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U. S. WARNS EGYPT AND ISRAEL AGAINST WAR; THREATENS STERN ACTION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- The State Department officially announced today that Israel and Egypt had been warned of stern action by the United States against any side that starts a war. They were told that the U. S. Government "would be very favorably disposed to the side which convinces us that it desires to maintain peace."

State Department spokesman Lincoln White said the American position was that it would be "utter folly to start a war." It was indicated in other quarters that if an Arab-Israel war should break out, economic sanctions would be used against either or both parties; also that the American fleet based in Italy and British Mediterranean naval forces might be ordered to blockade the ports of Egypt or Israel, or both.

It was learned here today in government circles that, in keeping with the views expressed yesterday by President Eisenhower and to avoid an Arab-Israel arms race, the State Department will restrict American sales of defensive arms to Israel to a minimum. Official sources said the State Department is aware of heavy Communist arms shipments arriving in Egypt, but nevertheless remains convinced that Israel military strength will continue for some time to be superior to that of Egypt.

Defense Department experts have advised the State Department that it would take from one to three years before Egyptian military training will reach a level necessary for effective use of Communist equipment, especially jet planes and submarines. Therefore, the State Department advised President Eisenhower that there is no great urgency to Israel's pleas. The amounts of munitions to be sold Israel for "legitimate self-defense" is therefore expected to be correspondingly small.

SHARETT ARRIVES IN U. S.; GRATIFIED WITH EISENHOWER'S VIEWS ON ARMS

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, upon his arrival in the United States today, said that he had not fully studied the statement made last night by President Eisenhower on the Middle East situation, but that he had noted the President's reference to supplying American arms for legitimate self-defense.

"This is exactly the purpose of Israel's arms request," he declared. He added that Israel's list of requested armaments from the United States would be submitted to the government in Washington through regular channels.

Speaking before more than 300 newsmen, Mr. Sharett emphasized that he was "disconcerted" by some of the remarks made in London yesterday by British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden. He pointed out that if the British Prime Minister envisages an Arab-Israel mediation plan that involved cession of territory on Israel's part, then he is in for a "disappointment." "Israel is under no political or moral compulsion to cede territory," he stressed.

The Israel Foreign Minister said that the chief purpose of his present visit to this country was to assist the fund-raising efforts of the Israel bond drive and the United Jewish Appeal, "both of which are responsible in so decisive a measure for Israel's economic progress." Mr. Sharett asserted that "the need for expanding and strengthening Israel's economy is now more urgent than ever."

"My visit," he declared, "occurs at an hour of supreme emergency into which Israel was suddenly plunged by the deal concluded by Egypt with Czechoslovakia, under the sponsorship of the Soviet Union, for the acquisition of large quantities of heavy armaments of a most pronouncedly offensive nature." He added that "the problem of security remains Israel's paramount concern. Our need for additional defense weapons is most compelling and we hope the United States Government will respond to our appeal in this regard."

Asked whether he saw danger of war in the Middle East, Mr. Sharett said "The war danger is inherent in the very sharp upsetting in balance of strength by arming our neighbor and enemy--an enemy, I might add, by his own choice. This deal is liable to create an overwhelming superiority in armed strength in Egypt's favor and is pregnant with dangers."

BRITISH CABINET MEETS ON ARAB-ISRAEL SITUATION; DISCUSSES ACTION

LONDON, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- The British Cabinet, at a meeting today, is understood to have explored ways and means of following up a call by Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden last night to Israel and Egypt to "compromise" their positions on the boundary question and arrive at a settlement. At the same time, Sir Anthony offered the services of his government or himself as a mediator to help achieve a peace settlement.

It is further understood that instructions have gone out to the British Ambassadors in Cairo and Tel Aviv to urge restraint upon Israel and Egypt. There is a feeling in British official circles that the present quiet along the Israel-Egyptian frontier is a lull before a fresh storm.

In his speech at the Lord Mayor of London's dinner in the Guildhall, Sir Anthony noted that the Egyptians insist that any settlement be based on the 1947 United Nations Palestine partition decision while Israel refuses to budge from the boundary lines recognized by the armistice agreement of 1948. He then said that "it is not right that the UN resolutions should be ignored" but agreed that as the resolutions "now stand" they cannot be implemented. At this point, he suggested that the two parties "must make a compromise between these two positions."

Recalling that Britain had a special responsibility in the Middle East and that it "has a long tradition of friendship with the Middle East," the Prime Minister urged both parties to re-evaluate the British and American proposals for a settlement. He also urged speedy acceptance of the proposals by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold for relieving the situation in the Nitzana-EI Auja area.

He warned that the Czech-Egyptian arms deal had injected a "new element of danger" into the Middle East and dismissed as "fantastic" Soviet assertions that this was a purely commercial transaction. He cautioned the Arabs that they might be submerged in the "Communist empire if they fall victims" to the Communist tactics.

Israel Will Not Cede Territory to Arabs, Britain is Told

LONDON, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- The British Government--and the other Western Powers--were put on notice today that Israel had no intention of ceding territory to the Arab states regardless of the Arab claims or big power pressure for such "adjustments."

In a statement commenting on a call last night by Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden that Egypt and Israel settle boundary differences by a "compromise" somewhere between the Arab insistence on implementation of UN resolutions on Palestine and the Israel stand that it would keep the territory it occupies under the terms of armistice agreements, the Israel Embassy here made the following points:

1. The Arab governments rejected the UN resolutions when they launched a war against Israel; 2. While Israel holds more territory as a result of the armistice agreements, Jordan received central Palestine and half of Jerusalem while Egypt received the Gaza strip from these same pacts; 3. Nowhere has Israel occupied territory beyond that of Mandated Palestine.

Canadian Premier Meets with Jewish Leaders on Israel

MONTREAL, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent and Roch Pinard, Secretary of State and Acting Minister of External Affairs, met with a delegation of the Canadian Jewish Congress and the United Zionist Council, to discuss matters arising out of the emergency situation of the Soviet arming of Egypt. Mr. Samuel Bronfman, president of the CJC, speaking for the joint delegation, informed the Prime Minister of the views of the Canadian Jewish community and the dangers inherent in the one-sided arms program.

It was announced here today that Canada will invite Moshe Sharett, Israel's Foreign Minister, to visit the country during his present stay in the United States. An announcement made today also said that Lester B. Pearson, Secretary of State for External Affairs, returning from the Far East, would stop in Cairo but would not make an extra stop in Israel. The call at Cairo was planned to return the visit made this summer by the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi.

Prayers for Israel's Safety Held in Synagogues Throughout U.S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- A Day of Prayer for the preservation of peace in the Middle East and the safety and security of Israel was observed today in numerous synagogues throughout the country. The Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada reported that more than 1,000 Orthodox rabbis have conducted special prayers in their congregations in various parts of the country. About 500 rabbis affiliated with the Rabbinical Alliance of America have similarly conducted such prayers.

A delegation of the Orthodox Agudath Israel of America conferred today in Washington with ~~Frazier~~ Wilkins, a State department official, regarding "immediate intervention to aid Israel's security." The delegation which consisted of Rabbi Eliezer Silver of Cincinnati, Dr. Isaac Lewin and Michal G. Tress of New York, presented a memorandum pleading for "arms and security guarantees for Israel and convoking a top level round table conference of the Middle East countries."

ITALIAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION INSISTS ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM FOR ALL

ROME, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- A cautious warning against Catholic Church interference in Italian public schools was sounded here by Minister of Education Dr. Paolo Rossi during a debate on education in the Italian Senate. Religious minorities in Italy had frequently complained of such interference, which they term a violation of the Italian Constitution.

Granting the Italian Government's recognition of the primacy of the Catholic religion in Italy, Dr. Rossi noted, however, that the Constitution guarantees full religious freedom and that in educational matters the state must establish general rules in the interests of all its citizens. Any violation of this right of the state, he said, endangered "culture, internal peace and freedom."

ASSEMBLY OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS HEARS VIEWS ON COMMUNITY PROBLEMS

CHICAGO, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- The views of 60 outstanding lay and professional leaders on various phases of Jewish community activity in the United States were presented here tonight at the opening session of the 24th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. More than 500 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the country are participating in the four-day session of the Assembly.

The questions discussed at the opening session, under the chairmanship of Julian Freeman, CJFWF president, dealt primarily with the scope and functions of the Jewish federations and welfare funds in this country. Clarification was sought on whether the federations and welfare funds should be expanded or limited in the future.

Other problems debated included whether the federations and welfare funds are adequately representative, whether their present structure should be broadened, and if so, how. Also, how can participation of various segments of the community be increased in the activities of the federations and welfare funds. Areas of cooperation and of conflict in the federations' relationships to institutions and agencies in the community were discussed.

A panel of experts will present tomorrow an audit of economic and welfare achievements in Israel and other overseas areas during the past ten years. The outlook for the period ahead will be evaluated and an appraisal will be made of the roles of philanthropy, bonds, private investments and U. S. Government aid in the development of Israel.

JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCES PRINCIPLES FOR ALLOCATIONS

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- A statement of principles governing the grant of its allocations in future years was released today by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. The statement, intended as a guide to Conference policies, reflects the experiences gained during the first two years of operations. It reads:

"The Conference has found itself faced with a volume of applications requesting funds considerably in excess of the amounts available for allocation. To meet the situation, the Conference found it necessary to set up a number of priorities and preferences for determining the urgency of need so as to provide more effective aid with the limited funds available, especially in the Jewish communities which suffered most from the Nazi occupation.

"High priority will be given to the needs for relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution residing in communities whose economic resources are insufficient to provide for such needs. The Conference believes that its funds can be employed most fruitfully in providing, expanding or supplementing facilities and services which local effort, unaided, finds it impossible to supply. Conference allocations are granted basically only to established organizations applying on behalf of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution and having a budgetary record of substantial character covering a period of years.

"In order to insure the fullest application of its funds for current and future aid to Nazi victims, Conference allocations cannot be granted to replace local fund-raising efforts, or to repay debts incurred by applicant organizations, or to compensate institutions and individuals for economic damages or personal suffering incurred as a result of Nazi persecution, or to relieve organizations of responsibilities they had borne prior to the establishment of the Claims Conference. These policies are designed to facilitate the implementation of the contractual obligations imposed by the Hague Agreements under which the Conference receives its funds," the statement concludes.

COMMISSION FORMED TO STUDY PROBLEMS CONFRONTING AMERICAN ZIONISM

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- The appointment of Rabbi Joseph P. Sternstein of Dayton, Ohio, as national chairman of the newly formed ZOA Commission to study the fundamental problems confronting American Zionism was announced today by Mortimer May, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

The formation of this new commission is an outgrowth of the widely discussed plans for the formulation of specific Zionist tasks and responsibilities in this post-State era and the need for a planned and systematic effort to recruit increasing numbers of young people from throughout the country for leadership of the movement.

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COUNCIL FOR JUDAISM STATEMENT EVOKES IRE OF SAN FRANCISCO JEWS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Severe criticism of the American Council for Judaism was voiced in a communique issued by the San Francisco Jewish Community Relations Council taking issue with a statement by the president of the American Council for Judaism on the Arab-Israel controversy which was published by him in the press. Claiming that "the statement is subject to the interpretation that it imputes a divided loyalty to some American Jews," the Jewish Community Relations Council of San Francisco declared:

"San Francisco Jewry is proud of its position in San Francisco and the contributions which it has made. It is particularly proud of the fact that it has established harmonious relations with other groups within the general community and that divergencies in point of view within the Jewish community have been allowed to exist without recrimination or giving rise to enmities or division.

"Having this in mind, we feel strongly that to impute a disloyalty to this country to those who support whole-heartedly the State of Israel, is inexcusable and without justification. It is a disservice to American Jewry as a whole, and constitutes a failure to appreciate one of the basic principles of American democracy, namely the right of people to disagree in good faith without the imputation to them of improper and unpatriotic motives in connection with such disagreement."

ATTORNEY GENERAL CHECKS ANTI-JEWISH PROMOTER OF "CHRISTIAN" TV

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- A temporary injunction stopping stock sales by West Hooker, self-described "anti-Jewish" promoter of "a Christian television network," on the grounds that he had attempted to raise millions of dollars by "fraudulent practices" was obtained here by Attorney General Jacob K. Javits.

Hooker, who is president of Film Network, Inc. and Master Television Corp., is also editor of the "Nationalist Party Bulletin." He told newsmen, after he was served with the court papers, that "I am not anti-Semitic, a racial term, but I am anti-Jewish, a creed term, to the extent that Judaism is anti-Christian." Continuing to protest that he had never done anything wrong that he knew of, Hooker explained, "I'm a Christian and I want to get a little Christian influence into television."

Hooker used many persons as "salesmen" for his stock, including Bryant W. Bowles, head of the National Association for the Advancement of White People, and Merwin K. Hart, head of the National Economic Council, Inc. Hart was a "secret" shareholder by his own request, Hooker said, because Hart felt "he would hold us back because he was known supposedly as an anti-Semite."

75 PERCENT OF JEWISH POPULATION PROTECTED BY FAIR EMPLOYMENT LAWS

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Three-fourths of the nation's approximately five million Jews are currently living in areas protected by effective fair employment laws, it was disclosed in a new survey released today by the American Jewish Congress.

With the recent enactment of the Pennsylvania Fair Employment Law, 15 states now have laws outlawing discrimination in employment, based on race, religion and national origin. In addition, there are two cities - Cleveland and Youngstown - in a 16th state, Ohio, that presently have effective fair employment ordinances.

The 15 states that now bar bias in employment are: Colorado, Connecticut, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Washington and Wisconsin. In all but three of these - Indiana, Kansas and Wisconsin - the laws are fully enforceable, according to the AJC study.

DECREASE IN RACIAL BIAS IN U.S. PREDICTED AT N. C. C. J. ANNUAL PARLEY

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Diminishing racial prejudice in the United States was predicted yesterday by Morris Ernst, addressing a symposium at the 27th annual meeting of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Mr. Ernst said that with the growth of leisure time, Americans were becoming less orthodox, less rigid and more amenable to change.

A number of speakers at another panel rejected modern advertising methods as a means of spreading the doctrine of brotherhood. An alternate was suggested by University of Chicago educator Dr. Robert Havighurst, who noted a need for a study of the "genesis of hostility and prejudice, for our social attitudes are largely acquired through contagion."

IRA GULDEN REPORTS ON LACK OF HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUCTION IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- Four out of five Israel teen-agers receive no high school instruction whatsoever, it was reported today by Ira Gulden, New York banker, who recently returned from a tour of Middle Eastern countries. At a reception in his honor at the Waldorf Astoria, sponsored by the American Committee for Boys Town Jerusalem, Mr. Gulden, who is chairman of the board, was welcomed by many community leaders.