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HAMMARSKIOLD MEETS WITH BEN GURION ON MT. SCOPUS ISSUE: NO PROGRESS MADE

JERUSALEM, June 22. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold left for Gaza, en route to Cairo, this morning after a more than three-hour meeting with Premier David Ben Gurion last night. It is understood that no substantial progress was made during yesterday's two-part pericy on the Mt. Scopus deadlock.

Mr. Hammarskjold and the Premier conferred alone for 75 minutes. Then they called in their principal aides and continued to explore the situation for another two hours. After the meeting's conclusion, close to midnight, one of the participants said that 'nothing much had been changed' in the situation.

It was expected before the meeting, that the two statesmen would discuss UN proposals of a 'technical nature' aimed at limiting the likelihood of future incidents. Among these proposals, it is understood, was one that Israel restrict its police patrolling on Mt. Scopus,

For their part, the Israelis were said to have reiterated their insistence on full implementation of Article Eight of the Israel-Jordan armistice pact which guarantees that Israel shall have the right to re-open the Hadassah Hospital and Hebrew University facilities on the height--something which the Jordanians have consistently refused to allow.

The Israelis were also known to have taken exception to a report on the May 26 incident on the height when Col. George A. Flint, UN head of the MAC, and four Israeli policement were killed. Israel feels that UN truce chief Maj. Gen. Carl von Horn's report of the incident was a whitewash of Jordan. Both Gen, von Horn and Andrew W. Cordier, Mr. Hammarskjold's executive assistant who has been working on the Mt. Scopus deadlock in recent days, were present at last night's session.

Before Mr, Hammarskjold arrived, the Israel authorities offered to re-open for use by Arab villagers of Issawia on Mt. Scopus a road from that village to the Jordan lines which runs through the Israeli enclave. The road was blocked off by Israel after the May 26 meeting.

The Jordan press reported today that the Issawia villagers rejected Isræl's offer to open the road for two hours in the morning and a like period in the evening. They insist onfreedom of passage 24 hours a day. It is understood that Mr. Cordier, who has disputed the right of the Israelis to close off the road, was on the height yesterday trying to convince the Arabs to accept the four-hour arrangement as "temporary."

ISRAELIS BLAST MOSCOW'S REJECTION OF \$2,400,000 CLAIM FCR CIL DAMAGES

JERUSALEM, June 22. (JTA) -- Israel sources asserted today that "political considerations, not legal principles" were the determining factors in the rejection by a Soviet arbitration court last Thursday of Israel's claims for \$2,400,000 in damages for the unilateral Soviet cancellation of an oil contract during the Suez crisis.

The Israel experts said that all persons and countries conducting trade negotiations with the Soviets would be wise to keep in mind Israel's experience. They added that the tribunal's action 'gives the Re' to 'Soviet Russian claims of a desire to expand international trade relations,

The arbitration tribunal, which acted after months of delaying tactics, used the "most peculiar" rules of procedure, unprecedented in legal or arbitration history, it was reported here. Tribunal judges refused to call witnesses Israel wanted to have heard and refused to accept basic documents submitted in behalf of Israel's case.

The suing Israel oil firm charged it contracted in 1956 to import several thousand tons of Soviet oil and that the Russian Government cancelled the contract later in the year. Soviet officials contesting the damage suit said the contract was "junked" because of Israel "aggression" against Egypt.

Prof. Haim Halperin of the Agricultural Bank in Tel Aviv left today for Moscow to particulate in the fifth convention of the Economic Gooperative Center, which opens there is tomorrow.

ISRAEL INTERESTED IN SEEING LEBANON SURVIVE, MAPAI LEADER TELLS PARLEY

TEL AVIV, June 22. (JTA) --Israel is interested in seeing Lebanon survive, Dr. Giora Josephthal, secretary general of the Mapai, Israel's largest party and leading force in the government, declared at a public meeting at Kfar Ata last night.

In the first semi-official reaction to Lebanese developments, Dr. Josephthal pointed out that adherence to the Eisenhower Doctrine had nothelped Lebanon. He added that as long as the United Nations does not have a military force of its own, its guarantees are unable to safeguard the sovereignty of a small state menaced by more powerful neighbors.

Z. C. A. LEADERS URGE FULL U.S. PRESSURE TO SAVE LEBANON; LAUD DULLES

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- Secretary of State Dulles was hailed today by American Zionists for the stand taken by him on the "grave threat against Lebanon and its independence," in a statement by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America, presented to the national Zionist executive council, the ruling body of that organization, at an all-day session held today in the Carnegie Endowment Building for International Peace.

In praising the Secretary's action, the statement said: "We have had occasion in the practic our State Department for errors of judgment and mistaken policies with regard to the Middle East. In pledging fullest American support for the Lebanese Republic, now fighting for its life against aggression and subversion by the Nasser dictatorship and its agents, Secretary Dulles reflected awareness that the crisis in Lebanon is also a serious crisis for the United States and all Western allies."

Dr. Neumann announced that President Em Zvi of Israel has been selected by the officers of the ZCA as the first recipient of the Theodor Herzl Award named for the late founder of Zionism which is to be awarded annually for outstanding service to the cause of Zionism and Israel. A resolution for the establishment of the Award was unanimously adopted by the meeting.

LEAGUE FOR ISRAEL VOTES TO PROVIDE U.S. "KNOW-HOW" AND CREDITS TO ISRAEL

NEW YCRK, June 22. (JTA) -- A resolution providing for the setting up of a committee, in cooperation with other agencies, which will seek to lend American industrial and management skills to Israeli industry weadopted here today at the concluding session of the three-day parley of the American Jewish League for Israel.

Another resolution authorized the president of the League to appoint a commission to develog a plan to provide credit aid to American settlers for housing, small business and industry, Theplan is to be submitted by the membership of the organization for implementation no later than November 1958.

The three-day conference, attended by delegates and members from the League's chapters in various parts of the country, re-elected Ezra Z. Shapire as president of the organization for another term. The conference voted to help in the promotion of secondary and higher education in Israel; sponsorship on a continuing basis of youth pilgrimages to Israel such as the one currently under way by the League and support of United Jewish Appeal and Bonds for Israel.

A highlight of the discussions at the conference was a proposal by Mr. Shapiro for the establishment of one "all-inclusive American Zionist Organization under whose auspices allAmerican Zionist operations should be undertaken and executed." As presently constituted, Zionist groups in this country tend to reflect ideological differences of Israel's political parties. The League president's proposed new organization would be "non-political."

Efforts to stimulate settlement--"in the best American pioneering spirit"-- of American Jews in Israel were urged by Fr. Israel Goldstein, co-chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists and chairman of the Western Hemisphere Section of the World Jewish Congress. Others who spoke favoring enlargement of an immigration program for Israel were Mrs. Rose Halprin, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency executive and Louis Lipsky, dean of American Zionism, and former chairman of the American Zionist Council.

Mrs. Halprin reviewed the "vast problems" facing world Jewry because of rising Arab nationalism and Middle East conflict. She called for redoubled effort to assure the safe arrival in Israel of thousands of new settlers from countries where they face discrimination and danger. In his allness on the prospects for American Zionism, Louis Lipsky urged wide dissemination on the program of the League among Jews so far unaffiliated with and uncommitted to existing Jewish organizations.

Israel Consul General Simcha Pratt, addressing the parley, reviewed Israel's achievements and cited its desire for peace with Arabs, adding that "Israel's sovereignty and territory are indivisible. The people of Israel will not agree to any bargaining, nor will they bow to dictation. We are anxious for peace but we want peace to result from freely-conducted necotiations."

J. D. C. SPENT \$27, 398, 000 ON RELIEF WORK IN 1957; AIDED 195, 000 PERSONS

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee appropriated \$27,398,000 during 1957 for its operations in Europe, Israel and Moslem countries, Moses A. Leavitt, JDC executive vice chairman revealed in the annual report of the organization published here today. The report established that 195,000 Jewish men, women and children received JDC aid during last year.

For 1958 JDC has adopted a budget of \$28,591,000 for aid to more than 200,000 needy Jews overseas. The financial mainstay of JDC's overseas rehabilitation and reconstruction programs, the report notes, continues to be funds provided through the nationwide campaigns of the United Jewish Appeal.

In his report, Mr. Leavitt recalled that "the beginning of the year 1957 found the Joint Distribution Committee faced again with a major refugee emergency. And as the year ended, there were still thousands of refugees-men, women and children--who had fled to safety, whose lives were in JDC's hands." Among the 195,000 needy Jews in all parts of the world who received aid during 1958, Mr. Leavitt indicated that there were 99,290 in Moslem countries alone. A major development was the establishment, toward the close of the year, of a JDC program of assistance to some 9,000 to 10,000 Jews recently repatriated from Russia to Poland. Among the other year's major developments the JDC executive vice-chairman cited:

- l. Aid for more than 16,600 aged, ill ad handicaped newcomers and their families in Israel through Malben, the JDC welfare program in the Jewish State.
- 2. Some 6,198 loans, amounting to nearly \$2,500,000, granted by 29 JDC-sponsored loan institutions to Jewish artisans, professionals and others throughout the world.
- 3. The distribution by JDC of 12, 219,107 pounds of U.S. Department of Agriculture surplus food to III, 450 persons monthly in Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Iran, Israel, Italy, Morocco, Tunisia and Yugoslavia.
- 4. The provision of vocational training--through ORT--to 25,546 persons. JDC's allocation to ORT for this purpose was \$1,500,000 in 1957.
- 5. Cattimed development of Jewish community and youth centers, housing projects and other institutions all over Europe with the financial assistance of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.
- 6. An agreement between Malben and the Israel Ministry of Health providing for the transfer of all TB care for newcomers in Israel to the Ministry over a period of four years.
- 7. The continuance of special assistance in various fields, including Passover relief-nearly 600,000 pounds of matzoth, matzoth meal and other Passover food-- to Jews in 14 European countries. In ten European and four Moslem countries, 17,655 children spert vacations in summer camps sponsored by JDC.

Warburg Reports on "Mission to Europe and Israel"

The report in the JDC summary by Edward M. M. Warburg, chairman of the JDC, and formerly president and now honorary chairman of the UJA, declares that "the impact on the American visitor" who sees JDC operations in Europe and Israel "never ceases to be explosive."

The impression of Israel itself is overwhelming, "he declares in a report titled Mission to Europe and Israel. "To me one of the most exciting aspects of the country was its sense of confidence. Not that there was any military swaggering. They knew that they were secure against any action by their neighbors--the remaining 'fear was the one in which the whole world is involved, namely the East-West struggle itself."

Mr. Warburg praised the assistance provided by United Jewish Appeal funds and predicted continued support for its efforts. James H. Becker, chairman of the JDC national council, cites in the report the considerable number of JDC's officers who are veterans of 20 and 30 and 40 years of service.

ORT REPORTS SPENDING \$4,800,000 TO AID 27,000 JEWS IN 19 COUNTRIES

NEW YORK, June 22, (JTA) -- More than 27,000 persons received instruction in useful occupations last year at ORT schools in 19 countries, according to a report issued here today. The report states that in 1957, the international ORT network comprised 473 trade schools, training workshops and farms and apprentice plans. Enrollment was 21 percent higher than during the previous year. The report anticipates the number of trainees in 1958 at considerably over 30,000.

"The 6,000 graduates of the class of '57 were practically all placed on jobs without the report stresses. Estimated earnings of these graduates is placed at over \$5,000,000, "a sum in excess of the entire cost of CRT work last year," the report notes.

"In December 1957, ORT, together with JDC, was among the first voluntary agencies to undertake activities in Eastern Europe," the report states, "Acting on an invitation from Poland, ORT instituted a wocational program among 10,000 Jewish repartates

released from the Soviet Union. By the end of March 1958, such programs were operating in 12 Polish cities and the work is developing at a rapid tempo."

With respect to Israel, where 7,000 persons attend ORT trade schools in 22 localities throughout the land, the report warns that a crisis in education similar to that which occurred in the U.S, during the post-war years may well be in the offing.

Cost of all ORT activities in 1957 was \$4,780,907. For 1958, expeditures are expected to rise to over \$5,000,000. The report calls attention to what it regards as a unique feature of ORT financing, the fact that more than half of ORT income is from sources outside the U.S. In France, Israel, Italy and other countries, portions of local ORT school budgets are met by the governments comcerned.

FOR JEWS ELECTED TO TERRITORIAL PARLIAMENT IN SO. RHODESIAN ELECTIONS

SALISBURY, Rhodesia, June 22. (JTA) -- Four Jews were elected to the territorial parliament in the recent Southernelections, it was reported today, They were: Abraham Eliezer Abrahams, Minister for Labor and Housing, Benny Goldstein, Dr. Morris Isaac Hirsh and Harry Pichanik, formerly Mayor of Salisbury.

At a press conference here, Roy Welensky, Rhodesian Prime Minister, said he intended to take up an invitation from Israel Premier David Ben Gurion to visit the Jewish State. He plans to stop off in Israel on his return from the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London next year. He said that there was less racialism in the Rhodesian Federation than in any other part of the world.

SEVEN CANADIAN CITIES HAVE JEWISH MAYORS; MONTREAL HAS 8 COUNCILMEN

MCNTREAL, June 22. (JTA) -- Seven Canadian cities are currently headed by Jewish mayors, the Canadian Jewish Congress reported today on the basis of a recent survey of Jews in municipal administrations in this country. The seven include the executive of the suburb of West Kildonan as well as the Mayor of Toronto and such important industrial centers as Medicine Hat, Saskatoon and Moncton.

Jews in lesser municipal posts include nine Montreal city councillors, seven in various posts in Toronto and eight scattered across the country, the CJC city study found.

CANADIAN CONGREGATIONS PRESENT 27 TORAH SCROLLS TO ISRAEL SETTLEMENTS

MONTREAL, June 22. (JTA) -- Twenty-seven Torah Scrolls were presented to the Consul General of Israel here, Dr. Michael Simon, at a ceremony at the Adath Israel Congregation of Montreal. The scrolls will be distributed among new settlements springing up in the Jewish State.

The Scrolls were collected jointly by the Religious Welfare Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Mizrachi Organization of Canada and the Synagogue Council of Greater Montreal. They were donated by synagogues, burial societies, YM-YWHAs and individuals,

THE "JEWISH FARMER," AGRICULTURAL PUBLICATION, MARKS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- The "Jewish Farmer," organ of the Jewish Agricultural Society, marked its 50th anniversary today with a special issue devoted to the history of the Jewish farm movement in the United States.

The publication, which began in 1908 when there were some 3,000 Jews struggling with farming on submarginal lands in the East and homesteading in the West, has served ever since as teacher and guide to immigrant farmers who had little or noagricultural experience and were working under difficulty in a new country. The "Jewish Farmer" is

Meanwhile, Theodore Norman, general manager of the Jewish Agricultural Society, in his annual report said today that in 1957 the organization made 163 loans to Jewish farmers totaling \$483, 812. Most of the assistance was given to poultry farmers.

HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE DIES AT 76; EXPOSED THE KU KLUX KLAN

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- Private funeral services were held today for Herbert Bayard Swope, one of the most prominent reporters and editors in modern American journalism, who died Friday at the age of 76. Following cremation of the remains, the service was held at Mr. Swope's Sands Point estate on nearby Long Island.

A warded the first Pulitzer Prize for journalism, Mr. Swope made his greatest mark as executive editor of the New York World, one of the great liberal newspapers of the last generation. While he was at the head of the World, the newspaper won a Pulitzer Prize for its expose in 1922 of the Ku Klux Klan, Among the many civic organizations in which he was active was the National Conference of Christians and Jews. He was the brother of the late Gerard Swope, General Electric president, who was a major benefactor of the Haifa Institute of Technology.