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U. S. EXPECTS U. N. TO FIND SOLUTION TO SUEZ BLOCKADE, HERTER SAYS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Secretary of State Christian Herter today indicated to a press conference that the United States continued to look to the United Nations for a solution to the Suez Canal controversy involving the transit of Israeli cargo.

The Secretary commented on what the United States was doing to implement President Eisenhower's 1957 assurances to Israel on Suez Canal transit. He said the United States had made a number of strong statements on the transit issue.

Mr. Herter pointed out that Dag Hammarskjold, UN Secretary General, was currently making an effort to find a solution and said that maybe Mr. Hammarskjold would still come up with a modus vivendi.

Israel Feels U. N. Failed to Modify Nasser's Intransigence

JERUSALEM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Israel's Cabinet has reportedly reached the fundamental political conclusion that Israel can no longer rely on the United Nations as a restraining factor in the Middle East, it was revealed here today.

The Cabinet completed yesterday its discussion of Israel's present security situation. The opinion in the Cabinet, it was learned, has crystallized into the conclusion that the United Nations as such, and Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold personally, have failed to obtain the slightest modification in the intransigent stand taken by United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Consideration for the United Nations has been an important element in the past, when Israel had to restrain its reactions to Arab aggressions and provocations.

ISRAEL SEES SHIFT IN MILITARY EQUILIBRIUM BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ARABS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The military equilibrium between Israel and the Arab states, particularly the United Arab Republic, has now shifted, and the Arab leaders, especially Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser, are expected to feel in a few years from now that they can start a "decisive" war of annihilation against Israel, according to evaluations apparently summarized here yesterday in the Israel Cabinet.

The Cabinet yesterday concluded a series of appraisals of Israel's overall security situation. The shift in the military equilibrium, which Israel felt it had redressed in its favor during the Sinai campaign of 1956, emerged today as one of the major conclusions in the Cabinet.

From the viewpoint of short-term implications, it is believed here now that Nasser's aggressiveness will increase. Examples of such intransigence are seen in the UAR's recent tightening of the anti-Israel blockade of the Suez Canal, as well as the recent Syrian incursions on Israel's northern border.

While it is agreed that Israel cannot help reacting to such actions, it is also felt here that Israel must not give the world the impression that it, too, is becoming aggressive.

Long-term thinking here holds that Israel must adjust its defense budget and must strengthen its ties with those countries where she is able to purchase arms. France and the United States are cited as examples of such countries.

Since the success of the Sinai campaign had created a worldwide impression of Israel's unquestioned military superiority as compared to Egypt, it is felt here that Israel must explain anew to foreign governments and to world public opinion the present situation regarding Middle East armaments.

The Israelis feel they must point out that the continued flow of Soviet arms to the Arab states, and recent Western efforts to appease the Arab leaders, are bringing about a "dangerous reversal" of the military situation which may, ultimately, result in a situation similar to the posture that preceded the 1956 Sinai period.

BELGIAN BANKS AGREE TO GRANT ISRAEL \$5,000,000 LOAN FOR EQUIPMENT

JERUSALEM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- A group of Belgian banks have agreed to grant Israel a \$5,000,000 loan for the purchase of industrial equipment, it was reported here today. The granting of the loan was decided upon on the recommendation of a delegation of Belgian industrialists who recently visited Israel.

FOREIGN MINISTERS OF ARAB COUNTRIES MEET ON 'PALESTINE PROBLEM'

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The foreign ministers of eight Arab states met today in Cairo to discuss "the Palestine problem" and measures to prevent Israel from developing Jordan River waters for Negev irrigation.

Arab reports said it was possible the meeting would plan organization of a new "Palestinian Army" made up of Arab refugees. The army would fight for the "liberation" of territory now held by Israel.

Tunisia and Iraq, feuding with the United Arab Republic, boycotted today's meeting. States represented were the UAR, Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Sudan, Libya, and Morocco.

Simultaneously it was reported here today that King Hussein of Jordan is carrying on his own negotiations with King Saud, of Saudi Arabia, in an effort to get the latter to help him oppose Nasser's plan for the creation of a "Palestine Army" from among the ranks of the Arab refugees.

According to one report, King Saud is contemplating inviting both Nasser and Hussein to come to his capital of Riyadh and attempt to work out a compromise on the "Palestine Army" proposal.

ISRAEL WANTS MOSCOW'S SUPPORT FOR NON-AGGRESSION PACTS WITH ARABS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Hope that the Supreme Soviet Council would support Israel's aspirations for turning its armistice pacts with the Arab states into non-aggression pacts was expressed here today in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, by Kaddish Luz, Speaker of the House.

Mr. Luz also appealed to the Supreme Soviet in Moscow to help effect United Nations mediation for the cessation of hostile acts by Israel's Arab neighbors, ending Arab political, economic and military incitements against Israel.

The Speaker's statement was made at the opening of this morning's Knesset meeting, when he replied to an appeal sent out by Moscow's Supreme Soviet last month, asking world parliaments to support the Soviet Government's proposals for complete and general world disarmament.

Mr. Luz called attention to the fact that Russia's call for complete and general disarmament "is identical with Israel's aspirations, as expressed in Government policy and ratified by the Knesset." He cited Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's announcement that Israel supports "unconditionally" every measure to secure world disarmament and reduce armed forces.

Red Army Organ in Moscow Attacks Israel on Conflict with Syria

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The official organ of the Soviet Army, Red Star, has published a severe condemnation of Israel, accusing it of "a premeditated provocation" of its neighbors in the Syrian border troubles last week.

An unsigned article in the army organ on Friday bitterly lashed Premier David Ben-Gurion and his associates in the Israeli Government, asserting that they were under the influence of a "war psychosis."

The paper said that "everybody, these days, believes that all differences must be settled through negotiation, and not by force. Only the head of the Israeli Government has a different opinion. Such stubbornness is dangerous mainly for Israel which should have ceased its provocations long ago."

INGE TOFT PENALIZED BY EGYPT; WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO USE SUEZ CANAL

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The Danish freighter Inge Toft, detained at Port Said since last May 21 with a cargo originating in Israel, will not be allowed to use the Suez Canal even though her owners have surrendered the Israeli cargo to the United Arab Republic authorities, it was disclosed last night.

Dispatches from Cairo quoted the agents of the shipowners as declaring that the ship was to be penalized because it had carried Israeli cargo.

The Paris newspaper, Le Monde, reported from Cairo that the owners of the Greek freighter Astypalea, which is also detained at Port Said with a cargo originating in Israel, have decided to negotiate with the UAR authorities for surrender of the cargo and release of the vessel.

The cargo of the Greek freighter was shipped from Israel in accordance with conditions spelled out to United Nations Secretary General Hammarskjold by President Nasser of the UAR. When the ship arrived at Port Said for transit through the canal in mid-December, the authorities detained it, holding its cargo to be contraband. Up to now, the ship's owners have refused to permit its unloading, pending the outcome of further negotiations between Mr. Hammarskjold and the UAR.

MOROCCO REPORTS TO U. N. ON JEWS; STRESSES FREEDOM OF RELIGION

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Feb. 8, (JTA) -- The Government of Morocco submitted a report to the United Nations on the status of the Jews in Morocco, stressing the fact that Jews are permitted to exercise their religion freely and that Jewish schools function without discrimination throughout the country.

The Moroccan report, which will be examined by the United Nations Commission on Human Rights when it meets in Geneva at the end of this month, recalls that Jews have lived in Morocco since the epoch following the destruction of the second Temple in Jerusalem by the Romans. In that era, it is pointed out, Jews were quartered in special mellahs, or ghettos, and their affairs were administered by "Jewish sheikhs."

Tracing Jewish immigration into Morocco through the era following the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, in the late 15th and early 16th centuries, the report declares that "Mosaic law" as applied by rabbinical tribunals has been permitted in Morocco for centuries. Observance of Jewish holidays is permitted. A special law in the penal code makes a punishable crime any desecration, desecration or defilement of religious edifices, monuments or objects sacred to any religion.

The fact that there exists no discrimination in regard to education" is pointed up by the government, which declares that both Christian and Jewish schools operate freely throughout the land. The report also says that Jewish dietary practices--kashrut--are encouraged and states that the government authorized a special tax to help maintain kosher slaughter.

Jewish communities, according to the report, administer their own affairs through special communal committees. Each committee of that type includes the local rabbi or president of the rabbinical tribunal "as well as a certain number of Jewish notables appointed by the Grand Vizir from a list presented by the co-religionists." Rabbinical tribunals are made up of the Chief Rabbi and two "rabbinical judges." The report states there is also a High Rabbinical Court for hearing appeals from the lower Jewish courts.

NOTORIOUS ANTI-SEMITE DISCHARGED BY U. S. NAVY FROM NAVAL RESERVE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, (JTA) -- The United States Navy today announced that George Lincoln Rockwell, self-styled American Nazi "Fuehrer," has been formally discharged from the U. S. Naval Reserve. He had held the rank of Commander.

A Navy spokesman said the Navy accepted recommendations of a four-man Naval review board to discharge the 41-year-old Nazi agitator. The Navy said the discharge resulted from Rockwell's "civilian activities."

NAZI AND JEW HELD IN WASHINGTON; CLASHED OVER ANTI-SEMITIC TRACTS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, (JTA) -- Metropolitan police today made known that they have arrested the "deputy commander" of George Lincoln Rockwell's "American Nazi party" along with a Jew active in local Jewish communal affairs. Charges of disorderly conduct were lodged against the two men.

The Rockwell official was J. V. Kenneth Morgan, 34, of Alexandria, Va. The Jew was Irving Berman, 48, an engineer, of nearby Falls Church, Va. Mr. Berman is a respected member of the Jewish community. He was described as having deplored the continued open dissemination of Nazi propaganda on Washington street corners.

Morgan and Berman were released on payment of collateral and will appear for trial tomorrow in municipal court. The arrest occurred on a downtown Washington street corner where Morgan and Rockwell were distributing pro-Nazi and anti-Jewish propaganda tracts to passers-by. Police officers said Berman and Morgan became involved in a scuffle over the tracts. Both men were seized by police. Rockwell was not arrested.

Police described the tracts as "abusive literature condemning Jews and Negroes." The incident marked the continued campaign of Rockwell and his followers to enlist support in the Nation's capital for the neo-Nazi movement.

CONFERENCE OF RABBINICAL COUNCIL OF AMERICA OPENS IN ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 8, (JTA) -- The Rabbinical Council of America, an organization of Orthodox rabbis, today opened its annual mid-winter conference here to discuss problems concerning Jewish life in the United States and religious problems in Israel.

The conference will pay particular attention to the recent outbreaks of vandalism and desecration against Jewish houses of worship. It will receive reports from rabbis whose communities and synagogues have been subjected to such acts of desecration. It will further seek to assess whether these are the work of individuals of low mental and emotional calibre or whether they are the result of an organized macabre plot designed to destroy the world's democratic institutions and principles.

NEGRO LEADERS URGE U.S. NEGROES TO AID IN APPREHENSION OF ANTI-SEMITES

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- A resolution urging the 20,000,000 Negroes in the United States to lend assistance in the apprehension and punishment of anti-Semitic vandals was adopted at a conference of Negro leaders here.

"We apprise American citizens of the Jewish faith and such other citizens who may be the victims of racial and religious persecution that they have a faithful ally in the American Negro who recognizes that acts of injustice to one group strike at the safety, security, and well-being of all Americans," the resolution said.

(In Washington, U.S. Congressman Robert N. C. Nix, of Pennsylvania, a member of the Negro race, today directed Congressional attention to the resolution in a speech delivered on the House floor condemning anti-Jewish acts in this country. If such injustices are permitted against any minority group, "we will all in time be destroyed by the same injustices," he said.)

KANSAS CITY SCHOOLS REINSTATE STUDENTS SUSPENDED AS NEO-NAZIS

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 8. (JTA) -- School officials here have reinstated nine high school boys who were suspended last week because they were members of local neo-Nazi gangs. The nine students who were reinstated in school will be required to attend a series of lectures on human rights and American citizenship. They also promised never again to join any Nazi club.

Three other boys were still under suspension today, while still another, reported to be the leader of the Nazi movement here, will not be permitted to re-enter Southeast High School where he was a non-resident student. Activities of neo-Nazi clubs at Southeast and East high schools were revealed after a bomb caused \$10,000 damage to Kehilath Israel Synagogue on January 28.

LUTHERANS TO START DRIVE IN PHILADELPHIA AND CHICAGO TO CONVERT JEWS

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The Lutheran Church in America will begin an intensified nationwide campaign to convert Jews to Christianity in the areas of Philadelphia and Chicago, it was reported yesterday at the closing session of the 42nd annual meeting here of the National Lutheran Council. Full-time area secretaries for work among the Jewish people have been appointed for the two cities.

At the same session, the Council passed a resolution calling upon the 5,000,000 Lutherans in America to condemn acts of anti-Semitism and cooperate with "constructive forces" in their communities to prevent the recurrence of such acts.

FIRST CITATION BY 'CHAPEL OF THE FOUR CHAPLAINS' GIVEN TO RABBI

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, received yesterday the first Spiritual Freedom Citation from the Chapel of the Four Chaplains here. The Rev. Daniel A. Poling, chaplain of the Chapel, paid tribute to Rabbi Eisendrath for his "pioneering efforts in bringing about closer ties among Protestants, Catholics and Jews through programs of inter-faith cooperation."

The Chapel is a memorial to four Army chaplains--two Protestants, a Roman Catholic and a Jew--who lost their lives with 674 others when the torpedoed troopship Dorchester went down off the coast of Greenland, February 3, 1943. The four chaplains, all lieutenants, gave their life-preservers to enlisted men and calmly stood in prayer as the ship went under.

DR. FRIEDMAN, JEWISH HISTORIAN, DIES IN NEW YORK; FUNERAL TODAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Dr. Philip Friedman, Columbia University lecturer in Jewish history, author and expert on the Nazi treatment of Jews during and before World War II, who died here yesterday. He was 59.

A member of the Jewish underground in Poland, he fought the Nazis from 1939 to 1944 and was one of 870 Jews in Lwow, Poland, to survive in a pre-war Jewish population of 170,000. He was born in Lwow, received his doctorate in 1925 from the University of Vienna and taught in Lodz, Vilna and Warsaw.

Dr. Friedman came to the United States in 1948, when he became a research fellow in Jewish studies at Columbia. He wrote widely in six languages--Polish, German, Yiddish, Hebrew, English and Spanish--and was the author, among other works of "Their Brother's Keeper," a book telling of the help given Jewish persecutees by non-Jews during the war. He was a member of the American Historical Association, YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, and the Hebrew and Yiddish sections of the P. E. N. Club in New York.

He was also the author of "Martyrs and Fighters" and "The Epic of the Warsaw Ghetto" published in the United States and a contributor of studies on the history of Polish Jews. He was a director of the bibliographic division of the Yad Vashem war memorial in Jerusalem.