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U.N. ASSEMBLY TO APPROVE TODAY CONTINUATION OF AID TO ARAB REFUGEES

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The package agreement on extension of the mandate of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, worked out by the United States and the Arab host countries for the Arab refugees probably will be approved quickly tomorrow, it was reliably reported here today.

Israel also will vote for this resolution, which will extend UNRWA's mandate for three years but which will require a review of the program at the end of two years, it was understood. However, Israel probably will ask for a separate vote on a clause asking the dormant Palestine Conciliation Commission to take further measures to implement paragraph 11 of the 1948 United Nations resolution on the Arab refugees, it was indicated.

The new resolution also provides for review of the ration lists which are acknowledged to include at least 150,000 persons who are not eligible for UNRWA assistance, toward which the United States contributes 70 percent of operating funds. Another addition is a clause calling for intensification of self-support and vocational training for the Arab refugees as far as the financial situation permits.

The Israel delegation was understood to have made known to other UN delegations that it considers the proposal to revive the PCC and give it authority to deal with the problem of the Arab refugees a backward and harmful step. The Arab delegations have consistently interpreted paragraph 11 of the 1948 resolution as supporting their claims of the right of all Arab refugees to repatriation to Israel.

The Israel delegation continues to feel that the realistic way to deal with the problem lies in stimulating integration of the refugees in the three host countries, the United Arab Republic, Jordan and Lebanon, and by direct talks between Israel and the three Arab countries on the problem.

Israel to Vote Against Reactivation of Palestine Conciliation Group

It was understood that many delegations agree with Israel that nothing is to be gained by reactivation of the PCC but there will not be any votes against it, other than Israel's, because most delegations feel that any proposal acceptable to the United States, which carries the largest financial burden, should be acceptable to them.

The Israel delegation also was understood to feel that even if the PCC is unable to do any harm, reviving it would be prejudicial. The Arabs, it was explained, would take the stand that such a revival implied endorsement of the Arab demand for total repatriation. For the United States to endorse the idea, it was suggested, also seemed to imply that all that is needed to solve the complex refugee problem is to revive a dormant commission. It would also seem to imply that the United Nations had turned its back on the idea of a solution by negotiation, it was pointed out.

A reactivated PCC, it was argued, would be required to make an annual report on what it had done to achieve solution of the Arab refugee problem and this would provide another forum for Arab anti-Israel propaganda. This, it was taken for granted, would be no more constructive than the propaganda of the Arab delegates during the month of debate in the Special Political Committee on the issue.

Indian General Named Commander of U.N. Forces on Israel-Egyptian Frontiers

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The General Assembly yesterday approved the appointment of Major General P. S. Gyani of India, as commander of the 5,000-man United Nations Emergency Force, stationed on the border between Israel and Egypt and at the Straits of Tiran. General Gyani will succeed Lieutenant General E. L. M. Burns, of Canada, who will become the Canadian representative in the disarmament talks, scheduled to begin early next year in Geneva.

General Burns, whose resignation was announced last week, headed the UN Emergency Force since its formation in 1956 to facilitate the withdrawal from Egypt of French, British and Israel troops. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld paid tribute to the Canadian's leadership in molding the UN troops into a "unique and pioneering peace force."

The UN Assembly also voted yesterday in favor of continuing the UNEF. The resolution authorizes the Secretary General to spend up to \$20,000,000 in 1960 for the continuing operation of the Force and provides for the crediting towards 50 percent of next year's assessments of all voluntary contributions pledged this year.

U.S. \$100,000,000 AID TO NASSER EMBOLDENS HIS THREATS AGAINST ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Israeli circles charged today that promises of massive American economic aid--expected to exceed \$100,000,000 during the coming year--had emboldened President Nasser of the United Arab Republic to a new pitch of bellicosity against Israel and threats that he would, by force, prevent Israel from proceeding with its Jordan Valley irrigation plans.

President Nasser, it was said here, considers the American aid, which has already begun to flow into his country, as an indication of extreme American eagerness to improve relations with the UAR. He, therefore, does not expect the United States to make any move to head off the new anti-Israel hate drive he has launched.

Informed Israelis expressed concern today that if Washington continued to pour dollars into Cairo--and some press reports today indicated that the American aid total might reach \$150,000,000--without obtaining from Nasser any agreement on his part to avoid injury to Western interests in the Middle East, the net effect would be creation of new difficulties in the Middle East.

Nasser, they noted, had not only started a new campaign against Israel but had also raised the "Jerusalem question" in an effort to make trouble for the Kingdom of Jordan. Only the Soviet Union, they said, would profit from further disturbance in the area.

BONN PARLIAMENT SHELVES VOTE ON BILL AGAINST ANTI-JEWISH INCITEMENT

BONN, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The Federal Parliament had indefinitely shelved yesterday a vote on a bill which would have provided for jail sentences on conviction for incitement of national, religious or racial hatred or defamation on racial or religious grounds.

The measure, revising a section of the West German penal code, was adopted by the German Upper House and had its first reading in the Lower House. It would have provided a three-month jail sentence for endangering the public peace by incitement or defamation on racial or religious grounds.

The bill was shelved when speakers of all parties declared that the measure, in its present form and wording, would fail to accomplish its purpose. A Social Democratic speaker said it would place the Jews under "monumental protection" and isolate them in a "golden ghetto." A Free Democrat speaker asserted that existing legislation was adequate to protect against racial or religious slander if the law were properly interpreted by the courts.

A Christian Union spokesman said he would not vote for the measure because it would mislead the public and cause them to rely on judges and prosecutors instead of on themselves against anti-democratic and anti-Semitic forces. Franz Shaffer, Minister of Justice, defended the proposed legislation.

BONN GOVERNMENT DESERVES AID OF PRO-DEMOCRATIC FORCES, KLUTZNICK SAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The present government of West Germany is "entitled to understanding and intelligent aid of all pro-democratic forces," Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the International Council of B'nai B'rith, told the 46th annual meeting of the Anti-Defamation League here last night. The four-day meeting concluded today with the presentation by the ADL of its annual award to the American theatre for its "contributions to the enrichment of democracy."

Mr. Klutznick stressed the "incalculable significance" of the West German government to "the legitimate hopes of the free world." He said that "many memories leave question marks" about Germany so that "even isolated incidents of anti-Semitism breed new fears," but asserted that "the extraordinary leadership" of the present government "has striven with great energy to eradicate the vestiges of the horrible past." He said it has carried through "heroic and historic programs of reparations, restitution and human rehabilitation."

Mr. Klutznick announced that restitution funds returned to B'nai B'rith for property confiscated by the Nazis will enable the organization to install its first German lodge since the Hitler years on December 13. It will be named for Dr. Leo Baeck, German Jewry's most revered leader of the Hitler period. Dr. Baeck was the leading rabbi of the Berlin community during the 1930's. He refused to leave his post during the period of Nazi persecution and spent the war years in a concentration camp. The West German government recently issued a postage stamp memorializing him.

WINDOWS IN JEWISH STORES DEFACED WITH SWASTIKAS IN MANCHESTER

LONDON, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Windows of Jewish-owned shops in Manchester have been defaced with the swastika, the Manchester Jewish Gazette reported yesterday.

Defacement of the windows has occurred over a period of two weeks and almost a dozen Jewish-owned shops have been involved, the weekly reported. The last outbreak of anti-Jewish incidents in Manchester occurred in 1947 during the Palestine disturbances.

While the Jewish publication suggested that the incidents should not be blown up out of proportion, it added that despite prompt investigation by police, the vandals still had not been found.

ROSENWALD CHARGES JAMES WARBURG WITH DISTORTING FACTS ON U. J. A.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 6. (JTA) -- All the money that the United Jewish Appeal raises is given only to welfare organizations for humanitarian needs, and "none of it is given anywhere else," William Rosenwald, noted American Jewish leader and national chairman of the UJA, declared here this week-end.

Mr. Rosenwald spoke here at Congregation Mishkan Israel from the same pulpit where a week ago James P. Warburg, publicist and former banker, attacked the United Jewish Appeal, and urged American Jews not to contribute to it. Mr. Rosenwald told his audience

"The support which American Jews give to the UJA carries with it no endorsement of the policies of Israel's Government, foreign and domestic. What this support does say in the most eloquent and meaningful terms is that the Jews of America underwrite the human needs which the UJA was founded to meet. Stressing that UJA funds have been used to save and rebuild the lives of Jews in need or danger throughout the world, Mr. Rosenwald commented that Mr. Warburg "could not have been more reckless of the facts as they apply to the UJA, than he was in his address last Friday night."

The United Jewish Appeal has raised funds in annual drives since 1939, when it was brought into being to aid Jews persecuted by Hitler. In more than two decades it has provided monies for the feeding, shelter, migration and re-establishment of oppressed and distressed Jewish populations throughout the world. UJA funds have aided 2,700,000 persons, helping to resettle 1,300,000 of these in free lands throughout the world, including Israel and the United States.

Mr. Rosenwald, who from 1955 to 1957 was the general chairman of the UJA campaign, named the four agencies which receive funds raised by the UJA. He said these included first, the Jewish Agency for Israel, the "philanthropic organization which has the responsibility for the transportation and absorption of newcomers in Israel." He stressed "this is a vast job involving housing, farm settlements, social service and other forms of aid to the refugees who have streamed in."

Second, Mr. Rosenwald said, UJA funds go to "The American Joint Distribution Committee, which has relief and rehabilitation programs in 25 countries outside of Israel." He added that the JDC also conducts a special welfare program in Israel known as Malben "in behalf of the sick, the aged and the handicapped immigrants to Israel."

The third recipient of UJA funds, he noted, "is the New York Association for New Americans, which has the responsibility for Jewish refugees who come to America and who settle in the New York metropolitan area." The fourth UJA beneficiary in recent years has been the United Hias Service which resettles Jews who are able to immigrate to countries other than Israel.

U. J. A. Efforts Are in Accord with U. S. Policy, Rosenwald Stresses

The UJA leader declared, "when one contributes to the UJA he does so with the understanding that his money will be used for humanitarian purposes--for rescuing lives, for providing the homeless with a home, for restoring health to the sick, for giving hope to the aged and the handicapped, for providing the untrained with vocational skills and for giving fellow Jews in need the basic necessities of life."

Mr. Rosenwald stressed that the philanthropic efforts of the United Jewish Appeal were in accord with United States policy "to help others less fortunate than ourselves, both by the expenditure of governmental funds and by private philanthropy. Such help," he pointed out, "has not carried the implication that we necessarily support the governments of the countries in which those people who receive this help live. For example, when the United States gave the Russian people help through the Hoover Relief Program no one suggested that this constituted endorsement of Communism in Russia."

The UJA national chairman said also that any suggestion by American Jews to instruct Israel to close its doors to further immigration would be an outright invasion of that country's sovereignty. "It is Israel's right to open or close its doors as it chooses," he added. He stressed, however, that the major force responsible for the mass influx of refugees from European and Moslem lands into Israel "has been the inner urge on the part of Jews, living in fear under degrading disabilities, in an atmosphere charged with danger to their physical security, or under conditions which make it impossible for them to live as Jews."

The UJA leader stressed that it was the policy of the organization to aid Jews to go wherever they have a free choice to go. He pointed out that UJA funds had helped tens of thousands of Jewish refugees and displaced persons to come to the United States, Canada, Australia and other areas. He added, however, that "Israel has been the only haven to which Jews can go in large numbers. In fact, it stands unique as the only haven in the world for large numbers of refugees."

Mr. Rosenwald pointed out that the burden of receiving nearly 1,000,000 Jewish refugees into Israel since 1948 has not been borne by American Jews alone. He declared that Israel "itself has been called upon every year during the past decade to pour millions and millions of pounds obtained from Israel's own heavily taxed people into helping absorb the newcomers."

He told his audience "for Israel to have barred its doors to these people and for the United Jewish Appeal to have withheld its help in transporting these Jews to Israel would have violated every decent instinct that we, as Jews, possess."

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS SAYS SUNDAY LAWS VIOLATE RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The charge that Sunday "blue laws" are a violation of religious liberty and of separation of church and state was voiced here today by Dr. Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress.

Addressing 1,000 members of the Association of Jewish Court Attaches in the Commodore Hotel, Rabbi Prinz urged that Orthodox Jews, Seventh Day Adventists and other Sabbatarians be granted exemptions from the bans on Sunday sales in New York and New Jersey. Twelve states already grant exemptions from their Sunday-closing laws to Sabbatarians, he said. He listed them as Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma and Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Many Western states have no laws banning Sunday business, Dr. Prinz stated. Among them, he said, are California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming. Any law that requires the Sabbath of one religion to be observed by all the people, Dr. Prinz declared, is "plainly a violation of the Constitutional guarantee of religious freedom. It also serves to erode the American principle of separation of church and state. Sunday laws are religious laws designed to protect the Sabbath of one religion at the expense of other religions," he asserted.

GREATER PARTICIPATION OF JEWISH LAY LEADERS IN RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS URGED

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- An appeal for greater participation of lay leadership in religious movements was voiced here this week by former Senator Herbert H. Lehman, addressing the first program conference of the newly-formed National Advisory Council of the Synagogue Council of America, the coordinating agency for the rabbinic and congregational organizations of the Conservative, Orthodox, and Reform Jewish religious communities.

Formation of the National Advisory Council was announced as a means of mobilizing "qualified lay leadership, both locally and nationally, in support of the work and program of the Synagogue Council in national and international affairs." The Synagogue Council represents the common interests of its constituent agencies in relationships with the United States Government, the United Nations, the national Catholic and Protestant Church federations, and in Jewish community relations areas of religious concern.

Rabbi Max D. Davidson, president of the Synagogue Council, described the program of the organization, pointing out the need for creating an "inventory of experts to assist the Synagogue Council's 21 standing commissions in such vital areas of national concern as foreign affairs; family, marriage and youth welfare; mass media; church-state relations; among others." Guest speakers from the State Department, the U.S. Committee for the United Nations, and from the national Catholic and Protestant Church federations addressed the assembly.

JACOB SENSIBAR ELECTED PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN TECHNION SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Jacob R. Sensibar, of Chicago, noted engineer whose firm transformed 44,000 acres of marshes in northern Israel into productive farming areas, has been elected national president of the American Technion Society, it was announced today. Mr. Sensibar succeeds David Rose, who retired after four years in office.

The Society is a nationwide group composed of more than 15,000 engineers, scientists, technicians and industrialists which sponsors the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, and helps to introduce modern technology into the economy of Israel. Sponsors of the Society include Nobel Laureates, university presidents and outstanding industrialists.

MENDEL N. FISHER FETED AT TESTIMONIAL DINNER FOR SERVICE TO J. N. F.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- More than 300 guests, most of them Jewish communal leaders, turned out tonight to pay homage to Mendel N. Fisher at a dinner arranged on the occasion of his completion of 25 years of service as executive director of the Jewish National Fund of America. The testimonial dinner was given by the board of directors of the JNF at the Commodore Hotel.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, honorary president of the Jewish National Fund, presented Mr. Fisher, in the name of the JNF board of directors, with a Scroll of Honor in appreciation of 25 years of devoted service to the cause of Israel, and Albert Schiff, treasurer of the JNF, handed to Mr. Fisher a ceramic plaque featuring the 12 signs of the Zodiac, a gift received from the Artists' Colony of Ein Hod near Haifa, Israel. Mr. Schiff also announced the establishment of two annual scholarships in the name of Mendel Fisher for students at the Ein Hod Art Colony.

The speakers included Dr. Harris J. Levine, president of the Jewish National Fund of America, who was toastmaster; Simcha Pratt, Israel Consul General in New York who extended greetings in the name of the Israel Government; Mrs. Rose Halprin, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency for Israel; Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council; Label Katz, president of B'nai B'rith; Louis Segal, chairman of the Testimonial Dinner Committee and member of the Jewish Agency executive and Rabbi Max Kirshblum, member of the Jewish Agency executive and former president of Mizrahi. Messages of greetings and high praise for Mr. Fisher were received from Israel and from numerous persons in the United States.