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GAZA WITHDRAWAL COMPLETED; 10,000 ATTEND PROTEST RALLY IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, March 7. (JTA) -- Ten thousand Israelis flocked into Mograbi Square, Tel Aviv's main plaza, this evening to hear Herut leader Menahem Beigin demand the resignation of the Ben Gurion coalition Cabinet.

Mr. Beigin, who interrupted a scheduled month-long lecture tour of the United States only three days after he arrived in the U.S. to fly back to Israel, charged that "not Nasser but Ben Gurion brought about Israel's retreat."

The Israel withdrawal from the Gaza area was completed at 4 P.M. today. A number of Arab families have been allowed to enter Israel along with the evacuating forces. These Arabs, including Mayor Rushdi el Shawa, fear for their lives because they cooperated with the Israelis in attempting to maintain peace and build an economic future for the Strip. Mayor el Shawa's home was bombed in a grenade attack Tuesday night, but no one was injured.

Considerable bitterness was reported throughout Israel to what many Israelis regarded as a practically unconditional withdrawal from Gaza. Anger was especially acute over reports that the Israelis had left behind 300 fedayeen, a procedure which was called "like letting loose our own murderers." It was considered unlikely, however, that the bitterness would find political expression, particularly after the overwhelming Knesset endorsement of Premier Ben Gurion's stand on withdrawal.

For the first time in four months Israeli settlers in communities facing the Gaza Strip resumed night guard duty in searchlight towers and trenches surrounding their communities. As the evacuating Israeli army moved past, the settlers resumed their day and night vigil, the price of life in the Negev.

Settlers facing Khan Yunis, Raffah and Gaza had some small hope that the presence of United Nations troops would have a deterrent effect on fedayeen activities which resumed as soon as it became apparent that Israel would pull its forces out of the Gaza Strip. There is a possibility that some of the settlers will leave their border villages in the face of all-day work and all-night guard duty.

(The New York Times reported from Washington that "it can be taken as authoritative" that President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles did not endorse Israel's assumption that if there was any return of the Egyptians to the Gaza Strip, Israel would have the right, in self-defense, to put them out again." In his conversations with Mr. Eban, Mr. Dulles made it clear that in view of the existence of the armistice agreement, Israel could not juridically have such a right," the Washington report staied. "He refused to accept the Israeli contention that Egypt's persistent belligerency over a period of seven years had made the armistice defunct.")

BEN GURION SENDS MESSAGE TO EISENHOWER; REFERS TO HIS PLEDGES

JERUSALEM, March 7. (JTA) -- Israel Premier David Ben Gurion today received U.S. Ambassador Edward Lawson and handed him a reply to President Eisenhower's letter of last week which induced him to order the withdrawal of the Israeli troops from the Gaza and Akaba areas.

The Premier's letter today reportedly expressed appreciation for President Eisenhower's efforts to achieve a solution of the Akaba-Gaza situation. Mr. Ben Gurion reportedly referred to the President's implied undertakings in behalf of freedom of navigation and security, and Israel's belief in the justice and reasonableness of its hopes and expectations which the President had underlined in his missive.

Israel Foreign Ministry circles said today they were "extremely pleased" with the statement which President Eisenhower made at his press conference in Washington today (See page 2) that the United States might use the Strait of Tiran as an international waterway. At the same time it was announced that the 3,500 ton Danish freighter Brigitta Toft is scheduled to steam through the Strait of Tiran and dock at Elath March 20, becoming the first vessel to navigate the disputed waterway after Israel's evacuation.

The unusual advance announcement of the vessel's scheduled arrival was seen here as a deliberate attempt by Israel to give Egypt sufficient advance notice to test the effectiveness of the United Nations Emergency Force as a guarantor of freedom of passage.

EISENHOWER SEES BASIC ARAB-ISRAEL DIFFICULTIES STILL UNRESOLVED

WASHINGTON, March 7. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower, commenting at his press conference today on the Arab-Israel problem in the wake of the Israel withdrawal from the Gaza and Akaba areas said that he and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles did not believe the settlement of one or two phases would solve the underlying causes of difficulty in the area. He expressed the view that the United Nations should address itself to those basic, underlying difficulties.

The President said that unless there is a contrary ruling by the World Court the United States assumes the Strait of Tiran to be a free, international waterway and is prepared, together with other nations, to use it. But as to what an American shipper might assume would happen if he used the strait, Mr. Eisenhower said he would have to consult further with the State Department.

The President said that since as far back as 1948 he had never discussed Israel with anyone without saying its existence was an historic fact and that its problems must be dealt with like those of any other country. He said this in reply to a reporter's question if he told Arabian King Saud that Israel was here to stay. Generally, the President found the outlook "brighter" in the Middle East, although he made it clear that problems were still to be anticipated.

U. N. ASSEMBLY MEETS TODAY TO HEAR REPORT ON ISRAEL'S WITHDRAWAL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 7. (JTA) -- The United Nations General Assembly will meet tomorrow afternoon to discuss the Israeli evacuation of the Gaza and Akaba areas, which are scheduled to be completed at that time. It is expected that UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold will report to the Assembly on the withdrawal.

UN headquarters here today received a report from Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, commander of the United Nations Emergency Force, conveying the report in a proclamation which he issued today in Gaza. The proclamation told the Gaza Arabs that "UNEF has assumed responsibility for civil affairs" and is in the area for the purpose of "maintaining quiet during and after the withdrawal of the Israeli defense forces." The exact phraseology of the Burns proclamation was considered here to be important, indicating a plan to keep UNEF in Gaza "after" Israel's withdrawal.

The UN Relief and Works Agency for Arab refugees will continue to provide its relief services as in the past, the proclamation declares. The proclamation directs the population of the area that it is "not to carry arms or explosives of any kind," that it is to continue to observe the curfew hours imposed by the Israeli forces and in general is to "remain law-abiding and orderly."

The forces sent into the Strip, according to the Burns' report, consist of Danish, Norwegian, Indian, Colombian and Swedish contingents. Headquarters of UNEF have been set up in the town of Gaza. The Burns' proclamation, issued in Arabic, concludes: "Peace and the mercy of God upon you."

HOUSE PASSES MODIFIED VERSION OF EISENHOWER'S MIDDLE EAST DOCTRINE

WASHINGTON, March 7. (JTA) -- The House today quickly passed and sent to the President the Senate's modified version of the Eisenhower Middle East Doctrine.

As finally approved by Congress, the resolution permits the President to spend $200,000,000 on economic and military aid in the area and states that this country is prepared to use armed force if necessary to repel Communist aggression.

Among other aspects, it also directs the President to "continue to furnish" assistance to the United Nations Emergency Forces stationed between Egypt and Israel. It further asks for pledges from recipient countries not to use military aid for aggression. The resolution does not deal with the Arab-Israel or Suez disputes.

BRITAIN CONSIDERS TRIPARTITE DECLARATION STILL VALID, COMMONS TOLD

LONDON, March 7. (JTA) -- The Tripartite Declaration of 1950, guaranteeing the borders of the Middle East states, still is effective as far as Israel is concerned, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd reaffirmed in Commons today.

In a discussion of Israel's position vis-a-vis passage through the Suez Canal, Mr. Lloyd said that the Egyptian Government had accepted the six principles outlined last October in the Security Council. That, he continued, "means the canal should be opened to the shipping of the whole world. That's the position and that's how we leave it."

Mr. Lloyd said the British Government hopes that United Nations Emergency Forces will not withdraw from their positions in Egyptian territory before there is a real settlement. "All governments should have a firm and united policy towards the problems of that area," he told a questioner about Anglo-American views on the Middle East.

Speaking of the role of UNEF in keeping peace along Israel's borders, Mr. Lloyd cited a General Assembly resolution of February 2 approving a report of Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold suggesting several actions to be taken after Israel's final evacuation.

JEWS IN POLAND URGED TO ALERT PARLIAMENT AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM

LONDON, March 7. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism is still raging in Poland despite government efforts to check it, it is revealed in the Warsaw Jewish newspaper Folkshtimme received here today. The paper advises individual Jews in Poland to get in touch with members of the Polish Parliament and bring to their attention all instances of anti-Jewish discrimination.

Pointing out that the delegates elected to the new Parliament have all pledged themselves "to fight against anti-Semitism and against persecution of national minorities in the country," the Jewish newspaper advises the central representative body of the Jews in Poland to remind the deputies of their pledge.

"We are glad to establish that during the last few weeks the authorities have energetically started to combat anti-Semitic hooliganism," the paper writes. "However, this does not solve the painful problem. We are still witnessing continued discrimination in employing Jewish workers in certain sections of the country.

"We are also witnessing," the paper continues, "the fact that a number of government and communal institutions prefer not to notice that certain anti-Semitic elements are attempting to pressure Jews to leave the country, in order that they should be able to take over their houses. Under such circumstances we must urgently demand of the new Parliament and the newly elected deputies fulfillment of promises given to the Jewish voter to provide complete security for the Jews in Poland."

1,113 JEWISH REFUGEES FROM EGYPT ARRIVE IN GREECE; MET BY J. D. C.

ATHENS, March 7. (JTA) -- The largest group of Jewish refugees to arrive on one ship--1, 113 men, women and children--came here yesterday from Alexandria aboard the Egyptian vessel Mecca. They were met by Joint Distribution Committee representatives.

Most of yesterday's arrivals will head for Israel, the first group of immigrants leaving tomorrow aboard a Greek liner. This brings the number of Jewish refugees and expellees from Egypt to leave since since last fall, to 13,000.

JEWISH AGENCY OPENS PLENARY SESSION; CONSIDERS INCREASE IN BUDGET

JERUSALEM, March 7. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive opened a plenary session today and turned its attention first to budgetary problems. Three meetings were held today and the session will continue tomorrow.

Treasurer Dov Joseph proposed a supplementary budget of several tens of millions of pounds, to add to the original record 187,000,000 budget. The new funds will be needed to cover additional expenses incurred in the movement, absorption and housing of tens of thousands of refugee immigrants who are arriving over and above the number originally scheduled.

AUSTRIAN JEWS MUST FILE COMPENSATION CLAIMS WITHIN THREE MONTHS

VIENNA, March 7. (JTA) -- Austrian Jewish victims of the Nazi regime who live abroad and are entitled to compensation from the government fund for Nazi persecutees must file their applications by June 10, it was announced here today.

The announcement said that 14,500 applications have been received so far, and 5,500 applicants have received settlements. The total payments made to date amount to 30,300,000 shillings, the announcement stated.

15 COUNTRIES ACCEPT INVITATIONS TO WORLD CONGRESS OF JEWISH STUDIES

JERUSALEM, March 7. (JTA) -- Delegations from 15 countries have already accepted invitations to the Second World Congress of Jewish Studies which will convene here on July 28. The week-long meeting will be the most important event in the field of Jewish scholarship since the first Congress which was held on Mt. Scopus in 1947.

Sponsored jointly by the Hebrew University--on whose campus it will be held--and the Ministry of Education, the Congress will feature a number of exhibits, such as: the Hebrew book in Jewish studies; historical documents; the demography of the Jews; the Dead Sea Scrolls.

The largest contingent of scholars, Jews and non-Jews, is expected from the U.S. whence 26 invitations have been accepted to date. Among the other registrants are: Britain, 13; France, 8; Switzerland, 7; Germany, Holland and Poland 4 each; and Hungary, Portugal, Spain, Canada and South Africa, one each; Belgium and Sweden, two each.

ROBERT BRISCOE, JEWISH MAYOR OF DUBLIN, REELECTED TO EIRE PARLIAMENT

DUBLIN, March 7. (JTA) -- Robert Briscoe, Lord Mayor of Dublin and its first Jewish municipal head, was reelected today to the Erie Parliament. Mr. Briscoe has served his Dublin constituents in Parliament continuously since 1927.

Mr. Briscoe is scheduled to arrive in New York March 14 for a seven-week tour of the United States on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and the Irish Societies of America.

ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION REPORTED ELIMINATED IN N. Y. UNIVERSITIES

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 7. (JTA) -- Colleges and universities in New York State have eliminated entirely all discrimination against students or prospective students on racial, religious or nationality grounds, the United Nations was told here today.

The statement, quoting Theorn A. Johnson, administrator of the New York State Education Practices Act, was made by Judge Philip Halpern, of Buffalo, Jewish communal leader who, as an individual expert, represents the United States on the Subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities.

Judge Halpern made his statement about the ending of bias in higher education in New York State during the Subcommission's debate of a report of world-wide practices toward elimination of educational discriminations. The report, covering 82 countries, was presented by Charles D. Ammoun of Lebanon, and was praised highly by most of the members of the Subcommission, including Judge Halpern.

"I know of no discrimination in higher education on racial, religious or nationality lines," Judge Halpern quoted Mr. Johnson as reporting. According to the Johnson report entered into the United Nations records by the United States representative, figures show that 44.8 percent of all medical students in New York State now are Jews, while 54.7 percent of the dental students are Jewish.

REFORM JUDAISM INSTITUTIONS REPORTED FACING "PERILOUS" FUND SHORTAGE

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- Warned that American Reform Judaism's top national institutions "are faced by a perilous shortage of funds that may force a halt to the expansion of this religious movement," board members of both the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion today endorsed the immediate opening in the Greater New York area of a pre-Passover drive by the Combined Campaign for the raising of an additional $100,000.

The $100,000 goal was voted as an addition to the more than $500,000 being sought in Greater New York toward a Combined Campaign national objective of $2,500,000 for the 1956-57 fiscal year. The special drive will be launched on Sunday. The Combined Campaign for American Reform Judaism is the financial mainstay of the 84-year-old Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the 82-year-old Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

The warning that Reform Judaism's national institutions are being crippled by a shortage of funds was sounded by Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the UAHC. Speaking to board members of the two institutions at an emergency meeting in the Harmony Club, he emphasized that "we may have to apply the brakes and call a halt to the expansion of this religious movement unless our sacred national institutions are put in a far better financial positionto keep pace with the spiritual needs of a Reform Jewish community that now numbers 1,000,000 men, women and children."

Dr. Eisendrath pointed out that Reform Judaism had experienced its greatest period of growth in the last 10 years, adding that "the only thing that can stop this phenomenal development is a financial inability to help in the formation of new congregations, the training of more Rabbis and the widening of Reform's exemplary religious school system."

KLUTZNICK, LEAVITT, OTHERS RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES FROM HUC-JIR

NEW YORK, March 7. (JTA) -- Ten leaders of American religious, cultural and humanitarian endeavors were awarded honorary degrees tonight at Founder's Day exercises marking the 82nd anniversary of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, the Reform rabbinical seminary. Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of the College-Institute, presented the degrees to:

The Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, Minister Emeritus, Riverside Church, New York; David E. Kaufman, Philadelphia, former U.S. Minister to Bolivia and Siam, attorney and philanthropist; Rabbi I. Edward Kiev, librarian, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, New York; Philip M. Klutznick, Park Forest, Ill., national president of B'nai B'rith; Moses A. Leavitt, New York, executive vice-chairman, Joint Distribution Committee; Samuel D. Leidesdorf, New York, leader of civic, social welfare and philanthropic endeavor; Moshe Maisels, editor of Hadoar, Hebrew weekly, New York; Rabbi Max Reichler, spiritual leader of Beth Sholom-Peoples Temple, Brooklyn; Rabbi Maurice Zigmond, director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., and Rabbi Arthur Zuckerman, director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, City College of New York.

CABINET MEMBERS HAIL NEW J. T. A. CHIEF CORRESPONDENT IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, March 7. (JTA) -- Members of the Israel Cabinet Parliament, Jewish Agency executive and Israel's two Chief Rabbis sent greetings tonight to a reception honoring Eliahu Salpeter on the occasion of his becoming chief of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency bureau in Israel. Present at the affair, tendered by Berl Coralnick, Mr. Salpeter's predecessor and chairman of the Jerusalem Journalists Association, were members of Parliament and senior government officials.