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BURNS ADMITS HE CANNOT ASSURE HALT OF ATTACKS BY ARAB TERROR SQUADS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Major General E. L. M. Burns, head of the United Nations truce supervision organization, admitted to the Israel Government tonight that he could not assure a complete and immediate cessation of attacks by Egyptian terrorist squads operating on Israel soil.

Gen. Burns made this admission in a conversation tonight with Arthur Lourie, Deputy Director-General of the Israel Foreign Ministry, 24 hours after Egypt had announced it had ordered its forces to cease fire. During all this time, an Israel Foreign Ministry spokesman reported tonight, raids, minings, sabotage and other acts of violence by Egyptian forces had continued without interruption.

Within the 24 hours, the spokesman said, four more Israelis had been found murdered and two wounded, deep inside Israel territory, as a result of Egyptian attacks made despite the "obviously deceitful" Egyptian announcement of compliance with the cease fire order.

Israelis Doubt Value of Cease Fire Agreement

Gen. Burns had asked Egypt and Israel on Tuesday to agree to an immediate cease fire. Egypt announced its agreement. Israel conditioned its reply on an Egyptian admission of responsibility for the terrorist acts of the last few days. The Israelis expressed serious doubts as to the value of any cease fire agreement, pointing out that despite the Egyptian announcement, the acts of terrorism were continuing.

Gen. Burns visited the Foreign Ministry today in an attempt to get Israel to modify its stand and accept the cease fire on his original terms. In the course of this interview, Mr. Lourie referred to the presence on Israel soil of the Egyptian terrorist squads which, he pointed out, were charged with the tasks of murder and sabotage. He asked the UN truce chief whether, in the event of a cease fire, there would be an immediate end to the activities of these squads. Gen. Burns indicated that the circumstances were such that he could not give any such assurance.

The UN official moved actively yesterday to halt the warfare in the Gaza area after both the United States and Britain, through their envoys in Jerusalem and Cairo, had called on both governments for restraint in dealing with the Gaza situation. He asked both governments to order their troops in the Gaza and El Auja areas to cease all firing across the demarcation line, to discontinue raids, mining of roads and acts of sabotage. He asked that a strict cease-fire be observed from 6 P. M. on Tuesday to prevent "further and possibly more serious clashes."

Insist Egypt Accept Responsibility for Attacks

At 6 P. M., Gen. Burns reported the Egyptian authorities announced they would observe the cease-fire. The Israeli authorities informed him that they could not agree unless Egypt accepted responsibility for the acts of terrorism committed. The UN truce chief sought to persuade the Israelis to accept the cease-fire, but in view of further incidents reported on Tuesday night, the Israelis expressed doubt. Their final decision was to have been given this morning.

Among the incidents reported on Tuesday night, after the cease-fire was to have gone into effect, was the slaying of two occupants of a car ambushed by infiltrators southwest of Kfar Menachem. The military spokesman reported further incidents today. Infiltrators dynamited a house in the Nachla settlement, he reported, wounding one settler. A military vehicle was attacked by infiltrators in the southern district, but no casualties were reported.

Israel's first reply to Gen. Burns, the letter transmitted to him at his Jerusalem headquarters Tuesday night, pointed out that Israel attached no importance whatever to Egypt's agreement to the proposed cease fire unless Egypt "accepts responsibility for the acts of terror and is ready to give guarantees for an immediate, complete and definitive cessation of all further hostile acts, in strictest compliance with its obligations under the armistice." The Foreign Ministry's letter noted "with regret" that the communication from Gen. Burns "proceeds from an assumption of the common responsibility of Israel and Egypt for these events. There can, however," it noted, "be no question that the responsibility for these acts is attributable directly and solely to the Egyptian authorities."

Egyptians "Glorify" Terrorist Acts

"The deep penetrations into Israel made by Egyptian terrorist units from the Egyptian armed forces, the way-laying and killing of civilians, the planting of mines and the seeking to terrorize our population, these outrages are not merely sanctioned and, indeed, initiated by the Egyptian authorities but are glorified by its official spokesman as well as by the government-controlled press and propaganda," the note charged.

"Under these circumstances," it added, "the Israel Government is in the first place compelled to invite you to obtain assurance from the Egyptian Government that it accepts responsibility for those acts."

An Israeli spokesman, commenting on this letter, complained that the Burns proposal drew no distinction between Israel, which was being attacked by terrorist bands, and Egypt, which was responsible for the attacks.

RUSSIAN OFFER OF ARMS TO ARAB STATES CONFIRMED IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- The Soviet Union has offered to provide munitions to Egypt, Syria, and Saudi Arabia, it was learned today from government sources here.

The offer to Saudi Arabia was made directly to King Saud three weeks ago when he visited Teheran on a royal visit. Soviet Ambassador Lavientov made the offer.

Soviet diplomats in Cairo informed Premier Nasser that if he could not get weapons under conditions he desired from the United States, the Soviet Union would fill Egypt's needs.

The Soviet move was interpreted here as a device to keep the Arab States neutral and disrupt Western pact planning in the area.

(The Beirut Radio reported today that the Soviet Ambassador had discussed with the Lebanese Deputy Foreign Minister the question of "Egypt's withdrawal from the talks with the Israeli delegation to the Mixed Armistice Commission concerning easing tension in the Gaza sector.")

Syria has either completed an arms arrangement with the Soviet Union or is contemplating such an arrangement, Syrian Ambassador Farid Zeineddine indicated today. The Ambassador said Syria was unable to get munitions Syria desired from the United States and asserted that "it would be ridiculous to tell a sovereign state" from whom it could buy arms. With reference to Syrian arms negotiations with Russia, the Ambassador said "any government would like to insure its defense by any means." The main threat to Syria's security, he said, comes from Israel. He said that the Arab States at present are "inadequately armed."

REUTHER SAYS ISRAEL HAS MORAL DUTY TO DEFEND ITSELF FROM ATTACK

TEL AVIV, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Walter Reuther, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, who arrived here last night on a visit to Israel as the guest of Histadrut, the Israel Labor Federation, said today that "if Israel is invaded, no matter from what side, the people of Israel have the right and the moral obligation to stand up and fight for it."

In a comment on proposals by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles for an Arab-Israel settlement, Mr. Reuther said that they deserved "sympathetic consideration."

E. H. Williams of the American Federation of Labor, said here that it would be the task of every member of the 10-man AFL-CIO delegation which completed a tour of Israel today, to seek, on his return to the United States, to influence the American Government to make peace between Israel and the Arabs.

DIPLOMAT PRAISES ISRAEL'S TREATMENT OF MINORITIES

TEL AVIV, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Dr. Don Eduardo Zuleta-Angel, Ambassador of Colombia to the United States, said here before his departure that he would inform the Pope that Israel behaves well towards the Christian minorities in the country and takes good care of the Holy Places.

The Colombian envoy, who visited this country as a guest of the Israel Government, left for Rome where he is to be received at the Vatican.

HERUT DEMANDS UNLIMITED IMMIGRATION FOR NORTH AFRICAN JEWS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Ten thousand people participated in a demonstration here today led by Menachem Beigin, other leaders of the Herut Party and rabbis, to demand immediate, unrestricted immigration into Israel of the Jews of North Africa. They also demanded that the entire Israel fleet be pressed into service to transport the immigrants to Israel ports.

The demonstrators marched through the main streets of the city after which one delegation went to the office of President Itzhak Ben Zvi and a second went to see Premier Moshe Sharett. A number of North African immigrants and their religious leaders marched in the demonstration.

MOROCCAN PARTIES GIVE ASSURANCES ON STATUS OF JEWS

LONDON, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- All parties in the recent talks on the political future of Morocco have given the World Jewish Congress assurances that the Jews of Morocco "will not be the target of physical violence and that, with all other Moroccans, their rights and liberties will be safeguarded," an official of the organization declared today.

Speaking on a Home Service broadcast of the British Broadcasting Corporation, A. L. Easternman, political director of the World Jewish Congress, reported these assurances and said that Jews in all countries "pray fervently, with the whole civilized world, that goodwill, wisdom and restraint may prevail and that Morocco may soon achieve peace in the spirit of democracy and freedom."

GERMAN PROPAGANDIST RESIGNS FOLLOWING EXPOSURE AS NAZI

BONN, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Dr. Eberhard Taubert has resigned as deputy chairman and guiding spirit of a government-supported propaganda organization, following public disclosure that he had held high rank in the Nazi Party and had been a prominent anti-Jewish propagandist during the Hitler regime.

Taubert, it was disclosed here, had been a high official in the Nazi Propaganda Ministry, had been a lay judge in the notorious Nazi People's Court and had written numerous violently anti-Semitic articles. His resignation followed exposure of his record by Karl Marx, publisher of a leading German Jewish weekly.

GERMAN TRADE PAPER BLASTS POLISH JEWS AS 'SHARPERS'

MUNICH, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- "How can you buy from a Polish Jew?" is the question posed in the current issue of the trade paper, Komet, by Erich Meyer head of the state organization of market-stall proprietors. Meyer objected to competition from some of the Jewish DP's in the Fohrenwald camp who have been touring the fairs in south Bavaria and selling their wares there.

"The arm of the law does not take corrective action when an invasion of aliens from the Fohrenwald camp makes its way into a fair with the intention of peddling goods like sharpeners," he complained.

ANCIENT GERMAN JEWISH CEMETERY IS RESTORED

STUTTGART, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- The State of Baden-Wuerttemberg and the municipality of Hechingen, formerly a Hohenzollern enclave in this area, have restored the Jewish cemetery of Hechingen, which goes back more than two centuries.

The beautiful mountainside graveyard, which the Nazis had desecrated, was given over to the custody of the Baden-Wuerttemberg Jewish Community in a solemn ceremony held in conjunction with Hechingen's 700th anniversary. At the same time, a tablet commemorating the 22 Hechingen Jewish victims of Nazism was unveiled. Plans are under way, it was learned at the same time, to restore the ancient Jewish cemetery at Loerach, on the Swiss border, which dates from 1670.

CORNERSTONE RITES SET FOR JEWISH AGED HOME IN BELGIUM

ANTWERP, Belgium, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- The cornerstone will be laid here Sunday for a home for the aged to accommodate 50 aged Jewish men and women left without family and means as a result of World War II. The home is being constructed by the Central Jewish Welfare Committee with a \$90,000 grant from the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, and grants from the Joint Distribution Committee to supplement funds raised locally.

The edifice will contain a clinic, residential quarters for the nursing staff, a laundry and kitchens. It is due to be completed by the end of the year.

AUSTRIANS CLAIM 'HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATIONS' PROMPTED PACT

NEW YORK, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- The Austrian Government reached agreement with a committee of Jewish organizations to pay the sum of approximately \$22 million to Nazi victims "on the basis of humanitarian considerations and despite the fact that the Austrian Government disclaims responsibility for the crimes committed against Austrians of Jewish extraction after the absorption of Austria by the German Reich in 1938," the Austrian Information Service said today in its publication, Austrian Information.

The report asserted that shortly after the war "restitution was made of most of the property, rights and interests that had been taken from victims of Nazism under duress." Full restitution will be made out of the so-called "German assets," the report stated, when these have passed into Austrian from Soviet hands.

SOUTH AFRICAN CHIEF RABBI TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE FIVE YEARS MORE

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Dr. Louis I. Rabinowitz, Chief Rabbi of South Africa and a leader in many phases of South African Jewish life, has agreed to withdraw his resignation and continue in office for a further five years. Dr. Rabinowitz, who is 49 years old and a native of Scotland, had announced his resignation last November in order to settle in Israel. He withdrew his resignation after appeals by Jewish groups here.

SENATE PROBE REVEALS NAVY FIRED JEWISH VETERAN BECAUSE OF MOTHER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- The son of a member of the Jewish War Veterans was fired from his Navy job as a sheet metal worker at Quonset, R. I., because of charges that he had associated with his mother who supported Henry A. Wallace's Progressive Party in 1948. This emerged today when Joseph H. Sumner, Jr., 26, was called before a Senate subcommittee investigating the Administration's personnel security program.

The mother, Mrs. Pauline Margaret Sumner, was also called. She denied membership in subversive groups. Young Sumner is a Navy veteran with a good record. One item cited against Sumner was the signature of his mother on a Progressive Party petition circulated in 1948.

Sen. Frank Carlson, Kansas Republican, a member of the committee, said the Navy made a mistake in its handling of the Sumner case and "should have just fired him" without raising the security issue. He also questioned the wisdom of airing such cases in public.

NEW YORK UNIT RULES FIRMS MUST GRANT RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY TIME

NEW YORK, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Ruling on a complaint filed by the American Jewish Congress, the New York State Commission Against Discrimination held today that a business firm must "accommodate itself to the reasonable needs of employees or prospective employees in connection with religious holiday observances."

Commissioner Elmer A. Carter ruled that a refusal to do so, and resultant discharge of the employee, would be contrary to the anti-discrimination law. The commissioner declared, however, that the employee must give the employer timely notice of his desire to have time off.

The commissioner dismissed the complaint against the brokerage house of Hayden, Stone & Company alleging that it had discharged a Jewish employee because he wished to leave early to observe Passover. His decision was on the grounds that the employee had not given the firm sufficient notice.

HILLEL SUMMER INSTITUTE HEARS JUDAISM EXTOLLED AS EVERLASTING FAITH

STARLIGHT, Pa., Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, national director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, told 200 student leaders gathered at Camp B'nai B'rith here today that while "isms come and go... our faith lives on forever." His address opened the 1955 Hillel Summer Institute, attended by student leaders from colleges and universities in all parts of the United States and Canada.

Rabbi Lelyveld said that attempts to find a specific system of government or economics in Judaism are futile, but added that "Judaism does, however, preserve for us the criteria by which we may criticize and remould society. The twin values of respect for the sanctity of the individual and concern for the rights and needs of all men abide while systems pass."

Each of the students attending the Institute for leadership training was chosen by one of the Hillel Foundations. At the sessions, they take part in discussions and workshops on faith, worship, study, Jewish values and the role of student leadership on campus and in the community. The Summer Institute, a project of the National Friends of Hillel, will close Sept. 8.

BIOGRAPHICAL FILM ON CANTOR ROSENBLATT TO BE MADE IN HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Dr. Samuel Rosenblatt, associate professor of Semitic languages at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, has arrived here in connection with the projected filming of the story of the life of his father, Cantor Josef Rosenblatt. Dr. Rosenblatt is the author of a biography of his father.

The film will be directed by Ned Jakkobs, a Dutch-born director now an American citizen, from a script by Charles Oton, who will also be associate producer. Jakkobs is now seeking English-speaking Dutch actors for supporting roles in the film. He announced that a "well-known" American actor would play the lead role.

BANK OFFICIALS TO SURVEY ISRAEL'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

NEW YORK, Aug. 31. (JTA) -- Senior officials representing four banks in New York area leave for Israel this week for a ten-day survey tour at the invitation of the Jewish Agency for Palestine to study the country's economic and industrial development and the Agency's mass immigration and colonization programs.

M. Lester Mendell, vice-president of the Bankers Trust Company, and Peter White, vice president of the Manufacturers Trust Company, left for Israel by air Tuesday. Pierce Onthank, vice president of the Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, and Riley P. Stevenson, vice president of the First National City Bank, will leave by air on Friday.

The group will be met in Israel by Gottlieb Hammer, executive director of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who will escort them on their tour. The banks represented have worked in close cooperation with the Jewish Agency for several years.