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ISRAEL ENVOY DISCUSSES REQUEST FOR AMERICAN ARMS WITH STATE DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, accompanied by Shimo Peres, director general of Israel's Ministry of Defense, met today in the State Department with Acting Secretary of State Christian Herter. Following the conference, Mr. Eban said that Israel's renewed request for American arms was still under consideration. He added that he would not make any statement on the progress of this request until there is mutual agreement.

Mr. Eban said that the question of American planes flying over Israel territory bound for Jordan was also discussed, and that there is no cleavage between the United States and Israel. He said there was no change in Israel's policy.

News stories linking stoppage of Jordan-bound flights over Israel to the receipt of a Soviet note to Israel are incorrect, an Israel Embassy spokesman said today. He emphasized that there is no connection whatever between the note and the question of the overflights. No reply to the Soviet note has yet been sent by the Government of Israel.

Mr. Eban's talk with Mr. Herter today touched upon most of the issues which have been under current discussion with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. The Ambassador declined to comment on Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's demand for an emergency session of the United Nations General Assembly. He said that word of this demand was just received while he talked with Mr. Herter and that he had had no opportunity to study the Soviet note.

U.S. PRESSURES ISRAEL TO PERMIT RESUMPTION OF OVERFLIGHTS TO JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion met separately last night with United States Ambassador Edward B. Lawson and British Ambassador Sir Francis Rundall, reportedly to discuss permission for resumption of overflights for troop and supply planes from Cyprus to Jordan.

Despite the additional American pressure, Israeli sources maintained today that there has been no change in Israel's refusal to permit transit of her territory. These same sources hold that the addition of a few thousand more British troops cannot keep Jordan from disintegrating nor Nasser from expanding.

Three weeks ago, when Israel permitted the first British overflights of paratroopers, Israel hoped that the landings in Lebanon and Jordan represented the beginning of a determined Western effort to block further Nasser advances. This has not happened. As a result, Israel had decided it must follow an independent course in relation to Jordan based on her own security needs.

(The New York Times reported today from Amman, capital of Jordan, that top level United States and British diplomatic quarters were urging the Israeli Government to reconsider its refusal to permit air fleets to fly over its territory. One of the arguments they presented was that Israel's stand will unquestionably be interpreted in the Arab world as an example of successful Soviet pressure on behalf of the United Arab Republic and as a blow to Western prestige.)

Britain Hopes Israel Will Permit Overflights to Jordan

LONDON, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- British Foreign Office sources expressed the hope today that overflights of Israel territory will shortly be resumed, either in their initial form or with a temporary authorization from Israel for United States planes to supply the British forces based on Amman. The view was held here that it was contrary to Israel's interests that Jordan be allowed to be isolated.

These same sources hold out the possibility that unless this form of supply from Cyprus is resumed, the British troops will have to be withdrawn from Jordan for logistic reasons. They note that with the closing of the Jordan-Syrian frontier, Jordan has virtually been isolated, with but one outlet to the world at large--the port of Akaba. Meanwhile, it has been reported here that American experts are in Jordan investigating the possibility of improving road and rail transport from the busy small port to Amman.

GOLDA MEIR MEETS WITH DE GAULLE; COMMUNIQUE STRESSES "FRIENDLY SPIRIT"

PARIS, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Israel's Foreign Minister Golda Meir conferred for an hour today with French Premier Charles de Gaulle and for three and a half hours over luncheon with her opposite number, French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville.

A communique issued after the meeting with Gen. de Gaulle at his official residence said that the discussion had been carried on in a "friendly spirit" and that there had been a clarification of views. It stressed the mutual desire for peace of Israel and France.

After the luncheon with M. de Murville, at which French Minister of Information Jacques Soustelle, Parliamentary foreign affairs chief Robert Schumann and Israel Ambassador Yaacov Tsur were present, a Foreign Office spokesman said: "The meeting was useful and practical." He added that France appreciates Israel's desire for a Middle East status quo. He denied that a Franco-Israel military alliance was discussed.

ISRAEL AND ARABS HAVE BETTER SMALL ARMS THAN U.S., EXPERTS CLAIM

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- American experts on small arms claim that Israel and the Russian-equipped Arab countries "have better small weapons than the United States infantrymen and marines," the Washington Post reported today. With regard to Israel, the report said:

"Israel's soldiers are equipped with the Belgian version of a light rifle that is scheduled for pilot production by the United States. But American forces now still shoulder the M-1 Garand rifle, introduced in 1936, and machine guns that date back to World War I. They throw a 1906-model cartridge."

NASSER EXPANDS HIS ANTI-ISRAEL PROPAGANDA IN INDIA; ISRAEL HAMPERED

NEW DELHI, India Aug. 5. (JTA) -- The United Arab Republic Embassy in New Delhi has expanded its anti-Israel propaganda in this country, issuing new publications and organizing an all-expense paid tour of Egypt and Syria.

While UAR propaganda is falling on fertile soil in this country, the absence of diplomatic relations between Israel and India has prevented Israel telling its story to the Indian people and their political leaders. An Israel trade mission, the only representation here, is not in a position to educate Indians about Israeli life and Middle East politics.

After the subsidized tour, newspapers and magazines around the country sprouted anti-Israel articles. For example, the Communist Bombay weekly "Blitz" has begun publishing unsupported "reports" of secret negotiations for a Turkish-Israel alliance and "closer cooperation" between the two states in the production of arms. Even Prime Minister Nehru recently spoke in Parliament of "ominous sounds" from Israel.

The most recent UAR publication, a press release from the UAR Embassy here, contains such "reports" as: negotiations between the Israelis and the West for inclusion of Israel in the Bagdad Pact and the issuance of "orders" by the New Iraqi Government that Radio Bagdad, an implacable foe of Israel, should "cease cooperation" with the Israeli radio network.

ARAB CONVICT WHO BROKE JAIL IN ISRAEL IDENTIFIED AS EGYPTIAN AGENT

TEL AVIV, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- One of the Arab convicts who broke jail last week and was wounded in a pitched battle with Israeli policemen was today identified as an Egyptian intelligence agent. He is in Haifa hospital where his wounds are being treated.

The agent, Ahmed Othman, a graduate of Cairo University who speaks English, French and some Yiddish, approached the Israel Embassy in London in 1957 with an offer to launch an anti-Nasser campaign in Egypt. He arrived in Israel in September of that year when he proposed a plan to carry out sabotage in Egypt.

In Israel, however, he was recognized by former Egyptian Jews as an officer of the Egyptian Army and was detained when he failed to provide proof that he was not an Egyptian agent.

MORE EXCISE TAXES ANTICIPATED IN ISRAEL; MUST PAY FOR ARMAMENTS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- The increase of 10 to 20 percent in excise taxes on tobacco, alcohol, cooking gas and kitchen appliances imposed yesterday was expected here today to be followed by further imposts as the government learned the extent of its financial needs to pay for the modern armaments it has been seeking throughout the Western world.

The imposition of new taxes were interpreted here as evidence that the government's arms quest was successful at least in part and that the new funds would be used for purchases. As further purchase commitments are made, it is believed, taxes will be increased.

From the outbreak of the Sinai operation until last April, a special defense tax has provided the necessary funds for weapons purchases.

EX-INMATES OF NAZI CAMPS DEMONSTRATE; ASK TRIALS FOR NAZI CAMP DOCTORS

MUNICH, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Former concentration camp prisoners demonstrated here today demanding that German officials active in the mistreatment and murder of prisoners during the Nazi regime should be brought to trial. They asked specifically that all camp doctors and judges who presided over Nazi special courts giving a legal veneer to the inhumanities of the Hitler regime be investigated with an eye toward prosecution.

A former physician in the Ravensbrueck concentration camp for women pleaded innocent today at a hearing in Kiel to charges of having conducted inhumane "experiments" on women and children in the camp and having killed and maimed many of them.

The defendant, Dr. Hertha Oberhauser, through her attorneys, pleaded that she had performed only three "mercy killings" of women prisoners. Dr. Oberhauser, defending her medical license at hearings before the Schleswig-Holstein Ministry of the Interior, insisted she was innocent of these charges, for which the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal sentenced her to 20 years' imprisonment in 1947.

The license revocation hearing was prompted by protests from the British Medical Association which submitted evidence that Dr. Oberhauser had injected poisons and inserted bacteria, and foreign matter into the limbs of her victims during her so-called experiments.

FEDERAL ATTORNEY, MAYOR SUSPENDED IN GERMANY; ACCUSED OF KILLING JEWS

BONN, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- A senior Federal state attorney has been suspended in Bonn and a Mayor of the North Sea island of Sylt is under investigation following the disclosure that, as high Nazi officials, they participated in the extermination of European Jewry.

The prosecuting attorney, Dr. Harry von Rosen-Hoewel, was suspended on the ground that he was "politically unsuited for his present office." While the Opposition was demanding a full investigation into the circumstances surrounding his appointment, the West German Minister of the Interior Gerhard Schroeder said he had recently come into possession of documents signed by von Rosen-Hoewel as an official of the Hitler Ministry of the Interior. One of these called for the "ruthless use of the death sentence" against Jews in Eastern Europe.

The charges against Mayor Heinz Reinefarth assert that as an SS police general he commanded troops which crushed the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt with inhuman atrocities. The evidence was supplied by Polish authorities. Reinefarth has denied the charges, pointing out that a denazification court had cleared him.

NAZI ON TRIAL REGRETS PARTICIPATING IN MASS MURDER OF LITHUANIAN JEWS

ULM, Germany, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Werner Schmidhammer, a former member of the special SS group whose leaders are on trial here for the murder of several thousand Jews and others in Lithuania, indicated his regret at participating in the infamous Tiltit massacres. Schmidhammer is the only one of the ten SS officer-defendants who admitted any regret.

Other defendants here have indicated their boredom with the trial and have manifested a lack of respect for the entire procedure. For most of the defendants the prosecution has asked life imprisonment, but for Schmidhammer only a three year sentence has been requested.

JEWSH SURVIVORS PROTEST AGAINST OPENING OF GRAVES OF NAZI VICTIMS

LONDON, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Leaders of the Central Council of Jews in Germany and of the Association of Concentration Camp Survivors protested today against attempts to disturb the graves of Nazi victims in Germany.

Joseph Rosensaft of the Association and Dr. Henryk van Dam, secretary of the Council, charged that unknown, unauthorized rabbis had apparently given permission for the re-opening of the graves and the transfer to France of the remains of French nationals. They asserted that the Jewish authorities had never been consulted by any rabbinical authorities.

Further, they charged that the proposed transfer was in bad taste and impracticable since it would be impossible to establish the identity of individuals buried in mass graves. It was stated that opening the graves would cause distress to relatives of the deceased and to all survivors of the camps. The World Jewish Congress has been asked to intervene.

WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS OFFICIAL KILLED IN RAILROAD CRASH IN ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Mrs. Regina Philips, secretary of the World Jewish Congress Bureau in Buenos Aires and her husband, Andrew Philips, were killed in a crash between a bus and a railroad car in a suburb of this city. Two other Jews died in the accident. Mrs. Philips was 46.

RABBIS PROTEST BAN ON BIRTH CONTROL INFORMATION IN NEW YORK HOSPITALS

NEW YORK, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- The New York Board of Rabbis, representing 700 Reform, Conservative and Orthodox rabbis, called yesterday on New York City's Department of Hospitals to reverse its policy on birth control information and to permit patients in city hospitals to decide for themselves whether receipt of birth control information violates their religious principles.

The rabbis' statement came in the midst of a controversy over a ban on birth control information in municipal hospitals which was imposed by Commissioner of Hospitals Morris A. Jacobs. His action has the support of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York but is opposed by many Protestant church groups.

In a letter to Mayor Robert F. Wagner signed by president Rabbi A. Alan Steinbach, the rabbinical board declared: "We as rabbis respect and defend the fundamental right of all religious groups, large or small, to formulate their particular views for their respective adherents. However, we strongly deplore and protest against the notion that patients in tax-supported hospitals who do not wish to adhere to the views of religious groups, to whom the Department of Hospitals seems to be deferring, should nevertheless be compelled by the department to do so even if, as a result, their very lives may be endangered. This most certainly is a violation of the cherished American concept of freedom of religion."

JEWISH GROUPS PROTEST BAN ON SUNDAY TRADING BY NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR

TRENTON, N.J., Aug. 5. (JTA) -- Jewish groups protested today the signing of a bill by Gov. Robert B. Meyner prohibiting the sale of a variety of merchandise on Sundays in 18 of New Jersey's 21 counties. The other three are counties with seaside resorts and huge Sunday business.

Both Jewish groups and others, including the Seventh Day Adventists whose adherents observe the Sabbath, hold the measure discriminatory in that it penalizes Sabbath observers who close their shops on Saturday for religious reasons and must now be closed on Sundays, too. Adrian Unger, New Jersey regional president of the American Jewish Congress, called the law "unfair." Rabbi Zev Segal, head of the state's Rabbinical council, called it "unfortunate."

REGISTRATION FOR ELECTIONS NOT TO BE HELD ON YOM KIPPUR IN OHIO

CINCINNATI, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- The board of elections of Hamilton County, Ohio, which includes Cincinnati, has decided against holding county-wide registration on September 24, the day on which Yom Kippur falls this year, or on a Saturday, following a protest by the local Jewish Community Relations Committee.

The board had first proposed September 24 and later September 20, a Saturday. Both dates were turned down when Ohio State Secretary Ted Brown broke a 2-2 tie on the board of elections.

JEWISH BOYS ATTACKED IN CINCINNATI PARK BY ANTI-SEMITIC YOUTHS

CINCINNATI, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- At the behest of the Cincinnati Jewish Community Relations Committee the local police have begun an investigation of the beating of three 14 and 15 year old Jewish boys in a park by a gang of five older youths who identified themselves as members of a Roman Catholic high school football team. Police said two of the attackers admitted their part in the episode.

The three Jewish boys reported that they were accosted in the park by the quintet who attempted to force bottles of beer on them. When they refused to drink, they were asked if they were Jews. Upon hearing an affirmative answer, one of the five said: "We hate Jews" and the beating began. One of the Jewish boys was subsequently admitted to a hospital for treatment.

CONNECTICUT COURT TO DECIDE FATE OF PROF. YAHUDA'S VALUABLE LIBRARY

NEW HAVEN, Aug. 5. (JTA) -- A dispute over a library of rare and priceless books whose value has been set for legal purposes at \$80,000 is now before the Superior Court of Connecticut here. The issue involves the library of the late renowned Jewish scholar Prof. Abraham S. Yahuda.

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, which claims the library, says it has documentary proof that Prof. Yahuda's widow planned to transfer the library from New Haven to the University in Jerusalem but died before she was able to do so. Three of four executors of the estate dispute this and insist that the library must be counted as part of the estate.

One of the trustees insists that the books be sold and the proceeds be used to build a wing at the Hebrew University in memory of Prof. Yahuda.