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ISRAEL ASKS FRANCE FOR MORE JETS; SAYS SHE NEEDS A TOTAL OF 36 FIGHTERS

PARIS, May 14. (JTA) -- Israel was reported here today as having asked the French Government for another 12 Mystere jet fighters. French sources said that in addition to the 12 supersonic fighters sent by France to Israel recently and the other 12 promised this week-end, Israel has asked for 12 more.

The Foreign Ministry here today issued a communique stating that the United States Government has agreed to a French proposal whereby the U.S. would accept delay in deliveries of off-shore contracts to permit France to make a speedy delivery to Israel of the second 12 Mystere jets.

EGYPT WARNS U.S. AGAINST APPROVING FRENCH JET FIGHTERS FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, May 14. (JTA) -- Egyptian Ambassador Ahmed Hussein today warned the State Department that American approval of French jet fighter plane sales to Israel might encourage alleged Israel aggressive designs and jeopardize Egyptian confidence in the United States. This was learned from government sources following a meeting of Mr. Hussein with William Rountree, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs.

The Egyptian Ambassador referred to week-end reports that the United States authorized France to defer scheduled deliveries under an offshore procurement contract in order that France might sell 12 Mystere jet planes to Israel. Twelve such planes were delivered earlier this year under a similar arrangement.

The Egyptian view is that American abstinence from direct sales of arms to Israel is not enough. The Egyptian Embassy is insisting that the United States dissuade other nations from selling to Israel.

Meanwhile, it was learned here today that George Wadsworth, U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, has recommended that the United States provide Saudi Arabia with planes, tanks, guns, and military training in exchange for a five-year renewal of the Dhahran Air Base lease. Mr. Wadsworth will leave late this week to begin talks with King Saud on the renewal agreement. It was ascertained here that the State Department will agree to the continued exclusion of American soldiers of Jewish faith from the base.

COMMONS DEBATES ARAB BLACKMAILING OF FIRMS TRADING WITH ISRAEL

LONDON, May 14. (JTA) -- The British Government was asked in Parliament today what it was doing about Arab states' blackmail of British firms which do business with Israel and which have been boycotted or threatened with boycott by the Arabs.

A. D. Dodds-Parker, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply, pointed out that Britain was in touch with the United States and other countries similarly affected. He promised to look into the question of whether the Arab boycott actions had violated international trade and tariff treaties.

Mr. Dodds-Parker and Anthony Nutting, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, told the House that Britain was in touch with the U.S. and France on arms to Israel and over the report by Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary General, to the Security Council. Mr. Nutting, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, admitted that the government knew about Czech arms shipments to Syria, but refused to go any further in discussing the matter.

Mr. Nutting insisted that the British Government, in keeping an eye on arms shipments to the Middle East, tried to maintain a qualitative balance between the parties as well as a quantitative one. Mr. Dodds-Parker expressed optimism about the possibility of making progress toward an Arab-Israel settlement in the wake of Mr. Hammarskjold's achievements and as a "result of discussions with the Soviet Union in London."

OREN FLIES HOME; WILL BEGIN CAMPAIGN TO CLEAR NAME

GENEVA, May 14. (JTA) -- Mordecai Oren left Switzerland today for Israel. Before departing, he told newspapermen that as soon as he reaches Israel he will begin a campaign to clear his name of the charges of espionage of which a Czech military court convicted him.

FRENCH TROOPS PATROL JEWISH QUARTER OF CONSTANTINE; WARNING ISSUED

ALGIERS, May 14. (JTA) -- French troops today patrolled the Jewish quarter of Constantine, east of here, which was the scene of intense Arab-European fighting and assassination in the past few days. Although Jews were victims of some of these actions, they took no part in the fighting.

Meanwhile, Maj. Gen. Jean Noiret, commander of French troops in Eastern Algeria, issued a call to all inhabitants of Constantine to refrain from taking the law in their own hands. More than 20 Arabs died and twice that many were wounded as a result of European vigilante action which followed the bombing of a Jewish cafe in Constantine by Arab terrorists. Fourteen Jews have been wounded in the past two days, although none was reported killed.

JEWS IN MOROCCO REPORTED FEELING INSECURE DESPITE ASSURANCES

LONDON, May 13. (JTA) -- Despite assurances by leaders of the nationalist party which now forms the Moroccan Government there is a feeling of insecurity among Jews in that country and the "desire to emigrate is growing in intensity," the Board of Deputies of British Jews was told today.

In a report on North Africa, the Board's Foreign Affairs Committee said that as far as emigration is concerned -- "and this affects hundreds of thousands of people in North Africa" -- much depends on developments in Israel and means that can be found outside Israel for the immigration and settlement of Jews from North Africa.

The Foreign Affairs Committee also reported that the position of those Jews remaining in the Crown Colony of Aden has caused "considerable anxiety" in view of recent developments in that area marked by growing hostility of the Arabs against British authority there. The Colonial Office here has been approached on the matter, it was disclosed, and assurances were received that every precaution has been taken to maintain the security of all citizens and sections in Aden.

At the meeting in which the assurances were obtained, the question of representation for the Jewish community in the Aden Legislative Council was also raised. Such representations were discontinued only this year. The point was made by the British Jewish leaders that although the Jewish community of Aden had been considerably reduced in numbers -- mainly as a result of Arab excesses in 1947 -- those that still remained constituted an important section in the commercial life of Aden and, with their long tradition of loyalty and service, were fully deserving of and needed direct representation of their interests as a community. Such representation, it was maintained, would be afforded by membership in the Legislative Council.

UNITED HIAS REGISTERS JEWS IN TUNIS FOR EMIGRATION TO CANADA

TUNIS, May 14. (JTA) -- The United Hias Service, which recently opened a temporary office here to register Jews who wish to migrate to Canada, reported today that a large number have already registered. The immigration service set up its temporary office at the local headquarters of the Joint Distribution Committee.

Meanwhile, the Jewish Agency office here continues to accept applications from Tunisian Jews who wish to immigrate to Israel. It reports a large backlog of applications.

30,000 JEWS REPORTED LIVING IN RIGA; 9,000 JEWS RESIDE IN LODZ

LONDON, May 14. (JTA) -- The Warsaw Radio reported today in a Yiddish-language broadcast that there are about 30,000 Jews residing in Riga, capital of Soviet Latvia, where thousands of Jews were massacred by the Nazis during the German occupation.

The broadcast was based on information given by a Polish Jew who visited Riga. He reported that there is a synagogue functioning in Riga and that the Jews there have a rabbi and a kosher butcher. There is also a home for Jewish aged in the city.

Another Warsaw broadcast reported that there are 9,000 Jews living in the Polish city of Lodz. It said that a study of the composition of the Jewish population in 29 Polish towns and villages -- where the majority of Poland's Jews are concentrated -- has established that children up to the age of 15 constitute about 40 percent of all Jewish inhabitants. The broadcast compared the present figures with those of 12 years ago, after the liberation of the country from the Nazis, when a Jewish child was a rarity in Poland.

JEWISH CEMETERY DESECRATED IN GERMANY; ENTIRE DISTRICT HAS NO JEWS

MUNICH, May 14. (JTA) -- Eleven tombstones have been overturned and the graves desecrated on the Jewish cemetery outside the town of Preussisch-Oldendorf in Eastern Westphalia, a district now entirely without Jews and under the jurisdiction of the Jewish community of Minden. The police and the district attorney are investigating the outrage, but no leads have so far been turned up.

30 PERCENT INCREASE IN JEWISH FUND-RAISING REPORTED BY COMMUNITIES

NEW YORK, May 14. (JTA) -- Spring welfare funds are "moving into the homestretch" of their campaigns with results ranging far above the 1955 drives, it was announced today by Herbert R. Abeles, president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. Reports from 43 of the largest communities show campaigns running ahead of last year by 30 percent. As of May 11, these cities raised \$40,741,303 thus far this year against a comparable total of \$31,354,191 for 1955.

"These impressive results demonstrate the understanding and the determination of our welfare funds to meet the great challenges on every front," Mr. Abeles declared. "Great responsibilities rest upon our people--in their own communities, nationwide needs, and the critical emergency overseas. It is to their everlasting credit that they are responding so generously."

Eight of the 16 largest cities have already exceeded last year's totals, and with the drives still far from complete, several others are within percentage points of surpassing their 1955 totals. Cleveland, with a total of \$4,825,560, has raised more money this year than any other year, including 1948. This compares with \$4,055,000 raised last year, and \$4,811,000 raised in 1948. Detroit, with \$5,113,000 raised thus far, is running 32.3 percent ahead of last year's campaign and has already raised 24 percent more than last year's total campaign results. Houston, with \$471,723 has already raised 29 percent more than last year's final figure.

Toronto is also mounting an impressive campaign, with results running 47.5 percent ahead of 1955 from the same people. Baltimore, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Newark and Pittsburgh are within close reach of last year's totals and are expected to exceed them in the near future.

Israel and North Africa are Major Factors Sparking the 1956 Drives

Of the 23 intermediate cities reporting, twelve have already exceeded last year's totals while several others are close to them: Akron, Atlantic City, Columbus, Dallas, Indianapolis, Louisville, Norfolk, St. Paul, San Diego, Syracuse, Trenton and Worcester, with campaigns still incomplete, have topped last year's totals with as much as a twenty percent lead to date.

The major factors sparking the 1956 campaigns have been the crises in Israel and North Africa. The American Jewish communities through their central community organizations locally and the United Jewish Appeal nationally have relieved the beleaguered Jewish state of much of the responsibility for resettling 45,000 North African Jews in Israel in the next year.

At the same time, communities have responded to urgent local, regional and national Jewish needs through their federation and welfare fund drives. They geared their campaigns to the pressing situation and launched their drives earlier this year and campaigned harder, Mr. Abeles said. In many instances the communities have benefitted from last year's campaign re-examinations and consequent tightening of their campaign structures.

Other factors credited by Mr. Abeles with aiding the campaigns are: continuing favorable economic conditions; increased emphasis on worker recruitment and training, infusion of young leadership in the campaign structure; individualized attention to big givers; and increasing personalization of the campaign appeal.

The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds is the national association of 234 federations, welfare funds, and community councils, representing almost 800 communities throughout the United States and Canada. It provides central services for its member agencies in campaigning, community organization, budgeting, social planning and campaign and community interpretation.

JEWISH REPRESENTATIVES OPPOSE SHECHITA BILL AT SENATE HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, May 14. (JTA) -- Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey today declared he would never support any offense to the Jewish religion and that he would revise the wording of his bill providing for humane slaughtering of animals.

The Minnesota Senator made this statement following a Senate agricultural subcommittee hearing after receiving testimony from Jewish spokesmen. Rabbi Isaac Lewin, speaking for the Union of Orthodox Rabbis, pointed out that Jews have long required humane slaughter. He pointed out that the special exemption mentioned in the Humphrey bill for Jewish ritual slaughter might by implication suggest that the Jewish method was not humane.

A similar view was expressed by Leo Pfeffer, testifying for the American Jewish Congress. He presented a proposal which would define the various humane methods of slaughtering and would include in that definition slaughtering according to the requirements of the Jewish religious faith.

Jewish spokesmen objected to the present wording of the bill referring to Jewish ritual slaughtering which reads as follows: "The requirements... shall not apply to any individual who is duly authorized by an ordained rabbi of the Jewish religious faith to serve as a schechter, while such individual is engaged in the slaughtering of livestock or poultry in accordance with the practice of such religious faith."

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE ASKS U.S. GOV'T. TO GIVE ARMS TO ISRAEL

CLEVELAND, May 14. (JTA) -- A resolution asking the United States Government to provide Israel with arms for legitimate self-defense purposes as envisaged by the Tripartite Declaration of 1950, was adopted last night by the American Jewish Committee at the conclusion of its three-day national executive board meeting here. The resolution pointed out that "there is a definite likelihood that war will break out in the area once Egypt and other Arab countries receiving Czech arms have learned to use them, unless they know Israel has sufficient defensive arms to protect itself."

"Once adequate defensive arms have been obtained by Israel, serious consideration should then be given to the limitation of further military supplies to the area," the AJC resolution declared. It welcomed the U. S. Government initiative in pressing for UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold's mission to the Middle East and expressed appreciation of his achievements. However, the AJC added, "the basic antagonisms unfortunately remain unabated."

After reaffirming its support of Secretary Dulles' proposals last August for settlement of the Middle East problem, the AJC asserted that Mr. Dulles' long-range objectives will not be accomplished until the "pall of fear" is removed and the basic conditions of peace established. "These include," the AJC explained, "no change of the status quo by either side through force of arms; cessation of any and every aggressive act on the part of any nation; withdrawal of all blockades and economic boycotts, and elimination of hate propaganda." Other resolutions said:

1. "That no credence can be given to assurances of Communist leaders that they have renounced oppressive policies" against minorities, including Jews, until they have freed victims of anti-Semitic purges from prisons, retracted the fantastic anti-Semitic charges at former purge trials and restored religious and cultural freedom to its Jewish citizens.
2. That "to the free world, the treatment accorded ethnic and religious minorities in Morocco and Tunisia will be a measure of the wisdom and responsibility with which these nations enter into their independence." The AJC resolution added that it "sincerely Hopes" that the two governments "will embrace these constructive policies of equality and freedom which alone may secure the economic, social and political well-being of their peoples."
3. The Government of West Germany should take immediate action against "an upsurge of anti-democratic and anti-Semitic literature" in their country.
4. "It is satisfying to have been advised" that the chairmen of the Republican and Democratic National Committees and representative of the major religious faiths will join in a fair election practices declaration against the injection of racial or religious bias in the forthcoming Presidential election campaign.

B'nai B'rith Favors "Any Honorable Approach" on Arab-Israel Peace

WASHINGTON, May 14. (JTA) -- The B'nai B'rith went on record here as favoring "any honorable approach" that will bring peace to the Middle East "whether through the good offices of the United Nations, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, or joint action by the Western democracies."

A newly elected B'nai B'rith Board of Governors, meeting here after a five-day triennial session, urged at the same time that "the application of the time-tested policy of balance of power which has served so often to avoid war through history should not be ruled out in the case of the Middle East crisis, where that balance was so upset by the recent sale of vast quantities of arms to the Arab states by the Communist bloc."

The board hoped that the momentum of present peace efforts would continue "until a Near East peace, just and fair to all parties concerned, is firmly established," but stressed that these peace efforts would be "accelerated by the simultaneous restoration of the balance of military power among the opposing forces."

It added: "Whether this need is met through one nation or several is of less consequence than the simple fact that the essential defensive arms for Israel must be supplied with dispatch under terms and conditions within the ability of Israel to receive them."

NEW YORK HOSPITAL GETS GIFT OF \$650,000 FROM DR. EINHORN'S ESTATE

NEW YORK, May 14. (JTA) -- Lenox Hill Hospital announced a gift of \$650,000 yesterday from the estate of Dr. Max Einhorn of this city, who willed the bulk of his \$3,000,000 fortune to medical and charitable organizations in the city. The will was filed in Surrogate's Court shortly after the gastroenterologist died Sept. 25, 1953, at ninety-one. But distribution was held up pending a suit brought by two of Dr. Einhorn's nieces in Moscow, Russia. The suit was settled last December with an award of \$45,000 each to the nieces.

PRESIDENT OF WEST GERMANY SPEAKS AT MEETING HONORING SIGMUND FREUD

FRANKFURT, May 14. (JTA) -- West Germany President Theodor Heuss paid tribute to the memory of Sigmund Freud in a speech at an academic meeting in the auditorium of Frankfurt University marking the 100th birthday of the founder of psychoanalysis, whose teachings were utterly suppressed under the rule of Nazism and even today have not regained the place in the realm of German science which they occupy in most other Western countries.