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LANDING OF EGYPTIAN TROOPS IN SYRIA AROUSES CONCERN IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Though the landing of Egyptian troops in Syria yesterday has not caused an exaggerated alarm in Israel, serious concern is felt here because this is the first instance of physical coordination between two Arab armies north and south of Israel.

While Israeli observers view the move as chiefly an expression of the inter-Arab struggle for hegemony, they are trying to evaluate its consequences for Israel's security. The movement of Egyptian troops to Syria is being looked upon here as a partial implementation of the joint Arab command aimed at strangling Israel, which was one of the main causes for the Sinai operation.

Some important differences, however, have been noted here between this development and the previous alliance. Jordan is no longer a partner in the scheme and the move is aimed at Turkey at least as much as at Israel which makes it a NATO and United States concern.

The crucial question about the latest development, according to thinking on top Israeli levels, is to what extent was the Egyptian move approved or condoned by the Soviet Union. The possibility is seen that Nasser may have moved without Soviet approval. Several things point to this.

Nasser has been trying to conciliate the West for economic reasons and may actually claim that his move was aimed at preventing Russia's uncontested domination of Syria. If this is true, it was noted here, it would imply that the move was not Soviet-inspired. This would in turn, raise another question: why did the Syrians agree to such a landing?

Observers here also pointed out that the Soviet Union has let more than 24 hours elapse since the announcement of the Egyptian troop landings, without comment. This, despite the fact that in recent weeks Moscow has been quick to react to any Middle East development. It is expected here that even if the Egyptian move did not receive the advance blessings of the USSR, Moscow is likely to make full use of it in its current campaign against Turkey.

With Syria emerging as the Soviet Union's favorite in the Middle East, with King Saud arrogating to himself the position of arbiter and conciliator among the Arab nations, Nasser seemed to be moving toward total eclipse. His move in Syria was evidently meant to restore his position, at least in Syria.

Other reports from Arab capitals indicate that the Egyptian-Syrian agreement had far-reaching effects beyond the stationing of troops in Syria. Nasser reportedly wrangled a Syrian agreement to accept a considerable number of Egyptian peasants to settle in under-developed Syrian areas. Such a move would be interpreted here as more of a step toward genuine Syrian-Egyptian merger than all the pronouncements, treaties and alliance which have already been made.

Egypt Sending Troops to Syria Since Last Month, U.S. Reveals

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- State Department spokesman Lincoln White made known today that the United States Government has been receiving reports since sometime in September of the movement of Egyptian military forces into Syria. The United States, he said, was following the matter with interest.

According to word received here, Egyptian strength in Syria includes a reinforced battalion numbering between 1,000 and 1,600 officers and men. Also, an undetermined number of "volunteer" technicians and specialists belonging to the Egyptian armed forces have been arriving in Syria.

Government sources said, meanwhile, that top officials were following developments closely and that Secretary of State Dulles is expected to consider the matter as a priority question on his return. He is expected back in Washington tonight. The same sources also said the U.S. had no information on reports the Lebanon sought to sever its Eisenhower Doctrine ties.

ISRAEL DELEGATE ASSAILS ARAB BOYCOTT AT U.N. ECONOMIC DISCUSSION

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 14. (JTA) -- An extremely sharp protest against the economic boycott conducted by the Arab states against Israel was voiced here today at the United Nations General Assembly's Economic Committee during a major debate on a world-wide economic survey conducted by the UN Economic and Social Council.

Addressing the Economic Committee, Israel delegate Dr. Fanny Ginor outlined Israel's economic and social achievements and drew attention to the Arab boycott, emphasizing that the attitude of the Arab states "is obstructive to the international cooperation in economic matters which we all strive to attain."

The Arab boycott, "Dr. Ginor declared, "includes boycott of goods produced in Israel, blackmail techniques, air blockade, and blacklisting of ships destined to Israel or on their way from Israeli ports." The boycott forbids planes flying to or from Israel to fly over Arab territory, "and as a result, certain companies suspended their flights to Israel," she pointed out.

Dr. Ginor told the committee how, in recent years, the boycott techniques have been expanded to a point of pressure on companies in many countries if those firms are tied to Jewish ownership. She quoted a candid statement issued by the Beirut boycott office, admitting openly that the aims of the boycott are "to sabotage the industrialization of Israel" as well as to obstruct the export of Israeli merchandise.

Despite all difficulties, however, Dr. Ginor reported, Israel's economy has made tremendous progress. Israel, she said, has admitted some 900,000 immigrants since the state was established. The "real national product" of the country has grown on the average of about 12 percent per year. From 1950 to 1956, national income at fixed prices increased by 86 percent from 1,125,000,000 to 2,090,000,000 Israeli pounds, and real national income per capita rose by 29 percent. Real national output in 1956--despite the Sinai campaign--increased by eight and a half percent.

During the eight-year period 1948-49 to 1956-57, Israel's agricultural production had more than tripled, the area under cultivation grew by about 125 percent, and area under irrigation increased fourfold, Dr. Ginor stressed. "Industrial production and output per worker also increased at a remarkable pace. Electric power output increased three and a half times from 1949 to 1956, and the use of electricity by industry grew at the same rate.

"Industrial exports grew three and a half fold," she continued. "A large number of new factory plants were established and many new products were produced. By systematic exploration various minerals have been found, among them sources of petroleum, thus expanding the raw materials basis of industry. Exports have been stepped up three and a half times from 1949 to 1956, and the foreign trade balance deficit per head declined by 65 percent during the same period.

Lebanon Refuses to Comply with Arab Boycott Rulings Against Israel

JERUSALEM, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The first official refusal by an Arab country to comply with an Arab boycott ruling against Israel was reported today in the Arab press reaching here.

According to the press reports, a Lebanese spokesman disclosed that Lebanon had notified the Arab boycott office in Cairo that the Beirut Government would not follow an order to boycott Air France and the British Imperial Chemical Industries in retaliation for the refusal of the two firms to cease operations in Israel. Arab boycott pressures, while failing to force the ICI out of Israel, apparently have induced British Shell to stop its sales operations.

The Lebanese spokesman pointed out that several other Arab states were not implementing boycott office decisions, leading observers here to note that the boycott office, which is a branch of the Arab League, is actually an instrument of Egyptian policy, as is the League. The observers said that the application of pressure against Lebanon apparently was understood by the Beirut Government to be aimed as much against Lebanon's "pro-Western" attitude as against Israel.

ITALY REITERATES FRIENDSHIP FOR MID-EAST NATIONS; ISRAELIS SATISFIED

ROME, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Israeli circles here expressed satisfaction today with Foreign Minister Giuseppe Pella's reiteration of Italy's traditional friendship for the nations of the Middle East.

Addressing the Italian Senate before it ratified proposals for Italy to join the European Common Market and the Euratom program, the Foreign Minister denied that collaboration of the Atlantic Treaty nations would preclude ties in the Middle East. He pledged Italy to act as a cohesive, not a divisive force in the Middle East. Italy has been reported several times ready to act as a mediator between Israel and the Arab states, but has denied the reports.

ONE-THIRD OF GERMAN POPULATION SHOWING ANTI-SEMITIC TENDENCIES

HANOVER, Germany, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- One-third of the respondents in recent West German public opinion polls have revealed strong anti-Semitic tendencies in their reaction to test questions. Dr. Carl-Christoph Schweitzer, a high Bonn Government official, reported to a three-day meeting of German intellectuals on "Anti-Semitism and German History."

Dr. Schweitzer, whose department is responsible for strengthening democracy in West Germany and combatting remnants of the Nazi philosophy, asserted that advocates of open anti-Semitism in this country, the avowedly neo-Nazi groups and parties, have declined in strength.

The conference was held under the auspices of the Evangelical Academy at nearby Loccum for 70 persons. The academy device is used by the Protestant Church to bring together adults to discuss important questions of the day.

JOHN KASPER, ANTI-JEWISH AGITATOR, TO SERVE ONE YEAR IN PENITENTIARY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- John Kasper, anti-Jewish and anti-Negro agitator, must go to jail as a result of the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal today to review his criminal contempt conviction. He will be made to serve a one-year penitentiary sentence.

The sentence was imposed on Kasper for interfering with the integration of students at the Clinton, Tenn., High School in 1956. Last June a U.S. Court of Appeals upheld the sentence. He then demanded that the Supreme Court review the case and remained free on a \$10,000 bond. He used his freedom on bond, terminated by the court action today, to carry on incitement against Negroes and Jews.

Recently, Kasper led a group of pickets in front of the White House to denounce President Eisenhower for using troops at Little Rock, Ark. Kasper then told White House newsmen that he considered Jews "worse than Negroes." He alleged that the Negro problem was originally created by "Northern Jews" who brought Negro slaves to the South and sold them to plantation owners.

The government urged the Supreme Court to send Kasper to jail. In a brief filed by Solicitor General J. Lee Rankin, the government maintained that Kasper's behavior went beyond "the limits of free speech" protections. The government said the constitutional safeguards did not include a right to exhort mobs in the manner performed by Kasper.

CONVENTION OF REFORM JEWS ASKS U.S. TO ASSURE SECURITY FOR ISRAEL

CINCINNATI, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The four-day National Mobilization of American Reform Judaism leaders, attended by 600 lay and rabbinic leaders from all parts of the United States, concluded today with the adoption of a resolution expressing concern over Israel and asking the United States Government to assure security for Israel against Arab hostility "or the scheming malevolence of Russia." The resolution reads:

"Our concern in regard to our brethren in Israel has not grown less, since the resolutions adopted by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in previous occasions. We are deeply disturbed at the intensified armament race in the Middle East, the arming of Syrian and Egypt by the Soviet Union and its satellites, and the policy of our own country of sending arms to other Arab lands, while continuing a long-time embargo on Israel.

"We welcome the assurances made at various times by the President and Secretary of State that Israel will not be permitted to become a sacrifice to the hostility of its neighbors or the scheming malevolence of Russia, but we express the hope that those assurances will be made more explicit and clearer. It is still our opinion that peace will come to the Middle East only under these conditions. We send fraternal greetings to Israel and our endless admiration for its courage, its freedom and its brotherhood in welcoming 100,000 homeless and often hapless Jews this very year.

"The welfare of Israel must not be impeded and hampered by Arab boycott, by blackmail upon American firms threatened by Arab nations, against doing business in Israel. All this is contrary to the armistice agreements, the Charter of the UN, and the peace and security of the whole world. We would like to express the hope that our own government will now take the lead in removing the causes of discord and the threats of war in this troubled part of this world, and moving on a broad basis toward genuine and justice.

The conference also adopted a resolution calling upon all of the agencies of the government--Federal, state, and municipal--North and South, to implement by education and appropriate legislation the fundamental right of all Americans to equality in public and private housing, in opportunities for employment and in the exercise of all other civil rights which are the concomitants of citizenship. "We now call upon the President of the United States promptly to implement the Civil Rights Act of 1957 by appointing the Assistant Attorney General and Commission on Civil Rights called for by that act," the resolution stated.

JEWSH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS TO HOLD ASSEMBLY IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The 26th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds will take place in New Orleans, November 14-17, it was announced today by Herbert R. Abeles of Newark, president. It will be the first assembly to be held in the South in 16 years, Mr. Abeles said. The last one was in Atlanta in 1941.

With more than 675 advance reservations at this date, attendance at this year's assembly will be the greatest in the history of the Council. The delegates will take part in more than 25 workshop sessions which will deal with Jewish responsibilities at home and overseas, including fund-raising and budgeting for Jewish needs in 1958, advancing health and welfare services, building community leadership, improving community education and strengthening community organization and community relations.

Mr. Abeles declared that the assembly will take place this year in an atmosphere of urgency and optimism. "For the second year in a row our campaigns have achieved impressive gains, 13 percent over 1956 and 35 percent over 1955," he declared. "The emphasis at this year's national meeting will be to extend the gains of 1956 and 1957. We will have to provide for a continuing tide of immigration to Israel, and for vastly increased needs at home. It will take our very best combined thinking and planning to hope to meet these responsibilities."

The General Assembly is the annual meeting of the 225 federations, welfare funds and community councils which comprise the CJFWF. These member agencies represent some 800 communities throughout the United States and Canada and annually raise more than 90 percent of all Jewish philanthropic funds for overseas, national and local services. As the governing body of the Council, the Assembly will review its activities in 1957 and will determine its policies and programs for 1958 operating in behalf of the communities collectively.

FOUR JEWS ATTEND RECEPTION IN CANADA FOR QUEEN ELIZABETH

OTTAWA, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Four Jews were invited to the reception today for Queen Elizabeth and Prince Phillip at the opening of Parliament. They were Israel Ambassador Arthur Lourie, Sen. David Croll, Leon Crestohl, MP, and Sam Berger, controller of the city of Ottawa.

Ambassador Lourie will participate in five different welcoming ceremonies for the royal couple. Hyman Soloway, president of the Ottawa Jewish Community Council, will be a member of the official party when the Queen officiates at the opening here of a new super-highway.

JEWSH GROUPS IN CANADA REPORT SETTLEMENT OF COMPLAINTS ON BIAS

MONTREAL, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The settlement of complaints in two provinces against discrimination in employment in violation of FEP law was reported here today by the National Joint Public Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith.

One case dealt with a bank in Vancouver, British Columbia; the second with a firm in Manitoba. Both involved Jewish applicants denied employment when they said they were Jewish or "Hebrew." In both cases the defendants have agreed to abide by the law, following action by the provincial authorities.

JEWS SEEN HOLDING TOO FEW POLICY-MAKING POSTS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Jews are not promoted to policy-making posts in Federal, state and municipal government in proportion to their numbers in civil service on all three levels, Dr. Herman P. Martell, president of the Council of Jewish Organizations in Civil Service, declared here yesterday. Dr. Martell, a public school principal, made the charge at the council's first annual spiritual breakfast here. The council represents 22 affiliated groups with a total membership of 75,000.

UNIQUE CONCERT TONIGHT IN NEW YORK FOR AMERICA-ISRAEL SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- A very unique concert will be presented in Carnegie Hall tomorrow evening, dedicated to strengthening cultural relations and understanding between the United States and Israel, Dean James A. Pike of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine announced today as president of the New York Chapter of the America-Israel Society.

Izler Solomon will conduct the Symphony-of-the-Air in a program featuring the American premiere of a new work by Robert Starer, one of Israel's best-known composers, with Zvi Zeitlin, Israeli violinist, as soloist. Proceeds of the evening will go to support the work of the America-Israel Society.

"TIMES SQUARE" IN NEW YORK RENAMED "B'NAI B'RITH SQUARE" FOR A DAY

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Times Square was renamed B'nai B'rith Square today for the day in a ceremony at the famed crossroads marking the organization's 114th anniversary. Present at the ceremony were Borough President Hulan Jack, B'nai B'rith president Philip Klutznick and prominent Jewish personalities.