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## EDEN ADDRESSES U.S. SENATE; STRESSES DANGER OF ARAB-ISRAEL SITUATION

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden, in an address before the United States Senate today, stressed the importance of a joint Anglo-American policy on the Arab-Israel problem. He made no reference to the Arab-Israel question when he spoke later in the House of Representatives.

In the Senate, the British Prime Minister said: "In the area where the danger of conflict is most acute, we should whenever we can declare our unity of purpose. For instance, between the Arab states and Israel where the danger has increased, we have done well to make clear that we are to discuss together what action we should take. The more prepared we are the less likely is an emergency to arise."

A group of Arab diplomats, led by the Lebanese Ambassador, today called on George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, to complain that they were not consulted on the matters covered in the statement issued at the close of the Eden-Eisenhower talks yesterday. Speaking for himself and other Arab diplomats, Lebanese Ambassador Victor Khoury expressed the belief that any policy adopted toward the Middle East without Arab agreement cannot constitute "a factor of stability." He said that he spoke to Mr. Allen on behalf of all Arab League members, including Iraq.

## Anglo-American Policy in Middle East Criticized in U.S. Senate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Strong criticism of Anglo-American policy in the Middle East was voiced today by Senators Estes Kefauver, Herbert Lehman and Paul Douglas. Speaking on the Senate floor, the three Democratic Senators charged that the present policy of allaying Arab resentment encouraged the Arab states to perpetuate anti-Israel and anti-Western feelings.

Sen. Kefauver criticized the policy of the State Department as one of "open pursuit of the Arab world at Israel's expense." He said that although Secretary of State Dulles professes to be impartial to all Middle East countries, the policy of "friendly impartiality" came to an end in 1952. Referring to Arab threats to destroy Israel, the Tennessee Democrat criticized the State Department for failing to meet the challenge in the Middle East "because it does not want to face unpleasant facts." He cited Premier Nasser's new constitution in which all Arabs dedicate themselves to a unified Arab nation from the Atlantic to the Persian Gulf.

"Perhaps the Israelis are more realistic than our own State Department in their assessment of the danger," Sen. Kefauver continued. "It is they who face the danger, and it will not disappear merely because our State Department would like to wish it away." The Eden proposal to use the 1947 UN partition plan as a basis for Arab-Israel settlement would amount, to an Israel "territorial hara-kiri," he stated.

Sen. Douglas said that Eden's November "peace" proposal would encourage the Arabs "to take all of Israel or greater amounts of Israel with the next bite." He compared the possible concessions under the Eden plan with Czechoslovakia's experience in 1938 and 1939.

Referring to the current discussions on the Middle East, Sen. Douglas called it "unfortunate" that Secretary of State Dulles has only called back one of his advisers on the Middle East question, Ambassador to Egypt Byroade. "It is commonly believed that his (Byroade) sympathies lie almost exclusively with the Arabs and do not extend to any appreciable degree to Israel," Sen. Douglas pointed out. He criticized the Secretary of State for failing to call upon the U.S. Ambassador to Israel for consultation.

Senator Lehman concurred with Senators Kefauver and Douglas in a request that Israel's request for American arms should not be compromised to satisfy the Arab states, Britain, or U.S. oil interests in the Middle East. "The subject of arms to Israel to maintain the balance which existed in that area is a very vital and important one to us," he said. "We should not make the mistake of appeasing the Arabs either to please Britain, or the Arab nations, because of our interest in the oil which we are getting and hope to get from that area." Similar addresses were made by Reps. Lester Holtzman and Samuel N. Friedel.

## NO ISRAELI KILLED BY ARABS IN JANUARY; FIRST SUCH RECORD IN YEARS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- The Israeli public learned today that the month of January passed without a single Jewish life being lost through enemy action or infiltration, despite a number of attacks along the Gaza border and from Jordan. This is the first month in a number of years in which no Israeli fatalities were reported in the continuing border hostilities.

Egyptian positions opened fire on Israeli personnel and property 13 times during the month, the press reported today. Israeli planes flying over Israel territory in the Gaza border zone were fired upon twice during the month, and two Jordanian attacks, both repulsed, were also reported. The Lebanese and Syrian frontiers were quiet, in the wake of the Israeli December 11 raid on Syrian gun posts on Lake Tiberias.

Egypt has spread Russian military equipment all along the frontier with Israel, the Cairo radio reported today. It announced that the Egyptian Army has just finished a seven-day training exercise using live ammunition along the Israel frontier under the direction of Maj. Gen. Abdel Hakim Amer, Commander-in-Chief. New Russian tanks and artillery were employed, the broadcast said.

## ISRAEL AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW SUMMONED TO JERUSALEM FOR CONSULTATIONS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett today summoned Gen. Joseph Avidar, Israel's Ambassador to Moscow, home for consultations. Ambassador Avidar is expected home shortly.

Meanwhile, Mr. Sharett called in French Ambassador J. Gilbert today for a conversation. In view of the Eisenhower-Eden statement yesterday that France had been invited to participate in talks aimed at averting war in the Middle East, political circles here attach great importance to the meeting.

## SOVIET UNION REPORTED OFFERING TO SELL JORDAN ARMS

LONDON, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Soviet-Russia has offered to sell arms to Jordan, which is being pressured by Egyptian diplomats to accept the offer, according to a report from Amman to the Daily Express here.

A former member of the Jordanian cabinet is said to have reported that Moscow is using the arms offer as an inducement to get Jordan's approval for setting up diplomatic relationships between Amman and Moscow. The offer is reported to have been made to Jordan by Daniel Solod, Russia's former Ambassador to Cairo, who is now in charge of the Middle East section in the Foreign Ministry at Moscow.

## CANADA REFUSES TO HALT ARMS SHIPMENTS; SAYS ISRAEL NEEDS WEAPONS

OTTAWA, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Lester B. Pearson, Canadian Minister for External Affairs, refused in Parliament yesterday to accede to a demand for cessation of all arms shipments to the Middle East on the grounds that such a policy was "dedicated to the destruction of Israel," which Canada, through the United Nations, had helped to establish. He noted that such an embargo would permit Communist arms to reach the Arab states while cutting off Israel from a weapons supply.

In reply to a query about Canada's supplying troops for a UN force to protect Israel-Arab boundaries, Mr. Pearson indicated that the Canadian Government would give serious consideration to any request to help maintain peace in the Middle East. However, he informed the House, no such request had been made.

## SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER MIDDLE EAST SITUATION

LONDON, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Anxiety over the situation in the Middle East, resulting from the flow of arms to the Arab states, dominated the proceedings of the Bureau of the Socialist International which concluded its meeting here.

The meeting decided to invite member national movements to launch immediately an intensive campaign to preserve the peace in the Middle East. The form and content of these campaigns were left to each individual party, but the British Labor Party's program, issued last week, was greeted with approval by a number of speakers at the meeting, most of whom also expressed sympathy with Israel's problems.

### South African Zionists Cable Appeal to Eisenhower and Eden

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Concern over the increasing wave of tension in the Middle East was expressed yesterday in a cable sent by the Zionist Federation of South Africa to President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Eden at their current meeting in Washington, the federation announced here. The message declared:

"The South African Jewish community, deeply perturbed at the rising tension in the Middle East, expresses the hope that your deliberations will help constructively to achieve peace between Israel and her Arab neighbors without sacrificing Israel's security and territorial integrity."

## REPRESENTATIVES OF NAZI VICTIMS MEET ON INDEMNIFICATION DEMANDS

DUSSELDORF, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Representatives of all German organizations of Nazi victims met in the offices of the Central Council of Jews in Germany to hammer out a unified policy toward the amendment of the Federal Indemnification Law which is now being considered by a special parliamentary committee. The meeting agreed on a number of changes to be urged upon the committee.

The conference, which was presided over by Dr. H. G. van Dam, secretary-general of the Central Council, was attended by indemnification experts from the League of Nazi Victims, the Association of Nazi Victims, the League for Freedom and Human Dignity, the persecuted sections of the Social Democratic Party and of the German Trade Union Federation. The provisions of the pending amendment are of vital significance not only to Jews but also to Germans who, because of their opposition to Nazism, served jail sentences, were thrown into concentration camps, lost their positions or suffered other injuries.

In Bielefeld, a four and one-half year jail sentence has been imposed by a local German court, after an eight-week trial, upon a Nazi attorney who after the war was specialized in representing Jewish clients in restitution suits and then swindled them out of the property returned to them. Dr. Rudolf Grosse-Hagenbrock had been manager of a Nazi legal office in Westphalian Nazi Party headquarters during the Hitler era. In 1949, when he was again admitted to the bar in the city of Guetersloh, he solicited Jewish clients now living abroad, whose restitution suits were pending in the area. Once he had obtained their power of attorney, he defrauded them in many ways. He has been disbarred.

## JEWISH BUSINESSMEN AND ARTISANS IN GERMANY AIDED BY LOANS

FRANKFURT, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- At the first annual meeting of the Central Council of Jewish Loan Cooperatives in Germany, it was reported that loans totaling 1,000,000 marks had been made to Jewish businessmen and artisans to enable them to become self-supporting.

The five revolving loan funds, all of which were set up as independent cooperative societies, have become one of the most constructive elements in postwar Jewish life in Germany. Their basic capital stock is provided mainly by the Joint Distribution Committee, the Claims Conference and the Central Jewish Welfare Agency here. The loans granted during the first year of operation averaged \$600 and went to 250 storekeepers and other small businessmen, to 65 artisans and to about 50 small industrialists and professional men.

## JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN YUGOSLAVIA TO HOLD NATIONAL CONFERENCE

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- The seventh national conference of the Jewish Communities of Yugoslavia will open here February 11 and will last two days, it was announced today.

The conference, which will mark the tenth anniversary of the resumption of activities of the Federation of Jewish Communities after the end of the war, will be preceded by a meeting of the executive of the federation. After the national parley a mass meeting will be held under the federation's sponsorship.

## SYRIANS IN ARGENTINE START ORGANIZED CAMPAIGN AGAINST JEWS

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- A Nazi-like attack on Israel and the Jews of Argentina in the local newspaper "Noticias Graficas" has caused a great stir and protest in the Jewish community here.

The attack, contained in a paid advertisement signed by the "Syrian Cultural Association," took as its jumping off point a public mass meeting last December organized by the Jewish community here to demonstrate its solidarity with the State of Israel. Among the speakers at that session were members of the leadership of the Provisional Government which was set up after Gen. Peron was unseated. The advertisement voices charges of dual loyalty such as have not been heard in Argentina for a number of years.

After the protest, the newspaper published a weak apology, asserting that the advertisement had been passed by the business department and not by the editorial board. It stressed that the newspaper had no desire to attack the Argentine Jews.

## DUTCHMAN SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT FOR ANTI-SEMITIC ABUSES

THE HAGUE, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- A 50-year-old boat livery owner was sentenced to ten days imprisonment today for using anti-Semitic language to abuse a passer-by.

A Utrecht magistrate, pronouncing sentence, said the boatman had used the word "Jewish" in a manner insulting to the Jewish people and to the tens of thousands of Dutch Jews murdered during World War II.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 2. (JTA) -- The two-day inaugural conference of the Israel Bond Organization, officially launching its 1956 drive to raise \$75,000,000 for Israel's economic expansion through the sale of bonds, will take place here this week-end. More than 800 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the United States and Canada will attend the parley.

Principal speakers at the conference will be Dr. Joseph Burg, Israel cabinet member, and David Horowitz, governor of the Central Bank of Israel. They arrived in this country this week to assist in the campaign.

LOS ANGELES JEWISH COMMUNITY SEEKS TO OVERSUBSCRIBE U. J. A. GOAL

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- A call to the Jews of Los Angeles to oversubscribe the community's \$6,110,000 goal for the 1956 United Jewish Appeal was voiced here at the 22nd annual meeting of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council, an organization composed of some 400 local groups. The six million dollar goal includes \$1,410,000 accepted as this community's share of the UJA Special Fund of \$26,000,000.

The meeting also urged the United States Government to permit Israel to acquire defensive arms in this country and to use its good offices through the United Nations to bring Israel and the Arab states to the conference table. In addition, the meeting hit Arab anti-Jewish propaganda in the U.S. and asked the State Department to eject any Arab diplomats "guilty of inflammatory and anti-Jewish statements."

The delegates further called upon the Los Angeles city government to enact a fair employment practices ordinance and commended the state attorney general for a decision holding Bible reading in the secular public schools of the state to be unconstitutional.

DEWEY STONE REPORTS ON PROGRESS OF DEVELOPMENT OF LACHISH REGION

NEW YORK, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- The number one target in Israel for intensified development, Lachish, a quarter million acre desert area in the northeastern Negev, has been settled during the past year by 18 villages and some 7,000 recent immigrants at a cost of more than \$11,000,000, Dewey D. Stone, national chairman of the United Israel Appeal, disclosed in a report to its board of directors here today.

Work in this area was first launched a year ago when Mr. Stone, as newly-elected national chairman of the United Israel Appeal, announced the project in this country. "The colonization of the Lachish region," Mr. Stone reported today, "is being carried out in accordance with a bold resettlement plan conceived by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion. The plan calls for the 'conquest' of this desolate area by an intensive farming program which will, at the same time, make possible the integration of growing numbers of North African immigrants."

Mr. Stone said that "most of the 7,000 people already in Lachish were from North Africa, especially from the remote regions of the Atlas Mountains where UJA agencies have helped to evacuate complete villages of Jews living a precarious existence because of the growing tensions in these trouble-swept countries." He added that current plans call for the settling of about 60,000 people in the Lachish region, half of them on farms and the balance in urban and regional centers. The United Israel Appeal is the principal beneficiary of the nationwide United Jewish Appeal campaign.

AMERICANS INVESTED \$1,400,000 IN RASSCO PROJECTS IN ISRAEL LAST YEAR

NEW YORK, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Americans invested \$1,400,000 in building projects in Israel last year through Rassco Israel Corporation, a subsidiary of Rassco-Rural and Suburban Settlement Company, a Jewish Agency-owned Israeli firm, it was reported at the annual meeting of the board of Rassco today. The investments were made by individuals, organizations and corporations.

Reviewing Rassco's progress in 1955, Isaac Imber, vice-president, said that its business last year had increased 50% over that of 1954. "The outlook for 1956 is still better," he added. The company plans to expand its activities in Canada this year, Mr. Imber revealed.

DR. HOLLENDER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE JEWISH FEDERATIONS OF CHICAGO

CHICAGO, Feb. 2. (JTA) -- Dr. Samuel S. Hollender was elected president of the Jewish Federation of Chicago to succeed Mortimer B. Harris at a board of directors meeting held here. He takes over the presidency of the philanthropic organization in its 57th year of operation.

Dr. Hollender is a former chairman and present honorary chairman of the national executive board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. He is also a director of the National Jewish Welfare Board and the Joint Distribution Committee. The Jewish Federation is the coordinating and planning body for twelve medical and social welfare agencies currently serving 167,000 people in Chicago and suburbs.