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BRITAIN CLARIFIES ITS STAND ON HELPING JORDAN AGAINST ISRAEL

LONDON, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- Britain will not go to Jordan's support against Israel unless there is a "clear case of aggression," Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd told Con. mons today during a debate on Middle East policy.

Secretary Lloyd had been asked for a statement on the present Israel-Jordan border situation, but had refused to reply until the United Nations Security Council had completed its current consideration of that matter.

Thereupon, Laborite Arthur Henderson asked: "In view of the statement of the Commander-in-Chief of the Jordan Army that British forces were on call at an hour's notice, will you give an assurance that this country will not be involved in any action under the Anglo-Jordan Treaty unless a clear case of major aggression is established, based on reports of the United Nations observation commission stationed in that area?"

Mr. Lloyd replied: "I do not think that the provisions of the Anglo-Jordan Treaty could come into effect unless there had been a clear-cut case of aggression."

(During the Israeli reprisal raid on the Qualqilya police fortress two weeks ago, the Jordan commander reportedly asked that Royal Air Force units stationed, in Jordan be used against the Israelis. Despite the welter of reports dealing with this request, it has never been clearly established whether the commander of the British air units had decided to act or had been in consultation with London. At any rate, the raid ended before British planes could become involved.)

The debate today was opened by Sir Leslie A. Plummer, Labor, who asked that the Foreign Secretary make available to Members of Parliament information concerning weapons which Israel had requested of the British Government and which the latter had refused to furnish. Mr. Lloyd said simply: "No. sir."

—Plummer returned to the attack, pointing out that it was difficult for Members of Parliament to evaluate the "government's constant statement that they are trying to maintain a balance of arms between Israel and the Arab countries unless (we) have this information." He coupled this remark with a request for information concerning military articles which the Arab states had asked for and received.

Again the Foreign Secretary refused, this time stating: "I can see your difficulty, but the government have to have in mind the public interest and peace in the Middle East."

Arab Boycott Against Israel Discussed in Commons

At another point in the debate, Plummer demanded to know by what authority a spokesman for the British Embassy in Syria had denied information to the effect that the Western countries would start a campaign against the Arab states to combat their economic boycott of Israel.

To this A.D. Dodds-Parker, Joint Parliamentary Under Secretary, replied: In July certain Syrian newspapers reported allegations of a Western campaign to paralyze the Arab Dycott of Israel and of the opening in London of an Israeli office which was supported by Foreign Office officials, Since both of these-allegations were untrue, the British Ambassador in Damascus was authorized to dept them.

At this point, Laborite John Dugdale asked the government to do something most than just protest: "Would you consider, for example, having some kind of boycott against the Arab states which are in fact boycotting us?" Mr. Dodds-Parkers reply was that "two wrongs don't make a right in this case."

Military Chiefs of Three Arab Armies to Plan Action Against Israel

LONDON, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- King Hussein of Jordan told newsmen in Amman today. "It is quite possible we might have a revision of the Anglo-Jordanian treaty, "Ia cable from the Jordan capital said. Egyptian, Syrian, and Jordanian military chiefs are scheduled to begin talks, this week on military plans against Israel, the cable added."

GOLDMANN URGES JOINT ARAB-ISRAEL EFFORT TO REBUILD MIDDLE EAST

NEW YORK, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- A proposal that Israel and her Arab neighbors join in a permanent, bold effort to rebuild the Middle East and make it again one of the greaty cultural centers of civilization, was made tonight by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Jewish Agency, addressing the annual dinner of the American Friends of Hebrew University.

On Goldmann pointed out that Israel's course in history will be determined by her success in achieving integration as an equal in the family of Middle East nations and attaining her goal to serve as the main source of moral and intellectual stimulation for Jews all over the world. He was presented the Hebrew University Solomon Bublick Public Service Award for 1956 for his "outstanding contribution to the progress and development of the State of Israel."

The award, consisting of a sterling silver plaque and a check for \$1,000, has been given previously to but four eminent personalities in science and government—to former President Highry S. Truman; to Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel and to the Hebrew University scientists, the late Prof. Eleazer L. Sukenik, archaeologist who recognized the historic importance of the Dead Sea Scrolls, and to atomic scientist Prof. Giulio Racah, who heads Hebrew University's Department of Theoretical Physics.

Dr. Goldmann urged Israel to emulate "the consistent ambition of her ancient forebears in striving to be a guide to the morally perplexed and an exemplar to transgressors." Cautioning that Israel must not channelize her thinking and her energies to military preoccupation, even though a full settlement in the Middle East is not immediately foreseeable. Dr. Goldmann declared: "Even if the guns along the Arab-Israel frontiers should resume their cannonade, the people of Israel must strive to set new goals and create new standards in cultural, spiritual and moral achievements."

Outlines Basic Conditions to Arabs and Israel

Pointing out that Israel's integration in the Middle East will necessitate a fundamental change of attitude by the Arab people, he said: "It requires a change of heart and mind on the part of millions of individual Arabs in relation to the ineradicable fact of Israel's being. It requires also that the people of Israel grasp profoundly the pattern of their redemption and that their return to the Middle East is a full and unqualified return to their ancestral base."

Dr. Goldmann spelled out what he considers the establishment of normal relations between Israel and the Arab states. "It would have to be more than a formal peace treaty," he stated. "It would have to be the seasoned relationship that results from living under the same sky and in the same climate, burdened by the same problems, seeking the same triumphs. It would be a multifarious relationship expressed in daily commerce and trade, in long-term political cooperation, in a joint and permanent bold effort to rebuild the Middle East and make it, again, as it has been in the past, one of the great cultural centers of civilization."

The Hebrew University, which now has an enrollment of 100 Arabs and Druze within its student population of 4, 000, has a significant contribution to make in the future toward serving all the peoples in the Middle East area, Dr. Goldmann said. It must, he declared, become "in the broadest and fullest sense a great center of learning for all the peoples of the Middle East; for the intellectually elite of all the nations in that region—Israelis, Arabs, Druze, Kurds, Persians and many others."

Daniel G. Ross, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, which is conducting a nationwide campaign to raise funds for rebuilding the Hebrew University on a new \$30,000,000 campus at Givat Ram, Jerusalem, presented embossed Certificates of Merit to five national organizations for rendering vital aid to the Hebrew University. Organizations honored were: Alpha Omega Datal Fraternity; American Jewish Physicians' Committee; Hadassah; National Council of Jewish Women and the Women's League for Israel.

STEVENSON SAYS U.S. HAS "A NATURAL INTEREST" IN ISRAEL; PLEDGES ARMS

NEW YORK, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- American arms to Israel were pledged last night by Adlai Stevenson, Democratic Presidential candidate, addressing a huge mass meeting at Madison Square Garden here. President Eisenhower is scheduled to address a similar meeting at the Garden tomorrow evening.

Pointing out that the United States has "a natural interest in the nation of Israel," Mr. Stevenson said: "Israel is not a cause to be cynically remembered in late October of an election season. It is the symbol of man's triumph over one of the darkest sorrows in human history—the attempt of Adolf Hitler to destroy a whole people.

"The first premise of any Middle Eastern policy is that Israel is here to stay...and that she must have the arms, the economic support and the diplomatic guaranties necessary to assure her independence and integrity," he stated.

ANTI-SEMITISM FOUND IN UKRAINE; NONE IN OTHER PARTS OF U.S.S.R.

TEL AVIV, Oct. 24. (ITA) - There is strong anti-Semitic sentiment in the Ukraine, but no anti-Semitism of any significance elsewhere in the USSR, members of a Histadrut delegation which recently returned from the Soviet Union reported today to a meeting of the Histadrut executive. The delegation attended an international conference of cooperative movements held in the Soviet capital.

It was also reported that while the Histadrut delegates were in the Ukraine, 25, 000 people joined them in Kol Nidre prayers at Yom Kippur. Though it was asserted that there is no campaign against religion in the USSR, the delegates continued, on the eve of Yom Kippur Radio Kiev commented on the "reactionary character of the Jewish religion."

GERMANY COMPLETES BUILDING ANOTHER ISRAELI SHIP AS REPARATIONS

BREMEN, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- The 2,300 ton freighter "Palmach," the first seagoing vessel to be built for a private maritime company under the German-Israel reparations pact, slid down the ways here today.

When the ship's interior is completed later this year, it will be taken over by a crew of 23 Israelis and commanded by "Captain Ike," commander of the immigrant ship "Exodus" which then years ago attempted unsuccessfully to run the British blockade of Palestine. The freighter, which will be owned and operated by the Atid Navigation Company of Haifa and the Federation of Kibbutzim, will carry citrus fruit in season and lumber the remainder of the year.

Present at the launching ceremonies were M. Ginsberg, director of the Israeli Communications Ministry, A. Sternberg, head of the import section of the Israel Purchasing Mission in Germany, Carl Katz, head of the Bremen Jewish community, and Erich Lueth, initiator of the "Peace With Israel" movement in Germany.

CASABLANCA JEWS PARTICIPATE IN STRIKE AGAINST FRANCE; INFORM SULTAN

CASABLANCA, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- The Jews of Casablanca participated in yester-day's nation-wide general strike and demonstrations against the French arrest of five Algerian nationalist leaders who were en route from Morocco to Tunisia. The Casablanca Jewish Committee cabled the following message to Sultan Mohammed V.

"We add the voices of 80,000 Casablanca Moroccan Jews to the unanimous reprobation of the Moroccan people against the act of piracy against the sacred guests of Your Majesty. The impressive common demonstration of Moslems and Jews condemns the foolish attitude of those who are still fighting against the Algerian people's desire for independence."

BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCC COMPANY CHARGED WITH BOYCOTTING ISRAEL

TEL AVIV. Oct. 24. (ITA) - Layam, a Haifa company which supplies a variety of goods to ships, charged today the British-American Tobacco Company with refusing to sell it cigarettes and with yielding to the Arab states boycott against Israel.

Layam said that last March it placed an order through the Brown and Williamson Tobaco Company of Louisville, Kentucky, export agents for British-American, for 1,000,000 cigarettes. The order was refused with a note that "until further notice no order will." be met from Israel.

Layam said when it asked for a meason, the company explained that its close relations with the Arab countries might be endangered through continuing trade with Israel,

(Officials of Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corporation, when queried by the JTA, stated that "with respect to British-American Tobacco Company, Ltd. Brown and Williamson was agent for export only." They added that "it is the intention of Brown and Williamson to continue to ship its own brands anywhere in the world, including—Israel, where U.S. dollars are available in payment."

J. N. F. DIRECTOR ARRIVES IN U.S. TO CONSULT WITH JEWISH COMMUNITIES

NEW YORK, Oct. 24. (JTA) — Joseph Weitz, director of the Colonization and Afforestation Department of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem, arrived in the United States today for a three months' visit. He will consult with leaders of the Jewish National Fund of America, as well as with representatives of the Jewish communities. Throughout the United States, on the JNF five year plan for the reclamation and development of the hill country in Israel, involving the settlement of 12,000 immigrant families.

Mr. Weitz, who is a recognized authority on colonization and afforestation, is the author of many books in Hebrew and in English, dealing with colonization, afforestation and general land amelioration.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL TO HOLD ITS NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- The United Jewish Appeal moved this week into the final month of its 1956 campaign with the announcement that it will hold its annual National Conference in New York at the end of next month to set the stage for its next year's nationwide drive.

Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister of Great Britain from 1945 to 1951 and Deputy Leader of the Labor Opposition in Parliament from 1951 until last year, will be among the outstanding personal lites on the world scene who will address the UM's two-day sessions. Along with Mr. Morrison, other noted figures who will address the Conference include General Yigael Yadin, former Commanding General of Israel's Defense Forces and Israel's leading scholar on the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The 1957 drive will be the UJA's 19th yearly effort. In the light of the grave crisis affecting the people of Israel and Jewish populations in Moslem lands, it is expected that the delegates may call upon American Jews for a campaign of even greater vigor than in 1956. More than 1,000 leaders of Jewish communities throughout the United States are scheduled to attend.

The Conference will sum up the results of the UJA's 1956 effort and set financial objectives for the 1957 drive. Prior to voting on the goals, the sessions will consider the rescue, resettlement, rehabilitation and welfare work which the UJA constituent agencies have scheduled in behalf of hundreds of thousands of distressed and dependent Jewish men, women and children in more than a score of countries. The constituent agencies are the United Israel Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee and New York Association for New Americans.

CONSTRUCTION OF U.S. SCHOOL OF ARCHAEOLOGY STARTED IN JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- Construction has begin on the American School of Archaeology in Jerusalem, it was announced here yesterday by Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, sponsor of the graduate school in Jerusalem.

Reporting to the HUC-JIR board of governors, Dr. Glueck noted that "religious and political extremists" had unsuccessfully attempted to deny a building permit for the school because the library would be used for Reform services for students. The debate in Israel over the school, he added, had demonstrated the "thoroughly democratic character of the Jewish State."

PRESIDENT OF CHILE DEDICATES SCHOOL OF JEWISH STUDIES IN SANTIAGO

SANTIAGO, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- President Carlos Ibanez of Chile today dedicated the new Collegio Hebreo, school for higher Jewish studies, in a special ceremony. The school, named for the late Dr. Chaim Weizmann, first President of Israel, was built at a cost of \$130,000. Funds for the buildingwere raised by the local Jewish community.

The ceremony of dedication heard addresses by Minister of Education Borquez, Israel Minister Goren and Gil Sinay, president of the Jewish central committee here. The Jewish community in this country is currently celebrating the 50th anniversary of its founding in Chile.

* A cornerstone for the new temple of the "Circulo Israelita" congregation was dedicated here yesterday in connection with the celebration of the 50th anniversary. Participants in the ceremony included Chilean Foreign Minister St. Marie, Israel Minister Goren, representatives of the Chilean government and members of the Chilean Parliament.

BELGIAN HIGH OFFICIALS ATTEND PARLEY ON JEWISH YOUTH PROBLEMS

BRUSSELS, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- A one day conference on problems facing youth in this country was held here today under the auspices of the Jewish Youth Federation of Belgium.

The parley was opened by M. Vandenborre, director of the cultural relations department of the Ministry of Public Information, who urged Jewish youth to unite to preserve and extend their Jewish cultural heritage. Another speaker was Emile Jacemotte, counsellor to the Ministry and director of the National Youth Council.

SO. AFRICAN PARTY TO NAME JEW AS CANDIDATE FOR JOHANNESBURG MAYOR

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- The United Party caucus in Johannesburg has decided to nominate as its candidate for Mayor of the city Max Goodman, current Deputy Mayor. Mr. Goodman has been prominent in Jewish communal and religious affairs in this city.

HOSSIATINER REBBE, NOTED RABBI, DIES IN ISRAEL; WAS 75 YEARS OLD

TEL AVIV, Oct. 24. (JTA) -- The Hossiatiner Rebbe --Admor Jacob Friedman --died here today. He was 75 years old. Long noted as a scholar, thinker and "lover of Zion," the Hossiatiner Rebbe was the oldest Admor of this generation and the last of the Rozien Admoric dynasty.