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ISRAEL GOVERNMENT DENIES REPORTED SOVIET ARMS OFFER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Israel Foreign Ministry emphatically denied today that Israel had received any proposals from the Soviet bloc for the supply of arms and described reports of such offers as being without foundation.

(In Moscow, the Communist organ Izvestia denied that the Soviet bloc had offered arms to the Jewish State. Reports to this effect, the newspaper asserted, were "fabricated" by the "enemies of reduction in world tension.")

Moshe Sharett, Premier and Foreign Minister, is expected to refer at considerable length to the appearance on the Middle East scene of the Soviet bloc as purveyors of arms, when he opens the debate in the Knesset tomorrow on foreign affairs.

Czech Arms Deal "One Shot" Arrangement, Dulles Told

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Communist arms arrangement with Egypt is a "one shot" deal and no Communist military instructors or technicians will accompany the arms, Egyptian Ambassador Ahmed Hussein told Secretary of State John Foster Dulles today.

(In London, reports placed the purchase price of the Communist arms being acquired by Egypt at \$200 million. The material, it was reported, would include bombers and submarines as well as tanks and fighterplanes to be delivered over a five-year period.

(In Rome, it was reported that 300 technicians and instructors were expected in Egypt along with the war materiel bought from the Soviet bloc.)

Hussein reported that the Soviet Union has offered to finance a \$600 million Aswan Dam project on a 30-year barter basis in exchange for cotton and rice. The Ambassador said he is trying to negotiate a loan through the International Bank and indicated this was discussed with Mr. Dulles. If the International Bank loan goes through, Egypt would need approximately \$200 million from American sources.

Hussein told Mr. Dulles that the Czech arms deal was "purely commercial with no strings attached." The ambassador said that Mr. Dulles had been aware for some time that no Communist personnel would be permitted to enter Egypt in connection with the arms transaction. Asked about Soviet bloc "volunteers" of Moslem origin aiding Egyptian forces against Israel, he said he had no information on that. The Egyptian envoy told newsmen that Egypt has no intention of cancelling the Czech deal.

Stassen Calls Arms Deliveries "Very Serious" Blow to Peace

Delivery of Communist munitions to Egypt could deal a "very serious" blow to peace prospects throughout the world, Harold E. Stassen, President Eisenhower's assistant on disarmament, told a national television audience yesterday. He said Communist arms shipments to Egypt may create a dangerous Middle Eastern arms race.

(A Cairo report received in London said that four United States Senators - Kilgore, McClellan, Saltonstall and Stennis--who had a 90-minute meeting with Col. Nasser today, dropped donations for Egypt's armaments fund drive into a contribution box outside the Egyptian Premier's office.)

BRITISH AND FRENCH OFFICIALS CONFER ON MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

LONDON, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Permanent officials of the British and French Foreign Ministries completed a series of meetings here over the week-end aimed at coordinating British and French policy with regard to developments in the Middle East, particularly the new situation created by the intervention of the Soviet Union through the supply of arms to Egypt.

Evelyn Shuckburgh, head of the Middle East Department of the British Foreign Office, and Henri Roux, head of the Levant section of the French Foreign Ministry, figured in the meetings. M. Roux is expected to present the outcome of the London talks to the meeting in Paris this week of the French envoys to all the Middle East countries who have been recalled to Paris for consultations with Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay.

ISRAEL PROTESTS LATEST EGYPTIAN TRUCE VIOLATION IN DEMILITARIZED ZONE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- The Israel Government once again protested today against Egyptian refusal to live up to the terms of the general armistice agreement in the Nitzana--El Auja-- demilitarized zone between Israel and the Sinai Peninsula.

Pointing to yesterday's attack on two United Nations observers by Egyptian troops in the zone, an Israel Foreign Ministry spokesman underscored that Egypt continues to keep troops in the zone in violation of the armistice pact and a special agreement recently hammered out by UN truce chief Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns to remove both Israel and Egyptian troops from the Nitzana area.

The Israel spokesman further noted that Egypt refuses to permit UN investigation of Israel's earlier charges of violation of agreement. He said that when the Egyptians last Thursday prevented UN and Israel surveyors from marking the international border in the Nitzana zone, as had been provided in the armistice and Burns' pacts, Israel was forced to resume marking the border along the edges of its own territory.

The attack on the two UN observers yesterday came from Egyptian posts within the demilitarized zone. The hail of shots forced the observers to discontinue their inspection tour and to hastily abandon their two jeeps. When Israel police, summoned by the UN chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission, came upon the observers they were attempting to return to Nitzana on foot. The MAC chairman addressed a stiff protest to the Egyptians, pointing out that the observers, although travelling in Israel territory, were riding in white-painted jeeps which were clearly recognizable.

One Israel soldier was wounded today in an exchange of fire between Jordanian troops and an Israel border patrol in the vicinity of the Qualqilya "triangle" in Central Israel. The Israel patrol was twice brought under automatic rifle fire from Jordan positions across the line.

BEN GURION MAKES FURTHER PROGRESS TOWARD RECOVERY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- Premier-designate David Ben Gurion was reported today to be making further progress in his recovery from an attack of vertigo last Thursday but his physicians remained doubtful that they would permit him to leave his bed to appear before the Knesset next Monday to present his new four-party coalition cabinet.

The 69-year-old Mapai leader was visited today by President Itzhak Ben Zvi.

SEN. HUMPHREY URGES U.S. TO CHECK MIDDLE EAST ARMS RACE

NEW YORK, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- The United States Government should use all its resources and every "bit of strength" it can exert to check an armament race in the Middle East, Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota urged here tonight at the 13th biennial convention of the Women's American ORT.

"We must not permit the democracy that is Israel to be overwhelmed, either by outside force or inner desperation," the Senator declared. "Israel's achievement in transforming the desert and imposing order on the physical chaos is an economic and social miracle."

Mrs. Ludwig Kaphan, president of the organization, told the overflow public meeting of the work of the ORT in 300 installations in 19 countries in Europe, Africa and the Middle East. She reported that the U.S. Government had granted ORT \$50,000 as part of its technical assistance program. The funds, she said, would be used to help equip five of ten newly projected ORT schools in immigrant centers in Israel.

ISRAEL NEWS BRIEFS

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- Dr. A. J. R. van Rhijn, Minister of Economic Affairs, sent a farewell message to a party of 25 South African Jewish businessmen leaving today for a visit to Israel in which he expressed hope of a healthy, reciprocal South African-Israel trade.

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MONTREAL, Que., Oct. 17, (JTA) -- A musical library of some 5,000 scores and orchestra parts has been presented to the Israel Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra and other Israel musical institutions by Dr. J. B. Barron, of Calgary, Alta.

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J. D. C. COUNTRY DIRECTORS GET REPORTS ON PROGRAMS IN ISRAEL, ELSEWHERE

PARIS, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- Israel has set for itself a program of stringent economic controls and intensive production in order to make possible the absorption of the tens of thousands of North African Jews seeking admission into Israel, Dr. Giora Josephthal, Jewish Agency treasurer, told the tenth annual meeting here of Joint Distribution Committee country directors. Dr. Josephthal hailed the contribution of American Jewry to the North African problem and declared that "our task would be an impossible one without the financial support of American Jewry."

Charles Passman, director of the JDC in Israel, said that Malben, the JDC welfare program in Israel, had aided over 100,000 men, women and children since it was inaugurated in 1949. Many of these, he said, had been turned back into the Israel economy as producers rather than drains on an already over-strained economy.

Moses W. Beckelman, JDC director general for Europe, reported that of the \$525,000,000 expended by the JDC since inception in 1914, \$400,000,000 had been spent in the decade since the end of World War II. The JDC, he stressed, had accomplished the following in the years since 1949:

1. Reduced the Jewish DP camp population from 250,000 to 1,400; 2. Assisted the emigration of 620,000 Jews from Europe, including 500,000 who went to Israel;
3. Reduced the number of Jews on private relief rolls in continental Europe from 750,000 to 30,000, and 4. Initiated 14 loan institutions for artisans, professionals and small businessmen. These institutions made more than 25,000 loans, 90 per cent of which have been or are being paid back.

What remains for the JDC to do in Europe is due to the fact that the Jewish communities themselves have not yet recovered from many years of war and Nazism and are not yet prepared to take over entirely their own welfare problems, he reported. This phase of the JDC's work, with funds from the Conference on Material Claims Against Germany, has begun to make a substantial contribution-- a contribution whose importance is expected to increase in the years ahead and to pave the way for the re-establishment of the European Jewish communities on a self-supporting basis, Mr. Beckelman said.

SITUATION OF MOROCCAN JEWS "PERILOUS," BRITISH LEADER SAYS

LONDON, Oct. 17, (JTA) -- Dr. Abraham Cohen, retiring president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, condemned last night the attitude of some Jewish organizations in urging the Jewish population to remain in North Africa and fight for its rights.

Addressing the Board on a report describing the situation in North Africa as "perilous," Dr. Cohen warned that the Jews in North Africa were living in a storm center. Experience had shown, he commented, that in such circumstances, Jews were the victims of disorder. He said that it was easy, from the safe distance of London and New York, to give advice to people who were living on the slopes of a volcano that might erupt at any time.

Barnett Janner, a member of the British Parliament, took office last night as president of the Board, succeeding Dr. Cohen who retired after six years in the presidency.

Before formally laying down office, Dr. Cohen presided at the opening of the Brodetsky Library established at Hillel House for the use of Jewish students in London. The library is a memorial to the late Prof. Selig Brodetsky, mathematician, Zionist leader and former Board president.

TURKISH JEWS APPREHENSIVE AS NEW ANTI-JEWISH INCIDENTS OCCUR

ISTANBUL, Oct. 17 (JTA) -- A general uneasiness, manifest in the Jewish community here since the anti-Greek demonstrations last month during which Jewish businessmen suffered considerable property damage, has been intensified by reports of anti-Jewish manifestations in various parts of the country.

Under the prevailing state of siege, news of these incidents is not being printed in the newspapers but the rumors spread by word of mouth and have heightened a feeling of uneasiness. One incident reported here took place in Canakkale, in the Dardanelles area, where a community of about a hundred Jews has long resided. A sign was posted overnight warning the Jews to get out under threat of massacre. The mayor immediately assured the local Jews of protection and three arrests were made. Similar incidents, it is rumored, have occurred in numerous towns throughout Thrace.

One result has been to increase inquiries at the Israel Consulate for information on emigration possibilities. Some Turkish Jews are known to be visiting Israel as tourists to study living conditions there. Turkish currency regulations limit the amount of money a Turkish citizen can take from here. Jews contemplating removal to Israel do not know whether the restrictions would be removed in their case.

PROBLEM OF NORTH AFRICAN JEWS FACES MIGRATION CONFERENCE

GENEVA, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- A conference of the 26-nation Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration opened here today. It will continue for seven days and will map its program for assisting migration for the next two years.

An urgent problem which the delegates will have to resolve is whether the organization's constitution permits it to help migration in non-European countries. This problem arises out of the proposal by Rep. Francis J. Walters of the United States delegation that the committee help annually some 45,000 Moroccan Jews to migrate to Israel.

DISCRIMINATION CUTS JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR JEWS IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Jewish job applicants in Chicago have "less than half" the chance of non-Jews to be placed by employment agencies, according to a survey conducted here by the Chicago Bureau of Jewish Employment problems. A study of the experiences of 5,582 applicants to a commercial employment agency disclosed that while 20 of every 100 Protestant applicants were placed, only nine of every 100 Jewish applicants were eventually placed by the same agency.

The study, made in cooperation with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, is a follow-up of a 1954 survey by the Bureau which showed that 27 percent of 4,000 Chicago employers excluded Jews from consideration when placing job orders with employment agencies. The Bureau is a service agency sponsored by the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith and the Jewish Labor Committee.

Comparing the placement opportunities of the various religious groups: Protestants, representing 38.3 percent of all applicants, received 46.3 percent of all placements; Catholics, who constituted 37 percent of the applicants, received 39.2 percent of the placements; Jews, making up 16.2 percent of the job seekers, received only 9.2 percent of placements. A group of 6.8 percent who did not state religious affiliation, but were believed to include many Jews, were limited to only 3.1 percent of the placements.

That substantially less than half a loaf was available to Jews is, the Bureau concluded, directly attributable to discrimination. It buttressed this contention by emphasizing that a detailed analysis of the background characteristics of the applicant group indicated that there was little variation between the religious groups in such attributes as age, education, vocational goals or length of experience. Another finding of the study was that "nationality proved to be a factor of lesser importance, used by employers on a discriminatory basis to some degree, but largely disregarded in the selection process by the employment agency."

ACADEMY FOR LIBERAL JUDAISM FOUNDED IN NEW YORK TO TRAIN RABBIS

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- An Academy for Liberal Judaism to train and ordain Liberal rabbis in a four-year course in New York has been established, it was announced here today. Between 1922 and 1953 a full Liberal rabbinic course was offered at the Jewish Institute of Religion in New York, but since the merger of Hebrew Union College of Cincinnati with the JIR, Reform rabbinic students spend their third, fourth and fifth years of study at the Cincinnati institution, and are ordained there.

Director of the new Academy is Dr. Louis I. Newman, Rabbi of Congregation Rodeph Shalom. Rabbi David Neiman, of the Community Reform Temple, is secretary. Chairman of the executive committee is Jacob S. Manheimer, former president of Congregation Rodeph Shalom. Ira Frank, president of the Free Synagogue, is vice-chairman of the executive.

The Academy will be opened with a public ceremony next month. Students will be divided into two categories: pre-rabbinic and graduate rabbinic candidates. Ordination will be awarded at the completion of four years of graduate work or its equivalent. The faculty will include a group of visiting professors and instructors.

DR. MARK WISCHNITZER, JEWISH HISTORIAN, DIES; WAS 73

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Dr. Mark Wischnitzer, Jewish historian and social worker, was found dead in his room at the Yarkon Hotel here last night, apparently the victim of a heart attack. He was 73. A resident of the United States and professor of history at Yeshiva University, he was visiting Israel.

Born in Rovno, Russia, Dr. Wischnitzer was educated at the Universities of Vienna and Berlin and specialized in Russian and Jewish history. He was the editor of the history section of the "Jewish Encyclopedia" published in Russian between 1908 and 1913 and later was co-editor of the "History of the Jewish People," also published in Russian. In the early 20's he was editor of various publications in London and Berlin, including the "Encyclopedia Judaica."

In 1921 he became secretary general of the Hilfsverein der Deutschen Juden and conducted social, cultural and relief programs in Eastern Europe. He directed mass emigration of German Jews to Western Germany and overseas from 1933 to 1937. In 1941 he settled in the United States and became affiliated with a number of Jewish groups including the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, American Jewish Committee and Yiddish Scientific Institute.