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FRANCE SUMMONS SECURITY COUNCIL TO MEET MONDAY ON SUEZ ISSUE

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 16. (JTA) -- The United Nations Security Council will meet Monday afternoon to consider a complaint by France that Egypt's unilateral declaration on operation of the Suez Canal, filed with the Council here on April 24, does not meet the six "basic requirements" on operation of the waterway adopted by the Council last October with Egypt's concurrence.

Two of those principles affect Israel directly, and these were noted by diplomatic observers here in view of reports that France and Israel have been in consultation on the Suez issue. One of those principles forbids discrimination against any Suez shipping, "overt or covert." Another lays down the rule that the operation of the canal must be "isolated from the politics of any country."

The French complaint will be made to the Council by Foreign Minister Christian Pineau, who will arrive in New York by air Monday morning. M. Pineau had a long meeting in Paris today with Yaakov Tsur, the Israel Ambassador. In New York, Israel Ambassador Abba S. Eban conferred at length with Guillaume Georges-Picot, France's permanent representative at the UN. Earlier, he met with Henry Cabot Lodge, American representative and this month's president of the Security Council, presumably in connection with a Syrian complaint against Israel which the Council is scheduled to hear on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold went into a day-long series of individual conferences with leading delegations, presumably discussing the Suez issue in its overall aspects as well as in its relationship to Israel's insistence on freedom of passage. Among the delegation chiefs with whom Mr. Hammarskjold conferred were Mr. Lodge; Arkady A. Sobolev, head of the Soviet Union delegation; Dr. E. Ronald Walker, chairman of the Australian delegation who, as a representative of a British Commonwealth nation, has been very outspoken on behalf of Israel's rights to use the Suez Canal; and M. C. W. A. Schurmann, of the Netherlands, who has taken a position similar to Dr. Walker's in regard to Israel's claims.

ISRAELIS HAIL FRANCE'S CALL FOR UNITED NATIONS MEETING ON SUEZ

JERUSALEM, May 16. (JTA) -- Israeli Foreign Ministry officials welcomed today France's initiative in bringing the Suez Canal issue before the United Nations Security Council. They indicated that this action may delay the dispatch of an Israeli ship to attempt passage of the Canal.

The French action, Israeli officials said, proved that not everyone accepts the dictates of Egyptian President Nasser as accomplished facts.

Referring to the close Franco-Israeli cooperation on the Suez question, these officials indicated that Israel may decide to withhold the dispatch through the Canal of a ship flying the flag of Israel and possibly also of a ship of another flag operating under Israeli charter.

The Norwegian freighter Mars, now already loaded with a bulk cargo from Haifa for Japanese and Malayan ports, may be affected by this position. While there has not yet been a decision on the highest level, officials indicated that the ship may be routed across the Atlantic and through the Panama Canal instead of through the Suez Canal.

Although in American-Israeli talks on the situation Washington reiterated that it has no opposition to an Israeli test of free passage of the Canal, it has been learned here that Israel has been informed of the State Department's opinion that a "progressive testing" could probably be more purposeful than a sudden, full test.

What the State Department seems to have in mind is that Israel should first establish firmly passage of foreign ships under Israeli charter sailing to and from Israel via the Suez Canal. Later, it should enlarge the variety of cargoes carried in these vessels and, only then, send Israel-flagged vessels to the Canal.

It is understood that while Israel told Washington this opinion would be given careful consideration, no commitment has been made to act accordingly. Officials said tonight that "the way in which the Security Council discussions on Suez go, will certainly influence Israel's policy."

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Officials disclosed here that France had hinted to Israel in advance of its intention to submit the Suez Canal dispute to the Security Council. They said that France had not requested Israel to refrain from sending a ship to test the right of free passage while the issue was before the Council. They denied a report that France had indicated to Israel a test should be made now to dramatize Egypt's violation of the Constantinople Convention of 1888.

BRITISH GOVT. EXEMPTS EGYPT FROM TRIPARTITE DECLARATION TERMS

LONDON, May 16. (JTA) -- The British Government feels that the terms of the Tripartite Declaration of May 1950 do not apply to Egypt, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd told Commons today on the second day of a full scale debate on the Middle East.

Mr. Lloyd did insist, however, regardless of the abrogation of the Anglo-Jordan treaty Britain still felt that the Tripartite Declaration was in effect. He summed up the purposes of the Declaration as: prevention of an arms race between Israel and the Arab states, and prevention of the violation of frontiers or armistice demarcation lines in the Middle East.

Emanuel Shinwell, a member of the late Labor Cabinet, struck out sharply at President Eisenhower's statement yesterday on Israel's right to send a test vessel through the Suez Canal. "Eisenhower says and does some very foolish things," Mr. Shinwell stated, "and one of the most foolish, surely, is the statement that Israel is entitled to put a ship through Suez but on no account to use force."

"Is anything so absurd?" the Laborite asked, "Israel is to send a ship through Egypt will obviously try to prevent it and will use force. Israel musn't use force but take the ship back. Retreat, retreat, retreat--all along the line. That's not a policy that gets anywhere."

ARAB-ISRAEL TENSION CLOUDS NEAR EAST ISSUES, ROUNTREE SAYS

DALLAS, Texas, May 16. (JTA) -- William M. Rountree, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, told a national conference on the Middle East today that "the Arab-Israel tension clouds almost every issue in the Near East and gives rise to great bitterness."

He said it was under the Tripartite Declaration of 1950 and U.S. obligations under the United Nations Charter that this country supported Egypt's frontiers and armistice lines in the recent crisis.

Mr. Rountree told the conference, which was sponsored by the Dallas Council on World Affairs and News Week, that the UN represents an important and fundamental element in American policy in the Near East. He said that "for ten years, the machinery created within the United Nations has watched over and mitigated friction between Israel and the Arab States."

MEETING WITH BEN GURION "VERY USEFUL," HAMMARSKJOLD DECLARES

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 16. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold told a press conference today that he had found his recent meeting with Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel "very useful." He said many of the problems concerning Israel and Egypt are under "continuous discussion" but he said "there are no final decisions as yet."

He reiterated his belief that "there are no basic obstacles" to Israeli-Egyptian peace negotiations but such negotiations, he said, "are a matter of timing." Meanwhile, he stressed, he believes that the 1949 armistice agreement between Israel and Egypt is still a valid instrument. That agreement, he said, "excluded rights of belligerence." He cautioned, however, against mis-labeling specific acts related to the armistice agreement as violations of the UN Charter.

Asked about the Suez Canal situation, Mr. Hammarskjold noted that the Security Council had adopted a resolution in 1951 barring a blockade such as Egypt now imposes on Israel. He said that Egypt had not as yet signed Article 36 of the Statute of the International Court of Justice, which would obligate it to accept rulings by the court. However, he held, "Egypt does recognize the court," even if it does not recognize Israel.

ISRAEL NEWS BRIEFS

JERUSALEM, May 16. (JTA) -- The Zionist Actions Committee, chief organ of the World Zionist movement between sessions of the World Zionist Congress, will meet here on July 10, the Jewish Agency executive has decided.

NEW YORK, May 16. (JTA) -- Approximately \$150,000 will be required during the next few years for the development of Elath, Israel's port on the Gulf of Akaba, Hanoch Nenner, Mayor of Elath, said on his arrival here today for a tour in behalf of the Israel Bond drive.

MONTEVIDEO, May 16. (JTA) -- The Uruguayan Chamber of Representatives has unanimously approved a cultural exchange program with Israel.

EL AL TO CUT NEW YORK-TEL AVIV FLYING TIME WITH NEW PLANES

TEL AVIV, May 16. (JTA) -- Flying time between New York and Lydda Airport, Israel will be cut from 32 to 21 hours when El Al Israel National Airlines puts British-built Britannia turboprop passenger airlines on the flight, it was disclosed today. With delivery of the giant craft, El Al will operate a daily service on the transatlantic flight.

El Al also announced that it would renew service between Lydda and the Union of South Africa.

SOVIET AMBASSADOR GIVES ISRAEL PHOTOSTATS OF ANCIENT HEBREW TOMES

JERUSALEM, May 16. (JTA) -- Photostatic copies of ancient Hebrew tomes in the museum at Tiflis, Georgia, in the Soviet Union, were presented yesterday by Soviet Ambassador Alexander Abramov to the Ben Zvi Institute of the Hebrew University. The presentation was made when President Ben Zvi received the envoy in the presence of Prof. Benjamin Mazar, president of the University. The institute fosters research in the Eastern Jewish community.

DR. NAHUM GOLDMANN HELPS LAUNCH BRAZILIAN UNITED CAMPAIGN

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 16. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Jewish Agency, left Brazil yesterday after launching the 1957 United Campaign in Sao Paulo, Brazil's industrial center. (Dr. Goldmann is expected in New York today.) Another major figure at the campaign inauguration was Horacio Lafer, former Finance Minister of Brazil and a leading Jew.

In his address to a crowded meeting, Dr. Goldmann called on the Jews of this generation to make up for the loss of 6,000,000 European Jews by guaranteeing that Egyptian, Eastern European and other Jewish refugees are received in Israel. He noted that the recent Sinai campaign, a military and political victory, was an economic setback for the Jewish State.

EMIGRATION CUTS ENROLLMENT IN JEWISH SCHOOLS IN POLAND

LONDON, May 16. (JTA) -- Enrollment in Jewish schools in Poland has decreased sharply, apparently because of the increased emigration of Polish Jews to Israel, according to Die Folkstimme, Warsaw Yiddish daily. The paper reports, however, that the Polish Ministry of Education and the executive committee of United Jewish Cultural Associations in the country, have decided to keep all present Jewish schools open for the next academic year, in an effort to make room for children of Jews repatriated to Poland from the Soviet Union.

Representatives of Jewish Cultural Associations from four Jewish centers--Wroclaw (formerly Breslau), Lodz, Stettin and Walbzych--attended a conference in Warsaw, where they planned the programs for the Jewish schools. Delegates from all four cities reported greatly reduced enrollments. However, L. Lozowski, who represented the Ministry of Education at the conference, proposed that all schools be maintained in order to care for children of repatriates. Many of these children, the conference decided, will not only be enrolled in the Jewish schools, at the request of their parents, but will also be given room and board at the schools--apparently because the parents are not yet established well enough economically to care for their children.

The conference also voted to establish rest camps for adult repatriates where they might be helped to recuperate from their ordeals suffered in their previous homes in the Soviet Union.

PROMINENT BERLIN JEW REPRESENTS CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS IN CITY PARLIAMENT

BERLIN, May 16. (JTA) -- Siegmund Weitlinger, a prominent member of the Jewish community, has been elected to the West Berlin City Parliament as a representative of the Christian Democratic Union. He is the only Jewish member of the city body and the only Jew holding elective office as a Christian Democrat in any German legislative body. Mr. Weitlinger resigned as head of the city administration's department of Jewish affairs to take the parliamentary seat. He is co-chairman of the Berlin Society for Christian-Jewish Cooperation.

MUNICH PROSECUTOR APPEALS COURT DECISION RELEASING NAZI BOOKS

MUNICH, May 16. (JTA) -- The Munich chief prosecutor entered an appeal today against a verdict of the district court revoking action by a lower court for the confiscation of five Nazi books published by a firm operated by Helmut Suendermann, former deputy press chief in the Hitler regime. The three members of the court also rejected a prosecution demand to indict Suendermann.

One of the books involved was a defense by Suendermann of the Nazi treatment of the Jews. The court ruled that "extenuating arguments do not constitute an attempt to justify persecution measures." None of the five books - one of them a collection of writings by Rudolf Hees, Hitler's deputy - were unconstitutional nor a violation of the law, the court held.

J. T. A. 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION TO BE INAUGURATED NEXT MONTH

NEW YORK, May 16. (JTA) -- The first of a series of events marking the fortieth anniversary of the founding of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency will take place in New York on June 13 when the American Association of English-Jewish Newspapers tenders a dinner in honor of the news agency at the Park Sheraton Hotel. The dinner will be a feature of the association's fifteenth annual convention which will continue for three days.

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency, founded during the first World War to bring developments affecting the Jewish community to world attention, is the only world-wide press service devoted to news of Jewish concern.

Abraham Slabot, president of the publishers' group, said that 28 weekly newspapers, published in 22 states, would be represented at the convention here to consider editorial and other publishing problems.

EDWIN WOLF RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF JEWISH PUBLICATION SOCIETY

PHILADELPHIA, May 16. (JTA) -- Edwin Wolf, 2nd, was re-elected president of The Jewish Publication Society of America for a fourth term at the 69th annual membership meeting held here.

In his annual report, Mr. Wolf stated that the year 1956 showed gains in the Society's Bible sales, book distribution and membership. Nine books were published during the year and ten volumes are planned for 1957, including a volume titled "The Exiled and the Redeemed," by Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, president of Israel.

ISRAEL, AMERICAN COLLEGES INITIATE STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

NEW YORK, May 16. (JTA) -- A program for exchange study of American and Israeli college students in their junior year has been launched by Bar-Ilan, American-sponsored liberal arts school in Israel, and Hofstra and Adelphi Colleges, on Long Island.

Students at Hofstra and Adelphi will be selected at the close of their freshman year and will take up or intensify their study of Hebrew and other subjects pertaining to the Middle East during their sophomore year in preparation for their junior year at Bar-Ilan University. Israel students at Bar-Ilan selected for study at Hofstra or Adelphi will use their sophomore year for intensified study of English and other subjects pertaining to the United States.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AWARDS \$43, 000 GRANT TO JEWISH SCIENTISTS

NEW YORK, May 16. (JTA) -- The United States Public Health Service has awarded a grant of \$43, 850 to two scientists at the Jewish Chronic Disease Hospital in Brooklyn, it was announced here today. The grant is to be spread over a four-year period to continue work begun five years ago on "protein changes in chronic diseases." The scientists are Dr. Bruno W. Volk, director of the hospital's Isaac Albert Research Institute, and Dr. Abraham Saifer, chief of the biochemistry department at the institute.

COLONIAL JEWS HELPED FOUND BROWN UNIVERSITY, DOCUMENTS REVEAL

CINCINNATI, May 16. (JTA) -- Documents establishing that Jewish merchants in Colonial New England were instrumental in the founding of Rhode Island College, forerunner of Brown University, have been acquired by the American Jewish Archives, Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, its director, announced today.

The college, a Baptist institution, guaranteed freedom of religion to its students and at one point even offered to appoint a Jewish teacher if there were enough Jewish students at the college. It further offered to allow the Jews to establish a chair of Hebrew to be occupied by a Jew.

JEWISH TEACHERS IN U. S. "HEROES," ISRAELI EDUCATOR ASSERTS

NEW YORK, May 16. (JTA) -- The Jewish educator in America is an "heroic figure who works in very difficult, almost helpless, circumstances," Dr. Ernest Simon, head of the education department of the Hebrew of Jerusalem, declared at a Jewish education institute held here under the auspices of the Jewish Agency and the American Association for Jewish Education.

AARON HOROVITZ, INDUSTRIALIST AND LONG-TIME MAYOR OF ONTARIO CITY, DIES

CORNWALL, Ontario, May 16. (JTA) -- Aaron Horovitz, leading industrialist and mayor of this city for 18 years, died here yesterday of a heart attack. He came to Canada from Rumania in 1911.

Mr. Horovitz' career in local politics began when he was elected to the city council in 1926. He was first elected Mayor in 1930. After his first administration he was returned to office by acclamation, the first Jew so honored in Canadian history. As mayor, Mr. Horovitz was instrumental in attracting industry to Cornwall and was active in local philanthropy and welfare work. Among his Jewish activities were membership in the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Zionist organization and local Jewish groups.