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EGYPT DENOUNCED IN U.S. SENATE FOR ANTI-ISRAEL SUEZ BLOCKADE

WASHINGTON, April 13. (JTA) -- Senator Kenneth Keating, New York Republican, took the Senate floor today to call attention to the "principles so flagrantly and arbitrarily flaunted by Colonel Nasser in his use of the Suez Canal as a weapon of revenge against the State of Israel."

"The recent acts of the Nasser regime in implementing its anti-Israel policy represent outright theft of ships' cargo, in keeping with the planned design of stifling by all means the growth and prosperity of Israel," the Senator said.

At the same time the House Sub-committee of Banking made public today recent testimony by Under Secretary of State C. Douglas Dillon justifying the World Bank's loan for the improvement of the Suez Canal. Mr. Dillon told the sub-committee that there were provisions in the Treaty of Constantinople "giving Egypt the right, in state of war, to take any security precautions, including stopping shipping of a country which may be specifically at war with Egypt."

The Under Secretary appeared before the sub-committee to discuss the International Development Association Act. His testimony led to detailed questioning by committee members who took exception to United States support of the Suez loan by the World Bank and the failure of both the United States and the bank to effectively insist on Israel's shipping rights.

"We must realize that there were, and there are in the world, alternative sources of financing" available to Egypt "which we would not be particularly happy to see used," Mr. Dillon said. He added that "certainly the holding up of this loan last winter would have, in our opinion, had any effect whatsoever in forcing the United Arab Republic to settle the problem of transit through the canal."

Rep. Abraham J. Multer, New York Democrat, told Mr. Dillon that it was neither sound economic nor banking principle to suggest that the World Bank made the Suez loan "because if it didn't, Communist Russia might have made the loan."

"The fact is," Rep. Multer pointed out, "that during all of these last few years, and at this very moment, communist war materiel, armaments, tanks, jet planes, and training officers, have been in the UAR, and are at this very moment, and communist trained armies are lined up... alongside Israel, so we haven't kept the Russians out of there at all. All we have done is given money to the UAR, thus releasing their other funds for war-like efforts."

U.S. Differs with Nasser on Suez Issue, State Dept. Official Says

Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, termed the loan "a condoning of the flagrant violation of international law and morality by the United Arab Republic." Rep. Halpern told Mr. Dillon that responsible bankers refuse loans "to men of ill repute who are responsible for tense situations that could explode with violence, or to men who use gangsterlike tactics, or who are violating law."

Mr. Dillon pointed out that Egypt settled with the former owners of the canal before the loan was made. United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld is seeking a Suez solution, said Mr. Dillon, but it is "a complex legal problem based on definitions of the Armistice Agreement in that area." He added that Mr. Hammarskjöld "is still trying to work out an effective method of allowing cargoes from the State of Israel to pass through the Suez Canal."

America supported the Suez loan in the World Bank but "this did not mean support of the UAR's position on shipping," Mr. Dillon stated. He indicated that it was not a "clear-cut case" of Egypt violating transit obligations but a "very complex" issue and "a political matter." He added that President Black of the bank "is intending to visit Israel in the next month or two, and there seems to be very fine relations between the State of Israel and the World Bank."

According to Mr. Dillon, it would not have been "a very effective use of pressure" had the loan to Egypt for Suez improvement been withheld to force agreement on passage of Israeli ships and cargoes. He said: "The widening and deepening of the canal is of great interest to all maritime nations, of which the United States and the nations of Western Europe are an important part, and therefore carrying out this economic and useful project was important."

EGYPTIAN SHIP BOYCOTTED IN N. Y. HARBOR BY LONGSHOREMEN, SAILORS

NEW YORK, April 13. (JTA) -- Members of the Seafarers International Union and of the International Longshoremen's Association today boycotted an Egyptian passenger-cargo vessel, the Cleopatra, that docked at a New York port. The union men refused to unload the cargo as a protest against the United Arab Republic's blacklisting of American ships trading with Israel and the UAR's anti-Israel blockade of the Suez Canal.

The maritime workers picketed the dock at which the ship was berthed, led by Paul Hall, president of the Seafarers Union, and by Thomas Gleason, general organizer of the ILA which is an affiliate of the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations.

The pickets distributed leaflets in which they demanded that the United States Government order the Navy not to purchase oil in any ports where American ships are blacklisted. The maritime workers also demanded that the shipment of government-financed farm surpluses be halted "to any nation which blacklists American shipping."

SUMMIT MEETING UNLIKELY TO DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST, BRITISH CIRCLES HOLD

LONDON, April 13. (JTA) -- Political circles here today indicated their belief that it was unlikely that the summit meeting of the Big Four next month would discuss Middle East affairs. They expressed this opinion following a plea in the House of Lords by Lord Henderson, the influential Labor peer, asking the Big Powers to make a common declaration of policy at the summit conference with a view to emphasize their determination to maintain stability in the Middle East.

Lord Henderson also said he hoped such a statement would uphold the political and territorial integrity of the states of the area, and advocate direct peace talks between Israel and the Arab countries. In his plea, the Labor peer also said he hopes that Prime Minister Harold Macmillan would raise these issues at the conference.

SENATE COMMITTEE DEFERS ACTION ON U.S. PAYMENTS TO AUSTRIAN EX-NAZIS

WASHINGTON, April 13. (JTA) -- The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today deferred a State Department-supported measure to pay \$6,000,000 reimbursement for World War II losses to 131 Austrian Nazis and pro-Hitler Austrian collaborators.

Senator George A. Smathers, Florida Democrat, could see no merit in American taxpayers reimbursing Nazis. He urged the committee to delay action. Chairman J.W. Fulbright, Arkansas Democrat, announced that the committee would defer action, pending a complete report from the Justice Department.

A State Department spokesman said the reimbursement bill should be approved because none of the Austrian Nazis to be benefited were convicted of major war crimes. It was revealed that the State Department quietly signed a treaty with Austria on Jan. 30, 1959, undertaking to appropriate funds to the former Austrian Nazis. Most of the restitution would go to two individuals, Oskar Teuber, an ex-Nazi, and Countess Marianne Thun-Hohenstein, a devotee of Adolf Hitler.

A Justice Department memorandum said: "The primary class of persons benefited are persons who were active collaborators with the Nazis, who aided the conspiracy which led to the downfall of Austria in 1938, and who are not entitled to favorable consideration either by the United States or Austria."

Among the beneficiaries of the measure are a considerable number of Austrian anti-Semites. The Justice Department said "the proposed treaty would take away a portion of the funds which have been devoted by Congress as a trust fund for United States war claimants, and would turn it over to Nazis, collaborators, and war criminals."

TEN WEST GERMAN JUDGES RETIRED; HELD JUDICIAL POSTS UNDER NAZIS

BONN, April 13. (JTA) -- Ten West German judges and prosecutors have been retired, and five such officials have been given leaves of absence, after an investigation of their Nazi period activities, it was announced today.

Fritz Schaeffer, West German Minister of Justice, announced the action. He said the investigation was ordered after widespread charges were made that many judges who held judicial posts in the Hitler regime were holding high positions in the West German judiciary.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT GETS BILL FORBIDDING ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION

LONDON, April 13. (JTA) -- A bill forbidding racial and religious discrimination in hotels, restaurants, places of entertainment and in all important fields of housing and real estate came up for first reading in the House of Commons today.

The measure was introduced by Fenner Brockway, a member of the Labor Party. In a statement introducing the bill, Mr. Brockway called the attention of the House to the wave of anti-Semitic incidents of last winter, asserting that those incidents were a reminder that legislation making racial and religious bias was a necessity.

APPROVAL OF ANTI-BOMBING PROVISIONS IN CIVIL RIGHTS BILL ANTICIPATED

WASHINGTON, April 13. (JTA) -- Smooth sailing is anticipated for the anti-bombing provisions of the Civil Rights Bill adopted by the Senate when the measure comes before the House next week for final approval.

While attempts may be made to alter other portions of the Senate version of the Civil Rights Bill, southerners will accept the section protecting synagogues and other institutions from violence, it was predicted by Congressional sources. This section of the measure was unsuccessfully opposed by Southern members of the Senate.

The Senate bill, adopted by a vote of 71 to 18, included two sections designed to assure FBI investigation and federal prosecution against arson and bombing under certain circumstances. One section makes it a federal crime to flee across a state line or leave the country to avoid prosecution for bombing or burning any building or vehicle, or to avoid testifying about such an act. Maximum penalty was set at five years' imprisonment and a \$5,000 fine.

Another section would penalize the transportation of explosives in interstate commerce for the purpose of damaging any building or other property. Penalties were specified up to a year in jail and \$1,000 fine; ten years in jail and \$10,000 fine, in the event of injury caused by the bombing; and life imprisonment or a death sentence in the event of a fatality.

The bill also made it a federal crime to convey by telephone, telegraph, or mail a threat or false warning of a bombing. The maximum penalty is a year in prison and a \$1,000 fine. Federal Investigation of Bureau sources have indicated that the bill would enable federal rights to enter bombing cases more quickly. But suspects are likely to be turned over to local authorities for trial in most cases.

HATRED OF JEWS STRONG AMONG EXTREME SEGREGATIONISTS IN SOUTH

NEW YORK, April 13. (JTA) -- "It is the Jew, rather than the Negro, who is the most hated target of the extremist wing of the segregationist movement" in the South, the New York Times reported today in an on-the-spot survey on the racial issue in the South conducted by Harrison E. Salisbury, member of the editorial staff of the newspaper. Mr. Salisbury emphasized that this is the opinion of a highly competent Jewish observer who has lived in the South most of his life.

Reproducing anti-Jewish election posters of retired Admiral John G. Crommelin, self-styled "white man's candidate" for the U.S. Senate, the Times correspondent established that "an open and active link between anti-Negro racism and anti-Jewish prejudice" is provided by such men as Crommelin. "He calls Jews the real enemy of the 'White Christian Alabamians' asserting that they control the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People," Mr. Salisbury wrote. He adds that "the Crommelin viewpoint is deplored even by many violent segregationists, but it seems to have wider acceptance than many Alabamians will publicly admit."

Mr. Salisbury reported that after 16-year-old Jerry Hunt tossed a fire bomb at Temple Beth Israel in Gadsden and then wounded two congregants two weeks ago, a large number of crosses were burned in nearby Calhoun county. The Fayette County Times commented editorially on the cross-burning that it was "indicative of the belief that some people thought the youngster was right and it might be considered a 'warning' to those who would prosecute."

The Birmingham Jewish community was disturbed to read in a local newspaper sympathetic articles about the vandal, the Times correspondent states. "Although evidence indicated the youngster had associates, none was apprehended. Last week he was admitted to bond and released. The presiding judge said he saw no reason to call a special grand jury in the case, which has been put over to July. There is skepticism in some quarters that the youngster will ever stand trial," Mr. Salisbury writes.

Prejudice Found Among Policemen; Press Reflections Cited

A policeman investigating the attempted dynamiting of a Birmingham synagogue was asked by a Jewish questioner if he did not think the attempt was a terrible thing, the Times reporter established. The policeman was quoted as replying "It is bad, all right but you have to admit that you Jews brought it on yourselves by encouraging the Negroes to integrate."

John Temple Graves, editorial columnist for the Birmingham Post-Herald, who is widely regarded as a "moderate" southern voice on the issue, wrote recently what was termed by the Times correspondent "a more widespread viewpoint in Alabama on anti-Semitism." Graves wrote: "Even if it made sense or were civilized or Christian or American, anti-Semitism is simply too big and too ugly a load for Southerners to carry with their already big and ugly Negro problem."

Eugene Connor, Birmingham's "loud-voiced" Police Commissioner, was cited as insisting he was just as opposed to anti-Semitic activities as he is to the Negro rights movement. Birmingham police arrested two youths in an old-fashioned hearse in which

dynamite and anti-Semitic literature was found. They had parked the hearse near a synagogue and told a Negro watchman they were going to blow up the synagogue.

The young men were freed on their own recognizance by the judge when the witness failed to appear. Neither the witness nor the rabbi had been informed that the case was coming up for a hearing.

VANDALS BREAK INTO OFFICES OF JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS IN PARIS

PARIS, April 13. (JTA) -- A group of vandals broke into the offices of the Federation of Jewish Societies of France and of the French Jewish Loan Fund here, stealing 100,000 francs and damaging the properties, police reported today.

The vandalism was the latest in an apparent series of attacks on Jewish organization offices by what were believed to be anti-Semitic elements. There was no attempt to set fire to the two offices in the building, as was the case when the Jewish Agency office in Marseilles was raided several weeks ago.

Police said that the techniques used by the raiders in seeking to open the Federation's safe indicated they were amateurs bent on causing trouble rather than professional thieves. They did succeed in forcing open the cash box of the Jewish Loan Fund where they found the 100,000 francs.

The vandals left the premises by climbing a rope to the roof but there was no indication they entered the same way. An Education Ministry office nearby was broken into the same night by persons believed to be the same as those vandalizing the Jewish organization offices. Police have neither been able to find the criminals nor those who fired the Jewish Agency office in Marseilles and, several months before, the Agency offices here.

EISENHOWER LAUDS GROUP ADVANCING AMERICAN-ISRAEL RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, April 13. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower lauded the America-Israel Society for advancing friendly relations, in a message to the association's annual dinner.

"The exchange of cultural information and person-to-person communication promoted by the society enrich the friendly relations existing between the peoples of Israel and the United States," the President said. "It is my hope that activities of this nature will be encouraged among peoples of all countries."

Personal greetings of the Administration were conveyed by George V. Allen, director of the U.S. Information Agency, who addressed the meeting. Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman also spoke, emphasizing the firm ties linking the two countries.

B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN TO SURVEY CAREER CHOICES OF U.S. JEWISH YOUTH

WASHINGTON, April 13. (JTA) -- B'nai B'rith women today announced the launching of a coast-to-coast survey to determine the career choices of Jewish youth.

The survey will seek to determine whether discrimination is affecting vocational plans, career choices, also whether teen-agers are influenced by parents' occupations and an estimate of how many are planning careers in Jewish communal educational, religious, social-service agencies.

B'nai B'rith women plan to interview more than 50,000 teen-agers between 13 and 19 years old during April and May. It is the first depth study which reaches such a large sampling of affiliated Jewish youth and marks the first time a national organization has attempted such research with volunteers.

SOUTH AFRICAN JEWS HOLD PASSOVER PRAYERS FOR RECOVERY OF PREMIER

JOHANNESBURG, April 13. (JTA) -- Special prayers for the "complete and speedy" recovery of Prime Minister Hendrik F. Verwoerd were recited during Passover services in all synagogues and temples throughout the Union of South Africa.

Requests for such prayers were issued by Chief Rabbi L. I. Rabinowitz, here, and Chief Rabbi J. Abrahams, of Cape Town. On the eve of Passover, the South African Jewish Ministers' Association held a special meeting at its Johannesburg headquarters, passing a resolution condemning the attempt to assassinate the Premier, voicing hopes for his quick recovery, and calling for the prayers during the holiday services.

The Israeli mission to South Africa, led by Minister Katriel Suvon and Consul-General Gabriel Doron, met Dr. Verwoerd Saturday, shortly before the Premier was shot. The Israelis attended a diplomatic reception for the Premier, and were congratulated by him upon the award of a gold medal to the Israeli pavilion at the very agricultural exhibition where the murder was attempted. The Israeli mission has sent a telegram to the South African Foreign Ministry, expressing its shock over the shooting and the hope for a complete recovery.