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SENATE BODY TO EXAMINE U.S. RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL AND ARAB STATES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- U.S. policy in the Middle East, including relations with Israel and the Arab states, is expected to be examined in a high level review of foreign policy voted unanimously today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The committee approved a resolution by Sen. Wayne Morse, Oregon Democrat, for chairman Theodore F. Green, Rhode Island Democrat, to name a four member subcommittee. The subcommittee will work out policies and procedures. The full committee retains veto power over subcommittee recommendations. The review will take place in coming months.

Meanwhile, plans were announced here for an overall review and evaluation of U.S. foreign and defense policies, including Middle Eastern aspects, by the advisory committee on foreign policy of the Democratic Party advisory council. The advisory body, under the chairmanship of former Secretary of State Dean Acheson, will meet here on January 20 for the foreign policy deliberations.

Among members of the Democratic advisory committee on foreign policy are President Irving M. Egel of the American Jewish Committee, Benjamin V. Cohen, former U.S. delegate to the United Nations, Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization, former Senator Herbert H. Lehman, and S. Ralph Lazrus, prominent New York Jewish leader. The foreign policy committee will discuss and prepare position papers and recommended drafts of policy statements for consideration by the top Democratic advisory council which meets in February.

EBAN DISCUSSES U.S. ECONOMIC AID TO ISRAEL WITH STATE DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban today reviewed the whole question of U.S. economic aid to Israel--past, present, and future--in a lengthy meeting with Christian A. Herter, Under Secretary of State.

Mr. Eban later told newsmen, in effect, that now that the new budget has been published it is the season to discuss economic cooperation and the various new headings mentioned for aid. Participating in today's discussion were Meir Sherman, Israeli economic officer, and Embassy Minister Yacov Herzog.

A general discussion of Middle Eastern affairs also took place. Mr. Eban said he had hoped to see Secretary of State Dulles prior to the latter's departure for the Baghdad Pact meeting at Ankara and may yet do so.

In connection with political and security problems, Ambassador Eban discussed his most recent talk with United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld. Generally, Mr. Eban provided a review of Israel's views and problems including economic matters. The meeting lasted over an hour.

U.S. ENVOY IN ISRAEL CONFERS WITH MINISTERS ON \$75,000,000 LOAN

JERUSALEM, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- United States Ambassador Edward B. Lawson conferred today with Foreign Minister Golda Meir and Finance Minister Levi Eshkol on the economic aspects of Israel-American relations. It was understood that the subject of the discussion was the long delay in Washington on Israel's request for a \$75,000,000 loan from the United States Export-Import Bank.

Meanwhile, the Israel Cabinet resumed today a discussion of the proposed 1958-59 budget which was not completed at the regular Sunday session. Mr. Eshkol estimated that the combined regular and development budgets for the next fiscal year would come to 1,160,000 pounds. Last year the budget was set at 969,000,000 pounds but two deficiency appropriations raised it another 158,000,000 pounds.

ARMY CHIEF EXPECTS PREVAILING CALM ON ISRAEL'S BORDER TO LAST

LONDON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The situation on Israel's borders is more peaceful now than at any time since the establishment of the State, Gen. Moshe Dayan, Israel Army Chief of Staff, told a television interviewer last night on his arrival here.

Asked if he thought the situation might deteriorate, Gen. Dayan replied "there is no reason why it should." He was scheduled to address a dinner tonight for the Haifa Technion.

FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER DETERMINED ON ISRAEL'S TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY

PARIS, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- French Foreign Minister Christian Pineau expressed his determination tonight to see the territorial integrity of Israel preserved.

In an interview here, M. Pineau asserted that the resumption of diplomatic relations between France and Egypt would have no bearing on Franco-Israel relations which he described as "excellent." He expressed the hope that despite "outside" factors these relations would continue excellent.

Meanwhile, M. Pineau is expected to include in a foreign policy statement in the National Assembly tomorrow a reference to the Middle East. Afterwards, the Assembly will commence a foreign policy debate. M. Pineau is scheduled to confer with Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary, Friday.

U. N. TO SPEND \$188,000 ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL IN 1958

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The United Nations Technical Assistance Administration has fixed a budget of \$188,000 for expenditures in Israel in 1958. This figure became known here today as David Owen, executive chairman of the UN technical assistance board, held a press conference preparatory to his departure on a six week tour of the Middle East, Southeast Asia and Europe.

The largest single item in the budget is \$38,000 to aid Israel's industrial development and productivity projects. This work will include the furnishing by the UN of 23 experts and fellows to advise and aid the Israel Government in developing automation and servo-mechanistic programs.

ISRAEL-GHANA TRADE AGREEMENT SIGNED; GHANA TO GET \$20,000,000 CREDIT

TEL AVIV, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- An Israel-Ghana trade agreement, under which Israel will extend a credit grant to the African republic of \$20,000,000 was signed last night. The signers were Ribeiro Ayeh, general director of the Ghana Trade Ministry and Edmund Unger, his legal adviser, and J. Glickman and Z. Dinstein for the Israel Ministries of Trade and Finance.

The agreement, reached after a week of negotiations between the Ghana and Israel officials, is subject to approval of both governments. While the official communique did not include any details, it was learned authoritatively that the credit would be repaid in four years and that Israel will buy various raw materials from Ghana, mainly diamonds, rubber and cocoa in the exchange. Ghana will use the credit to buy various materials needed in its development projects.

Captain Enrico Levy, principal of the Nautical School at Acre, will visit Accra, Ghana, at the end of this month to assist in preparatory work for a projected Ghana Nautical school, it was disclosed today. The school will have facilities initially for 80 seamen and 40 cadets.

COMMUNIST GERMANY BROADCASTS ATTACK ON BEN GURION AND BONN

BERLIN, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Deutschlandsender, the East German Communist radio, today broadcast a lengthy attack on Israel Premier David Ben Gurion's government by S. Mikunis, general secretary of the Communist Party in Israel.

Mr. Mikunis accused Mr. Ben Gurion of "plotting with Bonn militarists who murdered Jews" and alleged "this plan is linked with the transformation of Israel into a base for rocket and atomic weapons in the Middle East." He claimed that behind the recent reports of a projected Israeli mission to Bonn was "Ben Gurion's attempt to establish a political and military link with West German militarism." The Mikunis views were broadcast by the Communists throughout Germany.

AUSTRALIA AGREES TO ACCEPT STATELESS JEWS LEAVING INDONESIA

LONDON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The Australian Government has agreed to accept stateless Jews now in Indonesia who want to leave that country, Sidney Einfeld, president of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, told a meeting of the British section of the World Jewish Congress today. Mr. Einfeld estimated that in all there were no more than 500 to 600 Jews in Indonesia, recently the scene of anti-European riots aimed chiefly at the Dutch but secondarily at other Europeans.

Mr. Einfeld, who came here after a visit to the United States and Canada, said that the influx of 25,000 Jews to Australia since 1946 had brought with it the "most formative period" in Australian Jewry's history. The recent Jewish immigrants from Hungary have been wholly integrated and have found their place in the textile and clothing industries. He anticipated that several hundred Jews from Poland would be admitted this year, Mr. Einfeld said, and he hoped that a number of Egyptian Jews now stranded in Rome would be admitted despite the "white Australia" immigration policy.

He also announced that Sir William Slim, Governor General of Australia, had accepted an invitation to attend a dinner to be given in his honor in March by the Executive Council.

AUSTRIA SIGNS PACT TO PAY PENSIONS TO EX-AUSTRIANS RESIDING IN ISRAEL

VIENNA, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Several thousand former Austrian citizens now living in Israel will benefit from an agreement on the payment of pensions signed here today by representatives of the Austrian and Israel Governments.

The arrangement, in the form of an agreement that the social security program of each country shall assume certain obligations in behalf of the nationals of the other state, provides for transfer payments between the signatories. Among the rights which beneficiaries will be guaranteed are old age pensions, maternity benefits and accident insurance.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING SHOPS FOR REPATRIATED JEWS OPENED IN POLISH TOWN

VIENNA, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Vocational training facilities for Jews repatriated from the Soviet Union to Poland were opened this week in the Polish town of Liegnic, one of the larger Jewish centers in Poland today.

Thirty applicants were accepted for courses in automobile mechanics and repairs. They will attend classes for six months. Others enrolled for metal working courses. Two groups of 35 women joined ORT classes in dressmaking, while another 120 women registered for a variety of vocational training courses.

SON OF NOTCRIOSUS NAZI ACTOR WRITES DRAMA ON WARSAW GHETTO HEROISM

BERLIN, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Thomas Harlan, son of the leading Nazi actor Veit Harlan who directed the notorious anti-Jewish film "Jud Suess," today gave a public reading of his new drama, "I, Myself, and no Angel," a dramatic chronicle of the Warsaw ghetto.

Mr. Harlan who has publicly stated he wants to expiate his father's sins toward the Jewish people through his own work, previously made a film about Israel. Written in a style reminiscent of the late German playwright Bert Brecht, the Harlan drama has been greeted as a companion piece to the "Diary of Anne Frank" among attempts to show the German people the crimes committed against the Jews.

CONFERENCE OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS VOTES TO INTENSIFY AID TO ISRAEL

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Resolution pledging "intensified efforts" to enable Israel to absorb more immigrants in 1958, and appealing to Congress to liberalize the American immigration laws, were adopted here at a two-day regional conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. More than 200 Jewish community leaders from 13 states participated in the assembly.

Other resolutions called attention to the "rapidly changing developments" in Jewish community services locally in each city and urged "imaginative new programs with a broad community approach." The resolutions advocated year-round programs to recruit and train young men and women for communal leadership; comprehensive recruitment programs, involving all Jewish agencies to overcome a shortage of professional personnel; and increased government support of health and welfare services, locally, state-wide and nationally.

Major speakers at the conference were Herbert R. Abeles, national president of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and Philip Bernstein, executive director. Mr. Abeles reported that more than 70,000 Jewish refugees from Hungary, Egypt and Poland, poured into Israel during 1957. "The problems were clear," he said, "and the American Jewish communities responded. Overall, 11 percent more than in 1956--some 28 to 30 million dollars for the UJA Rescue Fund on top of the regular allocation of 55 millions, and a total of over 140 millions raised for all needs--33 percent more than in 1955."

Observing that the trouble spots from which some 90,000 Jews fled in 1957--70,000 to Israel and another 20,000 to other countries--still existed and still presented the same danger, Mr. Abeles warned of a continued exodus. "How many will come out in 1958 no one knows, but as many as will come out we will help," he declared.

Mr. Abeles urged intensified efforts at raising the necessary funds to meet needs. He offered a program for strengthened fund-raising which included a reexamination of campaign structures and techniques, the need for early planning, importance of concentration on big givers, enrolling enough campaign workers, canvassing the communities to reach new givers who have moved in, and concentration of the campaign into a brief but intensive period of activity.

Philip Bernstein outlined current trends in community organization, care of the aged, family service, child care and other areas of local services. The trend is towards greater services and of higher standards, he said. The communities want them and, by and large, are providing for them, he added. He called for strengthened community structures, expanded programs and increased integration of services. Only a strong community can provide adequately for its own needs and, at the same time, meet its full responsibility for national services and overseas needs, he said. Dr. George Piness of Los Angeles was elected president of the region.

4,821 JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED TO CANADA IN NINE MONTHS OF 1957

OTTAWA, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The Department of Immigration issued a report stating that for the first nine months of 1957 the number of Jewish immigrants admitted to Canada was 4,821. Total immigration for all ethnic origins was 244,266. Though complete figures for 1957 will not be available for some time, an immigration spokesman said today he felt there was a good possibility that Jewish immigration to Canada for the entire year "might well bear the 6,000 mark."

JEWISH CONGRESS OPPOSES RELIGIOUS SYMBOLS ON PUBLIC SCHOOL PROPERTY

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 14. (JTA) -- An American Jewish Congress regional meeting here went on record opposing the placing of religious symbols such as creches, menorahs, crosses or stars of David on public school property.

"Our opposition to this practice in no way derives from hostility to religious belief; rather on the contrary it flows from the same consistent lessons of history that motivated the founding fathers to have staked the very existence of our country on the faith that complete separation between state and religion is best for state and best for religion," the AJC resolution stated.

The resolution pointed out that the injury the community sustains from state display of religious symbols is greater than any benefit it is likely to receive. "Such displays can only induce dissension, devalue the significance of religious symbols and impair the neutrality of state institutions," it asserted.

SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA URGES U. S. JEWS TO VISIT ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Leaders of the Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbinic and congregational organizations affiliated with the Synagogue Council of America have adopted a resolution urging the Jews in the United States to visit Israel during its tenth anniversary observances, it was announced today by Rabbi Theodore L. Adams, Synagogue Council president.

The resolution, adopted unanimously at the executive committee meeting of the Council, noted that "religious Jewry out of its deep spiritual and historic ties with the Holy Land, rejoices particularly in the observance of the tenth anniversary of the establishment of Israel. We regard it as most appropriate, and in keeping with the spirit of our historic tradition, that the largest possible number of American Jews visit the Holy Land during this year of observances, beginning April 23, 1958."

Twelve international conferences and assemblies are already slated to take place in Israel during the tenth anniversary year according to word received here today by the American Committee for Israel's Tenth Anniversary Celebration. These include scientific, religious, philanthropic, cultural and professional organizations. American participation in these gatherings is expected to be heavy.

An outstanding event will be an international symposium on nuclear science May 18-23, at Rehovoth. The symposium will mark the official inauguration of the Nuclear Physics Institute of the Weizmann Institute of Science. Participants in the symposium will include Nobel Laureate Niels Bohr and Professor Robert Oppenheimer, director of the Institute of Advanced Study.

U. S. CHEMISTS AND ENGINEERS SOUGHT FOR ISRAELI RESEARCH PROJECTS

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The recently established Arid Zone Research Institute at Beersheba, capital of the Negev, has a number of openings for qualified American chemists and engineers, it was announced here today by PATWA, the Office for Professional and Technical Workers of the Jewish Agency. The Arid Zone Research Institute, sponsored jointly by the National Research Council of Israel and UNESCO, has initiated an important research program designed to explore the feasibility of developing arid lands in every part of the world.

One of the projects now in progress at the institute and one which may have far-reaching consequences for Israel's economic development is concerned with the desalination of water. In connection with this challenging project, the institute has openings for qualified American-trained organic chemists, preferably with research experience in polymers and iron exchange resins; physical chemists and chemical engineers with research background and experience in design, drafting, electrical instrumentation circuits and non-metallic materials. All positions are offered on a permanent basis.

DENVER PLANS CONSTRUCTION OF NEW \$1,500,000 JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

DENVER, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Plans for a new Jewish Community Center of Denver--to cost \$1,500,000--were announced here today by Max M. Pomeranz, JCC president. Funds for the project will be raised through a long-range drive.

The building will be one of the most modern and complete Jewish Centers in the country, Mr. Pomeranz said. Included in the plans are a swimming pool, gymnasium, auditorium, complete health club, two handball courts, lounges for all ages, workshops for drama, music, dancing and arts and crafts, and about a dozen club rooms and large meeting rooms. In addition, there will be extensive outdoor recreational facilities.