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## STATE DEPARTMENT SEES NO DANGER TO ISRAEL IN GIVING ARMS TO JORDAN

WASHINGTON, July 1. (JTA) -- There is no conflict in the giving of American arms to Jordan and the American policy of preventing an Arab-Israel arms race, State Department spokesman Lincoln White told the press today. He said that the State Department was convinced that the \$10,000,000 in arms to be supplied by the United States to Jordan will be used only for internal security and self-defense.

Mr. White indicated that the State Department sees only Egypt and Israel affected by a United Nations resolution calling on nations to withhold arms from the Near East. He said that absolutely no U. S. arms are supplied to Syria. That country obtains its military supplies from Soviet Russia. He did not know if any arrangement is being made for the United States to train Jordanian forces.

It was learned meanwhile that the \$10,000,000 arms grant will cover arms to be procured for Jordan in England. Existing Jordanian equipment is of British manufacture. Informed sources reported that Jordan was anxious to obtain late model American or British jet fighter aircraft. Since April a total of \$20,000,000 in economic aid and \$10,000,000 in arms has been granted to the Arab kingdom.

King Hussein of Jordan said in a U. S. News and World Report interview released here today that the United Nations Emergency Force should not be stationed at the Straits of Tiran. He said "this is because Sharm el Sheikh and all those other places are Egyptian territory." The King accused Egyptian President Nasser of supporting a plot against him but nevertheless supported the Egyptian position on the Gulf of Akaba issue. He made clear that he considers his Arab Legion primarily as a weapon against Israel.

## U. N. TRUCE CHIEF SAYS ISRAEL RESTRICTS HIS PERSONNEL AT SYRIAN BORDER

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., July 1. (JTA) -- The charge that Israel restricts United Nations personnel in the demilitarized zone along the Israel-Syrian frontier, and has refused to dismantle fortifications made in that area, was made in a report submitted today by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld to members of the Security Council. The report was prepared by Col. Byron L. Leary, Acting Chief of Staff of the UN Truce Supervision Organization.

Following the release of the report, Mordecai Kidron, deputy chief of the Israel delegation at the United Nations, saw Andrew Cordier, Mr. Hammarskjöld's executive assistant, and asked him to inform Mr. Hammarskjöld that the Government of Israel is ready to discuss with Col. Leary "the practical issues raised in his report with a view to resolving them satisfactorily."

Col. Leary's report was made in connection with the charges Syria had brought that a bridge built by Israel over a neck of Lake Huleh violated the armistice provisions regarding the demilitarized zone. No action was taken at the Security Council meeting on Syria's complaint, but the then Council president, Henry Cabot Lodge of the United States on request of the Arabs seconded by the Soviet Union, asked Col. Leary to submit a report.

Col. Leary found that the mines placed around the Huleh bridge had been dismantled, as announced to the Council by Mr. Kidron. However, Col. Leary stressed time and again in the report that he and his observers had been prevented from entering "certain areas and localities" in the zone in order to investigate complaints from both the Israel and Syrian sides. He said that in most instances, he had had the full cooperation of the Syrians on their side.

He recommended that in order to "carry out their duties, the chairman and the UN observers must at all times and without prior authorization have freedom of access to and freedom of movement in the demilitarized zone, whether they are on a routine visit or carrying out an investigation." He also suggested that observers remain in certain areas of the zone on a 24-hour basis for investigative purposes. He was probably referring to the Misham Hayarden incident near the Bnot Yaakov hydroelectric project where an Israeli engineer was killed and a farmer wounded on June 16. Col. Leary said he had requested lodging at Mishmar Hayarden for two observers to permit more efficient investigation of the incidents. Israel's stand on the UN complaints, Leary reported, was based on the Israeli contention that "Syria does not comply with the fundamental provisions of the General Armistice agreement."



## ISRAEL PARTICIPATES IN INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR; REPORTS PLANS

TEL AVIV, July 1. (JTA) -- Israel is participating in the International Geophysical Year, which began throughout the world today, with a comprehensive program of data collection. Information will be sought on meteorology, the ionosphere and cosmic rays as seen from observation posts here.

The Hebrew University in Jerusalem, the Technion in Haifa and the Government's meteorological service are the three main participating institutions. Meteorological field measurements and radiation reports will be made in Jerusalem, Haifa and Lydda. Radio wind observations will be made daily during the entire geophysical year, which is actually 18 months. Measurements also will be made in Elath.

Centers of the observations will include the roof of the new physics building of the Haifa Technion and two caves on the slopes of Mount Carmel where underground cosmic ray intensity will be recorded. Ionospheric measurements will start next December because an ionospheric recorder to be received on loan from the United States Committee for the Geophysical Year has not yet arrived.

## ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE TO CONCENTRATE ON MASS-IMMIGRATION PROBLEM

JERUSALEM, July 1. (JTA) -- The three principal subjects of the two-week meeting of the World Zionist Actions Committee, which opens here July 10, will be the condition of Jews abroad, immigration and absorption and Zionist education and youth work, Avraham Harman, member of the Jewish Agency executive, announced today. Sixty of the 140 members of the Actions Committee represent Zionist organizations abroad and most of them have indicated they will participate in the sessions, Mr. Harman said.

The meeting will deal with a situation radically different from that of the past five years, Mr. Harman stated. In the first four years of statehood, the backlog of mass immigration was cleared up and a considerable drop in immigration occurred in the next five years. The opening of migration opportunities in countries previously closed and the new wave of mass immigration during the past six months showed the existence of a considerable "Jewish problem" solvable only by mass emigration, he declared. From October 1956 to June 1957, more than 67,000 immigrants arrived here, compared with 51,000 for the previous 12-month period, he pointed out.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Jewish Agency, will address the opening session on "The Jewish People and the Zionist Movement Today." The address will be followed by a two-day debate. Dov Joseph, Agency treasurer, will discuss immigration and absorption financing with another two-day debate period following. The third key discussion will review Zionist education and youth work abroad. After another two-day debate, the session will dissolve into subcommittees to work on resolutions for the plenary session July 23. Prime Minister David Ben Gurion will address a closed meeting of the political subcommittee.

## ISRAEL GOVERNMENT PREPARES NEW SABBATH OBSERVANCE BILL FOR KNESSET

JERUSALEM, July 1. (JTA) -- A national Sabbath observance bill, which may provoke sharp differences of opinion, will be presented to the Knesset, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion has promised religious party members of his Cabinet, it was learned today.

Justice Minister Pinchas Rosen, whose ministry drafts most bills, is reported to have refused to prepare a Sabbath bill because his Progressive party considers such legislation an infringement of freedom of conscience. Premier Ben Gurion then asked the Ministry of Religious Affairs to prepare the draft.

The anticipated struggle, it was stated, hinges on whether the proposed bill will simply legislate a status quo of local option on Sabbath observance, which varies widely from city to city, or seek to require strict observance on a nation-wide compulsory basis.

It was predicted that if the bill merely confirms present practice, as the Mapai party wishes, the Orthodox elements in the Government will fight it. A nation-wide compulsory measure was considered certain to evoke fierce resistance from Israel's non-Orthodox majority, possibly causing a flare-up of the smoldering "kulturkampf" between the Orthodox and non-Orthodox populations.

## GOLDA MEIR HEADS ISRAELI DELEGATION AT SOCIALIST PARLEY IN VIENNA

VIENNA, July 1. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, arrived here today heading the Israeli delegation to the International Socialist Convention which opens tomorrow.

Mrs. Meir is scheduled to open the Middle East debate at the convention. She will also confer with members of the Austrian Cabinet and may later visit Paris to meet the new French Premier, Maurice Bourges Maunory.

## ISRAEL ESTABLISHES COMMITTEE TO REGISTER CLAIMS OF JEWS FROM EGYPT

JERUSALEM, July 1. (JTA) -- The Israeli Finance Ministry announced today the establishment of a public committee for the registration of claims by Egyptian migrants against the Government and residents of Egypt.



## GERMANY COOL TO BEN GURION'S SUGGESTION FOR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

BONN, July 1. (JTA) -- A spokesman for the West German Foreign Office, asked about a comment by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion that he favored early establishment of diplomatic relations, said today "it would seem the time has not yet come to establish normal relations with Israel."

It appeared the Bonn spokesman was referring only to the present time, however, and probably to the period between now and the September national election. The spokesman cited specifically the recent press conference statement of Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano that "relations between the federal republic and Israel are so unclouded, clear-cut and good that once both parties agree the time has come to establish normal relations, nothing but direct talks will be needed."

Israel maintains a purchasing mission in Cologne but the Bonn Government is not represented in Israel. From information available here it appears that the situation concerning diplomatic relations has not changed in recent months and that no exchange of diplomatic recognition had been seriously considered.

## NAZI VICTIMS CAN START FILING CLAIMS AGAINST GERMAN TRUST

FRANKFURT, July 1. (JTA) -- Former Nazi victims who worked as slave laborers in the German IG-Farben factories were advised through the Official Gazette that beginning today they can register their claims against the German trust within a period of six months. The announcement in the official organ of the Bonn Government constitutes another important step toward implementation of the \$7,000,000 settlement between the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany and the IG-Farben chemical corporation.

One-time inmates of the Auschwitz concentration and extermination camp who were employed in the IG-Farben synthetic-rubber factory at Buna-Monowitz or in other nearby IG-Farben plants at Fuerstengrube, Heydebreck and Janina should either themselves or through an attorney submit the necessary data to the IG-Farben "Glaeubigermeldestelle" (creditors' registry office) at 55 Bockenheimer Landstrasse in Frankfurt, West Germany. Where applications have already been entered in the past, they need not be repeated. To verify claims and later to administer payments, the Claims Conference has set up a special trusteeship corporation in Frankfurt.

After the registration period comes to a close at the end of the year, both the Claims Conference and the IG-Farben have three months during which they are entitled, under the terms of the contract, to nullify the \$7,000,000 out-of-court settlement. If it is not repudiated by one of the two parties concerned, the Claims Conference trusteeship corporation will pro-rate more than \$6,000,000 among the eligible Jewish survivors who have registered, with the individual payments to be varied in accordance with the length of the time during which slave labor was performed.

## JEWISH BODY IN ENGLAND REPORTS RECEIPT OF RESTITUTION FROM GERMANY

LONDON, July 1. (JTA) -- The Jewish Trust Corporation for Germany, Jewish successor organization in the former British zone of Germany, recovered 76,000,000 deutschmarks up to the end of 1956 as restitution for Jewish assets confiscated by the Nazis, it was reported here today at the annual meeting of the JTC. The JTC recovered another 11,000,000 deutschmarks for individuals who failed to file restitution or indemnification claims before deadlines expired.

The sum of 2,400,000 deutschmarks has been turned over to the Jewish community of Northwest Germany and a further sum of 9,000,000 has been set aside pending implementation of an agreement between the JTC and the communities regarding former communal property. Most of JTC's assets were recovered under bulk settlements with German governmental agencies.

## JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE GRANTS SCHOLARSHIPS TO 190 NAZI VICTIMS

NEW YORK, July 1. (JTA) -- Scholarships and Fellowships in the amount of \$135,000 have been granted for the academic year 1957-58 to 190 Jewish students and intellectuals throughout the world, who are victims of Nazi persecution. This was announced today by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, which distributes those awards for Jewish study, research and creative work.

This is the fourth in the annual series of grants in the field of Jewish studies. Out of the 190 recipients, 46 are students preparing mostly for careers in Jewish teaching; 54 are engaged in graduate studies and 90 are Fellows conducting independent research in the various fields of Jewish scholarship and creative art. Dr. Nahum Goldmann said in making his announcement that the Conference considers one of its essential obligations the reconstruction of Jewish communal and cultural life and the encouragement of Jewish scholarship and creative work, which the Nazis had sought to destroy, and that "every effort will be made by the Conference to restore to Jewish communal life its vigor and its potential for continual contribution to Jewish survival."



## ORT OPENS WORLD CONFERENCE IN PARIS; LEHMAN ADDRESSES PARLEY

PARIS, July 1. (JTA) -- An accelerated program of vocational training in Israel to meet that country's urgent needs for skilled manpower and renewed efforts toward the rehabilitation of Jews in North Africa are the major items of discussion at the bi-annual meeting of the 88-member Central Board of ORT which opened here yesterday. The principal American speakers at the opening session were former U.S. Senator Herbert H. Lehman and Dr. William Haber, president of the Central Board and of the American ORT Federation.

Sen. Lehman called the ORT program of Jewish economic reconstruction a history-making idea and said it was clear that "ORT training has become a proven path to an independent life" for Jewish refugees. "Many persons with assistance of programs like ORT are today alive, self-sufficient and useful citizens," he stated, adding a warning that present world realities "compel an awareness that there remain Jews who are as urgently in need as at any time in the recent past."

A report on ORT activities throughout the world submitted to the parley shows that 23,000 adults and children in 19 countries were aided by ORT in 1956 at a cost of \$4,125,000. The largest ORT program is located in Israel, the report stated. The areas of gravest economic distress are among the Jewish communities of North Africa and in Iran.

The report noted that last year, 23,000 Jews attended 391 trade schools and workshops maintained by ORT. The organization employed 757 teachers and shop instructors, nearly 250 of them in Israel. Sixty different occupations were taught. Three out of four of the student body were boys and girls between the ages of 14 and 18 who attended two, three and four-year courses at ORT vocational schools. Most of these youngsters were in Israel, North Africa and Iran.

## U.S. JEWISH WOMEN URGED TO BECOME MORE ACTIVE IN COMMUNAL WORK

CHICAGO, July 1. (JTA) -- A plea for Jewish women to educate themselves about their communities, its people, and its needs was made in an address by Samuel A. Goldsmith, executive vice-president of the Jewish Federation of Chicago at a leadership conference of Women's Division from 11 states held at the Palmer House here. The conference was held under the sponsorship of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

Mr. Goldsmith, the keynote speaker, appealed for a broad and profound knowledge of all aspects of communal work. He stated that Jewish life in the United States was not segmented but represented many varying facets. In his comments he noted that the responsibilities of Jewish federations and welfare funds included the building of a total rather than a disjointed approach to Jewish problems. He said leaders should possess a total rather than a fragmented approach and thus, with an intelligent understanding, would be more capable of meeting challenges.

He noted that economic standards have risen and that people expect more, and consequently, social planning will require larger sums of money. He also noted that community planning is affected further by a tremendously increasing and mobile population. The position of women likewise is changing, he said. Higher education is an accepted standard for women today. They are also a very real part of our business and professional world and enjoy the fruits of more leisure time. They have thus assumed new responsibilities and have a role to play in seeking solutions to society's social problems, he asserted. The speaker described the need for more trained people in all fields of Jewish social work.

## COMMANDERS OF MAJOR U.S. VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS TO VISIT ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, July 1. (JTA) -- The national commanders of this nation's six major veterans' organizations will visit Israel from July 15 to 19 to establish personal contacts with Israeli veterans and to arrange future cooperation and programs. Veterans' and military groups in Israel will act as hosts to the Americans. The veterans' visit is a phase of the "people-to-people" program endorsed by President Eisenhower.

The tour party includes the commanders of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, Amvets, Catholic War Veterans, and Jewish War Veterans. This is the first time the six organizations, whose membership rolls include virtually every living veteran of America's wars, have embarked on such an operation as a group. They will also visit England, France, Italy to meet veterans of those nations en route to Israel.

## MONTREAL MUNICIPALITY BACKS OUT ON \$600,000 PLEDGE TO JEWISH HOSPITAL

MONTREAL, July 1. (JTA) -- A crisis in the financing of the local Jewish General Hospital is developing out of the failure of the civic government here to honor a pledge for \$600,000 made by the former municipal administration several years ago, according to a statement made by David Kirsch, president of the institution, at its annual meeting.

Pierre Desmarais, chairman of the executive committee of the City of Montreal stated in reply to Mr. Kirsch that no such pledge had been made by the city. If any former member of the executive committee had made such a pledge, it was "personal and verbal," he said.