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EISENHOWER AND DULLES DISCUSS ARAB-ISRAEL SITUATION IN WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The Arab-Israel situation was discussed today in the White House when Secretary of State John Foster Dulles met with President Eisenhower for more than an hour reviewing major developments, it was indicated in informed government circles.

State Department sources said today that no decision has yet been reached on Israel's arms list, submitted several weeks ago. On the other hand the administration is certain that Congress will approve the projected financial aid to Egypt for the building of the Aswan Dam, although some debating of the suggested American aid to Egypt is expected in Congress.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced that authorization issued to Israel last June for the purchase of wheat or wheat flour has been extended and increased to \$2,214,000. Since purchases totaling \$1,145,000 were previously made, the action will permit the purchase of an additional \$1,068,000 worth of wheat or wheat flour, including certain ocean transportation costs.

The National Academy of Sciences today reported that Israel will participate in a project to be undertaken by leading world scientists who will conduct the most comprehensive investigations in solar activity, meteorology, rocket exploration of the upper stratosphere, geomagnetism, gravity measurements, latitude and longitude determinations, ionospheric physics, aurora and glow, cosmic rays, glaciology, oceanography and seismology.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR ISRAEL SEEN IN U.N.; WAR NOT CONSIDERED LIKELY

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The prediction that no Arab-Israel war is likely in the near future and that Israel's prospects for friendly consideration by the democratic world will be better in 1956 than ever before was made here today by a number of diplomatic observers, despite the fact that Syria demands Israel's expulsion from UN membership.

Israel will probably draw Security Council censure for her reprisal attack on Syria's outposts on Lake Tiberias, but no doubt exists in United Nations circles that Syria's call for expulsion and for economic sanctions against Israel will not find the echo in the Council which the Arab bloc anticipates. Especially is this so, since the composition of the Council changes on January 1, with Yugoslavia taking Turkey's place, Cuba replacing Brazil, and Australia taking over New Zealand's place.

At present, Marshall Tito of Yugoslavia is off to try to induce Egyptian leaders in Cairo to talk peace with Israel. It is therefore assumed that Tito's representative on the Security Council is not likely to take a "tough" line against Israel here. Cuba, another of the new Council members, is a member of the Latin American bloc which is often sympathetic to Israel. Australia's stand on Israel is likely to resemble New Zealand's--a moderate viewpoint that does not overlook Israel's cause as against the Arab states.

The Syrian wish for Israel's expulsion thus remains an empty proposal unless a member of the Council sponsors a resolution to put it up for formal discussion. The Syrians had asked the Soviet Union to sponsor the resolution but were turned down. The USSR's A. A. Sobolev did tell the Council that Syria's resolution should be given attention--but that was lip service to appease the Arab bloc; it is not believed the USSR will go nearly as far in condemning Israel as the Syrians would like.

151 BRITISH TANKS SENT FROM BELGIUM TO EGYPT; ABOUT 200 MORE TO GO

BRUSSELS, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The Egyptian freighter "Sai Kahira," which sailed from Antwerp last week, carried 51 reconditioned British Valentine tanks, informed sources reported here today. Earlier reports were to the effect that the vessel had been loaded with 15 of the tanks. It is understood here today that a total of 359 Valentines had been imported here from Britain for "reconditioning," and that 151 of these tanks have already been shipped to Egypt.

HERUT GROUP DEMONSTRATES AGAINST SHARETT; DISPERSED BY POLICE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Members of the right-wing Herut Party here staged a demonstration yesterday in front of the offices of the Foreign Ministry where, at the time, Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett met with the Cabinet to report on the world political situation as seen by him following his recent trip abroad.

The demonstrators carried umbrellas bearing such inscriptions as "Traitor!" "Munich," and "We don't want another Auschwitz." Strong police detachments dispersed the demonstrators. There were no arrests.

DUTCH PARLIAMENT HEARS FOREIGN MINISTER ON ARAB-ISRAEL ISSUE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Holland, which was among the nations responsible for the survival of Israel as a member of the United Nations, stands completely aloof from the tendency of the Arab states to deny Israel's existence, Dutch Foreign Minister Dr. Lun today told the second chamber of the Dutch Parliament. He declared that Israel and the Arabs were both responsible for border incidents, but Israel has sometimes gone too far in its retaliation for Arab incursions.

Referring to the list of questions received by Dutch businessmen from an Arab boycott committee in Damascus, requesting information as to their business dealings with Israel and whether they employ Jewish personnel, Dr. Lun said that Holland would not be intimidated by the boycott. There is no legal principle for the boycott, since there is an armistice between Israel and the Arab states and no state of war exists, Dr. Lun asserted. Liberal and Catholic Socialist deputies later joined in the expression of warmth toward Israel, and urged that the Government make an official statement with respect to the Arab boycott attempts.

ARAB, IN YIDDISH BROADCAST FROM RUMANIA, URGES PEACE WITH ISRAEL

LONDON, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Youssef Hilmi, secretary of the Egyptian Peace Movement and a member of the World Peace Council, today appealed in a Yiddish broadcast from Bucharest to the Israelis for a combined effort to settle the Arab-Israel dispute. Mr. Hilmi suggested that the effort be launched with a conference of the Arab countries, Israel, the countries which were represented at the recent Bandung Conference and the Big Four Powers.

The purpose of this conference, according to the broadcast, would be to work out a solution providing for the right of Israel to an independent, democratic state and a "similar right for the Arab people." Hilmi was said to have asserted that "No problem can be solved by war; let's cooperate to achieve peace."

VANDALS INVADE JEWISH DOCUMENTATION CENTER IN PARIS; DESTROY FILES

PARIS, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Vandals broke into the offices of the Jewish Documentation Center here today and destroyed important files and records. They also smashed a typewriter with Hebrew characters--leaving untouched three typewriters with Roman characters--evidently to point up their anti-Semitic intent.

The Center is sponsoring the erection here of the Tomb of the Unknown Jewish Martyr, commemorating the memory of the 6,000,000 Jews annihilated by the Nazis. Recently, the organization also published a book exposing anti-Semitism rampant in France under the Vichy regime during World War II. The book had aroused considerable displeasure among French fascist elements.

JEWISH CONGRESS PROTESTS RELEASE OF NAZI COMMANDER WHO BURNED JEWS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress today protested to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles against the recommendation for parole of the Nazi SS Col. Johachim Peiper, commander of the "Blowtorch Battalion" which burned Jews to death. Col. Peiper was termed at the Nuremberg trial of Nazi war criminals as "the principal" in the massacre of Allied soldiers in Malmedy in 1944.

"The American Jewish Congress finds it incredible that the American representative on the International Review Board should acquiesce in the decision to release the Nazi war criminals and thus deprive American military officials of all discretion to withhold clemency," the AJC protest stated. "Such a policy is intolerable and demands immediate investigation. The long-range effect of a deliberate policy to commute the sentences of Nazi war criminals are certain to be calamitous. The most reactionary and recalcitrant nationalist elements in Germany are thus strengthened and encouraged. They are given leadership with American halos replacing their Nazi helmets."

JEWISH FUND-RAISING DRIVES IN FRANCE REPORTED EXCEEDING GOALS

PARIS, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- A special campaign by the Zionist Federation of France, to raise 40,000,000 francs to aid emigration of North African Jews wishing to go to Israel, has gone over the top and will be continued for the remainder of this month, Zionist Federation officials announced here today.

At the same time, officials of the French equivalent of the United Jewish Appeal announced that, far from suffering feared losses in contributions due to the Zionist campaign, the Appeal's receipts thus far have exceeded last year's by more than 40 percent.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE ATTACKS ARAB ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Attacks against American Jews by Arab propagandists "can only contribute to disunity among Americans and confuse the issue in the Middle East," the American Jewish Committee warned today.

Declaring that "there is no doubt that Arab propagandists are seeking, by their use of anti-Semitic propaganda, to weaken the status of Jews in America," the AJC reported that allied with the Arab propagandists are many of America's right-wing propagandists, who "in happy accord with any anti-Semitic campaign, are publicizing the Arab view." The result of such activity is "obstructing the development of a sound American policy" for the Middle East, the report said.

"The American Jewish Committee is a non-Zionist organization, but it deeply resents any implication that Zionists or other Jews in the United States are disloyal to their country," the AJC statement emphasized. It named Arab diplomats as the worst offenders. These include Mohammed Fadhel el-Jamali, chairman of the Iraq delegation to the UN General Assembly; Farid Zeineddine, Syrian Ambassador to the United States; and Mohammed Habib, press attache at the Egyptian Embassy in Washington. Arab diplomats, the AJC points out, "for years have been using the forum of the United Nations for similar attacks on American Jews, accusing them of 'dual loyalty', 'dual nationality', 'dual allegiance'."

The AJC report states that among the anti-Semites who have jumped on the Arab bandwagon are Gerald L. K. Smith and Conde McGinley, in addition to such organizations "as the openly Hitlerite National Renaissance Party." Most of the Arab propaganda seems to emanate from Cairo, the AJC says, citing the Egyptian-inspired pamphlet, "Jewish Atrocities in the Holy Land." A second pamphlet, "The Story of Zionist Espionage in Egypt," obviously written in Cairo, is being distributed by Smith, McGinley and other extreme right-wingers whose hatred for America's Jews "has inspired their devotion to the Arab cause."

The AJC calls attention to the anti-Semitic, anti-Israel arguments used by America's anti-Semites who continuously equate Communism with Zionism, insisting that Zionism and Communism both seek "world supremacy." "The anti-Semites have eagerly picked up and amplified these arguments, though how they will find evidence of Zionist-Communist rapport in the shipment of Czech arms to Egypt remains to be seen," the AJC points out. It deplores the adoption "by more respectable elements of American public opinion," such as the American Friends of the Middle East, of the false charge by America's anti-Semites and Arab propagandists that the so-called "Jewish vote" exerts an influence on American foreign policy in the Middle East.

CONFERENCE TRACES AMERICAN INTEREST IN PALESTINE OVER 300 YEARS

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Three centuries of continuing American interest in Palestine, and in the Jewish restoration to Palestine, were uncovered by leading historians here today in the religious and secular literature of the United States since the 17th Century and in the columns of newspapers and periodicals published in this country during the past 200 years. The historians are participating in a two-day Conference on the Early History of Zionism in America, convened by the American Jewish Historical Society and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, being held at the Theodor Herzl Institute here.

The opening session of the conference was a seminar on "Pre-Herzlian Zionism," or the emergence in this country of the idea of the Jewish restoration to Palestine prior to the organization of political Zionism by Theodor Herzl in 1897. The conference also heard a paper prepared by Dr. Alex Bein, director of the Central Zionist Archives of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, describing the vast wealth of historical material available to the researcher, a large portion of which originated in the United States.

In a paper tracing the changing concepts of Palestine in 17th, 18th and 19th Century American literature, Dr. Samuel H. Levine, educator and lecturer at Long Island University, observed that "from the days of the early and literary New England divines, Palestine, as theme of passion, in book, in sermon or in place name, has been present in American life and letter. In some periods it was central; in others only peripheral. But it was always there."

In a study of "The American Press and Jewish Restoration During the 19th Century," Dr. Milton Plesur, of the University of Buffalo, noted that while the term "Zionism" did not begin to appear in the American press until the mid-1890's, there was always "a rather remarkable and persisting concern for a Jewish restoration," and "Jewish colonies established in Palestine sporadically throughout the last century attracted considerable attention."

Dr. Plesur believes that part of the newspaper and periodical concern with Palestine was stimulated by travel and exploration there. Also, throughout the 19th Century, the many Jewish persecutions aroused American sympathies, he points out. "Long before Herzl, a nation still moved by daring feats of pioneering, perceived that the Jew had a stake in his old homeland," he stresses. "The New York Daily Tribune reported in 1855 that agricultural colonization had achieved great results and supported the idea that Czarist victims should rebuild Palestine."

ZIM ISRAEL LINE TO EXPAND SERVICES BETWEEN NEW YORK AND HAIFA

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The Zim Israel Navigation Company will expand both passenger and cargo services between New York and Israel in the next twelve months, it was announced here today. It will run passenger sailings from New York to Haifa every three weeks; cargo sailings from New York, Baltimore and Philadelphia in passenger ships and by modern passenger-carrying freighters; and general cargo as well as bulk cargo services from Gulf and South Atlantic ports directly to Israel.

These schedules were announced here today by Dr. N. Wydra, managing director of the Zim Lines, who declared that by the end of this year the company will have a fleet of 23 passenger and cargo ships, with every older vessel replaced by a new, modern one.

HEBREW THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE TO ERECT NEW CAMPUS; SEEKS \$5,000,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The acquisition of a 16-acre site to relocate the Hebrew Theological College and to initiate a liberal arts college was announced today by Dr. Oscar Z. Fasman, president of the College. Dr. Fasman also announced a \$5,000,000 campaign for the purpose of constructing all necessary buildings on the new college campus.

Located in Chicago since 1922, the College will move to its new site in Skokie, Ill. Groundbreaking exercises will take place about April 1, 1956 and classes for Jewish studies will commence on the new campus for the fall session of 1956. The liberal arts college will not be opened until September, 1957. The program in this school will emphasize studies in education with the view toward ultimately establishing a graduate school in education.

SUGARMAN RESIGNS AS BOND CHAIRMAN IN ISRAEL; RESIGNATION REGRETTED

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- The resignation of Joseph Sugarman, civic leader in Israel, as chairman in Israel of the Israel Bond Organization, was announced today by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice president of the Development Corporation for Israel, which directs the Israel bond drive.

In his post, Mr. Sugarman was responsible for the activities of the Israel bond organization in Israel, and represented the organization in many of its negotiations with the Government of Israel. "It is with deep regret that we in the Israel Bond Organization accept Joseph Sugarman's resignation, which he has submitted for personal reasons," Dr. Schwartz said in making the announcement.

SAMUEL NIGER-CHARNEY, NOTED JEWISH CRITIC, DEAD; FUNERAL WEDNESDAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- Samuel Niger (Charney), famous Yiddish author, literary critic and editor, died this week-end at the age of 72 after a sudden heart attack. Funeral services, arranged by a memorial committee consisting of many of the outstanding Jewish writers in the country, will be held Wednesday.

Born in Dukor, near Minsk, young Charney came to the United States soon after the Bolshevik revolution in Russia. He had been one of the founders of the Labor Zionist movement in Russia, studied at the Universities of Berlin and Berne, edited various literary journals in Vilna, and founded in that city the Literarische Monatschrift, a monthly devoted to the championing of Yiddish literature. As early as 1907, he attracted wide attention through his criticism of Russian literature and through a critique of the work of Sholom Aleichem.

In New York, he joined at first the staff of the Jewish Daily Forward, and then associated himself with the Jewish Day with which he worked for 35 years. He was the author of about 20 volumes of literary analysis, criticism and literary history in Yiddish, Hebrew and Russian, and one of the editors of the Jewish Encyclopedic Handbooks. He also taught at the Jewish Teachers Seminary.

One of the founders of the Yivo Institute for Jewish Research, he had attended a small meeting of leaders of Yivo Saturday night, and was on his way home in Brooklyn when he collapsed of a heart attack on a platform of the Broadway subway line. He died within a short time after being removed to Harlem Hospital, without regaining consciousness. He was a brother of the late Charney-Vladeck, noted Socialist leader and former manager of the Jewish Daily Forward.

JEWS IN ENGLAND TO START TERCENTENARY CELEBRATION NEXT WEEK

LONDON, Dec. 26. (JTA) -- With Queen Elizabeth, the British Museum, and other prominent individuals and organizations contributing materials, an exhibition of Anglo-Jewish art and history will be opened here January 5, at the Victoria and Albert Museum, as the inaugural event of a year-long celebration observing the tercentenary of Jewish resettlement in Britain. The Jews, forbidden to live in England for a long time, returned here in 1656 after negotiations between Rabbi Menasseh Ben Israel, of Amsterdam, and Oliver Cromwell.

Lord Samuel is president of the Tercentenary Council, a special group organized for the commemoration, and the joint chairmen are Rabbi A. Cohen and Ewen Montagu. Queen Elizabeth has loaned for the special exhibit some precious historical materials in her personal possession.