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BEN GURION MOBILIZES SUPPORT FOR HIS STAND ON EISENHOWER DOCTRINE

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion, fighting for Parliamentary approval of the government's adherence to the principles of the Eisenhower Doctrine against opposition of two left-wing coalition partners, decided today to convene the Cabinet in a third extraordinary meeting this week.

Announcement of the Israel Government's adherence to the doctrine emerged from two earlier special Cabinet meetings yesterday, amid reports of opposition from Mapam and Achdut Avodah. Mapam and Achdut Avodah both voted against the Government statement and a parallel statement issued by the Eisenhower Administration in Washington.

The Premier planned to call a separate meeting of supporters of the doctrine to determine a stand toward the opposition. Mapam and Achdut Avodah also decided to hold strategy meetings in the next 48 hours. The other coalition members thereupon decided to meet to determine party attitudes if any coalition partner voted against the Doctrine in forthcoming Knesset debate. The Premier has repeatedly warned that a departure from "collective responsibility" would breach the Cabinet.

Ben Gurion was reported as feeling very strongly that Israel should back the Eisenhower Doctrine. He was understood to have argued at the last Mapai political committee meeting that while Israel's friendship with Western European countries is firm, the maintenance of friendship with the United States is as vital as ever and Israel should do everything possible to foster it.

In a move virtually unprecedented in Israeli political history, Foreign Ministry Golda Meir today asked permission to address closed meetings of the Mapam and Achdut Avodah parties. It is known she has already met with the Achdut Avodah political committee and is slated to confer with the parallel Mapam group in her efforts to convince them of the correctness of the decision to align Israel with the principles of the Eisenhower Doctrine.

U.S. AND ISRAEL DISCUSS POSSIBILITY OF ARAB BORDER PROVOCATIONS

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- Israel and the United States have been discussing measures to be taken in the event that Egyptian and Syrian agents attempt to provoke border incidents between Jordan and Israel, it was learned here today.

At the talks, which took place in Washington, the United States is said to have stressed the importance of Israel's avoiding being provoked by Egyptian agents into retaliating against Jordan for cross-border incidents. The Israelis reportedly indicated their awareness of such a danger.

Both parties are understood to have agreed that the danger of Egyptian intervention in Jordan has not passed, but that Egypt is not likely to attempt open intervention at this time. Washington's view in this matter is to avoid any action which is likely to again weld the Arab states into a "unity" and thereby reverse the isolation of the Nasser regime in the Middle East.

ISRAELIS VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON "TEST SHIP" TO PASS THROUGH SUEZ

HAIFA, May 22. (JTA) -- Israeli seamen in large numbers have been volunteering for service on any "test ship" which Israel may send through the Suez Canal, it was learned here today as tension mounted over the uncertainty connected with the enterprise.

It was reported that enough Israeli seamen had volunteered so that not only a "test ship" but an entire convoy could be manned for the perilous voyage. The captain and crew of the Bat Galim, last Israeli vessel to try to navigate the Suez Canal in September, 1954, who were thrown into an Egyptian prison for a year and mistreated during their confinement, have volunteered to take the "test ship" through.

(A report to the Daily Mail of London today said that arrangements for the voyage to test Egypt's intentions had progressed to such a stage that foreign correspondents were being chosen to make the trip.)

ISRAEL STANDS ON ITS SUEZ RIGHTS; DOUBTS NEED OF WORLD COURT DECISION

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- Israel's position remains unchanged by the latest Security Council debate both as regards the question of Israel's right to navigate the Suez Canal and on its reluctance to take the question to the International Court of Justice, a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry stated today.

The spokesman stressed that The Hague court has no power to implement Security Council resolutions, specifically the one of September 1951 which instructed Egypt to open the waterway to all nations, including Israel. Israelis dismiss Egyptian assertions that Egypt would accept the court's ruling in this matter, noting that she has never accepted a negative decision.

However, it was noted that the Security Council debate had served a positive purpose in that it underscored the Council's continued adherence to its six principles for operation of the canal and the fact that acceptance of Nasser's terms for running the canal is temporary. It was also indicated that while the ending of the debate freed Israel's hands as far as sending a "test ship" through the canal was concerned, it was not likely to do so until a majority of the maritime powers had sent their vessels through.

U. N. STARTS DEBATE TODAY ON SYRIAN COMPLAINT AGAINST ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., May 22. (JTA) -- The Security Council will meet here tomorrow morning to debate a Syrian complaint against Israel, which, according to Israeli sources, "can only be regarded as frivolous" and as a further step in a series of moves begun by Syria in 1951 to halt Israeli development work which has already been approved by the Council.

The current Syrian complaint, specifically, seeks an order that Israel dismantle a Bailey bridge it built recently across the southern part of the Lake Huleh swamps. The bridge had been constructed to facilitate the moving of heavy machinery needed to complete swamp-drainage work in the area. Col. Byron V. Leary, acting chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, inspected the bridge personally last month and refused to heed the request from the Damascus Government that he order dismantling of the span. The structure is in a zone which had been demilitarized under the 1949 Syrian-Israeli armistice agreement.

Diplomatic observers here were of the opinion that the new Syrian complaint is, in reality, a grievance against Col. Leary, whom the complaint accuses of conclusions which "do not correspond to the facts." Syria is not expected to try to introduce a resolution ordering Israel to dismantle the bridge. If such a resolution were to be presented, the likelihood is that it would not obtain the necessary seven-vote quorum, since the United States, Britain and France are quite certain either to abstain or, in the case of France and Britain, possibly to veto such a resolution.

ISRAEL CABINET TO ACT ON GRIEVANCES PRESENTED BY ARAB DEPUTIES

JERUSALEM, May 22. (JTA) -- An assurance that a "new policy" toward Israel's Arabs will be considered by the Cabinet was given today to six Mapai-affiliated Arab members of the Knesset by Giora Josephthal, Mapai secretary, at a meeting dealing with Arab grievances.

Among the main requests voiced at the meeting was a renewal and an easing of the qualifications for the "reunion of families" program under which thousands of Arabs from neighboring countries were permitted to join relatives living in Israel from 1949 to 1953. The Arab members of the Israel Parliament also asked an easing of travel restrictions into and from the Arab-populated military government areas along the borders.

The Arab deputies reportedly warned the Mapai leader that continuation of the grievances of the Arab minority might cost the Mapai party most of the Arab votes in future elections. It was decided during the meeting that a special committee headed by Mordecai Namir, Labor Minister, would prepare outlines for a new policy to remedy such grievances for presentation to a meeting of the Cabinet soon.

ROME MEETING HEARS PLEA FOR SUPPORT OF ISRAEL'S PEACE OFFER TO ARABS

ROME, May 22. (JTA) -- A call for world public opinion to back Israel's offer to negotiate a peace settlement with the Arab states was voiced here today by Jacob Mayus, member of the executive committee of the Israel Mapam Party. Mr. Mayus spoke at a public meeting presided over by Carlo Levi, Italian Jewish author.

Mr. Mayus, who has toured France, Germany, Belgium and Italy, reported that everywhere he had found understanding for Israel's hopes of peace. Denouncing Arab states' violations of international agreements, Mr. Mayus insisted that only the signing of peace treaties between Israel and the Arab states would solve all pending problems, including that of the Arab refugees.

AGUDAH EXECUTIVE DECIDES TO SEND FUNDS TO YESHIVA IN MOSCOW

LONDON, May 22. (JTA) -- A decision to honor the memory of the late Moscow Chief Rabbi Solomon Schlieffer by making a financial grant to the recently established Moscow yeshiva, was made here today by the Agudas Israel world executive.

JEWS REPATRIATED FROM RUSSIA TO POLAND CONTINUE TO FACE HOSTILITY

VIENNA, May 22. (JTA) -- Jewish families repatriated from the Soviet Union to Poland still find it difficult to establish themselves in Polish cities and towns, despite the recent decision of the Polish Cabinet ordering local municipal authorities to assist the repatriates, it was reported in Warsaw newspapers reaching here today.

The report said that the local authorities are displaying a passive attitude to the needs of the Jewish repatriates. "In some places, the local officials are even displaying an attitude of ill-will and refuse to show understanding for the difficult problems which the repatriated Jews face," the Folkshtimme, Warsaw Jewish newspaper, wrote.

Other reports reaching here from Poland stated that the Polish Minister of Interior, Wladyslaw Wicha, promised a delegation of Jewish leaders to assign special officials to look into the complaints of Jewish repatriates and to seek an on-the-spot solution of their problems.

Meanwhile, leaders of Jewish cultural life in Poland held a conference in Warsaw at which they decided to appeal to the Polish Government to enable Jewish children to secure a normal Jewish education. The problem of maintaining Jewish schools in Poland at a time when the Jewish population is dwindling because of emigration is becoming more and more complicated, and government aid is needed to maintain the existing system of Jewish education in the country, it is reported from Warsaw.

(In Jerusalem today, Speaker of the Knesset Joseph Sprinzak gave an official dinner for Bronislaw Dribner, head of a Polish Parliamentary delegation currently touring Israel. M. Dribner is the oldest member of Poland's Parliament and chairman of its cultural committee.)

JEWS SUFFER FROM "IRON CURTAIN" WORLD, RUMANIAN CHIEF RABBI SAYS

LONDON, May 22. (JTA) -- Jews do not want any Iron Curtain because they inevitably suffer when the world is divided, Dr. Moses Rosen, Rumanian Chief Rabbi, told a reception given tonight in his honor by British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie and the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Rabbi Rosen, making the first visit of a chief rabbi from a Soviet country, said that such visits to Rumania as that of the American rabbinical delegation last year and that of the Swedish Chief Rabbi gave the respective Jewish communities a chance to learn about each other. He expressed the hope that representatives of British Jewry would visit Rumania to meet not only the Jewish spiritual leaders but also "ordinary men and women so as to learn and know about Rumanian Jewry."

250 LEFT-WING ISRAELIS TO PARTICIPATE IN YOUTH FESTIVAL IN MOSCOW

TEL AVIV, May 22. (JTA) -- Some 250 young Israelis will participate in the World Youth Festival in Moscow next July, left-wing organizations here decided today. They will be going in three distinct groups: Communist, Achdut Avodah and a combined unit from the several Mapam factions. Among the various groups will be dancing troupes including an Arab group, musical bands and sports teams.

Israel Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog cabled greetings today to Rabbi M. Levin who has been named to succeed the late Solomon Schlieffer as Chief Rabbi of Moscow. Rabbi Herzog sent the "blessings of the Torah and the Land of Israel" on the occasion of Rabbi Levin's appointment.

A complete set of stamps issued in Israel's nine-year history will be exhibited in Moscow at a philatelic exhibition in July, the Post Office announced today. It revealed that an invitation to exhibit at a forthcoming international stamp conference here was handed to the Moscow Post Office.

INDEMNIFICATION PAYMENTS ACCELERATED IN HESSE; 70,000 CLAIMS PENDING

WIESBADEN, May 21. (JTA) -- The total payments made available to Nazi victims by the Hesse indemnification agencies were five times larger in 1956 than in 1954, the State Government here reported today.

Whereas indemnification expenditures from state and federal funds totaled \$6,800,000 in 1954, they rose to \$19,000,000 in 1955 and to \$33,600,000 last year. In their postwar years, disbursements for indemnification purposes amounted to \$67,300,000.

More than 70,000 claims by Nazi victims have not yet been processed, but in December 1956 the rate of settlement reached the hitherto unprecedented figure of 2,700.

AUSTRIA ANNOUNCES PAYMENT OF 51,000,000 SCHILLINGS TO NAZI VICTIMS

VIENNA, May 22. (JTA) -- Austrian authorities announced today that Nazi persecutees had filed 18,000 applications for restitution from the Austrian State Fund set up as the result of an agreement with world Jewish organizations. Forty-four percent of all claims have been processed, it was stated, and payments to date amount to 51,000,000 schillings.

DROPSIE COLLEGE CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY; SARNOFF, OTHERS HONORED

PHILADELPHIA, May 22. (JTA) -- A "regional federation of independent nations" like the Pan-American Union in the Middle East was proposed today as a long-range solution to Middle East turmoil by David Sarnoff, chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America.

Speaking at the 50th Anniversary exercises at Dropsie College of Hebrew and Cognate Learning, where he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, Gen. Sarnoff said that "the building stones for turning the vision into a structure of reality" must be found "in the ideas and ideals held by the various Mid-east peoples, perhaps half-consciously apprehended even by the most lowly."

Other honorary degrees were conferred on Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland; Dr. George N. Shuster, president of Hunter College; Prof. Solomon Zeitlin of Dropsie College; Harold W. Dodds, president of Princeton University; Abba Eban, Israeli Ambassador to the United States; and posthumously on the late Louis M. Rabinowitz of New York.

Gen. Sarnoff said "a profound understanding of Semitic cultures" was "highly relevant" to the solution of such problems as the Middle East conflicts. Commending the 50-year-old Dropsie College for having always cultivated an appreciation of fundamental scholarship, Gen. Sarnoff said "we must have dependable insights into the mentality of the modern Arabs. We can hope to make Western ideals comprehensible to Moslem populations only if we discover the equivalents in their own spiritual and intellectual background."

The Dropsie College was founded in Philadelphia in 1907 as a graduate institution for Hebrew learning and other branches of Semitic culture. Founded by Moses Aaron Dropsie, eminent Philadelphia lawyer, Dropsie College, is the only institution in America for higher Jewish learning without theological aspects and is completely non-sectarian.

TECHNION BUILDING NAMED FOR NEW YORK PHILANTHROPIST; DONATED \$250,000

HAIFA, May 22. (JTA) -- A new building to house the department of electrical engineering at the Israel Institute of Technology was dedicated at ceremonies here last night. The building is named for Harry Fischback of New York, one of America's leading electrical contractors and a vice president of the American Technion Society, who raised \$1,500,000 for the school, including \$250,000 which he personally contributed.

Premier David Ben Gurion, who participated in the ceremonies at the new Technion campus praised the Institute as a link between Israel and world Jewry, particularly the American community. He urged the scientists and technicians at the Institute to make all possible haste in developing processes for converting sea water into fresh water and harnessing the sun's energies.

Mr. Fischback expressed the hope that students and teachers from all Middle Eastern countries would eventually come to the Technion, a cornerstone for the Anna and Alexander Konoff trade school was laid at the exercise.

U.S. SCIENTISTS TO SPEND YEAR IN RESEARCH; ISRAELIS TO STUDY IN U.S.

TEL AVIV, May 22. (JTA) -- Three American scientists and six Israeli professors from the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovot have been awarded Chaim Weizmann scholarships, the institute announced here yesterday. The Americans will spend a year at the Institute while the Israelis will do research at various American hospitals, universities and research centers.

The scholarship winners are: Dr. Jacob Goldberg of Stanford University; Dr. Richard Hinman of Iowa State University; Dr. Seymour Kacoff of Brookhaven National Laboratories; Dr. Nehema Haran-Ghera, Ora Kedem, Dr. Alex Meisels, Dr. Abraham Patchornik, Abraham Raviv and Dr. David Samuel, all of Israel.

CANADIAN RABBI TO RECEIVE TWO HONORARY DEGREES IN ONE WEEK

TORONTO, May 22. (JTA) -- Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg, spiritual leader of the Holy Blossom Temple here, will be the recipient of two honorary degrees in one week.

On May 25, Rabbi Feinberg will receive an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Six days later, the University of Toronto will honor him with a Doctorate of Laws. He will be the first rabbi so honored by the university.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OPENS CENTER FOR ADULT EDUCATION IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 22. (JTA) -- The opening of a Jewish National Fund center for Jewish adult education was announced here today by Dr. Harris J. Levine, JNF president. "The aim of the center," Dr. Levine said, "is to disseminate throughout the Jewish community of America authentic and significant information about Jewish life, past and present, with special emphasis on the work of the JNF and its bearing on the development of the State of Israel and the Diaspora."