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NEHRU'S ANTI-ISRAEL REMARKS EVOKE REPLY BY BEN GURION IN KNESSET

JERUSALEM, May 21, (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben Gurion politely but firmly declared in Knesset today that the action of Indian Prime Minister Nehru in postponing establishment of full diplomatic relations with Israel was "connected with tactics not principles." He called on Nehru to "ultimately fulfil his promise" to establish such relations with Israel.

The Prime Minister made the statement in reply to a question from a member of Knesset who asked for comment on Nehru's recent remark that there were "ominous sounds" and "precipitate action" coming from Israel during the Egyptian-Syrian merger talks. While there has been a mutual exchange of diplomatic recognition, Israel maintains only a consulate in India and India has no representative in Israel.

"I read with regret and concern the surprising statement of the Indian Premier for which there is no foundation whatsoever," Ben Gurion said. "No ominous sounds, no action precipitate or deliberate has been or is about to be taken by Israel in connection with the Egyptian-Syrian merger, about which a question may be raised as to whether it is actually a merger or annexation of Syria by Egypt.

"Israel is not in the habit of interfering in the internal affairs in countries near or far," the Prime Minister continued. "Maybe the distinguished Indian Premier received inaccurate information from the Egyptian Embassy in India. More than once he has promised our representatives who visited India that he would establish diplomatic relations between our two countries. I note with satisfaction the number of Indian papers which have editorially asked the source of Indian information in Israel."

The Prime Minister said that he had "no intention of setting myself as a judge" on the Indian leader's statement. "His standing as the illustrious leader of a mighty nation is assured and I hope that the great Indian statesman will ultimately fulfil his promise," Mr. Ben Gurion stated. "I am glad also to note the existence of close contacts between a number of leading Indian intellectuals and their colleagues in Israel and the fact that Indian scholars visiting Israel have expressed regret that India does not maintain a legation here."

"It may be assumed that Nehru has his own reasons for this attitude," said the Premier, "but it is clear that these are connected with tactics, not principles and I hope they are only temporary."

COMMUNIST DEMONSTRATIONS IN NAZARETH IRK ARAB LEADERS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, May 21, (JTA) -- A steady stream of appeals is being received by Premier David Ben Gurion's office from Christian and Moslem Arab leaders in Israel asking energetic action to end Communist-inspired demonstrations and disturbances in all-Arab Nazareth and other Arab communities, the Premier's office reported today.

The Arab leaders, in letters, cables and personal calls, have indicated concern that the Israel public will attribute the Communist-organized troubles to the entire Israel Arab population. Experts on Arab affairs here said that at the present time, not even pro-Nasser Arabs in Israel were giving active support to Israel Communists who, they said, draw their support mainly from the least respected elements in the Israel Arab population.

However, the experts added, the nationalist elements among the Israel Arabs were watching closely how firmly the Israel Government will act to curb such Communist-led demonstrations. Lack of a firm reaction might encourage the nationalists and even induce them to join hands with the Israel Communists, the experts said.

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee discussed today a report of the security division on the Communist-led Arab riots in Nazareth, May Day. The committee forwarded to the Cabinet a set of recommendations on this matter, but the nature of these suggestions was unknown.

It was not disclosed whether the committee discussed the role of two members of the Knesset in the disturbances, though some deputies were reported in favor of temporarily lifting their Parliamentary immunity to permit prosecution for allegedly inciting Arab demonstrations.

FAULTY GERMAN PUMPS CAUSE SUSPENSION OF WORK AT ISRAEL'S COPPER MINES

ELATH, May 21. (JTA) -- A breakdown in pumps supplied by West German firms for processing ore in the fabled King Solomon copper mines at Timna has resulted in a complete suspension of work at the 26,000,000-pound installations, and repairs will take at least six months, it was revealed today.

The Israel press revealed the situation several weeks ago, attributing it to internal frictions allegedly caused by the dismissal of Chief Engineer Beth-Esh, who supervised construction of the plant. Officials of the Israel Development Ministry responded with either denials or assurances that damage to machinery had been minor.

The pumps were supplied by West German firms which have business relations with the Dor Oliver firm, an American engineering company which undertook supervision and counseling services on construction of the plant to the point of start of actual production.

The Israel Mining Corporation, which accused the West German firms of responsibility, said that both American and Israel experts warned that the pumps were deficient but that the Germans insisted their equipment was expertly done and refused to make any changes.

When test runs of the machinery proved that the pumps' shortcomings were a major obstacle to production, the Dor Oliver firm agreed to repair the machinery for which it was responsible while the German firms sent their experts to Israel to handle repair of their pumps. Meanwhile 250 production workers have been kept on maintenance activities, pending the start of production scheduled to yield some 7,000 tons of copper annually.

ISRAEL WELCOMES ECONOMIC AID TO ARABS BY GERMANY, OFFICIAL SAYS

BONN, May 21. (JTA) -- Israel would welcome extension of foreign economic aid to the Arab countries as a means of raising the social and economic level there, thus decreasing political tensions, Dr. F. Shinnar, head of the Israel trade mission in Germany, told an audience of leading German industrialists here.

The West German Government recently announced plans for extending aid to Middle East countries through long-term credits. Dr. Shinnar told the central organization of West German Chambers of Commerce, meeting here, that abatement of tension in the Middle East would lead to Arab-Israel understanding. Among his auditors were Prof. Erhard, the Minister of Economics, and officials of the Economics, Finance and Foreign Ministries.

The Israeli diplomat also told the meeting that a German-Israel commodity exchange would continue even after expiration of the German-Israel reparations agreement. During the past two years, he reported, Israel had bought goods from Germany outside the reparations agreement, to the value of 120,000,000 marks (\$30,000,000). Of this, payment was made by Israel to the extent of 18,000,000 marks (\$4,500,000) through citrus exports and the remainder in foreign currency.

STATE DEPT. SENDS KATZEN TO ISRAEL ON INFORMATIONAL MEDIA PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, May 21. (JTA) -- The State Department announced today that Bernard Katzen, special consultant to Secretary Dulles, has been asked to proceed to Israel to observe the program for the expenditure of certain funds in Israeli currency which have accrued to the United States as a result of the operation of the informational media guaranty program in Israel.

Some time ago Mr. Katzen was sent by Mr. Dulles on an earlier mission to Israel for the purpose of recommending projects for which these funds might be expended to further the common interest of the United States and Israel. Upon completion of the mission, Mr. Katzen reported to Secretary Dulles and made certain recommendations for a number of educational, scientific and cultural projects.

These recommendations were accepted by the Department of State. The necessary appropriation was authorized by Congress although subsequently members of Congress questioned the manner in which Mr. Katzen operated and charged him with working for political ends. As a result of the furor in Congress the informational media program from which Israel had benefitted was temporarily suspended for an investigation.

The State Department said today that the American Embassy in Israel was currently engaged in the implementation of the recommended projects. Mr. Katzen will remain in Israel about three weeks. He will then submit his observations and comments to the Department in Washington.

FRENCH HELICOPTERS TO BE PUT IN SERVICE IN ISRAEL WITHIN A MONTH

TEL AVIV, May 21. (JTA) -- The Israel domestic air service, Arkia, signed today for a fleet of French helicopters to be put into service within a month.

The planes, to be manned at first by Air Force trained pilots on civil service status, will be used for freight, passenger and inspection services and for traffic duty by police authorities.

JEWISH COMMUNITIES ADAPT FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGNS TO NEW CONDITIONS

NEW YORK, May 21. (JTA) -- The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds today reported that many communities throughout the country were displaying great skill and ingenuity in adapting the fund-raising campaigns to new conditions faced this year as a result of the economic recession.

Emphasizing that last year the overall national average of 148 communities reporting to the CJFWF showed an increase of about 11 percent as compared with funds raised the previous year, the Council said that against this background, the following basic factors affect the 1958 campaigns:

1. The economic recession, the uncertainty of its duration and depth, and the implications for fund-raising are readily apparent. But, it has also become clear that these conditions are not uniform. They vary greatly from city to city and from region to region. Some are in distress, others have hardly felt any economic dislocation.
2. The needs overseas remain as great and in some respects even greater than in 1957. However, there is a sharp contrast between the 1957 headlines and the current situation in this respect.
3. Individual givers are responding differently to these factors. Many are disregarding them and are contributing more than a year ago. Others are holding the 1957 level, a few are cutting. The problem: to keep the cuts--even a few--from more than offsetting the numerous gains.

A cross section of reports to the CJFWF makes it clear that there have been, and will be, a number of increases in top giving brackets, as well as repeat gifts. Most increases are small, but some are striking. Also, in regard to both increased gifts and repeat gifts, it has been found that many are coming from people who feared at first that they would be compelled to make cuts.

MAYORS OF N. Y. STATE CANCEL THEIR CONFERENCE IN CLUB BARRING JEWS

NEW YORK, May 21. (JTA) -- The New York State Mayors Conference today cancelled plans to hold its annual meeting at the Lake Placid Club following protests that the club discriminated against Jews.

Following the decision to hold the June 1 conclave at another site, the mayors held a special meeting at the Biltmore Hotel here today to consider the problem raised by the charges of anti-Jewish discrimination which led Gov. Harriman, Mayor Wagner and other officials to announce they would not attend the meeting at the club. Arnold Foster, general counsel of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, was invited to participate in the meeting today. A statement issued by the ADL said:

"The Mayors Conference invited the Anti-Defamation League to consult with it on the public policy involved in scheduling the convention at the Lake Placid Club. We made clear to the mayors our conviction that the Lake Placid Club is a public resort hotel which uses the private club device in order to avoid the law prohibiting discrimination. The Lake Placid Club admittedly bars Jews from membership and as individual guests.

"The Mayors Conference recognizes the gratuitous insult to a large part of the citizens of the state of New York implicit in the Lake Placid Club policy. When the mayors scheduled their convention they did not know of the discriminatory policy. Having learned the facts they now refuse to compound the insult by retaining the Lake Placid Club as their 1958 convention site. The Anti-Defamation League is delighted at the forthright action of these public officers."

5, 472 JEWS ENTERED CANADA AS IMMIGRANTS LAST YEAR, GOVERNMENT REPORTS

OTTAWA, May 21. (JTA) -- A total of 5,472 Jews entered Canada as immigrants in 1957, according to a report released by the Department of Citizenship and Immigration. Among the newcomers were 482 from Israel, of whom 454 were Jews. From Britain came 1,009 Jews and from the United States came 565.

Another breakdown revealed that among the Jewish immigrant, 419 were professionals, 371 clerical workers, 252 were engaged in commerce, 200 were in service industries, 1,030 in manufacturing and 37 in agriculture. Another 2,836 were dependents.

CANADIAN PEOPLE IMPRESSED WITH ISRAEL'S PROGRESS, BRONFMAN REPORTS

NEW YORK, May 21. (JTA) -- The celebration of Israel's tenth anniversary in Canada has made "a lasting impact on the people of Canada by calling attention to the fact that Israel is the focal point of democracy not only in the Middle East but also in the world," Allan Bronfman, national chairman of the Canadian Committee for Israel's tenth anniversary celebration, declared at a press conference here today.

The Canadian Jewish leader said that "Canada admires the progress achieved by the Israelis during the first decade in the face of tremendous odds." He reported that of a little more than 300 members of Canada's national committee for Israel's Tenth Anniversary celebration, nearly half were non-Jews, including eight of the ten provincial premiers in Canada, the mayors of Canada's 19 largest cities, the leading members of Canada's Cabinet and Supreme Court and religious leaders of all faiths.

VANDALS SMEAR SWASTIKA ON JEWISH CENTER IN DENVER; SMASH WINDOWS

DENVER, May 21. (JTA) -- Denver police pressed a hunt today for the vandals who smashed five windows in the second hit-and-run attack on Beth Joseph Synagogue in recent weeks and who taped a stenciled swastika to the front door of the Jewish Community Center B'nai B'rith building.

The Beth Joseph desecration was preceded by an anonymous telephone tip to the Denver Post which immediately notified the police, who called Rabbi Daniel Goldberger. Anti-Defamation League officials indicated tentative agreement with Rabbi Goldberger's opinion that young vandals rather than anti-Semites were responsible for the attacks on the synagogue but admitted this did not explain the swastika incident.

SOUTHERN CONGRESSMAN INSERTS J. T. A. ARTICLE IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

WASHINGTON, May 21. (JTA) -- An article by Milton Friedman, chief of the Washington Bureau of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, reporting Southerners angered by the new self-styled "Confederate Underground" that bombs synagogues, was inserted today in the Congressional Record by Rep. Frank E. Smith, Mississippi Democrat.

Rep. Smith called the attention of Congress to the article. He expressed hope it would "clarify any misconceptions about anti-Semitism in the South." He inserted the article in the Congressional Record together with an editorial based on it that appeared in the Memphis Commercial Appeal. The editorial was entitled "No Part of South," indicating that anti-Semitism had no place in the South.

Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, called the Friedman report "gratifying in that it makes known how decent people throughout the South have denounced anti-Semitism." He told the House that this evidence of Southern indignation over the synagogue attacks was "encouraging to all throughout the nation, regardless of region, who cherish human rights and the American tradition."

REFORM CONGREGATIONS IN NEW YORK CALL FOR BAN ON BINGO IN SYNAGOGUES

NEW YORK, May 21. (JTA) -- Delegates to the annual meeting of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues yesterday urged all synagogues, churches and representatives of religious institutions to ban "bingo and similar games as a means of maintaining the house of God." The delegates adopted a resolution calling "organized and continuous gambling" as a means of fund-raising by religious institutions a peril to the "teaching of worthwhile values."

"The synagogue must call forth the best in its people, stand for the noblest kind of living and elicit the highest expression of sacrifice and devotion," the resolution stated. "When bingo and like games of chance become the source of synagogue support they will also become the reason for the lessening of synagogue influence and the cause for the decline of the synagogue as the spiritual center of our communities and the lives of the people who dwell in them."

ISRAEL WILL NEVER FORGET CANADA'S FRIENDSHIP, BEN GURION SAYS

OTTAWA, May 21. (JTA) -- Canadian Postmaster General William Hamilton today played mailman in personally delivering a letter from Israel Premier David Ben Gurion to Canada's Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker. Mr. Hamilton just returned from Israel and was a guest of Mr. Ben Gurion. At a press conference here, he expressed in glowing terms his enthusiasm for Israel.

Premier Ben Gurion in his letter to Prime Minister Diefenbaker said Israel always will be indebted to Canada for the friendship and solidarity shown the young state in the first ten years of its existence.

KLUTZNICK PRESENTED WITH AWARD FOR ADVANCING JEWISH EDUCATION IN U. S.

KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., May 21. (JTA) -- Philip M. Klutznick, B'nai B'rith president, was presented here today with the annual award for distinguished contributions to the advancement of Jewish education by the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, an affiliate of the United Synagogue of America, central body of Conservative Judaism. Mr. Klutznick addressed the Federation's 29th annual convention which is taking place here.

DR. DAVID LEVIN, ISRAEL EDUCATOR, RECEIVES THE 1958 TOUROFF AWARD

NEW YORK, May 21. (JTA) -- Dr. David Levin, noted educator in Israel, has been awarded the 1958 Dr. Nissim Touroff Memorial Award for works in the Hebrew language in the fields of psychology, education and art, it was reported here today by Edmund Melton, who established the annual award of \$250. Dr. Touroff was Professor of Modern Hebrew Literature at the Jewish Institute of Religion in New York and later served as Professor of Philosophy of Education at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.