belligerence" followed by the Arab states, particularly by Egypt, has provided Israel's Arab neighbors with the "license" they need to justify physical attacks, political isolation, economic discrimination and blockade.

Mr. Kidron was said to have pointed out to the Secretary General that the recent explosions of mines along the border proved that Egypt could prevent the setting of mines, as it had recently done, or allow their use; mines, he stressed, come from military stores.

# FEINBERG NAMED PRESIDENT OF NEW BOARD FOR ISRAEL BOND ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- New leadership and a new campaign setup were organized today for the worldwide operations of the State of Israel Bond Organization involving the raising of \$350,000,000 for the economic development of Israel in the next few years. At a meeting of more than 100 key American Jewish business and communal leaders at the Waldorf-Astoria, Abraham Feinberg noted Jewish leader, was elected president of the Development Corporation for Israel, the sole underwriter of Israel bonds.

Mr. Feinberg, who presided at the first meeting of the board of governors of the new organization, declared that the objective of the Israel bond campaign in the United States, Canada, Latin America and Western Europe was to bring the sale of Israel Development Bonds to \$100,000,000 by the end of 1955. The purpose of the development bonds, Mr. Feinberg said, is to provide investment capital for the expansion of Israel's agriculture, the development of industry and electric power, the exploitation of natural resources and the expansion of harbors, railways and communications.

Mr. Feinberg is widely known throughout the country for his leadership in various programs for Israel and other causes. He is president of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science. He is also chairman of the board of trustees of Brandeis University and chairman of the New York section of the Harry S. Truman Library Committee. Jack D. Weiler, a national campaign chairman of the UJA, was elected treasurer of the newly constituted Israel bond organization. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, whose appointment as vice-president and executive head of the organization was announced last week, was officially inducted at yesterday's meeting.

The board of directors of the new corporation will also include Morris W. Berinstein of Syracuse, a national campaign chairman of UJA; Joseph Shulman of Paterson, N. J., a member of the national campaign cabinet of the UJA, and Dewey D. Stone, of Brockton, Mass., national chairman of the United Israel Appeal.

## Dr. Schwartz Announces National Bond Conference for September

Outlining the plans for the campaign, Dr. Schwartz announced that a national mobilization conference would be held in Washington September 9-11. Dr. Schwartz will make a special tour of key cities in the Middle West and the Eastern seaboard beginning tomorrow in order to inaugurate intensive sales activities during the month of June. In a statement of policy, the new executive head of the organization said:

"The State of Israel looks to the Jews of America to continue and intensify their support of Israel bonds through the Development Corporation for Israel. The D. C. I. has only one function - and that is the mobilization of Jewish communities for a large scale effort commensurate with the strategic importance of Israel bonds for the economic security and expansion of the State of Israel.

"It is our responsibility to carry out to the full our pledge to the State of Israel to conduct the Israel bond drive on a basis of maximum effectiveness. Accordingly we shall seek to encourage and stimulate year-round bond-selling activities based on the underlying principle of community cooperation and harmonious community relations. We look to all devoted friends of Israel to make the purchase of Israel bonds an indispensable part of their activities for Israel's future."

In addition to the officers and other members of the board of directors, Mr. Feinberg announced that the following leaders had been named to the executive committee of the D. C. I.: Jacob Blaustein, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee; Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress; Philip M. Klutznick, president of B'nai B'rith; Samuel Leidesdorf, treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal of N. Y.; Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the administrative committee of the Zionist Organization of America, and Edward M. M. Warburg, president of the United Jewish Appeal and chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee.

Among the other key American Jewish communal leaders who joined the D. C. I. executive committee are Herbert R. Abeles of South Orange, N. J.; Judge Henry L. Burman of Chicago; Samuel H. Daroff of Philadelphia; Mrs. Albert Farber of Elkins Park, Pa.; Fred Forman of Rochester of N. Y.; Sam Genel of Philadelphia; Julius Ginsburg of Chicago; Kalman S. Goldenberg of Minneapolis; Joseph Holtzman of Detroit; Lawrence G. Laskey of Boston; Judge Louis E. Levinthal of Philadelphia; Phil W. Lown of Lewiston-Auburn, Maine; Sol Luckman of Cincinnati; Joseph M. Verhoff of Baltimore; Edward D. Mitchell of Los Angeles; Barney Rapaport of Hartford, Conn.; Charles J. Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh; Louis Segal of New York; Mrs. Michael A. Stavitsky of East Orange, N. J.; Phillip Stollman of Detroit; and Philip Zinman of Camden, N. J. Mr. Feinberg explained that in the coming days other leaders are soon to be added to the executive committee of the Israel bond organization.

Prime Minister Moshe Sharett and Finance Minister Levi Eshkol of Israel hailed the new leaders of the Israel Bond Organization in cables addressed to Mr. Feinberg and Dr. Schwartz. The Israel Prime Minister emphasized that Israel will not be able to achieve "security and stability" without the aid of the economic development program that is financed through the sale of Israel bonds.

## JEWSH CLAIMS CONFERENCE ALLOCATES FUNDS FOR SO. AMERICAN PROGRAMS

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- More than \$225,000 had been allocated for relief, rehabilitation, educational and cultural programs for the benefit of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution residing in seven countries in South America, the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany announced here today. This completes the Conference allocations programs for the current year in the sum of ten million dollars, which represents the Conference share for 1955 of German reparations payments to the State of Israel.

This year's allocations which represent an increase over the previous year were granted to some 30 Jewish organizations functioning in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Uruguay where more than 110,000 Jewish victims of Nazi persecution are residing. A quarter of all the funds allocated will be directed towards the construction of expansion of Homes for the Aged, one of the most critical needs confronting Nazi refugees in South America.

About 30 percent of the allocations are earmarked for Jewish education, in particular for the acquisition or improvement of school buildings, for the expansion of Jewish teacher training programs and for the establishment of a rabbinical seminary. The remaining allocations will be utilized for the expansion or maintenance of children's homes, kindergartens and nurseries, for rehabilitation loan funds especially on behalf of recently arrived Nazi refugees, for general and medical relief and for Jewish cultural programs. Local organizations will also contribute substantially to these projects because Conference allocations are granted basically to assist programs for which local organizations are bearing the principal responsibility.

## JEWSH SCHOOLS IN U.S. ATTENDED BY 400,000 CHILDREN, EDUCATORS TOLD

ATLANTIC CITY, May 22. (JTA) -- There are some 400,000 children of school age attending Jewish schools, a new high in registration, it was reported here today at the annual conference of the National Council for Jewish Education. The report to the 300 Jewish educators of schools representing all trends and ideologies in Jewish life said that 30,000 pupils, or nine percent of the total, attended Jewish all-day schools, as compared with two percent of the total attending all-day schools a generation ago.

A national conference will be held in the Fall to consider the crucial shortage of Jewish teachers, school supervisors and administrators in all Jewish communities, it was announced at the parley by Philip W. Lown, president of the American Association for Jewish Education, the lay body which is meeting with the National Council. Dr. Samuel Dinin of Los Angeles analyzed present-day Jewish life and its effects on Jewish education. He urged a return to the communal day school and lauded the all-day school.

David Rudavsky, president of the National Council, urged the extension of Jewish education to the adolescent years and emphasized the importance of Hebrew, as a second language to English, as a means of maintaining cultural relations with the Jews of Israel. Mordecai Halevi, was honored for his role in Jewish education in the past 40 years. Samuel J. Borowsky, honorary president of the Histadrut Ivrit of America and chairman of Brith Ivrit Olamith, presided at the session honoring Mr. Halevi.

## B'NAI B'RITH PRESIDENT WARNS MEMBERS AGAINST "PAROCHIALIZING"

KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., May 22. (JTA) -- The 350,000 members of the B'nai B'rith in the United States were warned today by their president, Philip M. Klutznick, not to "parochialize themselves" because such an attitude "is an invitation to disaster." Mr. Klutznick spoke at the 103rd annual convention of B'nai B'rith's District Grand Lodge No. 1 which includes 515 lodges with a membership of 100,000. More than 1,800 delegates are attending the convention.

Mr. Klutznick urged the United Nations to find adequate ways and means to give status to its own Declaration of Human Rights. This was necessary because racial and religious prejudice and discrimination are the greatest deterrent to a lasting peace. It is out of small beginnings of the abuse of human and civil rights that a conflagration flares and a world goes up in flames. The right of the individual to dignity and status is the cornerstone of the peace we seek in the world.

Reporting on a recent tour of Europe and the Middle East, Mr. Klutznick described the postwar growth of B'nai B'rith - its membership has expanded into 33 nations of the free world - as demonstrating "the urge of peoples of all languages and cultures to be of service to each other."

## NATIONAL SHRINE FOR JEWISH WAR DEAD DEDICATED IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, May 22. (JTA) -- A National Shrine for Jewish War Dead was dedicated here today by the Jewish War Veterans of the United States at ceremonies which included a parade of members and color guards from JWV posts throughout the country. The JWV moved its national headquarters into the Shrine in July.

Built with funds donated by JWV members and members of auxiliaries of the organization, the Shrine will house - upon completion - a museum of relics and memorabilia of Jewish contributions in all the wars of the United States from the Revolution to the present day.

# SOLEMN MEMORIAL MEETING FOR DR. EINSTEIN HELD IN BUENOS AIRES

BUENOS AIRES, May 22. (JTA) -- A solemn memorial meeting in honor of Albert Einstein was held here this week-end under the auspices of the Sociedad Hebraica Argentina, with the participation of Buenos Aires University. Dr. Einstein had addressed the S. H. A. as well as the Faculties of Humanities and Sciences here 30 years ago. Speakers at the meeting included the University's Rector Dr. Jorge Taiana, the Dean of its Faculty of Philosophy, Dr. Jorge Serrano Redonnet, and the Dean of its Faculty of Engineering, Pedro Silbert, who also represented the Faculty of Exact Sciences.

Dr. Enrique Gaviola, Professor of Physics and a former pupil of Dr. Einstein in Berlin, spoke of the late scientist's human qualities. He was joined by Professor Jose Matuskevitch and S. H. A. president Guillermo Cracovsky, who noted that the Sociedad had lost its most distinguished honorary member with the death of Einstein, since he had accepted honorary membership on his visit here in 1925. He also compared Einstein to the Prophets of Israel, in their struggle for social betterment.

Professor Serrano Redonnet, after reminiscing about the impression created by Dr. Einstein on his visit here, said that his life work could be summarized in three words-- "goodness, beauty and truth." The meeting also heard a dramatic reading by the Argentine actor Miguel Rocha of excerpts from Einstein's writings on "Jewish ideals, science and civilization, and Jewish-Christian cooperation."

## Objections Lead to Postponement of Einstein Meeting in New York

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- A memorial meeting in honor of Dr. Albert Einstein which was to have been held in Carnegie Hall here today was postponed following the withdrawal of a number of prominent individuals and groups either associated with it or who had been listed as speakers. The new date set for the memorial is June 26.

Bernard M. Baruch, listed as a speaker, had never consented to attend, he said. Daniel Gutman, counsel to Gov. Averill Harriman, declared he had never agreed to act as chairman of the meeting, as had been advertised, only to introduce speakers. Admiral Lewis Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, in a telegram, withdrew as a speaker because of the pressure of work. The Rev. Dr. Henry A. Atkinson, general secretary of the Church Peace Union, said that he would not participate "unless there is a whole new deal," while Sidney O. Rapphael, president of the Interfaith Movement, said his group's board of directors had decided to withdraw because of "unexplained things."

So far as could be ascertained the sole remaining sponsor of the memorial is the American Jewish Literary Foundation, of which Dr. Harry Cohen is chairman. Dr. Cohen was elected chairman of the memorial meeting yesterday. Announcing the postponement, Dr. Cohen said it was due to "attacks of certain groups who, by their violation of Dr. Einstein's way of life, have made it unwise for this tribute to be held on the date originally scheduled." It was understood that a representative of the Einstein estate had expressed dissatisfaction with "so-called memorial meetings of this type."

## STATE OF NEW YORK HONORS MEMORY OF FIRST 23 JEWISH SETTLERS

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- A flagpole commemorating the arrival in New York over 300 years ago of the first group of 23 Jews was presented to the city this week-end by the New York Joint Legislative Committee to commemorate the tercentenary of American Jewry. The presentation of the 72-foot flagpole set in a seven-foot high granite base was made by Gov. Averill Harriman.

A bronze plaque on the base reads: "Erected by the State of New York to honor the memory of the 23 men, women and children who landed in September 1654, and founded the first Jewish community in North America." The legislative committee, appointed by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey last year, is headed by Judge Joseph M. Proskauer. Present at the ceremony were civic leaders and representatives of the three major faiths.

Addressing the dedication ceremony, Gov. Harriman declared: "The 23 whose arrival we commemorate today were Jews fleeing persecution, caught up in the most persistent, most cruel injustice of western civilization. There was no H.A.S. here to welcome them, and Peter Stuyvesant ordered them to jail. But his superiors in Holland overruled him and gave asylum to the refugees. They set to work, put down roots, and prospered.

"When a century later our republic was taking form the Jewish community was one of the oldest in America, contributing as always with the Jews, its share of the blood and treasure that won our independence. Today their successors comprise nearly a third of New York City's eight million people. Our city has been immeasurably enriched by their contribution to every aspect of our life.

"As I stand here today, I cannot help but think how much poorer, in every respect, America would be if the small group of 23 Jews in the 17th Century and those that followed, had been refused admittance to our land. How much poorer we will be in generations to come if we should now dim our beacon light of hope for the oppressed of the world."