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DULLES SAYS MOSCOW'S INTENTIONS ON ARAB-ISRAEL ISSUE WILL BE TESTED

WASHINGTON, May 22. (JTA) -- Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said at his press conference today that the Soviet Union's announced willingness to help reduce Arab-Israel tension will be tested when a resolution is introduced at the United Nations Security Council in connection with UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld's "peace mission" to Israel and the Arab countries.

Mr. Dulles declined to say what the resolution might contain, but pointed out that the Soviet stand on this resolution might afford an opportunity to see what the Soviet Union has in mind.

An Egyptian newspaperman's trip to Israel and an Egyptian radio commentator's reported intimation that peace with Israel was possible were described by Secretary Dulles as "encouraging." He said the United States was "happy" over these developments but was really not yet in a good position to evaluate them. If any kind of rapprochement is emerging it is in line with U.S. policy objectives, he added.

Mr. Dulles said the momentum established by the Hammarskjöld mission should be maintained but that he did not know if Mr. Hammarskjöld should return to the Middle East at the present time. He asserted that the State Department has no information on a report that Egypt might buy arms from Red China.

The Secretary of State was asked about the status of U.S. support of the Egyptian high Aswan Dam project. His reply indicated the matter might still be pending. However, he made it clear that if Egypt secured Soviet cooperation on the dam it was unlikely the United States would participate.

JORDAN AND LEBANON REACH AGREEMENT ON ANTI-ISRAEL ARMED COOPERATION

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- The Jordan radio announced today that Jordan and Lebanon have reached an agreement on cooperation between their armies in the event of war with Israel. Similar agreements were concluded recently by Jordan with Egypt and Syria.

An Israeli private who wandered into Jordan by accident six weeks ago was returned to Israel by Jordanian authorities here yesterday. Pvt. Yoram Cohen, who inadvertently made the border crossing from Pardess Hanna, was handed over to Israeli authorities at United Nations headquarters at the Mandelbaum Gate here.

An Egyptian infiltrator was captured well inside Israel today. A military patrol picked him up near the settlement of Nirim, opposite the Gaza border. Two Israeli workers were wounded when Syrians fired from positions across their border on a group of Israelis working in a settlement in northern Israel.

JEWISH AGENCY DISTRIBUTES PORTFOLIOS AMONG ITS EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency completed work today on the distribution of portfolios on the Agency executive in Jerusalem. At the same time, the executive named a four-member directorate for the Keren Hayesod, fund-raising arm of the Zionist movement, and divided the entire executive into two committees to streamline its work--a committee in charge of work in Israel and one on work abroad.

Levi Eshkol was named head of the colonization department; David Betarieh will head the departments of religious education abroad and administration; Yehuda Braginsky will be in charge of absorption work; Meir Grossman will head the foreign relations department; Eliahu Dobkin is chairman of the youth and pioneering department; Leib Doltzin is head of the economic department; Avraham Harran will head the information section; Dr. Giora Josephthal is the treasurer; Zalman Shazar is chairman of the department of education and culture in the Diaspora; Moshe Kol, head of Youth Aliyah and co-treasurer, and S. Z. Shragai will head the immigration department.

After the executive meeting concluded, Dr. Goldmann, as president of the World Zionist Organization, toured various settlements in the Jerusalem Corridor. He was hailed everywhere and was given requests for priority in equipment allocations. He promised to consider all requests.

SEC. DULLES ACCUSED OF ATTEMPTING TO ARM SAUDI ARABIA SECRETLY

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- The policy of the State Department in sending munitions to Saudi Arabia while denying them to Israel was assailed vigorously here last night by Judge Justice Wise Polier, chairman of the national executive committee of the American Jewish Congress.

"The lack of vision and the absence of a high morality or sense of honor in our dealings with the problems of the Middle East, have inevitably led to the loss of both strategic strength and respect for this nation in that area of the world," Judge Polier told a meeting at the Hotel Granada. "Under the policy set by Secretary of State Dulles, implements of war are being provided at less than cost to Saudi Arabia. Every attempt has been made to do this secretly.

"Such weapons, including bombs, have been provided not only against the men, women and children of Israel, but against those who may seek to cast off the chains of slavery that persist and are sanctioned in Saudi Arabia. In pursuing this course of action, the Secretary of State has not only engaged in the secret trading of arms. He has been secretly dealing in and trading away the honor of all Americans," Justice Polier stated.

The government's "myopic concern with tactical gain, with immediate material returns, with the expediency of the moment," she stated, have caused the State Department to violate another American principle. It has abandoned its historic and moral responsibility to protect all Americans from discrimination by any foreign government, both at home and abroad."

Judge Polier cited the government's agreement with Spain to limit the right of American citizens to marry while in the service of the U.S. in Spain. The agreement was later abrogated without loss of military bases, she noted.

"Now we have learned," she said, "that the State Department has agreed, with only a pro forma expression of mild regret, that if American citizens are Jews, countries whom we call allies may refuse them visas, may cause them to be excluded from American bases, may discriminate against them in commerce, and may export packaged anti-Semitism through diplomatic representatives to this country. The surreptitious trafficking in American honor that continues under the aegis of the Secretary of State constitutes such presumptuous and immoral conduct that it should be rebuked and ended by an America whose honor is above price," she urged.

ISRAEL OFFERS TO FIGHT MALARIA IN MIDDLE EAST JOINTLY WITH ARABS

GENEVA, May 22. (JTA) -- Israel offered to join with the Arab states in a war on disease in the Middle East this week, but its offer is likely to meet with continued rebuff from the Arabs, who still refuse to sit with the Jewish State in the regional commission of the United Nations World Health Organization.

Israel's offer came at the ninth World Health Assembly meeting here, when Dr. S. Btsh, director general of the Israel Ministry of Health, welcomed the convening of a conference on malaria to be held soon in Athens. "Our country," he said, "is deeply interested in the eradication of malaria and we hope this conference will pave the way for co-operation by the various member states within our Middle East region in a joint effort to eradicate this ancient scourge."

Dr. Btsh brought the offer even closer to home when he reported on the success of an Israel-produced polio vaccine and added: "We expect to have enough vaccine on hand to embark on a nationwide campaign of immunization before the end of the year. Israel will be glad to place the facilities of its virus laboratories at the disposal of member states of the Organization; both inside and outside the region. In a year's time we hope to be in a position to undertake vaccine production for the whole area." Arab representatives, however, remained silent.

TECHNION BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETS; 400 STUDENTS SENT TO NEW CAMPUS

HAIFA, May 22. (JTA) -- Five buildings of the new Israel Institute of Technology at Haifa have already been completed and five others are in an advanced stage of construction, it was reported here today at a meeting of the Technion's board of governors. The report noted that 400 engineering and architecture students have already been transferred to the new campus on Mt. Carmel.

The current academic year will see the opening of new laboratories for soil mechanics, road-testing and solid state physics as well as laboratories for solar radiation, nuclear physics and food technology. The teaching staff, the board of governors was told, has been increased by 21 percent to 369 instructors. The first aeronautical engineering students were accepted this year. Among the board members at the current meeting are some from the United States and Britain as well as Israelis.

JEWISH MINISTER SEES NO DANGER OF ANTI-JEWISH INCIDENTS IN TUNISIA

PARIS, May 22. (JTA) -- There will be no anti-Jewish incidents in Tunisia similar to those which occurred in Constantine, Algeria, last week when nearly a score of Jews were wounded in attacks by Arab terrorists, Andre Barouch, Tunisian Minister for Reconstruction and the only Jew in the Tunisian Cabinet, told a press conference here today.

He insisted that "perfect understanding" exists among all elements of the Tunisian population and that there is no racial discrimination. For this reason, M. Barouch continued, there will be no anti-Jewish incidents. He acknowledged, that for thousands of years Jews all over the world have had fears of such attacks, but that he felt the fears were unjustified as far as Tunisia was concerned.

There will be no Jewish problem in Tunisia, he asserted, as long as Jews understand that citizenship carries certain duties and sacrifices in behalf of the nation, regardless of differences of religion. He sharply rejected a question which characterized him as a "representative" of the Jewish community. "I wish to clarify," he stated, "that by virtue of the principle which guided the elaboration of the electoral law, I am not a deputy and minister as a representative of a religious community, but rather as a Tunisian citizen."

Asked to explain the continuous departure of Tunisian Jews for Israel, M. Barouch said that the immigrants were, with few exceptions, poor people who had been convinced by "propaganda" that they would find better living conditions in Israel. He pointed out that in a "new country like Tunisia" there are certain sacrifices which have to be made but that they should not "discourage" people.

100,000 INDEMNIFICATION CLAIMS FILED IN HESSE; \$40,000,000 PAID

WIESBADEN, Germany, May 22. (JTA) -- The 100,000th application for indemnification to Nazi victims in the State of Hesse was submitted this week to the state's indemnification office, it was reported here today. Officials of the State of Hesse claim that more than 12 percent of all indemnification applications throughout West Germany were approved in Hesse. Less than 16,000 claims have yet to be disposed of, either positively or negatively. The state office is now handling an average of 1,300 cases a month, it was stated.

During the eleven postwar years, \$40,000,000 was disbursed to Nazi victims in indemnification payments. The amount was \$12,500,000 in the period prior to the 1953 enactment of the Federal Indemnification Law, \$6,800,000 in 1954, and \$19,000,000 in the fiscal year that ended last March. It is expected that claims totaling \$25,000,000 will be satisfied in the course of the current budget year, but the larger part will devolve upon the Federal Treasury in Bonn.

DANGER OF ASSIMILATION STRESSED AT CONGRESS OF ITALIAN JEWISH COMMUNITIES

ROME, May 22. (JTA) -- The fifth congress of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities called today for a census among Italy's Jews to establish their exact number as well as other information concerning them. Current estimates place them at 30,000.

In a series of resolutions, the congress stressed the importance of creating new Jewish schools and publishing textbooks for them, urged the inclusion of women in the councils of the institutions of Italian Jewry and elected a new Council of the Union composed of three rabbis, 14 laymen and one woman, Tullia Zevia.

Earlier, Chief Rabbi Elio Toaff warned the delegates of the danger of assimilation in Italy due to ignorance of Jewish traditions, indifference to them and to the fact that many active Jews had left for Israel. One of the resolutions of the congress hailed Israel as the center of the Jewish people, expressed hope of peace between Israel and the Arab states and urged Italy to intervene in an attempt to promote a peace settlement.

Milan Jewish Community president Giuseppe Ottolenghi spoke to the delegates on the disappearance of small Jewish communities in Italy and the atrophy of medium-sized communities. He stressed the positive value of cultural institutions in the battle against assimilation. Other speakers praised the Joint Distribution Committee's work in Italy and the activities of the Keren Hayesod and of the World Jewish Congress.

JEWISH CONGRESS URGES ACTION ON BIGOTRY NOT YET PROHIBITED BY LAW

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress today called upon the newly-formed New York City Commission on Intergroup Relations to "concentrate on the problems of prejudice, and on those discriminatory practices that are not now illegal." This recommendation was made as part of a program submitted by the AJC to a meeting of the Commission.

The AJC proposals to the 15-man municipal agency pointed out that "in the interest of maintaining maximum efficiency and effectiveness, the Commission should not, by and large, concentrate its efforts on the problems of discrimination that are within the jurisdiction of other regulatory agencies, such as the State Commission Against Discrimination and the New York State Department of Education. The Commission should not dissipate its resources in action against discriminatory manifestations that are already prohibited by law."

JEWISH EDUCATORS OPEN 30TH ANNUAL CONVENTION TODAY IN ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, May 22. (JTA) -- The 30th annual convention of the National Council for Jewish Education, comprising the leading educators of all trends and ideologies in Jewish life, will open here tomorrow to discuss major problems affecting Jewish education in this country and to decide on a program for future activities.

Dr. David Rudavsky, president of the organization, said here today that the major issue facing the convention is the uniting of all Jewish educational-professional groups, into a more cohesive and effective organization, that will embrace all educators, rabbis, and laymen who are concerned with the problems of Jewish education. Shortage in personnel, educational research and publications, pension and other professional problems will also come before the convention.

The program and effectiveness of the Jewish all-day school, the afternoon Hebrew school, the Sunday school and the Yiddish school will be evaluated during the convention. Commissions of Jewish educators specializing in the various types of Jewish schools will present reports and findings to the delegates. The place of arts and audio-visual in Jewish education will also be discussed. The librarians of Jewish institutions will consider ways and means of expanding and improving libraries of Jewish organizations and institutions.

The question of religion in public education, which is now a burning issue, will be discussed by Harry Starr, president of Littauer Foundation, Prof. Horace M. Kallen of the New School for Social Research, and Jules Cohen, executive director of the National Community Relations Advisory Council. This session will be held in cooperation with the American Association for Jewish Education which opens its own convention here on May 26.

ABEL SHABAN, WORLD HEAD OF OSE, ARRIVES IN U.S.; WILL OPEN PARLEY IN MEXICO

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- Abel Shaban, world chairman of the OSE, arrived here today from Paris following conferences there with Dr. Giora Josephthal, Jewish Agency treasurer, and Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, concerning OSE activities in North Africa and Israel.

Mr. Shaban, who is a prominent leader of South African Jewry, will remain in this country for about a week during which he will confer with leaders of various Jewish organizations in the United States. He will then proceed to Mexico City where a five-day Pan-American OSE conference will open on May 31.

The purposes of the conference, Mr. Shaban said, are to obtain first-hand information on the existing health conditions of the Jewish populations, their needs and requirements in the fields of health, child-care and medical education in the various Latin American countries, and also to formulate a program of OSE health activities in these countries in cooperation with the local Jewish communities. It is the first conference of its kind in Latin America and prominent physicians from various Latin American countries will attend it, Mr. Shaban stated.

URI MARINOV, YOUNG ISRAELI FARMER-GUARD, TO HELP IN U. J. A. CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- Uri Marinov, a 20-year-old farmer-guardsmen from the Israel border settlement of Nahal Oz facing the tense Gaza Strip, arrived in New York today via El Al-Israel Airlines to help the United Jewish Appeal launch the second half of its 1956 nationwide campaign.

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, UJA executive vice-chairman, announced that the youth will make his first major public appearance at a National Action Conference of the Appeal to be held at the Roosevelt Hotel here June 9 and 10. Uri will tell the UJA campaign leaders what life has been like on Israel's border before and since the recent cease-fire agreement negotiated by United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld. The conference will mark the mid-year point of the UJA's 1956 campaign and will set plans for the second half of the drive.

PARLEY IN WASHINGTON ASKS REVISION OF EXISTING IMMIGRATION LAW

WASHINGTON, May 22. (JTA) -- Approximately 500 delegates representing more than 70 organizations from 25 states met here in a National Immigration Convocation and urged Congress to adopt pending immigration law revisions before the end of this session. The convocation reiterated opposition to the McCarran-Walter Act.

MRS. SYNGALOWSKI DIES; WAS PREPARING ENCYCLOPEDIA ON JEWISH WOMEN

GENEVA, May 22. (JTA) -- Mrs. Michela Syngalowski, wife of Dr. Aron Syngalowski, head of the World ORT Union, died here today after a prolonged illness. She was 62 years old. During the last few years she had been engaged in the preparation of a major work--an encyclopedia of famous Jewish women from the time of the Bible to the present day. She will be buried tomorrow in the Jewish cemetery at Veyrier, near Geneva.