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SHARETT ANNOUNCES HE WILL RESIGN AS ISRAEL'S FOREIGN MINISTER TODAY

JERUSALEM, June 17. (JTA) -- Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett today told a nine-man committee of the Mapai, Israel's Labor Party, that he will resign from the government tomorrow because he is unable to do his work. The nine-man committee was set up by the Mapai to decide on Premier David Ben Gurion's request that Mr. Sharett quit his post in the Cabinet and become secretary general of the Mapai party in order to strengthen the structure of the party.

An extraordinary meeting of the Cabinet will be held tomorrow at which Mr. Sharett will formally submit his resignation. Today, the Cabinet held its regular weekly meeting at which Mr. Sharett reported on foreign affairs and on the emigration situation in North Africa. However, opposition to his resignation was expressed at the meeting by Ministers who represent the Mapam, Progressive and the Hapoel Hamizrachi parties.

Members of the Cabinet representing the above three parties raised the question today, although they admitted that the assignment of the portfolio of Foreign Minister was a prerogative of the Mapai under their coalition agreement. They insisted that any change in the Cabinet must first be approved in the Cabinet rather than in party councils. Premier Ben Gurion, replying, agreed with their argument and summoned a special Cabinet meeting for tomorrow to deal with the matter. The Ministers reserved the right to appeal to Mr. Sharett to withdraw his resignation.

The news of Mr. Sharett's resignation spread like wildfire throughout Israel today. Some observers forecast a firmer attitude toward the Arabs as a result, while others saw in Mr. Sharett's resignation a dramatic, but unexpected, turn of events in a personality clash. The latter feel that Mr. Sharett's place as successor to Premier Ben Gurion is secure as long as Mapai dominates the political scene.

Meanwhile, Dr. Walter Eytan, director of the Foreign Ministry, was hurriedly recalled from his current tour of the Eastern European countries. Dr. Eytan, who is expected here tomorrow, is believed slated for the post of Ambassador to London, with Ambassador Eliahu Elath being recalled from London and reassigned to Washington. Ambassador Abba Eban is expected to be called to Jerusalem to assume the post of special advisor at the Foreign Ministry. He would also be replaced at the United Nations.

Prior to his announcement, Mr. Sharett received British Ambassador Sir John Nicholls at the British envoy's request. They discussed the latest developments in the Middle East. Their talk lasted 45 minutes. Earlier, Mr. Sharett received a delegation of North African settlers in Israel, who urged him to make maximum efforts on behalf of Moroccan Jews who wish to emigrate to Israel. The delegation stressed the "rescue" aspects of North African immigration in the face of growing nationalism and restrictions in Morocco and Tunis.

TALKS WITH MOROCCAN GOVERNMENT SEEK TO EASE JEWISH EMIGRATION BAN

CASABLANCA, June 17. (JTA) -- Negotiations were started this week-end with the Moroccan Government in an attempt to secure partial restoration of organized emigration of Jews from Morocco to Israel; it was learned here today. The outcome of these negotiations will not be known for several days.

In the meantime, it was officially confirmed today that more than 30 Israeli citizens attached to various Jewish organizations in Morocco have been ordered to leave the country within eight days. They include leading members of the staff of Kadimah, the institution which directed Jewish emigration from Morocco and which was dissolved last week by order of the Moroccan Government.

(The New York Times reported today from Algiers that in Tunisia, too, the Jews fear enactment of restrictive anti-Jewish measures "in the name of Arab solidarity." These measures, the report said, might take the form of restrictions on emigration to Israel, on transfers of funds and on commercial and professional activity. Recent anti-Zionist campaigns in the Tunisian press, frequently accompanied by ugly incidents in the street, have increased the anxiety of the Jews," the report stated, adding that "the Tunisian Government, although quick to deplore anti-Semitism in all its forms, has done nothing to moderate the anti-Zionist clamor in the press.")

ARABS FROM LEBANON ATTACK ARAB VILLAGES IN ISRAEL; USE BOMBS

TEL AVIV, June 17. (JTA) -- Arab infiltrators from Lebanon last night attacked two more villages along the Israel-Lebanese border, it was announced here today. As in an attack last Thursday, Arab villages in Israel were the targets.

In last night's attacks, khaki-clad raiders opened fire on a village in which one Israeli Arab was killed and nine others, including two women and six children, were injured in bomb blasts last Thursday. They also blew up a house in a nearby village. The gang which carried out last night's raids, like the one responsible for the earlier outrage, seemed to be trained in sabotage work.

SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER STRESSES MOSCOW'S FRIENDSHIP FOR ARABS.

LONDON, June 17. (JTA) -- The Cairo radio broadcast a statement today made by Soviet Foreign Minister Dmitri Shepilov upon his arrival to Egypt in which he emphasized Soviet friendship for the Arab countries and declared that the Soviet Union is against "colonial expansion" and "imperialist monopoly," especially "oil monopolies."

At the same time, the official Egyptian radio attacked Secretary of State John Foster Dulles for stating that while the United States is refusing arms to Israel, it has no objection to such sales by other nations. "Whether America gives planes and arms to Israel directly or delivers these planes alternately via France and Canada, our view toward America would not change," the Cairo broadcast said. "These elementary political tricks no longer deceive us. America should realize that, like other sections of mankind, we have brains."

DULLES "EXPLAINS" REFUSAL TO SEE CONGRESSMEN ON ARAB-ISRAEL ISSUE

WASHINGTON, June 17. (JTA) -- The State Department "explained" today a refusal by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to receive a group of 16 New York Democratic members of Congress who wanted to see him on the Arab-Israel issue. Rep. Emanuel Celler, dean of the delegation, said the group "questioned Secretary Dulles' motives" in refusing to see them.

Explaining the refusal, State Department spokesman Lincoln White, said that Secretary Dulles feels that reception of New York Democratic Congressmen on the Israel issue might establish a precedent by which he would have to see delegations from the other 47 states. Secretary Dulles made it clear that because of lack of time he could not see individual state delegations, but was ready to see any group of Republicans or Democrats selected on a nation-wide basis, Mr. White said.

Accusing Secretary Dulles of "discourtesy," the 16 Congressmen said in a statement that he had given no reason but had arbitrarily refused to grant the requested appointment. The statement held that Mr. Dulles "cannot face the challenge of meeting 16 members face to face, most particularly when he is well aware that this delegation is thoroughly cognizant of the issues at stake and their relation to the maintenance of peace between Israel and the Arab states."

"The 16 members of this Congressional unit have together explored this problem and have unanimously arrived at the central conclusion that the most concrete step that can be taken for the maintenance of peace is an equilibrium of arms between the opposing factions. It is, of course, this unanimity of approach that has frightened Mr. Dulles in view of the inconclusive, wavering, timid public appraisal the Department of State has made relative to this crucial situation," the statement said.

U.S. CRITICIZED IN SENATE FOR TOLERATING ARAB BAN ON JEWISH GI'S

WASHINGTON, June 17. (JTA) -- The United States should withdraw its Air Force units from Saudi Arabia rather than submit to anti-Jewish discrimination, Sen. Wayne Morse, Oregon Democrat, told the Senate this week-end. Agreement was expressed by Sen. Paul Douglas, Illinois Democrat.

Sen. Douglas said: "The State Department not only has been extraordinarily timid, but also has been extraordinarily callous as regards human principles in this whole matter." Permitting the Saudi Arabian Government to exercise a veto power as to what members of the U.S. Armed Forces shall be permitted to go to Saudi Arabia "is a disgraceful ceding of national self-respect," he stated.

Sen. Morse said that "an air base in Saudi Arabia is not worth the sacrifice of American ideals, and neither is oil worth the sacrifice of those ideals." He termed the discrimination against Jewish personnel "simply inexcusable." He said "if the Government of Saudi Arabia does not wish to respect our right to have any Americans, regardless of his race, color, or creed, serve in a United States uniform at a United States base in Saudi Arabia, then let us remove our forces from Saudi Arabia."

Sen. Morse said he thought "the importance of that base is greatly overrated." He expressed the opinion that the base probably is considered of more importance to certain economic oil interests that it is important to the United States as a blockade against possible aggression by Communism. He said he did not believe Saudi Arabia would go over to the Communists "but if it should happen, let me say it would be quite a headache to the Communists."

INDEMNIFICATION LAW TO BECOME EFFECTIVE NEXT MONTH; JEWS TO BENEFIT

BONN, June 17. (JTA) -- The Bundesrat, upper house of the West German Parliament, gave unanimous approval this week-end to the amendment to the Federal Indemnification Law. It is anticipated that the amendment, which provides a thoroughgoing overhaul of the original measure, will go into effect next month after publication in the Official Gazette.

A number of formalities still remain to be cleared. The effective date of the amendment is April 1, 1956. The law and the amendment will together consist of several hundred articles.

It is expected that the amendment will mean between \$400,000,000 and \$500,000,000 for Jewish victims of Nazism over the next seven years. The chief Jewish beneficiaries will be Jewish residents of East Germany who have since left that territory and who will, in general, receive the same rights as residents and former residents of West Germany. Displaced Persons, who formerly received 25 percent less compensation than German nationals, will receive the same amount, if they resided in Germany after the war. Jewish victims of Nazism who never resided in Germany are almost completely disregarded in the amendment.

All claims recognized previously by a proper indemnification agency, will become due immediately, except in a number of special cases. But by next April even special cases will go into the category of immediately payable claims. The British Ambassador to Bonn last week protested to the Federal Government that provisions for "national victims" of Nazism--such as Poles--were inadequate.

In East Berlin, Dr. Wilhelm Girnus, secretary of a Committee for German Unity, declared this week-end that Communist Germany has no intention of paying Israel any indemnification for Nazi victims. Addressing a press conference called to protest the growth of anti-Semitic groups in West Germany, Dr. Girnus said that since Israel did not exist before the end of World War II she was not eligible for a general payment and that Israeli citizens could only have their claims considered on an individual basis.

Adenauer Says New Indemnification Law Will Be Carried Out Speedily

NEW YORK, June 17. (JTA) -- "The Federal Government and the German people will continue to consider the compensation of victims of Nazi persecution an important and urgent task by carrying out the new indemnification law liberally, fairly and speedily," Dr. Konrad Adenauer, Chancellor of the West German Federal Republic, declared today in a statement to the German-language weekly "Aufbau." Dr. Adenauer, who is now on a visit to the United States, added:

"I realize that no financial compensation can ever make up for the horrible events of the years 1933 to 1945. I hope, however, that the desire of the German people, of the Federal Government and all German political parties to redress the wrongs committed by the Nazis will be recognized in the United States. In this connection, I want especially to thank the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, representative of all leading Jewish organizations in this matter, and its president, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, for their constructive cooperation."

AUSTRIAN NAZI VICTIMS RESIDING ABROAD URGED TO SEEK COMPENSATION

VIENNA, June 17. (JTA) -- Dr. Franz Sobek, president of the newly-established Austrian fund for payments to Nazi victims abroad, appealed today to all such victims to send in their applications as quickly as possible. He said that speedy applications were needed in order to ensure that payments would be made quickly. The fund, set up as a result of negotiations between Austria and world Jewish organizations, totals some \$21,000,000.

According to the statutes under which the fund operates, the first payments are not to be made before June 10, 1957, but Dr. Sobek promised that needy cases would be taken care of earlier. This will be possible because international organizations have already pledged to advance the funds necessary for these payments.

VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY DECIDES TO SELL ROTHSCHILD HOSPITAL

VIENNA, June 17. (JTA) -- The board of the Vienna Jewish Community has decided to sell the Rothschild Hospital, one of Vienna's largest hospitals, it was announced here today. The community has other, more modern, Jewish hospitals available to its members.

During the Nazi occupation, the S.S. used the hospital for its own members. After the liberation, DP's crossing into Austria were sheltered at the hospital. Recently it was used as an old age home.

SMALLEST JEWISH COMMUNITY IN WORLD ESTABLISHED IN GERMANY

BAYREUTH, Germany, June 17. (JTA) -- In this city, which with surrounding smaller towns had a Jewish population of more than 500 prior to Hitler, a Jewish community consisting of 12 men and 28 women and children, has been formally re-established. The charter meeting was attended by Siegfried Neuland, president of the Munich community and representative of Bavarian Jews in the Bavaria Senate, himself a native of Bayreuth.

DELEGATION ASKS STATE DEPT. TO CHECK ARAB ACTION AGAINST U.S. JEWS

WASHINGTON, June 17. (JTA) -- A delegation representing the American Jewish Congress and the National Community Relations Advisory Council, met here with the Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, William M. Rountree, to make formal complaint against continued Arab violation of the rights of American citizens.

The delegation, headed by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the AJC, urged the State Department to take action to halt these abuses. The delegation particularly called to Mr. Rountree's attention the Dhahran air base lease with Saudi Arabia which provides for the denial of entry to the base of persons deemed "objectionable" by Saudi Arabia. This provision has been interpreted by that Arab country to justify the exclusion of all United States military and civilian personnel who are Jewish and the interpretation has been accepted by the State Department.

The delegation also pointed out that while the United States was granting American dollars to Jordan and other Arab countries as part of the United States foreign aid program, these countries had forbidden their nationals to use such dollars in trade with American Jews. To counteract this discrimination against American Jews, the delegation asked the State Department to adopt the following measures:

1. To instruct George Wadsworth, U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, now renegotiating the Dhahran Air Base lease, to insist upon provisions that would allow the United States to assign military and civilian personnel to that base without regard to their religious affiliations;
2. To prevent Arab states from discriminating against American Jewish businessmen in their purchases in the United States made possible by U.S. economic assistance to such states;
3. To protest directly to these Arab countries and in the United Nations their refusal to issue entry or transit visas to American citizens solely because of their religion.

Mr. Rountree expressed the State Department's disapproval of the discriminatory practices but gave no assurance that any public or effective protest would be made. Following the meeting, Dr. Goldstein stated on behalf of the delegation: "The failure of the State Department to take appropriate action does not mean the end of this matter. We intend to let the American people know that the State Department is unwilling to make effective protest against a well-organized and intensive campaign by the Arabs against American Jews."

Dr. Goldstein added that American taxpayers will particularly resent the fact that their tax dollars are being used to import anti-Semitism into this country and to make it possible for Arab states to carry on their boycott in the United States against American citizens solely because of their religion.

U. A. H. C. APPEALS TO EISENHOWER AGAINST SUBMITTING TO ARAB BIGOTRY

NEW YORK, June 17. (JTA) -- An appeal to the President and Secretary of State Dulles to end United States Government "collaboration" with Saudi Arabia in "denying religious freedom to Jews and Christians" and to end the "shocking and humiliating religious bigotry sanctioned by the U.S. as part of its agreement to lease the Dhahran air base from Saudi Arabia," was addressed today by the national executive board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

The appeal was contained in a resolution which scored "blacklists, blackmail and boycotts" practiced by Saudi Arabia and other Arab countries against "businessmen of the Jewish faith, firms with Jewish members and those who deal with the State of Israel." The U.S. Government was urged to insist on changing the status of Jews and of Christian clergymen and to demand an end to such boycotts as a condition for renewal of the Dhahran base agreement, which expires tomorrow.

Other resolutions reiterated the Union's support of Israel, called for implementation of the Supreme Court's decision on racial desegregation and determined upon an expansion of the temple youth movement as a "deterrent to juvenile delinquency." The executive board adopted an administrative budget of \$960,000 and approved the admission of 29 congregations in the UAHC.

Last night, addressing a dinner meeting of the executive board, UAHC president Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, urged the establishment of a social action office in the South to "give Jewish leadership encouragement, counsel and needed materials" and to provide evidence of the Union's continued interest in the Jewish communities of the South. He coupled this plea with one to the Jews to take an active part in the fight in the South against segregation. He insisted that Jewish religious principles required Jewish groups to "join in this momentous effort" to establish racial equality.