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EDEN PROPOSES STATIONING OF U. N. ARMED FORCES ON ARAB-ISRAEL BORDERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- A British proposal to station United Nations armed forces in demilitarized zones separating Israel and the Arab states was discussed today by President Eisenhower and British Prime Minister Eden. While no decision or agreement was reached the matter was not ruled out. It was also learned that Israel's application to buy Western arms has been discussed.

Attention has been focused on measures to prevent an Arab-Israel war and on what might be done if war comes. Reaffirmation of the 1950 Tripartite Declaration was discussed. A French memorandum on the Middle East was discussed and French viewpoints were taken into consideration.

It was learned that no formal plans were laid on the table, but that suggestions and ideas were contributed by both sides. Consideration of various possible courses of action was reported, but precise proposals and decisions will not be taken until tomorrow. A communique to be published tomorrow may enunciate the views agreed upon.

A special working group on the Arab-Israel situation has been created for the conference. Members include British expert Evelyn Shuckburgh and George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs.

Arab circles here today indicated that a joint memorandum on behalf of all Arab states will be presented to President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Eden in Washington demanding that no decision be taken on the Arab-Israel issue before consultations with the Arab governments.

Meanwhile, North African nationalists sent a message today to Mr. Eisenhower and Sir Anthony urging "implementation of the United Nations resolutions on Palestine." The message, signed by the Committee for Freedom of North Africa, said: "The serious threat of Communism in the Eastern Arab states, as well as the danger of the Palestinian stalemate are interdependent. Both can be effectively resisted by the implementation of the United Nations resolutions on Palestine, and the immediate withdrawal of the British-sponsored troops from the territory of Saudi Arabia, Yemen and Oman to be followed with negotiations and friendly settlement safeguarding the legitimate interests of all concerned."

Dulles Urged to Reject Eden's Proposals Affecting Israel Territory

A plea that Secretary of State Dulles reject as "appeasement" any proposals that Israel cede territory in favor of the Arab nations was made today by the Czechoslovak National Council of America. Suggesting that Prime Minister Eden will advance such a proposal during his visit here, A. J. Valucke, vice-president of the Czechoslovak Council, called it "a dangerous and futile scheme which can only result in encouraging the Arab states to increase their demands on Israel."

"Moreover," Mr. Valucke declared in his wire to Mr. Dulles, "it bears a frightening parallel to the events which preceded the tragic betrayal of democratic Czechoslovakia in 1938. That sacrifice proved once and for all that appeasement is no solution in international relations. It did not work in Europe in 1938; it will not work in the Middle East in 1956." He said that the members of the Czechoslovak National Council, "sobbed by memories of our fathers' beloved homeland," could not stand idly by and watch Israel "be offered up as a ransom for Arab favor."

Two Congressmen, a Democrat and a Republican, joined today at a Zionist mass meeting here to urge arms for Israel and express concern about the security of the Jewish State. Rep. Albert P. Morano, Connecticut Republican, said he favored providing Israel with adequate munitions with which to defend herself. He said the only real solution to the problem was an agreement entered mutually by Egypt and Israel and guaranteed by the United Nations. In such an agreement, he said, the present borders of Israel must be guaranteed.

Rep. Thomas Dodd, Connecticut Democrat, said that "the best interest of the United States of America will be best served by honoring the integrity and independence of Israel." He added that if the aggressors in the Middle East realize that they will be met by the "might of the free world," they will not begin aggression. A resolution was adopted at the meeting urging the United States Government "to reject any proposal to appease the Arab dictators and to force the surrender to them of parts of Israel's territory."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- A number of Democratic members of Congress indicated today that they were not inclined to accept the proposal by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to exempt the Arab-Israel issue from discussion until after the Presidential elections.

They were joined by Governor G. Mennen Williams of Michigan, an important contender for the Democratic Presidential nomination, who declared at the National Press Club here that American defensive arms should be given to Israel to maintain the balance of military power in the Middle East. He said that the fundamental problem is not Israel's need for arms but the lack of a positive American policy in the Middle East.

At the same time, Senator Theodore Francis Green, a Democrat and member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, today ruled out U.S. military assistance and a bilateral security treaty with Israel. In a report on a study mission in the Middle East, he said that the United States must avoid a situation where it becomes identified as pro-Israel while the Soviet Union becomes identified as pro-Arab.

Sen. Green said the ultimate solution to the Arab-Israel problem lies with the parties themselves, assisted by the United Nations. He admitted that the Egyptian arms deal with Czechoslovakia increased the possibility of war between the Arab states and Israel and predicted that this possibility will tend to increase as the Egyptians feel stronger and the Israelis feel their military superiority diminishing.

Want U.S. Warning to Arabs not to Accept More Arms from Soviets

Among the Democratic Congressmen who today indicated their intention of keeping the Arab-Israel issue alive were: Rep. Peter Rodino of New Jersey, Rep. John Dingell of Michigan, Rep. Abraham Multer of New York and others. Rep. Multer called Congress' attention to the joint statement issued by former President Harry Truman, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt and labor leader Walter P. Reuther urging the U.S. to supply arms to Israel. He suggested that the statement should be made known by members of Congress to the heads of the American and British Governments now conferring in Washington on the Middle East.

Rep. Rodino urged the U.S. to give arms to Israel and conclude security treaties with each of the nations in the Middle East. Israel, he said, must have defensive arms so that "her people may not be exposed to imminent annihilation." Rep. Dingell said that the Arab countries must be given "immediate instruction that unless they cease accepting Russian arms at once and notify the U.S. of their intent to do so within 48 hours we will take necessary steps to protect not only the interests of America and the free world but of Israel, "and make available "such offensive and defensive arms as we might deem necessary to Israel's defense."

Rep. James P. Richards, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that in his talks with Secretary Dulles on January 20, neither he nor Mr. Dulles had mentioned the question of sending arms to Israel, nor had there been any mention of any legislation connected with it.

The report on the Richards-Dulles meeting, which had originated in Congressional circles, had asserted that Rep. Richards had told Mr. Dulles that "Zionist pressure" to secure action on the Israel application should be overlooked in the final determination of policy. Rep. Richards stated: "There was never in our conversations any mention of Zionist pressure or of any other kind of pressure." Rep. Richards added: "I had the privilege of attending a conference in Washington in the last ten days, at which I heard and respected the views of the Zionist leadership on all these issues just as I would the views of all other Americans."

BEN GURION SAYS EGYPT DID NOT ACCEPT HAMMARSKJOLD'S PLANS ON GAZA

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Egyptian Premier Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser only accepted UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's proposals dealing with the Nitzana-El Auja area, and not proposals concerning the Gaza strip, Premier David Ben Gurion told the Israel Parliament yesterday. He added that Col. Nasser had added several conditions to his acceptance.

Mr. Ben Gurion's remarks were in reply to a query by Mapai deputy Akiba Govrin whether daily Egyptian shooting across the Gaza strip frontier did not constitute a violation of Col. Nasser's agreement with Mr. Hammarskjold. Mr. Ben Gurion noted that the two areas were unrelated as far as the Egyptian acceptance of UN proposals was concerned. He reported that Mr. Hammarskjold on this latest occasion and Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, UN truce chief, had requested Col. Nasser to issue a cease-fire order in the Gaza area, but that the Egyptian Premier had refused.

Meanwhile, UN truce headquarters here announced that Syria had agreed to participate in negotiations designed by Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, UN truce supervisor, to reduce tension along the Israel-Syrian border. UN headquarters, however, refused to comment on such details as the time and place of the talks and whether Syria had agreed to an exchange of prisoners with Israel. Gen. Burns is expected to leave for Damascus today to continue preparations for the talks. Truce headquarters revealed that it expects the marking of the border between Israel and Egypt in the Nitzana-El Auja area to begin Thursday.

ISRAEL FINANCE MINISTER PRESENTS 900,000,000-POUND BUDGET TO CABINET

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Finance Minister Levi Eshkol laid estimates for a 900 million pound budget for the fiscal year 1956-57 before the Israel Cabinet yesterday. In addition, Mr. Eshkol proposed the imposition of a special tax to raise a 50 million-pound defense fund and continuation of the campaign to bring to its 25 million pound goal a voluntary defense fund started with contributions by the Israeli people when they heard that Czechoslovakia was selling Egypt offensive weapons.

The Cabinet also heard a report by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett on current international developments, including Anglo-American developments. Mr. Sharett reported in detail on talks held by Premier Ben Gurion and himself with United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld during the latter's visit here last week.

JEWISH AGENCY ADOPTS NEW BUDGET; APPROVES 10,000,000-POUND LOAN

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive, in plenary session last night, approved a 1956-57 budget of 157,125,000 pounds, including an increase of 13 million pounds asked by Dr. Giora Josephthal, Agency treasurer, to replace funds originally expected from the Israel Government for immigrant housing. The budget is expected to insure the reception of 45,000 immigrants this year.

The executive also approved a proposal to guarantee a ten million pound bond issue to be floated by the Keren Hayesod, financial arm of the Agency. The bonds would bear six and one-half percent interest and would be repayed within eight years at a rate tied to either the Israel cost of living index or the dollar rate.

In a lengthy report today, Premier Ben Gurion told the Agency session that the situation of Israel as a result of the Soviet and Anglo-American "race" to supply the Arabs with arms was far graver than people abroad realized. He appealed to the Zionist movement to help strengthen Israel, asserting that a well armed Israel would not be able to fight off Arab aggression but would be a stabilizing factor in the Middle East because the Arabs would not dare attack if Israel were well prepared.

TWO NEW SECURITY PROJECTS FOR JERUSALEM REPORTED PROGRESSING

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Progress on two new security projects for Jerusalem--a new road through the corridor and a new reservoir--was reported today by the Public Works Department of the Ministry of Labor. The road will run 15 kilometers from Deir-E-Sheikh to Hartuv and is being constructed at a cost of two million pounds. The first four kilometers have already been completed. Before the road is completed, 400,000 cubic meters of rock will have to be blasted out.

The reservoir is being constructed at Bait Vegan at an elevation of more than 2,500 feet and will be able to supply most quarters in the capital without the aid of pumps. Its capacity will be four times that of the Romema reservoir and will be about 90,000 cubic meters. Jerusalem's daily water consumption in the summer reaches 18,000 cubic meters.

BILL ON LABOR INTRODUCED IN KNESSET; AIMS TO CUT STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Labor Minister Golda Myerson introduced a bill in the Knesset today, designed to settle more labor disputes by peaceful means and cut the number of strikes and lockouts in Israel. The measure provides for the establishment of a Council for Labor Relations which would name chairmen of compulsory arbitration committees in different industries.

Mrs. Myerson reported that between 1950 and 1954 there were 372 strikes and lockouts in the country. This amounted to an annual average of three man-days lost, comparing favorably with the United States where the average loss during that period was nearly five times as great, but comparing unfavorably with Britain, Holland and the Scandinavian countries where the loss due to labor trouble is only one-third the Israeli rate.

The Progressive Party, small centrist group within the government coalition, threatened today to walk out of the coalition unless the government keeps its promise to raise the wages of top white collar and scientific workers in the government service. A resolution adopted by the party's executive council said that if the government did not "fulfill the decisions and obligations accepted last September in reference to government employees' wages," the party would quit the coalition. It gave the government a week to arrive at a solution.

YOUNGEST JEW PERMITTED TO EMIGRATE FROM SOVIET UNION REACHES ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- A family separated for 18 years was reunited here today in a moving scene, as the youngest person to reach here from the Soviet Union--Constantin Silverman, 35--and his mother Rosa, met with Mr. Silverman and another son, Mrs. Silverman, 66, and her son, came here from the Uzbekistan township of Fergana.

The family was separated when the war broke out. Mrs. Silverman and Constantin were visiting Riga, while Mr. Silverman was in England. Two other sons were already in Palestine at that time. One of the sons is a member of a kibbutz, and the other--Leo Savir--is now press attaché at the Israel Embassy in London.

DR. BURG, ISRAEL MINISTER, ARRIVES IN U.S. TO AID BOND DRIVE

NEW YORK, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph Burg, Israel's Minister of Post, Telephones and Telegraph, arrived at Idlewild Airport today to participate in the Inaugural Conference for Israel Bonds to be held at the Hotel Seville in Miami Beach this week-end. The cabinet member is scheduled for an intensive one-month tour on behalf of the Israel bond campaign.

The conference, which is being held to launch the 1956 campaign of the Israel bond drive to raise \$75,000,000 for Israel's economic development, will bring together Jewish community leaders from all parts of the United States and Canada.

JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCES OFFER OF SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS

NEW YORK, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- The third annual program of international scholarship and fellowship grants for the academic year 1956-57 will be offered by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, it was announced here today. The grants will be awarded to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution who qualify for Jewish teacher training scholarships, graduate scholarships in Jewish studies and research fellowships for independent projects in Jewish arts, letters and social sciences.

Last year 190 successful candidates in France, Britain, Holland, Italy, Sweden, Switzerland, Yugoslavia, Canada, U.S. and Brazil received scholarship and fellowship grants totaling \$135,000. An equal amount is earmarked for this program in 1956. Applications for grants must be prepared on special forms which may be obtained from the offices of the Claims Conference in New York. European candidates may obtain the necessary forms from the Central British Fund, London, or the Joint Distribution Committee, Paris. All applications must be submitted to the Claims Conference by April 1, 1956.

SUMMER JOBS IN ISRAEL OPEN TO AMERICAN STUDENTS OF SCIENCE

NEW YORK, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Summer positions in Israel will be open in 1956 to American college and university students with three or more years of training in the sciences or engineering, it was announced today by the Office of Professional and Technical Workers of the Jewish Agency in New York. Application forms may be obtained from the Jewish Agency.

The jobs, which are from six weeks to three months duration, are offered in medicine, chemistry, chemical engineering, electrical engineering, pharmacy, agricultural engineering, surveying, civil engineering, veterinary medicine, geology and textile engineering, the PATWA announcement said. Qualified students who are accepted must provide their own transportation to and from Israel but will be paid salaries sufficient to cover room, board and normal personal expenses while in Israel.

Z. O. A. DISASSOCIATES ITSELF FROM ZIONIST CONFEDERATION PLATFORM

NEW YORK, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Mortimer May, president of the Zionist Organization of America, issued a statement today declaring that the ZOA "disassociates" itself from the platform for the 24th Zionist Congress made public this week by Dr. Israel Goldstein in behalf of the World Confederation of General Zionists.

The ZOA president charged that the platform "was never discussed nor approved by the executive of the World Confederation." He said that a platform committee was to be named by Dr. Goldstein, but was never appointed.

HADASSAH TO PLANT A TREE IN ISRAEL FOR EACH OF ITS 324,000 MEMBERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- A special effort to plant this year at least one tree in Israel in the name of each of the 325,000 Hadassah members will be made by Hadassah, it was announced here today by the Jewish National Fund of America. The Hadassah tree-planting effort will be concentrated in the Galilee hills region.

Addressing a Jewish National Fund dinner here, Mayor Robert Wagner called on President Eisenhower to grant Israel's request for defensive weapons and to support a United States-Israel mutual defense pact. He emphasized that this is the only way to prevent a Middle East war which could lead to a world conflict. Speaking on the same platform, Carmine De Sapio, New York Secretary of State and leader of the Democratic Party, asserted that the Democrats will not follow the suggestion of Secretary of State Dulles to abstain from discussing the present Middle East crisis during the coming election campaign.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT ISSUING POSTAGE STAMP HONORING HEINRICH HEINE

BONN, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- To mark the 100th anniversary of the death of Jewish-born German author and poet Heinrich Heine, West Germany will issue a special postage stamp with Heine's portrait. The main celebration is to be held on February 17 in Heine's native city of Duesseldorf. At the house where he was born, a memorial tablet will be unveiled to replace one that was removed during the Nazi era.