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ISRAEL CABINET APPROVES SHARETT'S STAND ON EGYPTIAN BORDER TENSION

JERUSALEM, June 6. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet approved today the stand taken by Prime Minister Moshe Sharett on the situation in the Gaza border area. Mr. Sharett will, it is believed, meet with Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, United Nations truce chief, and convey to him the view of the Israel Government on a communication on the Egyptian-Israel border conflict sent to Mr. Sharett by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld.

Mr. Hammarskjöld's communication was delivered to Premier Sharett by Gen. Burns on Saturday evening. A similar communication was dispatched by the UN Secretary General to Egypt's Premier Col. Gamal Abdel Nassar. Mr. Hammarskjöld urged both sides to refrain from actions that would increase tension on the border and to cooperate in support of Gen. Burns' efforts to alleviate the existing tension.

Well informed circles here stated today that until Egypt undertakes to end attacks against Israel in the Gaza area, there can be no talks on any new plans. These sources said that the prominence given all over the world to Col. Nasser's latest political move calling for the establishment of a demilitarized zone on the Israel-Egyptian frontier is aimed at deceiving world public opinion by making it appear that Egypt is sincerely trying to abate tension in the border area. The only way to ease the tension is for Egypt to cease immediately the laying of mines in Israel's territory and to stop shelling Israel settlements and patrols which move along the Israel side of the border, it was emphasized.

State Department Watches Developments in Gaza Area

WASHINGTON, June 6. (JTA) -- State Department elements are inclined to give favorable consideration to a recent proposal by Egypt for a demilitarized zone bordering the Gaza strip, it was learned today from official sources. The Department feels that tension might be diminished if both sides followed the recommendations of Gen. E. L. M. Burns, chief of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization.

Specifically, these proposals include establishment of joint patrols, barbed wire barriers, mutual agreements between local commanders, and use of well disciplined troops. American Ambassadors in Israel and Egypt are under instructions to keep in close touch with the governments concerned on the Gaza problem.

Iraq and Jordan Promise Military Aid to Egypt Against Israel

LONDON, June 6. (JTA) -- Despite the fact that Iraq is under a pledge not to use American arms for aggressive purposes, Iraqi Foreign Minister Burnhauddeen Bashayaan today summoned the Egyptian Ambassador in Baghdad to his office and informed him that Iraq will extend all possible aid to Egypt against Israel, a cable from the Iraqi capital says.

It is also reported here today from Amman that the Premier of Jordan has informed Egypt that his government is ready to send military help to Egypt in the event that the Gaza clashes with Israel develop into open warfare.

NINE-POWER PACT ON CUSTODY OF FILES ON NAZI VICTIMS SIGNED IN BONN

BONN, June 6. (JTA) -- The files of the International Tracing Service at Arolsen, Germany, passed today into the custody of the International Red Cross for a five-year period, under the terms of an international agreement signed by nine powers, including Israel and West Germany. The files, containing ten million documents and 20 million file cards, are a compilation of information about victims of the Nazis in the concentration camps liberated by the three Western Allies.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Red Cross will supervise the files until 1960, with West Germany meeting the annual cost of about \$350,000. No later than 1959 the nine powers--United States, Britain, France, Italy, Benelux states, Germany and Israel--must decide the future fate of the files, which contain much, or in some cases all, of the documentation to back up claims of Nazi victims for indemnification.

The president of the International Red Cross, Paul Ruegger, was a signatory to the pact, as was Israel's Dr. F. Shinnar and West Germany's Chancellor Konrad Adenauer. The representatives of the nine signatories will meet in a committee to give the IRC direction. A Swiss director and several Swiss aides will be appointed by the Red Cross.

PREMIER OF BURMA COMPLETES HIS VISIT TO ISRAEL; PLEDGES FRIENDSHIP

JERUSALEM, June 6. (JTA) -- Premier U Nu of Burma completed a nine-day visit of Israel and flew from Tel Aviv to Istanbul, by El Al-Israel National Airlines, today. Premier U Nu won the hearts of the Israel people during his stay. Having met Israelis of all walks of life in their homes, at their jobs and during their hours of relaxation and recreation.

Just before the visit ended, Premiers U Nu and Moshe Sharett, at a press conference, issued a statement of friendship of their two nations. The Burmese statesman also declared that he would be happy to act as a mediator between Israel and the Arab states, but only if he were asked by both sides. He stressed that he has not yet been asked to act in such capacity by either side.

Both Premiers announced that Burma will send a number of young people to Israel to study kibbutz life, which greatly impressed the visiting Premier. Mr. U Nu stressed that the Burmese delegations to Israel will be chosen with extreme care. Mr. Sharett disclosed that Premier U Nu had offered to send 100 coconut palms and 10 tons of rice to Defense Minister David Ben Gurion in appreciation of the drive to conquer the desert, which was undertaken during Mr. Ben Gurion's Premiership.

Asked at the press conference to comment on his impressions of Israel's religious life, the Premier took the unusual step of speaking "on the soul of the nation," noting first that as an outsider it might be better for him to remain silent, but that "as a friend, I think I should offer a few remarks."

Advises Israelis to Strengthen Their Religion

He advised his listeners to "strengthen your faith as much as possible" if firm foundations are to be laid for the State of Israel. "The people of Israel belong to one of the earliest races of mankind," Premier U Nu continued, "but in the long course of history they have been subjected to a series of persecutions. Despite these, the Jews have now recovered their old land and are rebuilding their way of life. It seems to me that the main reason behind the brave refusal to become extinct is your faith in Judaism."

Before the press conference, Premier U Nu had visited with Chief Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog and had discussed with him the principles of Judaism and general religious problems. During the 90-minute visit, the Burmese asked numerous questions about Judaism, both about its philosophical bases and questions pertaining to kashruth and ritual.

The Premier's last official function during the visit was his attendance at a dinner given for him by President Itzhak Ben Zvi. Afterwards, he planted a tree in the President's garden to mark his visit to the Jewish State. He was accompanied to the airfield by Premier Sharett, David Ben Gurion and Levi Eshkol and other members of the Israel Cabinet.

ISRAEL LABORATORIES TO START MANUFACTURING THE SALK VACCINE

JERUSALEM, June 6. (JTA) -- The Israel Government medical laboratories will proceed immediately with the manufacture of Salk anti-polio vaccine, the Cabinet decided here last night. The vaccine is expected to be ready for distribution by next Spring.

Meanwhile, the Cabinet has also allocated funds in the event that it becomes possible to purchase vaccine stocks from the United States. Dr. M. Btsh, director general of the Israel Health Ministry, who just returned from a visit to the United States, where he attempted to negotiate the purchase of Salk vaccine, reported that the U.S. is not prepared to export vaccine at this time. He pointed out that Israel's laboratories are able to produce the vaccine.

DISPUTE BETWEEN ISRAEL PARTIES CREATES CONFUSION AMONG IMMIGRANTS

TEL AVIV, June 6. (JTA) -- Seventeen families from Dimnat, Morocco, numbering 88 persons in all, who arrived in Israel Friday, refused to proceed immediately to their new settlements and demanded. Instead, that they be transferred to the Shaar Haaliya camp. Their refusal was an outgrowth of competition between Mapai and Hapoel Hamizrachi with respect to the immigrants' affiliation.

Jewish Agency circles termed the competition a great danger, and noted that continuation of such disputes might jeopardize all immigration and absorption arrangements. Moreover, it was noted that the immigrants themselves had agreed to the transfer to new settlements while they were still in Morocco and their refusal was the result of incitement by local elements in Haifa or Marseilles. The transfer of the immigrants to the Shaar Haaliya camp would have renewed the waiting period in transition camps, a situation which the Jewish Agency has successfully avoided in recent months by having all immigrants proceed directly from the ship to settlements prepared for their arrival.

After consultations, the Agency decided to call police. The immigrants then agreed to be transferred to Masua, in the Lachish area. Meanwhile, it was disclosed that 32 other families from Dimnat, who were placed in the Shaar Haliya camp following an earlier Mapai-Hapoel Hamizrachi dispute, will be sent to new settlements in the Lachish area today, after an agreement was reached as a result of Jewish Agency intervention.

GERMAN JEWS PROTEST ACQUITTAL OF PRODUCER OF EXTERMINATION GAS

DUSSELDORF, June 6. (JTA) -- The Central Council of Jews in Germany protested today against the verdict of a Frankfurt court in acquitting Dr. Gerhard Peters, chemical manufacturer who produced a special "Zyklon B" brand of lethal potassium cyanide. The product was sold to the Auschwitz extermination camp in quantities sufficient to asphyxiate hundreds of thousands of its inmates.

The Council's protest noted that Peters admittedly knew what the crystals were used for. The Council regretted that competent Jewish authorities were neither consulted by the prosecution, nor asked for help in locating witnesses to the employment of "Zyklon B" in Auschwitz. The circumstances of the case, the Council observed bitterly, made it probable that Nazi crimes against the Jews would be blamed on the Jews themselves.

The Jewish representative body asked that the Frankfurt Attorney General appeal against the acquittal, in a telegram informing the Attorney General of the Central Council's position and advising him that the families of Jews killed at Auschwitz by poison gas expected a review of the acquittal by a higher court. The city's judicial authorities, however, ignored the Council's message and no appeal was filed within the one-week period prescribed by German law.

BERLIN TEACHER BARS JEWISH STUDENTS; COURT TREATS HIM LENIENTLY

BERLIN, June 6. (JTA) -- A local high school teacher who refused to admit Jewish students to his class "because I am and shall always remain an anti-Semite, was separated from his post, but granted 75 percent of his salary for 18 months "in view of the fact that he served honorably in the war."

For the first time in the ten post-war years during which educator Paul Joseph Rump has taught school in the Kreuzberg section of Berlin, Jewish students - a pair of twins - were assigned to his class some months ago. He stated bluntly that he would not accept them because they were Jewish, but offered to take in their place two retarded or obnoxious boys from some other class, so that he would not gain an "undue advantage" from his refusal.

The parents of the twins forced the issue to a showdown. Since Rump would not yield and, as his superiors suggested, represent the incident as a misunderstanding, the case was brought before the Civil Service Disciplinary Chamber of the West Berlin Administrative Court.

The judge, Dr. H. Graeser, found that Rump must be separated from civil service, since he had disobeyed a legal assignment and persisted in his disobedience. Yet Rump's anti-Semitism, Dr. Graeser ruled, is "understandable from the human aspect" and he is not unworthy of substantial severance pay "in view of the fact that he has no record of prior convictions and that he served honorably in the war."

W. J. C. HOPES FOR CONTACT WITH "IRON CURTAIN" JEWISH COMMUNITIES

THE HAGUE, June 6. (JTA) -- The hope that the projected Four Power talks will bring some easing of the obstacles to contact with Jewish communities in Eastern Europe was expressed here today at the concluding session of the European executive of the World Jewish Congress.

The session dealt with problems caused by the emergence of neo-Nazism in Germany as well as with the position of the Jewish communities in North Africa. Representatives from Austria, Belgium, France, Britain, Italy, Holland, Switzerland, Algeria and French Morocco attended the conference. General agreement that the Jewish communities of Western Europe are still fighting a spiritual battle, hampered by shortages of Jewish schools and teachers, emerged from the discussions.

JEWISH POPULATION IN UKRAINIAN CITY REPORTED GREATLY REDUCED

TEL AVIV, June 6. (JTA) -- The 10,000 member pre-war Jewish community of Czernikass, in the Ukraine, has shrunk to 2,000 men, women and children. It was reported here today by an immigrant from the Soviet Union who arrived by plane. The immigrant, 72-year-old Hirsch Polowsky, was one of a party of 14 elderly Jewish men and women most of them residents of Czernowit, who were permitted to immigrate to Israel.

Mr. Polowsky said that only one synagogue was in use today, as compared with 12 in the pre-war period. He added that the lone rabbi was also the cantor and shochet. Mr. Polowsky said that there is still considerable anti-Semitism among the Ukrainian people.

MAYOR OF GENOA APOLOGIZES TO JEWS FOR DESECRATION OF SYNAGOGUE

GENOA, June 6. (JTA) -- The Mayor of Genoa has sent an official apology to the Jewish community of this city, expressing indignation at the desecration of a memorial tablet on the wall of the city's synagogue. The Mayor has also informed the community that the municipal administration will meet the cost of restoring the memorial to its original state.

SENATE BODY TO START HEARINGS ON LEHMAN'S IMMIGRATION BILL

WASHINGTON, June 6. (JTA) -- Chairman William Langer of the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee announced today that his subcommittee will commence hearings on Wednesday on the Lehman Bill to liberalize the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. The Lehman Bill, introduced in April, is similar to more recent proposals by President Eisenhower, but goes much further.

Chairman Harley M. Kilgore of the Senate Judiciary Committee urged quick approval today of President Eisenhower's proposed changes in the Refugee Relief Act. He said most Democratic Senators will support the White House recommendations on revision of the Act.

Chairman Emanuel Celler of the House Judiciary Committee introduced a bill today to oust State Department security chief Scott McLeod as Administrator of the Refugee Act. Rep. Celler's bill also would increase from 209,000 to 224,000 the number of immigrants to be admitted under the special refugee law proposed by President Eisenhower.

JEWISH GROUPS LAUD EISENHOWER; URGE REVISION OF IMMIGRATION LAW

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower was commended today by the Jewish community relations agencies comprising the National Community Relations Advisory Council on his recommendations to Congress for liberalization of the Refugee Relief Act.

Writing to the President for the 33 constituent national and local agencies of the NCRAC, Bernard H. Trager, NCRAC chairman, said that Mr. Eisenhower's recommendations were "in consonance with the great tradition of America as a sanctuary and haven and in keeping with our needs as a nation."

The letter also expressed the hope that the President's earlier recommendations, made in his State of the Union message last January, for correction of the discriminatory and inequitable features of the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act would be speedily acted upon. The President was urged to use the influence of his office to expedite Congressional hearings on pending bills for immigration policy revision.

The National Community Relations Advisory Council is the joint planning and coordinating body for the American Jewish Congress, Jewish Labor Committee, Jewish War Veterans, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, and the United Synagogue of America and 33 Jewish Community Councils and Jewish Community Relations Councils in all parts of the country.

Jewish Congress Asks for Revision of McCarran-Walter Act

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower's action in calling for immediate amendment of the Refugee Relief Act was commended today by the American Jewish Congress. At the same time the organization voiced disappointment that the President's message was limited solely to refugee relief and "silent about the long overdue revision of the McCarran-Walter Act."

These views were expressed by Dr. Israel Goldstein, AJC president, at the two-day joint meeting of the national executive and administrative committees of the organization held here. More than 150 AJC leaders from various parts of the country attended the sessions.

B'NAI ZION CONVENTION CRITICIZES U.S. FOR ARMING ARABS

MONTICELLO, N. Y., June 6. (JTA) -- The B'nai Zion convention here called today upon President Eisenhower "to assume a policy of real, dynamic leadership that is so vitally necessary if we are to bring about permanent peace in the Middle East and fortify that area against further Communist infiltration and aggression."

The convention of the American Zionist fraternal organization, in its second day, attended by delegates from 22 states, warned that "present State Department policy of giving outright military support to the Arab states, not only fosters a policy of partisan support but menaces Israel and its democratic ideology."

A resolution, presented by Samuel E. Cooper, a former judge and now member of the City Council of Newark, N. J., and unanimously adopted by delegates, stated that "by assuming direct and vigorous leadership, President Eisenhower can point the way for economic aid to both Israel and the Arab states that will build a spirit of accord that will find Communism properly discredited in any appeal it may seek to make." Supreme Court Justice Arthur Markewich of New York was re-elected president of the organization.

GOVERNMENTAL ANTI-BIAS AGENCIES OPEN THREE-DAY PARLEY IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 6. (JTA) -- The Conference of Commissions Against Discrimination, a group of 13 governmental agencies charged with the enforcement of anti-bias statutes in the U. S. and Canada, opened a three-day meeting here today. The conference was organized in New York in 1949. The opening of its session coincided with the 10th anniversary of the New York State law against discrimination.