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SPEEDY U. S. DECISION ON \$75, 000, 000 LOAN TO ISRAEL IS PREDICTED

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- The United States Export-Import Bank decision on Israel's application for a \$75, 000, 000 loan "should not take long" after the return to Washington tomorrow of the bank's delegation which has been studying projects for which Israel seeks the loan, the head of that delegation said today.

Lynn Staebgen, first vice president of the bank, told a press conference that it was his delegation's mission to decide whether the loan would be beneficial to Israel and whether it was economically feasible. He refused to make known the group's findings, noting that all information and the mission's conclusions would be included in a memorandum from the delegation to the bank's board of directors who must make the final decision.

SENATE DROPS PROBE INTO STATE DEPARTMENT'S MIDDLE EAST POLICY

WASHINGTON, July 30. (JTA) -- The Senate today abandoned an inquiry into State Department policy in the Middle East. A special subcommittee decided to drop the probe because of the vast scope of the undertaking and the prohibition on making vital documents public. It was felt by some that the controversies that caused the probe were alleviated by the Eisenhower Doctrine.

The investigation was conceived as one that might determine if shortcomings of U. S. policy led to the Sinai war and Suez crisis. The subcommittee's chairman, Sen. J. W. Fulbright, Arkansas Democrat, recommended abandonment of the undertaking. However, he announced that he will take the Senate floor next week for his own personal full-scale review of developments that led to last fall's crisis in the Middle East.

The State Department had acted in response to the subcommittee's request by furnishing files on its consideration of the Palestine issue before emergence of Israel and other matters. Security considerations required that much of the material furnished the subcommittee remain secret.

ADMISSION OF 5, 000 EGYPTIAN JEWS TO U. S. FAVORED AT SENATE HEARING

WASHINGTON, July 30. (JTA) -- The Administration's endorsement of a Senate bill that could admit 5, 000 Egyptian Jews was reiterated today by Deputy Attorney General William P. Rogers. He testified at the Senate Immigration Subcommittee's first hearing on the program submitted by President Eisenhower last January to permit increased immigration.

Mr. Rogers mainly emphasized the need to normalize the status of thousands of Hungarian refugees granted emergency entry by President Eisenhower last winter. But, he meanwhile made known his support of legislation introduced in the Senate to grant sanctuary in America to 5, 000 Jews forced to flee from Egypt.

Mr. Rogers said the broad program requested by the President would make clear to the world the United States will do its "full share in granting asylum to victims of persecution and oppression." He said the proposed changes would make "much needed improvements" in the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act. The Administration "strongly feels" there should be permanent legislation to cope with problems of refugees and escapees, he stated.

Sen. Everett Dirksen, Illinois Republican, told Mr. Rogers that while he supported the Eisenhower program, it was actually useless to expect action on the full program this late in the present session of Congress.

The Administration is supporting a bill introduced by New Jersey Republican Senator Clifford Case to bring in 5, 000 Egyptian Jews. But it is known in informed quarters that Senators of both parties who desire special relief for the Egyptian Jews have tacitly rallied behind a similar bill introduced by Sen. John F. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts.

ISRAEL TO SEEK DAMAGES FROM RUSSIA FOR BREAKING OIL AGREEMENT

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- An Israeli delegation consisting of two attorneys will leave for Moscow next month to place before the Moscow Chamber of Commerce arbitration court Israel's demand for damages caused by the unilateral breaching of a contract by the USSR to supply Israel with crude oil. The contract was breached after the Sinai campaign.

The case has significance far beyond Israel's request for damages. It will be watched intensely by trade circles in West Europe, for if the USSR establishes the principle that for political reasons it may renege on trade pacts, other Soviet trade commitments may be affected.

The Israeli attorneys, Zev Argaman and Y. Schlossberg, will also ask re-establishment of the contract. When the Soviet oil company refused to fulfill its bargain, it pleaded instructions from the government. The Israeli position will be that since the company is state-controlled, it cannot claim to have been prevented from carrying out its part of the contract because of the higher authority of the Soviet State.

HOLLAND REFUSES TO INTERVENE ON BRITAIN'S STOPPAGE OF OIL TO ISRAEL

THE HAGUE, July 30. (JTA) -- The Dutch Government has rejected an Israeli request that it intervene with the Royal Dutch Shell group to prevent withdrawal of the Shell Oil Company from Israel. A Dutch Foreign Ministry spokesman said that the Government could not exert influence on Royal Dutch Shell as it had no say in the affairs of that company which was a private commercial organization. The Dutch Government is a minority shareholder in the company.

Chanon Cidor, the Israeli minister here, made the request last week, pointing out that such a surrender to blackmail as would be represented by yielding to Arab pressure in this case could eventually have serious consequences for Dutch oil interests. He said that the Israel Government would be "pleased" to learn that the Netherlands Government was willing to make a stand against political blackmail of this nature.

BRITAIN TO REFRAIN FROM DISCUSSING RESETTLEMENT OF ARAB REFUGEES

LONDON, July 30. (JTA) -- Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd had informed the House of Commons today that the British Government will not initiate discussions within the Bagdad Pact with a view to resettlement of Palestine Arab refugees in the undeveloped areas of member countries in the Middle East.

"I think a solution of the problem of Arab refugees must rest with a wider body than the Bagdad Pact," Mr. Lloyd said in a written reply to questions.

EGYPT BARS RED CROSS INTERVIEW WITH DETAINED ISRAELI SAILOR

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- The Egyptian authorities have not permitted representatives of the International Red Cross to interview Raphael Eylon, Israeli seaman-journalist removed from the Danish vessel Brigitte Toft when it passed through the Suez Canal.

Immediately after the sailor's arrest, the Israel Government requested the Red Cross to intervene to assure him decent treatment, since in the past Israeli seamen detained in Egypt have been tortured and beaten. The Red Cross has informed Israel that whenever its representatives attempted to see Mr. Eylon they were put off with evasive answers and if an appointment was made, it was cancelled at the last minute.

Meanwhile, Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary General, who promised to intervene on Mr. Eylon's behalf, has twice expressed optimism that he would be released soon. However, he has been unable to report concrete developments in this direction.

British Seamen Ask Nasser to Release Arrested Israeli Sailor

LONDON, July 30. (JTA) -- The National Union of Seamen and the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers Association, cabled President Nasser of Egypt today asking him to release Raphael Eylon, Israeli seaman-journalist who was taken off the Danish freighter Brigitte Toft by the Egyptian authorities when it passed through the Suez Canal, and is being held under Egyptian arrest.

The plea to President Nasser said that the "arbitrary arrest is contrary to accepted freedom customarily afforded seafarers." It is understood that the unions, which represent both ordinary seamen and officers, intervened at the request of the International Transport Workers Federation.

ISRAELI TANKER DAMAGED IN COLLISION OFF ITALIAN COAST; REACHES SAFETY

TEL AVIV, July 30. (JTA) -- The 13,000 ton Israeli tanker Yam Suf was severely damaged today when it was in collision with a Spanish tanker off the Italian coast. The Israeli vessel managed to reach Genoa under its own power although its lower compartments were flooded. There were no casualties among the crew.

BEN GURION REITERATES HIS WISH FOR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

GENEVA, July 30. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion of Israel said in an interview today that he favored establishment of diplomatic relations with the West German Federal Republic.

The Premier was quoted in an interview with Joachim Fisher, a Swiss newsman, over the Swiss national radio station of Beromunster. The station, which services German-speaking Switzerland, is widely listened to both in Switzerland and in neighboring Germany.

"I would see, with pleasure, the establishment of full diplomatic relations between the two states," Mr. Ben Gurion said. He said that although he was aware that many people in Israel would object to this step, he did not share their point of view and preferred to let "bygones be bygones."

Mr. Ben Gurion said that he considered that "a meeting with Chancellor Adenauer now would be premature" but stressed that he did not believe the present leaders of Germany were responsible for what had happened during the Nazi regime.

DR. NEUMANN LAUDS "HARMONIOUS SPIRIT" IN ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, July 30. (JTA) -- The "cooperative and harmonious spirit" which prevailed at the Zionist Action Committee session in Jerusalem was lauded here today by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America, upon his return from Israel where he attended the session.

"I am particularly gratified by the close cooperation which developed between the ZOA and Hadassah delegations, which worked together effectively on some of the controversial issues, notably on the question of territorial federations," Dr. Neumann said in a press statement. "Largely as a result of Hadassah-ZOA cooperation, the American point of view was accepted, providing for flexibility and considerable latitude to each country regarding the form which the territorial federations would take. In the United States, the American Zionist Council will gradually evolve into a federation in a manner to be determined by the American Zionist organizations."

With regard to the split in the World Confederation of General Zionists, Dr. Neumann announced that his group intends to call an extraordinary session of the World Conference of the Confederation "for the purpose of strengthening the Confederation and dealing with the situation created by the announced withdrawal of certain groups." He claimed that the "progressive block" within the administrative committee of the Confederation announced its intention "to secede and form a new body to include organizations and groups not now affiliated with the Confederation."

"While the two groupings in the Confederation have their sympathies -- the one leaning toward the General Zionists and the other toward the Progressives -- neither is politically affiliated with any one of them," Dr. Neumann stated. "So far as the ZOA is concerned, we have made it crystal-clear that we are wholly independent and conform to no 'party line.' We do regard the General Zionists of Israel and other countries as closest to us ideologically within the framework of the world Zionist movement; and any expression of such ideological kinship is invariably the product of free discussion and democratic procedures in our organization."

Dr. Neumann said that the debate between Premier David Ben Gurion and Dr. Nahum Goldmann at the Actions Committee meetings on the relations between the Government of Israel and the Jewish Agency "was a continuation of the old debate" which started soon after the State of Israel was established. "Ben Gurion's position was stated in even more radical terms than in the past," Dr. Neumann emphasized. "Dr. Goldmann's reply effectively asserted the view we have consistently expressed, that the vital interest of Israel calls for an effective partnership and mutuality of relations between the State of Israel and the Zionist movement."

STAND OF AMERICAN JEWISH LEAGUE FOR ISRAEL VINDICATED, SHAPIRO SAYS

NEW YORK, July 30. (JTA) -- The position of the American Jewish League for Israel in opposing identification with Israeli political parties was "strongly vindicated" in Israel by the stand taken by the World Confederation of General Zionists, Ezra Shapiro, president of the League, declared here today upon his return from the sessions of the Zionist Actions Committee in Jerusalem.

Mr. Shapiro reported that following the split in the ranks of the Confederation, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Rose Halprir, both leaders of the Confederation and members of the Jewish Agency executive, signed a statement supporting the policy of non-affiliation with Israeli political parties by the Confederation.

"Insistence of the Zionist Organization of America on maintaining identification with the General Zionists in Israel made the split in the Confederation inevitable," Mr. Shapiro declared. The ZOA position, he said, was opposed not only by Hadassah and the American Jewish League for Israel, but also by the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, the European Federation of Zionist Organizations comprising 15 groups, and by the Zionist organizations of South Africa, Mexico and Argentina.

NEW ORLEANS COURT RULES AGAINST MIXED SEATING IN LOCAL SYNAGOGUE

NEW ORLEANS, July 30. (JTA) -- Judge Frank J. Stitch of the local Civil District Court issued an injunction yesterday against mixed seating in the formerly Orthodox now Conservative Chevra Thillim Synagogue here.

The judge ruled that mixed seating was contrary to the objects and purposes for which the congregation had been organized and the conditions of the donation of Benjamin Rosenberg for the original building and the uptown site and building fund for the new edifice.

The evidence showed, Judge Stitch held, that the practice of separate seating was in effect since the congregation was founded in 1887 and that since mixed seating is in violation of Orthodox Polish Jewish ritual and ancient Orthodox forms and ceremony, its institution would violate the trust imposed by Mr. Rosenberg.

The injunction was sought by a minority group in the congregation after the majority voted for mixed seating. During the court proceedings, Rabbi Solomon J. Sharfman, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, testified that mixed seating was forbidden by Jewish law, citing Talmudic sources for his contention.

FIRST SYNAGOGUE IN MIDLAND TO BE OPENED IN FORMER CHURCH BUILDING

DETROIT, July 30. (JTA) -- Midland's first synagogue will open here in September for the High Holy Days in a building that formerly served as a church. Newly established Temple Beth El will have its own spiritual leader, Rabbi Marc Samuels, of New York, a graduate of the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Until recently, Midland's Jewish community was so small that its members journeyed to nearby Bay City for religious services. The expansion of the Dow Chemical Company, however, brought a number of Jewish scientists, physicists and engineers to the city, most of them young and with small children, bringing the Jewish community up to 60 families.

BEN GURION RECEIVES MINISTER OF CHURCH WHICH EISENHOWER ATTENDS

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- The Rev. Edward Elson, Minister of the church President Eisenhower attends in Washington, was received by Premier David Ben Gurion. The Rev. Elson, a leading member of the American Friends of the Middle East, which has been unfriendly to Israel, is spending five days in Israel during a tour of the Middle East.

In an interview with the Jerusalem Post, Rev. Elson said that the American Friends may consider establishing a "field office" in Israel. Contrasting what he sees on this visit with what he saw on his last visit to Israel in 1952, Rev. Elson called developments in Israel "impressive."

PERMANENT EXHIBITION OF DEAD SEA SCROLLS OPENED IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- The permanent exhibition of the seven Dead Sea Scrolls in the possession of the State of Israel, temporarily housed in a huge vault in the basement of the administration building of the Hebrew University, was opened yesterday by Prof. Yigal Yadin, Israel's leading archaeologist and former chief of staff of the Israel Army. The scrolls, set in illuminated, air-conditioned glass cases are guarded by an armed usher.

At the opening of the exhibition was A. Bartos, an American architect and son-in-law of the late Samuel D. Gottesman, who provided most of the funds with which four of the scrolls were purchased. Mr. Bartos has been discussing with Hebrew University authorities further assistance from the Gottesman family for the erection of a building to be known as "The Shrine of the Book" where the scrolls will be kept and where research facilities will be provided.

NEGRO PHYSICIAN TO BE HONORED IN ISRAEL; RAISED FUND FOR HOSPITAL

NEW YORK, July 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Theodore K. Lawless, a Chicago dermatologist and chairman of the division of higher education of the Congregational Christian Churches, left here for Israel yesterday to dedicate a 35-bed dermatology wing at Tel Aviv's Beilinson Hospital. Dr. Lawless, a Negro, and his friends raised \$160,000 toward the \$400,000 wing. The Histadrut, which will honor him for his accomplishment, supplied the remainder of the necessary funds.

PRINCETON NAMES STREET IN HONOR OF LATE PROF. ALBERT EINSTEIN

PRINCETON, N. J., July 30. (JTA) -- A street in this town has been named in honor of the late Prof. Albert Einstein. The one-quarter mile street, named Einstein Drive, is located in a new housing development near the Institute for Advanced Study where Dr. Einstein worked from 1933 to 1955 when he died.