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### U. J. A. TO RAISE \$25,000,000 EXTRA FOR EMIGRATION OF NO. AFRICAN JEWS

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The United Jewish Appeal last night set in motion a drive to raise a special fund of \$25,000,000 "over and above" the full amount it hopes to collect through its regular 1956 nationwide campaign. The sum raised for the special fund will go exclusively to the immigration aid program of the Jewish Agency, which is now engaged in bringing over and settling in Israel 45,000 Jews from Morocco and Tunisia.

Launching of the special drive yesterday followed an emergency meeting on Friday at which more than 300 representatives of the country's major Jewish communities voted for the drive. Their action came after a personal plea from Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett in which he called upon Jews in the free world, and especially in the United States, to "bear the brunt" at this time of Israel's immigration, agricultural development and economic consolidation.

Mr. Sharett stated that Israel regards the reception, absorption and resettlement of North African Jews a priority task in view of the fact that so many have asked to come. "It must be the concern of American Jews," Mr. Sharett declared, "to see to it that this highly creative work, upon the success of which our entire future rests, should not only not be jeopardized by the present emergency but should, by very reason of it, expand and prosper."

The plan for raising the extra \$25,000,000 was presented to the 300 community leaders at the emergency conference by William Rosenwald, general chairman of the UJA, Edward M. M. Warburg, UJA president, and Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice-chairman of the UJA. The plan as adopted "enjoins the United Jewish Appeal to take immediate steps to raise a special UJA fund of \$25,000,000 to be separate from, and additional to, the sums that the UJA will raise in 1956 through its regular nationwide campaign."

### U. J. A. Leaders to Visit Every Major Community Within 30 Days

The UJA National Campaign Cabinet approved a plan today for its 57 members to visit every major Jewish community in the country in the next 30 days to secure commitments to the \$25,000,000 special fund. Mr. Warburg, who is also chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, a constituent and beneficiary organization of the UJA, reported that the "JDC is waiving all rights to participation in the special fund so that it can go in its entirety for immigration and absorption in Israel."

William Rosenwald, general chairman of the UJA, in keynoting the special drive at a meeting of the Appeal's top-level National Campaign Cabinet, termed it "an emergency departure from the UJA's accustomed fund-raising procedure necessitated by the grave arms crisis imposed on the freedom of the people of Israel by the Communist-Egyptian weapons arrangement." He emphasized that "the Communist arming of Egypt has seriously limited the ability of the Israel Government to contribute to the Jewish Agency's immigration programs, thereby making it necessary and imperative that American Jews lift this burden from the people of Israel to the fullest extent."

Mr. Rosenwald, who returned last week from visits to Israel and Europe, reported that close to 10,000 Jews from disturbed Morocco and Tunisia had arrived in Israel in the past ten weeks and that these were part of 45,000 North African Jews scheduled to come to Israel by next September. Samuel H. Daroff of Philadelphia, chairman of the National Campaign Cabinet, stated that close to 100,000 Jews in Morocco and Tunisia have registered for emigration to Israel. Senator Herbert H. Lehman of New York endorsed this call for aid and urged that American Jews rally in force behind the United Jewish Appeal.

### ISRAEL CABINET SEEKS ADDITIONAL 65,000,000 POUNDS TO MEET INCREASED NEEDS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet decided today to ask Parliament for legislation to raise an additional 65 million pounds during the 1955-56 fiscal year to balance the budget which has been thrown out of balance by the need for increased expenditures for arms and for the immigration and absorption of North African Jews.

Today's session was chaired by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol in the absence of Premier David Ben Gurion, who has been downed by a bout of flu and who is expected back at his desk Tuesday or Wednesday.

# WASHINGTON STUDIES ISRAEL'S ARMS LIST; ISRAEL AWAITS EARLY ACTION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Israel's list of defensive arms which was submitted last week to the State Department is now being studied by the Department of Defense and other United States agencies concerned, it was announced here today by a State Department spokesman.

The spokesman, Lincoln White, refused to reveal the types and amounts of arms requested by Israel. Asked to comment on reports that Israel's request included between 40 and 50 jet aircraft, he said the United States Government does not normally release details of such military requests and was asked by Israel to refrain from doing so in this case.

The total value, at actual market prices, of Communist arms being supplied to Egypt is now estimated at one-fourth of a billion dollars, according to a reliable source. Fearful that arms of such magnitude might produce an irresistible incentive for attack by Egypt, Israel authorities are anxiously awaiting action by the U.S. Government on their arms list.

Meanwhile, the State Department announced that the United States will establish "military and political liaison" with the nations of the Baghdad Pact linking Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Pakistan and Britain. The announcement was regarded here as a preliminary step to United States adherence to the Baghdad pact. "The powers concerned with that pact will meet in Baghdad tomorrow."

Israel views the Baghdad pact as unsound and unrealistic because, through exclusion of Israel, it does not view the area as a whole. It is potentially dangerous to Israel because the pact provides for the free grant of Western munitions to Iraq despite that country's refusal to conclude an armistice with Israel and continued violent anti-Jewish attitude. It is recalled in Israel circles that when Iraq and Turkey signed an accord which became the basis for the present pact, Turkey agreed to an anti-Israel clause demanded by Iraq.

## U.S. BALKS AT EDEN'S MID-EAST PROPOSAL; SHARETT CALLS IT "ILL ADVISED"

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden's proposal for mediation between Israel and the Arab states on the basis of a "compromise" whereby Israel would be required to make territorial concessions was "ill advised," Israel's Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett declared here at a luncheon tendered him by the United Nations Correspondents Association.

(From Washington the New York Times reported that the United States and Britain "see eye to eye on the imperative necessity" of resolving the Middle Eastern crisis but not necessarily on the methods that should be used. This, the Times says, became evident when the State Department, in response to inquiries, issued a statement with regard to Prime Minister Eden's offer to mediate between Israel and the Arab states. The American statement supported Sir Anthony's intentions but not necessarily his specific proposals. The key to the United States-British difference lies in Sir Anthony's suggestion that Israel and the Arab states "compromise" their boundary disputes, the Times report emphasized.)

Mr. Sharett said that "the demarcation lines along the Israel-Arab frontiers can be altered, but only by mutual consent, and not by force. There might be mutual adjustments if the Arabs and the Israelis met within the framework of the armistice agreements," he stated. Among some of the statements made by Mr. Sharett, in addition to his comment about Sir Anthony's proposal, were:

1. "What the Russians hope to gain by the Czech arms deal with Egypt is a foothold of influence in the Middle East to counter Western moves which they see as a potential danger."
2. "The generous financial support given Israel development by contributors in the United States is an indication of the hopefulness and the confidence in Israel's future, and not a sign of Israel's economic weakness. Israel might require less assistance for development purposes if it had peace and consequently had to spend less for its defense forces."
3. "A United States security treaty with Israel would, presumably, act as a deterrent of aggression against Israel."

Mr. Sharett explained that the Tripartite Declaration of 1950, announced by the United States, Britain and France, was based on two principles: maintenance of the status quo territorially, and maintenance of the balance of arms in the Middle East. "The second principle had been negated in part by Britain's grants of arms to Iraq," he pointed out. "The Declaration is an instrument imposed from above, without consultation with the countries affected. Its logical follow-up should be the conclusion of a security treaty imposing obligations mutually agreed upon among the nations concerned," he stressed.

## EBAN REJECTS SUGGESTION BY U. N. OFFICIAL ON PALESTINE ARAB REFUGEES

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Encouraging the Arab refugees in the Middle East to "choose" between repatriation and compensation, as proposed by Henry R. Labouisse, director of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees, could lead only to "frustration and tragedy," in the opinion of Abba S. Eban, chairman of the Israel delegation here.

Mr. Eban spoke on the Arab refugee problem over the week-end in an hour-and-a-half address before the General Assembly's special political committee. The committee has been discussing the Arab refugee problem for a week, and the air here has been blue with violent attacks against Israel by many of the Arab delegates. The future of the refugees, Mr. Eban declared, lies in the Arab lands.

## JEWISH VOCATIONAL AGENCIES REPORT REDUCTION IN EMPLOYMENT BIAS

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Fair employment practice laws apparently have reduced discriminatory questioning of applicants about their religion by both employers and commercial employment agencies, although the asking of such questions is still widespread. This is one of the findings in a survey report released today, based on a questionnaire survey of the experience of 2,053 applicants registering at Jewish vocational service agencies in 16 cities in the United States and Canada during March, 1955.

The report reveals that in U. S. cities not covered by state or local fair employment laws, 40 percent of those who had also registered with private employment agencies had been asked about their religion. In cities protected by FEP laws, only about four percent had been asked such questions at private employment agencies.

Similar, but less striking differences were found in the case of those who had applied direct to employers. In cities without FEP, 17 percent reported they had been asked about their religion, as compared with about eight and one-half percent in FEP cities. The longer FEP had been in effect in a particular city, the less questioning about religion was reported.

The survey was part of a long range cooperative program undertaken jointly by Jewish vocational agencies and Jewish community relations agencies. The program is under the direction of a joint committee on employment discrimination of the Jewish Occupational Council and the National Community Relations Advisory Council. Questionnaires were filled out by applicants at Jewish vocational agencies in Baltimore, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Detroit, Houston, Los Angeles, Louisville, Miami, Minneapolis, New York, Pittsburgh, St. Louis and Montreal.

## COLLEGES FACE RELIGIOUS BIAS IN FINDING JOBS FOR STUDENTS

CHICAGO, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- More than half of the colleges in the Midwest have difficulty finding jobs for students because of race, religion or national origin. This was revealed in a seven-state survey of college placement offices in Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

The study was conducted by the Midwest Educators Committee on Discrimination in Higher Education in cooperation with the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, preliminary to a conference of the Illinois Committee on Discriminations in Higher Education which meets here.

Results of a questionnaire replied to by 151 college and university placement offices showed that more than 50 percent of them have difficulty in placing minority group students. In only two states--Minnesota, with 35 percent and Wisconsin with 19 percent--did the proportion fall below one-half. Racial prejudice, the study revealed, is the greatest barrier. Religious bias was second, and discrimination on the basis of national origin, third.

There were slight variations from this pattern in the separate states surveyed, with Minnesota leading all other states in reporting religion as the greatest difficulty in placements, and Iowa reporting the qualification of "national origin" as the most prevalent.

## J. D. C. AND FORD FOUNDATION HELP TO OPEN JEWISH CENTER IN PARIS

PARIS, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- A community center for youth, sponsored originally by the Joint Distribution Committee and aided by grants from the Ford Foundation, was opened here today and hailed as a "unique example of cooperation between international social welfare agencies."

The building was purchased through a Ford Foundation contribution, while furniture and equipment were furnished by the JDC and the Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. Upkeep of the Center has been taken over by SJU - the central Jewish welfare organization of France.

Conduct of the center will be patterned after the best practices of American institutions of this nature. Plans and the program for the center had been drawn up by Louis Kraft, JDC consultant on community centers and director of the World Federation of Young Men's Hebrew Associations. Henri Nilstein, executive director of the Center, spent a year in the United States under a Ford Foundation grant studying similar programs in the United States.

### 300 TECHNICAL EXPERTS HOLD TWO-DAY PARLEY ON ISRAEL IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Three hundred technical experts from the United States and abroad participated today and yesterday in a special "Conference on Technology for Israel and the Middle East" sponsored by the American Technion Society. Nineteen technical papers were delivered by leading figures in the fields of science, engineering and industry on five major topics: natural resources, water supply, housing, technical manpower and power resources of the area.

David Rose, international housing authority and president of the Technion Society, reviewed the housing problems of Israel and pointed out that "the immediate need for housing has caused the builders to seek methods that promise quick and dramatic results." This has led to many experiments with low cost materials, Mr. Rose said, and although much progress has been made there remains much to be done in the way of research,

Dr. Joseph Barneau, of the Water Resources and Power Section of the United Nations Bureau of Economic Affairs, noting that the area had considerable quantities of brackish water and that Israel had begun a survey of it, suggested development of cheap methods of converting it into sweet water. He also urged research into the use of brackish and salt water in industries, households, agriculture and power generation. Dr. Barneau proposed developing three forms of energy that require little or no fuel transportation--sun, wind and nuclear power.

Professor Abel Wolman, head of the Sanitary Engineering Department of Johns Hopkins University, advocating the re-use of the small water resources of the area, reported that sewage water has been run out to sea, a practice which he termed "a great waste." The city of Tel Aviv, he said, has agreed to divert this water inland for irrigation purposes, and he expressed the hope that Haifa, Jerusalem and other cities in the area would follow suit.

### AMERICAN MIZRACHI CONVENTION ADOPTS \$1,000,000 BUDGET FOR NEW YEAR

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The 35th annual national convention of the Mizrahi Organization of America closed here tonight after it had adopted a \$1,000,000 budget for the following year and had re-elected Rabbi Mordecai Kirschblum as president. The religious Zionist convention also adopted a resolution calling on the State Department to send arms to Israel to help the Jewish State defend itself, and then to conclude a mutual assistance pact with it.

Dr. Arthur C. Liveran, member of Israel's permanent delegation at the United Nations, told the 800 delegates from all parts of the United States that a "balance of arms" between Israel and the Arab states will not alone suffice to preserve the peace in the Middle East. He insisted that in addition to arms for Israel, the United States must also conclude a mutual defense treaty with Israel if it wishes to save the peace of the area.

The delegates adopted a resolution calling for the merger including complete administrative and financial consolidation of the Mizrahi and Hapoel Hamizrachi in the United States within six months, in line with the decisions of the two movements to amalgamate on a worldwide basis.

### CANADIAN HADASSAH OPENS FOUR-DAY PARLEY; HONORS CANADIAN PREMIER

OTTAWA, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- A four-day convention of the Hadassah organization of Canada opened here today with delegates representing the 15,000 members in attendance. The first function of note today was a reception given for the delegates by Israel Ambassador Michael S. Comay and his wife at the Embassy. Justice I. C. Rand of the Supreme Court of Canada officiated at a tree planting ceremony at the reception.

Louis St. Laurent, Prime Minister of Canada, was scheduled to receive a citation from Hadassah tonight. Edward Gelber, president of the Zionist Organization of Canada will be the guest speaker at a banquet tomorrow evening.

### NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD HONORS SAMUEL GOLDSMITH IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The National Jewish Welfare Board, parent organization of 350 affiliated Jewish community centers and the government-authorized agency for religious and morale services to Jewish servicemen and hospitalized veterans, honored its first director, Samuel A. Goldsmith, at a luncheon here of welfare leaders from the Chicago area.

Mr. Goldsmith, present director of the Jewish Federation of Chicago, received a citation in the form of an embossed resolution recently passed by the organization's board of directors. The presentation was made by JWB national president, Charles Aaron of Chicago.

### FIRST CLASS OF TEACHERS GRADUATES FROM HAYM GREENBERG SEMINARY

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The first class of 27 Jewish teachers from communities outside Israel was graduated here today from the Haym Greenberg Teachers Seminary, named in honor of the late American Labor Zionist leader. The graduates come from Argentina, Brazil, Mexico, Tangiers and the United States.