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ISRAEL GOVERNMENT STUDYING RETALIATION AGAINST BRITISH OIL FIRMS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Israel is investigating the possibilities of retaliation against the British oil companies for their decision to withdraw from sales activities in the Jewish State. it was reported today in political circles.

These sources expressed the view that the Israel Government could legally take over ownership of the Haifa refinery plants if the Shell company and the British Petroleum company ceased supplying cil to the Israel market without first obtaining an acceptable successor firm. The refinery is owned by the two British oil companies.

Resentment here against the British withdrawal decision is based not on economic grounds, it was reported, but rather on the damage the action may cause politically to Israel. Under present world market conditions, according to Israeli experts, there would be no trouble in replacement of the 750,000 tons, half of Israel's total annual petroleum needs, now supplied by the British firms. The effect of the withdrawal in stimulating the Arab anti-Israel boycott and general pan-Arab intransigence, however, would be a serious blow at efforts for Middle East pacification, they said.

The withdrawal, they pointed out, inevitably would be interpreted by Arab extremists as Britain's surrender to the Arab League boycott, Israeli officials reject London's claim that the British Government bears no responsibility for the withdrawal decision. of the oil companies. This claim was made by the British Government last week in answering questions posed in the House of Commons by various members of Parliament.

ISRAEL DIFFERS WITH U.S. ON ARAB REFUGEE ADMISSION; PREPARES FOR U.N.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Israel has absorbed 50,000 Arab refugees since the original offer made several years ago to accept 100,000 and any additional resettlement must await the permanent settlement of the majority of the remaining refugees in Arab countries, Israeli sources said today. This Israeli position was expected to be stated when the refugee problem is raised in the forthcoming United Nations General Assembly in September. these sources said,

It was learned meanwhile that the United States had asked Henry R. Labouisse, head of the United Nations Relief and Works Administration, to study the possibilities of refugee resettlement in Iraq and that Mr. Labouisse refused, saying he did not want to create Arab hostility. Mr. Labouisse recently visited Washington in a futile bid for increased allocations for UNRWA, the Eisenhower Administration promising only to continue its 80 per cent share.

The Israeli sources said they expected strong pressure on Israel, during forthcoming General Assembly discussion on the UNWRA budget, to agree to give the Arab refugees free choice to return to Israel or resettle in Arab countries. This is an approach understood to be strongly favored by the United States.

The U.S. is reported here to believe that if it were made clear to the refugees that a return to Israel means acceptance of unconditional loyalty to Israel and agreement to be resettled like all other refugees, rather than a return to their former homes, very few of the Arab refugees would choose 'o return, the majority accepting resettlement in Arab countries. Israeli officials, however, believe that the Arab governments, for political reasons, would exert such pressure on the refugees that most of them would be forced to choose repartiation to Israel.

The Israeli sources also disclosed that Israel plans to explain in the General Assembly that any additional acceptance of refugees must be the final stage in a general resettlement plan. If such resettlement were the first stage, the natural increase among the remaining refugees would outbalance whatever numbers were absorbed by Israel, they said.

It was also pointed out that if resettlement in Israel went on simultaneously with settlement in Arab countries, the effect of free choice would actually be to prevent settlement in the Arab lands,

ISRAEL-CHARTERED SHIP PASSES SUEZ; ANOTHER SHIP DUE TO PASS TODAY

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The Norwegian freighter, Hubro, the latest Israelichartered ship scheduled for Suez Canal passage, was due through the waterway tomorrow bound for Haifa. The Italian ship, the S.S. Monte Pelegrino, went through the Canal Saturday night, the first ship outward bound from Haifa to make the transit to East African ports since the Sinai Operation.

The Hubro is carrying 5,000 tons of cargo from East Africa, mainly fishmeal and hides. The Monte Pellegrino carried 4,000 tons of Israell products, including cartons, radio sets, air-conditioners, plywood, razors and office equipment.

Egypt's action in permitting the Israeli-chartered Italian freighter with Gargo to Israel; to pass unhampered through the Suez Canal in no way represents a change in Egyptian President Nasser's anti-Israel blockade, a spokesman for the Israeli Foreign Ministry said today.

The spokesman said there was nothing unusual in the passage of an Israeli-flagged foreign ship through the Canal. He noted that Egypt had reaffirmed her intention to bar from the Canal not only Israeli ships, but also certain types of cargoes en route either to or from Israeli ports,

ISRAEL SEEKS U. N. ACTION ON RELEASE BY EGYPT OF DETAINED SAILOR

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Abba S. Eban, Israel Ambassador to the United States and head of the Israel delegation to the United Nations, will take up with Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold the continued detention by Egypt of Raphael Eylon, Israeli seilor taken off the Danish ship Brigitte Toft July 22, Israeli sources disclosed today.

These sources said Israel still has received no information about the condition of Mr. Eylon, who was arrested just before the Israeli-chartered Danish ship entered the Suez Canal. The ship continued on to Haifa.

The International Red Cross still has not received permission to visit Mr. Eylon in prison to determine whether he is receiving the treatment required by international law, the sources said. They revealed that Israel today made new urgent representations to Red Cross headquarters in Geneva.

(The New York Times, in a dispatch from Cairo yesterday, cited official Egyptian sources as saying that Mr. Eylon would be released "very soon," The dispatch cited the Egyptian sources as indicating Eylon would probably be handed over to Israeli authorities across the demarcation line at the Gaza Strip.)

U.S. ENGINEERS STUDYING POSSIBILITIES FOR POTASH PIPELINE IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- American engineers are studying the economic soundness of a pipeline from the Dead Sea to Elath or the Mediterranean coast to carry potash directly to seaports, Mordecai Ben Tov, Israel Minister of Development, said today, adding that expert sources estimate that 200,000,000 tons of potash can be extracted.

He also reported representatives of Italian, English and German concerns will arrive in Israel soon to investigate the possibilities of large-scale exploitation of the potash resources.

ISRAEL'S INTELLIGENCE SERVICE CHECKS PLOT AGAINST SOVIET EMBASSY

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- An underground plot to bomb for a second time the Russian Embassy in Tel Aviv, in the hope of provoking Russian military intervention leading to American counter-intervention in favor of Israel, was described in testimony in district court by the chief of the Israel intelligence service.

The intelligence official, whose name was withheld, testified in opposition to a plea for the release on bail of Yaacov Herouti, member of the "Sarafand," an alias for the "Fighters for an Israeli Kingdom." Herouti is charged with leadership of an unnamed underground group.

The intelligence chief said it would be dangerous to release Herouti even under constant police observation. He pointed out that Herouti would find ways of making contact with his followers many of whom "have not yet been arrested" for lack of evidence.

AMERICAN AND ISRAELI GROUPS TO BUILD JOINTLY A NEW TOWN IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (ITA) -- Plans to create the largest community development project ever attempted, in the form of a town at Ashdod on Israel's Mediterranean coast, were confirmed today in a joint announcement by Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the board of the American Community Builders Corp., and Oved Ben-Ami, founder and mayor of the town of Natanya, in Israel. Planned for a population of 150, 000 in 15 years, the new town was scheduled to become Israel's second deep sea port with an investment of about \$30,000,000, 000, 000.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Fifty young Israelis, members of the Israel delegation to the World Youth Festival which is now taking place in Moscow, attended the Sabbath services in the Moscow synagogue yesterday and were the center of attention of about 3.000 Jews who crowded the synagogue building and streets outside the building

This was the largest crowd ever seeking entrance into the synagogue. The Moscow Jews, attracted by the presence of the Israeli youths, flocked to the house of worship, despite "Soviet official disapproval of Israel" and notwithstanding the fact that "there were a good many persons in plainclothes around to watch the proceedings, "Daniel Schorr, Moscow correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System, reported. He emphasized that the Israeli youths were given in the synagogue "a heart-felt and sometimes tearful reception,"

The New York Times reported from Moscow that "thousands of Soviet Jews have come to see the Israeli delegation at the World Youth Festival perform Israeli folk dances and songs." The Israeli youngsters have tried to get together with delegates from Arab nations but without success thus far, except for one round of fisticuffs, the Times reported. The dispatch emphasized that the Israeli delegation of about 200 youths consists of two equally divided groups, one sympathetic to Communism and the other non-Communist.

EIGHT EUROPEAN LANDS SEEK GERMAN INDEMNIFICATION FOR NAZI VICTIMS

BONN, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- In a strongly-worded note delivered to the West German Foreign Office here today, the Norwegian Government rejected a West German reaction to an earlier bid by eight European countries for expansion of the scope of German indemnification legislation.

The eight countries asked that Bonn indemnification be extended to cover Nazi victims who were neither citizens nor residents of Nazi Germany. The German reply, said the Norwegian note, "cannot be considered a basis for discussions and constitutes an affront" to former Norwegian prisoners of Nazi Germany.

More than a year ago, the Governments of the United Kingdom, France, Denmark, Norway, Belgium, Holland, Luxemburg and Greece pointed out to the Bonn Government that many of their nationals or residents had been persecuted by the Nazi regime on racial, religious or political grounds. They proposed that representatives of their countries and from the Federal Republic form an intergovernmental committee to examine means of providing adequate compensation for victims of Nazism excluded from Bonn indemnification benefits.

This plan was rejected last February by the West German Foreign office, a rejection which in general covered any extension of benefits. Willingness to participate in discussions was specifically limited to "charitable measures" for aiding indigent and needy Nazi victims now outside the Bonn compensation framework,

This West German rebuff was received with angry remonstrances in Holland and Norway last month. The Oslo newspaper, "Arbeiderbladet," indicated that the eight countries were engaged in an exchange of views on the formulation of a new note with special attention to finding an agreed definition of those categories of Nazi victims for whom compensation was being demanded,

The Norwegian note urged that a speedy solution be found for compensation of Nazi victims who do not benefit from the present West German indemnification laws. It was also reported that the Dutch Government at the Hague was drafting a new note to the Bonn Government rejecting West German proposals of unofficial payments to claimants, using money from private or semi-official funds. The new note, it was reported, will describe such proposals as unsatisfactory and as an offense to the victims.

MEMBERS OF NAZI ELITE GROUP SEEK PENSION FOR SERVING WITH HITLER

OSNABRUECK, West Germany, Aug. 4, (JTA) -- The National Association of Veterans of the Military SS, -- the Nazi elite group during the Hitler regime -- known from its German language initials as HIAG, has established in this Westphalian city a nation-wide permanent "liason office." This office will seek to increase and strengthen the large number of local SS veterans' groups and to win elimination of the last remaining instances of "legislative discrimination" against former SS members.

Bundestag members of all parties have already expressed support for HIAG efforts to accord long-time SS men the legal right to demand employment in the civil service and to make "pensionable" the years spent in SS uniform. HIAG also hopes to win abolition of regulations which subject former SS members to special screening before they can be accepted by the new West German army. More than 3,000 such officers and enlisted men of the Military SS have applied for service and more than 500 have been accepted to date.

JEWISH PARENTS IN U.S. URGED TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO JEWISH SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The American Association for Jewish Education today issued a call to Jewish parents to observe Jewish Education Month by enrolling their children in Jewish schools and by seeing to it that schooling continues beyond the elementary years into a period of later adolescence. Jewish Education Month starts September

The Association also urged that during Jewish Education Month special attention be given to the problem of the shortage of good teachers for Jewish schools. The parents were reminded that they had a deep responsibility in helping to solve this problem,

"At a special national conference held in Washington at the call of the Association, a program was drafted to improve the professional status and working conditions of today's teachers and to attract new and competent young people into the Jewish teaching profession. These plans demand the participation of every Jewish parent and every person in the community concerned with the future of American Jewish life," the call of the AAJE stressed.

FARBAND PRESENTS PORTRAIT BY ISRAELI ARTIST TO ROOSEVELT LIBRARY

HYDE PARK, N.Y., Aug. 4. (JTA) -- A portrait of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, done in stone which simulates marble, was presented here yesterday to the library of the President by the Farband -- Labor Zionist Order, a fraternal organization dedicated to strengthening Jewish life in this country and in Israel.

The work was executed by Shmuel Toker, an Israeli artist. Mr. Toker has developed a method of mixing stone, cement and plaster in a manner that he says controls form in designs and colors of his choosing. He says it enables him to do paintings that resemble oils. Louis Segal, general secretary of the Farband, presented the portrait to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library on behalf of his organization. It was accepted by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, widow of the President,

In his presentation address, Mr. Segal declared that "there has never been a greater champion for the rights of all minorities and the oppressed than Franklin D. Roosevelt." He emphasized that the presentation of the portrait is "a symbol of the deep and lasting friendship which has been forged in recent years between the people of the State of Israel and our beloved United States."

"The portrait which we now present to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library is more than a work of art," Mr. Segal continued. "It is an expression of love and respect for a great American president, by a citizen and distinguished artist of the young democratic State of Israel, Mr. Shmuel Toker. It is altogether fitting that the Farband-Labor Zionist Order should be the instrument of this symbolic gesture. For the 45 years of the Farband's existence, we have worked unceasingly in behalf of strengthening the principles of democracy and social justice in America, the enhancement of cultural and community life and the establishment and support of the State of Israel,

"In his entire career of service to the people of the United States and the world, President Roosevelt exemplified the realization of our ideals. It is our sincere hope that in presenting this portrait to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, we may make a further contribution to better understanding among the free peoples of the word -- a goal which our late President was a noble example for mankind," Mr. Segal stated. Those who took part in the ceremonies, in addition to Mr. Segal and Mrs. Roosevelt, were Mr. Toker, Mrs. Toker, Herman Kahn, director of the library, and Harold Grubart, treasurer, and Israel K. Goldstein, associate treasurer of the Farband.

RABBI KIRSHBLUM HONORED IN ISRAEL; WOOD PLANTED IN HIS NAME

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, member of the Jewish Agency executive and former American Mizrachi president, was honored by a wood planting in his name in ceremonies attended by religious leaders. The planting took place on Jewish National Fund land in Galilee.

DR. AVIAD, ISRAELI MINISTER TO SWITZERLAND, DIES IN BERNE

GENEVA, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Dr. Yeshayahu Aviad-Wolfsberg, Israeli Minister to Switzerland and Hapoel Hamizrachi leader, died in Berne Friday of a heart ailment shortly after he returned from the World Zionist Actions Committee meeting in Jerusalem. A distinguished pediatrician, he had written books on Jewish history and philosophy. He was 63.

LAZAR SEGALL, PROMINENT JEWISH PAINTER, DIES IN BRAZIL; WAS 66

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Lazar Segall, Lithuanian-born artist who attained eminence in the expressionist movement. He was 66. He first came to Brazil in 1913 after studying in Dresden and Berlin. Returning after the first World war, he became a Brazilian citizen. He greatly influenced Brazilian modern art.