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BRITAIN BACKS U.S. PROPOSAL FOR U.N. STAND-BY FORCE IN MIDDLE EAST

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Britain today welcomed the United States proposal that the United Nations set up a stand-by peace force modelled along the line of the UN Emergency Force now operating in Gaza and the Sinai Peninsula.

Addressing the General Assembly during the general debate, British Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd noted that "no one will question the success" of the force set up to guard the Israel-Egyptian borders. While he granted that a stand-by force might not solve the problem of immediate action in a crisis, the Foreign Secretary said he felt that knowledge of the fact that such a force could be created at short notice "would have a stabilizing effect."

Referring to the unanimous resolution adopted at the recent extraordinary session of the Assembly, Mr. Lloyd expressed the hope that Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld's activities with respect to the resolution would "produce an atmosphere of peace and tolerance" in the Middle East which would allow the withdrawal of British forces.

In comment on the suggestion by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles that the UN organize a radio monitoring system in the Middle East as a method of dampening hostile radio propaganda in the region, Mr. Lloyd said hostile radio propaganda was "almost the most important single factor in promoting world tension at the present time."

The United States delegation is definitely planning on following through at this year's General Assembly with two Middle Eastern proposals made here last week by Secretary Dulles.

A spokesman for the American delegation, when asked whether the U.S. group intends to follow through on Mr. Dulles' proposals for a new economic development agency in the Middle East and for the establishment of a United Nations radio monitoring service in that region, said today "undoubtedly we will do something about these matters, but I am not sure as yet what the exact formulation will be."

DRASTIC SHORTAGE IN CASH HALTS DRAWING OF ISRAEL GOVERNMENT FUNDS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The Accountant General of Israel has instructed all Ministers to halt their drawing of government funds until further instruction, it was learned here today.

It is understood that the instructions were issued in view of a drastic shortage of government cash. This is due to a lag in tax receipts in the past few months.

Two subcommittees were appointed today for joint action by the government and the Jewish Agency on problems of coordination of immigration and absorption programs. One subcommittee will operate in the arena of local affairs and will be headed by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol. The second body, under the chairmanship of Justice Minister Pinchas Rosen, will concentrate on overseas matters.

YOM KIPPUR OBSERVED IN IRON CURTAIN LANDS; MOSCOW RADIO BLASTS JEWS

LONDON, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Jews in countries behind the Iron Curtain observed Yom Kippur at synagogue services according to reports reaching here from Moscow, Warsaw, Bucharest and Budapest.

The Great Synagogue in Moscow was crowded on Yom Kippur eve with worshippers, including many young people. Jewish members of a number of foreign embassies, as well as the staff of the Israel embassy attended the services. A number of Jewish tourists from the United States and Britain were also seen during the Kol Nidri prayer in the Moscow synagogue.

The Moscow radio, on the other hand, chose Yom Kippur eve to broadcast a bitter attack on world Jewry by the Grand Mufti of the Syrian region of the United Arab Republic. The broadcast, transmitted in Arabic to Arab nations, said that "the Jews are kindling evil among nations." It claimed that "the Jews are pushing the followers of Jesus into a terrible war" and accused Israel of "stealing the country from other people whom she has turned into refugees."

MYSTERIOUS SHOFAR BLOWING AT WAILING WALL REPORTED IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The Shofar was sounded yesterday, on Yom Kippur, at the 'Wailing Wall' in Old Jerusalem for the first time in more than a decade. The sound was clearly heard by several hundred worshippers at the Mt. Zion services.

Worshippers straining their eyes toward the Old City for a glimpse of Jewry's most sacred shrine heard the blasts of the Shofar at the close of Neilah services. There was an awed silence until the word was passed that the "phantom shofar" was sounded for a group of Jewish soldiers among the British troops stationed in Jordan.

Life throughout Israel came to a virtual standstill on Yom Kippur. Ports, airports and frontiers had no communication during the Day of Atonement. This year's readings on Mt. Zion were from a Torah written especially in memory of the Israelis who fell in the War of Independence. A Shofar salvaged from the Bergen Belsen concentration camp was sounded at the end of the Mt. Zion service to which many thousands had made a pilgrimage throughout the day.

AMERICAN KAISER COMPANY PLANS THREE NEW FACTORIES IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The American Kaiser Company, assemblers of Jeep cars and Renault cars and trucks, plans to open three new factories in Israel in partnership with local companies, Ephraim Ilan, head of the Kaiser-Renault plant in Haifa, told newsmen there.

The three plants, all to be located in the industrial complex arising at Askelon, will be financed by American, Israeli and French capital. They will manufacture spare parts for automotive equipment, gears and metal-working machinery.

ISRAEL GROUP PROVIDES \$10,000,000 CREDIT FOR LIBERIAN DEVELOPMENT

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Part of a \$10,000,000 credit provided Liberia for construction and development projects will be spent in Israel for Israeli building materials, Emmet Hermon, director of the Liberian Development Company, announced. The credit in Israeli currency was provided Liberia by the Liberian Construction Corporation, headed by Moshe Meir.

Mr. Hermon, accompanied by Mr. Meir, visited Israel President Itzhak Ben Zvi and later Finance Minister Levi Eshkol. The announcement of Liberia's intention of purchasing goods in this country was made to Mr. Eshkol. He told Mr. Eshkol that there was a good prospect for expansion of Israeli-Liberian economic relations.

Liberia was pictured as interested in Israeli construction materials in exchange for unpolished diamonds, raw rubber and timber. Mr. Hermon will also arrange for Liberian students to study at Israeli universities.

ISRAELIS PRODUCE MORE, EAT BETTER, LIVE LONGER THAN IN PREVIOUS YEARS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Israelis produce more, eat better, and live longer than in previous years according to the government Year Book issued for the Jewish New Year.

Agricultural production increased by 211 percent during the State's first ten years in which there was a population growth of some 68 percent. This enabled better eating and an increase in caloric supplies of locally-grown foods by 37 percent.

Self-sufficiency has been reached in vegetables, potatoes, fruit, milk and dairy products, eggs and poultry. Fish pond cultivation and off-shore catches already account for half of the country's sea-food consumption and for the first time last year sugar was supplied from local refineries.

Last year's industrial production totalled 1,500 million Israel pounds as compared to 460 million in 1949. From some 100 million kilowatt produced in 1949 last year's electric consumption exceeded 400 million. These figures enabled a reduction in imports of from 180 Israel pounds per capita during the first year of the State to 80 in 1957.

Some 25 million litres of wine, beer and spirits were consumed last year, an increase of 21 percent over the previous twelve months. First place was taken by beer (14.3 million) followed by wine (7.2), cognac (one million), arak (928,000) and assorted liqueurs (757,000 litres). The population's drinking provided the Treasury with over 12 million Israel pounds in excise revenue, an increase of 26 percent over last year.

According to statistics the average life span in Israel is the proverbial three score and ten, among the largest in the world. Life expectation among men is 69.1 and among women 71.3. Incidence of tuberculosis is 5.7 per 10,000 and tubercular deaths are 6.1 per 100,000, --both among the world's lowest.

BEN GURION SENDS PIPER CUB PLANE AS GIFT TO GHANA PREMIER

JERUSALEM, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion has sent a Piper Cub plane as a personal gift to Premier Kwame Nkrumah of Ghana, it was announced here today. The gift was sent on the occasion of Ghana's first anniversary of independence.

GERMAN AND ISRAEL FINANCE MINISTER TO DISCUSS ECONOMIC RELATIONS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The future of Israeli-German economic relations are expected to be discussed extensively by Israeli Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, and his Bonn counter-number, Dr. Ludwig Erhard, when they meet next month in New Delhi, site of the forthcoming annual conference of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

It is understood that Mr. Eshkol intends to raise the question of economic relations after German reparations payments are completed in the near future. It is believed likely that he will make a bid for German industrial investments and offer the same benefits and privileges now given American investors.

WAR CRIMINALS TRIED BY ALLIES FACE NEW TRIALS BY GERMAN COURTS

BONN, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- War criminals tried by Allied tribunals may be tried again in German courts, according to a decision just handed down by the Federal Supreme Court. In effect, the ruling refused to recognize the jurisdiction of the occupation courts and held that crimes under the laws of the West German Republic must be handled by Bonn's courts.

The Supreme Court ruled in the case of a 55-year-old merchant, H. Hinrichs, of Oldenburg who was released in 1953 from prison where he had been serving a life term handed down by a French war crimes tribunal. Hinrichs was ordered retried by an Oldenburg court.

The ruling is expected to have widespread effect since many war criminals who have served their sentences are now free and have used the argument that they may not be tried twice for the same crimes as an answer to threatened prosecution. Such arguments, for example, have been used in the case of concentration camp doctors Hans Eisele and Herta Oberhauser, both of whom were convicted by non-German courts but who are now the object of German prosecution.

NAZI LEADER RELEASED; PROBE ON HIS ROLE IN MURDER OF JEWS CONTINUES

FRANKFURT, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Hermann Krumei, one-time aid to Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi leader who organized the campaign of mass annihilation of European Jewry, was released from prison here where he had been held on charges of murdering 88 children in the Czech village of Lidice, whose entire population was murdered by the Nazis after the assassination of Reinhard Heydrich.

Meanwhile, official investigations continue of Krumei's participation in the deportation and subsequent murder of 450,000 Hungarian Jews in the summer of 1944.

JEWISH REFUGEES FROM EGYPT REPORTED INTEGRATED IN FRANCE

PARIS, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Cojanor, the leading Jewish welfare organization in France, reported today that some 80 percent of all Jewish refugees who came to France from Egypt in the 1956-57 anti-Jewish upheaval have been integrated into the French Jewish community or helped to emigrate for final resettlement.

Cojanor officials said that some 1,600 Egyptian Jewish refugee families applied for help. Of these, only 300 still were on the agency's assistance rolls. The record was considered particularly notable in that it was necessary to find homes and apartments for a large number of the families, which was managed despite the very serious housing shortage in France.

TOKYO PUBLICATION NOTES ANTI-SEMITISM IN JAPANESE GOVERNMENT CIRCLES

TOKYO, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- A new Japanese magazine charges that anti-Semitism in Japanese Government circles is delaying the construction of a long-planned Tokyo Hilton Hotel.

The hotel has been in the works since February 1956, when financial tycoon Keita Goto signed a contract with the Hilton interests to build a Tokyo branch of the famous international chain. Since that time plans have been drawn up for a 750-room, \$15,000,000 hotel, but a suitable site has never been found. At present, Goto's Tokyo Hilton Hotel Co. is trying to purchase a Palace Heights, a choice location near the Imperial Palace and Moat recently released by the U. S. Army.

There are strong indications that Goto will have to look elsewhere. An article in the quarterly, "Who's Who in Japan," declares: "One of the problems delaying, if not preventing, the realization of this project is the rumor being spread that Conrad H. Hilton is a Jew. There are forces both within the Japanese Government and other circles that are manipulating strings behind the scenes in an anti-Semitic campaign."

The publication quotes Goto as saying: "I don't know whether or not Conrad N. Hilton is a Jew. That makes no difference to me. But I do want our countrymen to reflect what would have happened in 1905 if Jacob Schiff, or Kuhn, Loeb and Company did not extend a helping hand to Japan by taking the lead in raising a loan for us in the midst of the Russo-Japanese War."

ANTI-SEMITIC USES ANTI-ISRAEL MATERIAL OF U.S. ORTHODOX EXTREMIST JEWS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The Gerald L. K. Smith anti-Semitic organization is making national distribution of a statement by the so-called "National Committee for Religious Freedom in Israel" which denounces the Israel Government. The "religious freedom" group is made up of Orthodox extremists including members of the Neturei Karta.

Smith's anti-Semitic front "The Christian Nationalist Crusade" has reprinted verbatim the text of a paid advertisement inserted recently in the New York Times by the Jewish extremists. Smith has sent this text to members of Congress, clergymen, and others. The advertisement contained a sweeping denunciation of the Israel Government for permitting a Jerusalem swimming pool, alleged desecration of Holy Places and graves, imprisonment of rabbis, and other alleged anti-religious acts.

The comment of Smith on the denunciation of Israel by Jews was that "occasionally the cat jumps out of the bag." The attack on Israel was quoted with a comment that it would prove "quite revealing" to non-Jews. Smith was charged with pro-Nazi sedition during World War II.

JERUSALEM ACADEMY OF MUSIC RENAMED IN HONOR OF U.S. PHILANTHROPIST

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Israeli government leaders today commended the America-Israel Cultural Foundation and its president Samuel Rubin, for the impetus given towards the swift development of Israeli artistic talent. The officials spoke at dedication ceremonies of the Jerusalem Conservatoire and Academy, which was renamed in honor of Mr. Rubin. The event, attended by President Ben Zvi of Israel, marked the opening of a new building constructed through a gift of over \$300,000 by Mr. Rubin. Principal speakers were Moshe Sharett, former Prime Minister of Israel, and U.S. Ambassador Edward Lawson.

Situated in the cultural center of Jerusalem, the new home of the Rubin Academy is the sixth building erected through the aid of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation. Designed by Joseph Klarwein, one of Israel's foremost architects, it was formerly a luxurious villa which had provided haven for political figures during the British Mandate and also housed the British Commanding General MacMillan. It was completely rebuilt and remodelled by Mr. Klarwein with a wing and two additional floors added.

The Rubin Academy of Music is one of the oldest conservatories in Jerusalem. Formed ten years ago, it was the first conservatory to be recognized by the Government of Israel and is under the supervision of the Ministry of Education and Culture. A center for musical training, teaching and research, it issues a teaching diploma to graduates for four year courses, and an arts graduate diploma for two years of post-graduate teaching. Staffed by 70 teachers, over 1,000 students are enrolled.

TEN NATIONAL PRESIDENTS OF HADASSAH HONORED AT NEW YORK CONCERT

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- More than \$200,000 for the economic development of Israel was provided by New York women who purchased Israel Bonds to attend a concert in Town Hall today honoring ten national presidents of Hadassah. The concert, sponsored by the New York Women's Division of the Israel Bond drive, was attended by more than 1,300 persons and marked the group's formal opening of a four-month campaign in the New York metropolitan area to raise \$1,000,000 in Israel bond investment funds.

The event was in honor of nine former national presidents of Hadassah and Dr. Miriam Freund, the organization's current president. The former presidents are Mrs. Irma Lindheim, Mrs. Robert Szold, Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, Mrs. Moses P. Epstein, Mrs. David De Sola Pool, Mrs. Samuel J. Rosensohn, Mrs. Herman Shulman, and the late Henrietta Szold.

Dr. Freund received on behalf of Hadassah an award from the Israel Bond Organization citing Hadassah's national leaders as "rare women, with the gift for leadership, whose inspirational qualities have helped to make Israel a great nation." The presentation was made by Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization. Dr. Freund, who told the audience that Israel's security and integrity as a democratic influence in the Middle East depended on her economic strength, said that "Israel bonds constitute one of the major sources of revenue in Israel's development budget."

N. Y. SUPREME COURT TO DECIDE ON NATIVITY PLAYS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Twenty-nine residents of nearby Ossining went to court today in a second attempt to bar a nativity scene from school grounds at the Ossining High School. The residents claim, in a suit in the State Supreme Court, that erection of a creche during the Christmas season violates the principle of separation of church and state.

Last December, a judge of the same court ruled against the petitioners on the grounds that the constitutional prohibition does not insist that "every vestige of the existence of God to be eradicated." Today's suit is being heard by another judge.