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### EGYPTIAN ENVOY PROTESTS TO STATE DEPT. AGAINST PICKETING OF 'CLEOPATRA'

WASHINGTON, April 20. (JTA) -- The United Arab Republic today made known its "official concern" in a protest to the State Department over the refusal of American dockworkers to unload the Egyptian freighter Cleopatra in New York harbor.

United Arab Republic Ambassador Mostafa Kamel delivered the protest personally to G. Lewis Jones, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs. The Ambassador said the picketing was "unfair discrimination" that could undermine American-UAR relations. He asked the Government to intervene with the Seafarers' Union and Longshoremen's Association to bring about the unloading of the Cleopatra and other UAR ships.

Ambassador Kamel said the UAR maintained certain restrictions against Israeli shipping because of a technical state of war. But no "state of war" exists between America and the UAR, the Ambassador argued. (The Unions are picketing the Egyptian ship in New York because of UAR discrimination against American ships trading with Israel.)

Mr. Jones reassured the Ambassador that the New York picketing did not reflect the official policy of the United States. The Ambassador was informed that it would be difficult if not impossible for the Department of State to intervene with the picketing unions to end the boycott against UAR ships.

(In Cairo, U.S. Ambassador G. Frederick Reinhart discussed the 'Cleopatra case' with Mahmoud Fawzi, Foreign Minister of the United Arab Republic. It was understood that Mr. Reinhart pointed out that the United States Government had no legal means of forcing the maritime workers to discontinue picketing the Egyptian ship except through the courts and the courts took time. The Ambassador was said to have reminded the Arab officials that in last year's steel strike not even the President of the United States could take swift action.)

### Socialist International to Urge Picketing of Egyptian Ships

TEL AVIV, April 20. (JTA) -- The Socialist International Conference, slated to open within a few days in Haifa, is expected to urge trade unions throughout the free world to follow the example of the two major American maritime unions which have blockaded an Egyptian ship for the first time in New York, it was reported here today.

Other leading issues reported scheduled for discussion are the Middle East situation, the Arab boycott and cooperation with African and Asian nations. About 100 delegates from four continents will take part in the conclave.

The British delegation will be led by Hugh Gaitskill, leader of the Labor party opposition. French delegates will be led by former Premier Guy Mollet, the West German delegation by Eric Ollenhauer, and the Belgian by Victor Laroque, former Minister for Belgian Foreign Affairs.

The delegation from India will include Asoka Mehta, chairman of the Indian Socialist party and leader of the opposition. There will also be delegations from Burma, Nepal, various African countries and from Latin America. The delegation from the Mapai and the World Union of Zionist Socialist parties will be led by former Israel Prime Minister Moshe Sharett and will include Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister.

The Mapai delegation will also include representatives of the Arab workers. President Ben-Zvi will give a special reception to the delegates and Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion will give a luncheon. The delegates will take part in Israel's Independence Day Day festivities starting May 1.

### Five American Vessels Picketed by Syrian Port Workers

WASHINGTON, April 20. (JTA) -- Syrian port workers today picketed three American freighters and two oil tankers in the port of Latakia and in the oil port of Banias in retaliation for the American union's boycott of the Cleopatra, it was reported here today.

Syrian authorities said American vessels would not be unloaded or loaded in United Arab Republic ports until the Cleopatra is serviced in New York.

### ISRAEL ASKS U.S. FOR 100,000 TONS OF GRAIN FOR DROUGHT VICTIMS

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- A request was made by the Israel Government today for 100,000 tons of grain from American surplus stocks for the relief of victims of the most severe drought in Israel's history.

Levi Eshkol, Israel's Finance Minister, asked for the grant, valued at about \$6,500,000, in an interview with Ogden Reid, American Ambassador to Israel. The envoy promised to submit the request to Washington officials.

Israel's Labor Ministry meanwhile announced a public works program in the Negev to provide jobs for 300 Bedouin Arabs who suffered severely during the dry spell this spring.

### ISRAEL GOVERNMENT RECEIVES \$5,000,000 LOAN FROM BELGIUM.

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Treasury announced today Israel has received a loan of \$5,000,000 from Belgium.

Israel economic officials have asked Dun & Bradstreet, the New York investment advisory firm, to consider establishing a branch in Israel, it was reported today.

The suggestion was made in the belief that such a branch in Israel would encourage prospective foreign investors by providing reliable information on the financial status of Israel firms in which they might invest. The assistance of the Ministry of Commerce Investment Authority in setting up such a branch was offered.

### JEWISH HOLY PLACES IN JORDAN REPORTED MISUSED; INVESTIGATION STARTED

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The Jordan Government has appointed a high-level committee to investigate charges of grave misuse of "enemy property," including Jewish Holy Places, it was learned here today.

The Jordan press reported that the committee will investigate alleged illegal sales of lands formerly owned by Israeli Jews and charges of misuse of synagogues and other Jewish Holy Places in the portion of Palestine Jordan occupied after the 1948 war against Israel.

The committee includes the Ministers of Defense, Finance and Foreign Affairs, as well as other high-ranking Jordanian officials.

### JEWISH AGENCY IN JERUSALEM APPROVES REORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The executive of the Jewish Agency here today endorsed unanimously the agreement reached in New York recently on the reorganization of the system of spending United Jewish Appeal funds for work in Israel.

David Bet-Aryeh, a member of the executive, reported to the meeting on his tour of Europe in connection with problems of Jewish education. He said that while there was progress, it was not satisfactory either quantitatively or qualitatively.

### LIFTING OF GEN. DAYAN'S IMMUNITY ASKED; TO STAND TRIAL IN ACCIDENT

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The lifting of the Parliamentary immunity of General Moshe Dayan, Israel Minister of Agriculture, so that he could stand trial in a traffic accident, was asked today by Pinhas Rosen, Israel's Minister of Justice, in his capacity as acting Attorney General.

The request was made to Kadish Luz, speaker of the Knesset, Israel's Parliament. Gen. Dayan, former Chief of Staff, was involved in the accident, in which several people were injured and for which he was blamed, at the end of 1958. The accident occurred after Gen. Dayan resigned from the Army but before he became a member of Knesset.

### COMMITTEE IN ISRAEL TO NAME CANDIDATES FOR POST OF CHIEF RABBI

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- Rabbi Judah Leib Maimon, Israel's first Minister of Religious Affairs, accepted today membership on the four-man panel which will serve as a nominations committee for the election of a new Chief Rabbi which has been deadlocked in a political dispute since February.

The panel was named by Rabbi Yaacov Toledano, Minister of Religious Affairs. Four other members have already been named by the Chief Rabbinate. The appointments are scheduled to be approved by the Israel Cabinet to pave the way for the elections.

The issue was touched off by the death of the Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Dr. Isaac Halevi Herzog. A struggle developed between Rabbi Toledano, acting on behalf of the Government, and the Israel Rabbinate, over new qualifications for the Chief Rabbi proposed by Rabbi Toledano. The acceptance by Rabbi Maimon, founder and grand old man of the Religious Zionist movement, was received with widespread satisfaction.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE ISSUES REPORT ON U.S. NEO-NAZI YOUTH GROUPS

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee today made public a report on neo-Nazi youth groups in the United States and disclosed plans for community action to deal with these tendencies.

The report listed some 11 American communities where these groups were discovered prior to and following the recent rash of swastika incidents. The report stated that in virtually all instances "these groups were found to be manifestations of juvenile delinquency and expressions of the herd instinct cast in Nazi format." It stressed that there was "little evidence of adult instigation in these groups." The majority of the youths involved were in the 13 to 18 age group.

The Committee emphasized that it is concerned with seeking "the basic causes which lead youthful offenders to choose neo-Nazi symbols for their "hate syndrome" and expressions of criminality. To be explored are the backgrounds and general social history of these offenders, including: the community situation, the cultural and familial framework, the individual's psychological makeup, his education, and related environmental and personal factors. It was stressed that merely tagging offenders as "juvenile delinquents did not penetrate to the roots of the neo-Nazi manifestations."

The Committee plans to enlist the aid of clinical psychologists social workers, university researchers, law enforcement and voluntary agencies who will work together as teams in specified communities. These teams will carry on studies in depth of the youths who are apprehended as members of these neo-Nazi groups. The studies will seek to formulate explanations for patterns of behavior, and propose positive community action--in the educational and human relations fields--to combat these tendencies.

Some of the neo-Nazi groups cited in the report were:

1. "The Nazi Regime of America"--had among its paraphernalia a homemade bomb, a gun, swastika insignias, and hand-printed literature. The group was discovered in Wayne, New Jersey.
2. "The Fourth Reich" in Cleveland, Ohio, stated that its avowed objective was "to get rid of Jews and Communists." The leader addressed as "Fuehrer" has a genius IQ. He had prepared a "death list" which included President Eisenhower.
3. "Nazism Club"-- Twenty-five teenagers in Visalia, California were found to be members of the group, whose officers used German military titles and state that some members comprised an S.S. Corps in case rough stuff was needed."
4. "The Nazi Storm Troops" came to light after the home of the Vice Mayor in Alexandria, Virginia had been fire bombed. Anti-Semitic slogans were part of the group's literature.
5. "The Nordic Reich," which was discovered in Kansas City, Missouri, led to the apprehension of 15 high school youths, although some evidence had indicated that there were allegedly 80. Two of the leaders have confessed to defacement of synagogues.
6. "The Naz-Coms" were discovered in Levittown, Long Island, following the defacement of a church, a Baptist cemetery and a high school. They said that their group incorporated the features of both Nazism and Communism.
7. In New York City the "National American Renaissance Party" was discovered while in the process of formation. A large stock of Nazi paraphernalia, literature and membership cards was confiscated.

The American Jewish Committee also reported that during the course of police investigation into a synagogue bombing and swastika defacements in Springfield, Massachusetts, three youths were found to have "identification cards" bearing swastikas. Information on incidents in Yonkers, N. Y. and Gadsden, Alabama during the latter part of March was received after the report had been prepared.

N. Y. SUPREME COURT RULES AGAINST ARAMCO'S REFUSAL TO EMPLOY JEWS

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- The State Commission Against Discrimination was "arbitrary and capricious" in allowing the Arabian-American Oil Company to ask job applicants about their religious affiliations, the Appellate Division of the State Supreme Court ruled yesterday.

The ruling of the five-man court was unanimous. It was made on an appeal filed by the ARAMCO asking for a reversal of a decision by New York Supreme Court Justice Henry Epstein ordering the company to desist from such practices. The ARAMCO contends that it asks the applicants to state their religion because it must comply with ban on entrance of Jews to Saudi Arabia where ARAMCO conducts its field operations. Justice Epstein, in his order barring inquiry about the applicants' religion, said the State Commission Against Discrimination made itself the "vassal of a foreign potentate."

A spokesman for the SCAD, commenting today on the ruling of the Appellate Division, said the SCAD will not act on the ruling because there is a possibility that the ARAMCO

might appeal against the ruling. An immediate hearing by SCAD was urged by Shad Polier, who serves as an attorney for the American Jewish Congress in the case.

Mr. Polier charged that ARAMCO "used the religious question on its job application form as a device for barring Jews not only from employment in Saudi Arabia but from jobs in its New York City operation, where the company has over 800 employees."

#### 6, 000 GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN WASHINGTON CONTRIBUTE TO U. J. A. DRIVE

WASHINGTON, April 20. (JTA) -- The Government division of the United Jewish Appeal, which was organized in 1946, has more than 6,000 active supporters and contributors, identified with every part of the United States Government, it was reported here.

At a UJA meeting of 300 representatives from federal and District of Columbia Government agencies and bureaus, it was decided to cover almost every part of the entire governmental structure in the national capital area in the current campaign for \$2, 750, 000. Stuart Rothman, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, is division chairman.

#### LOS ANGELES JEWISH WELFARE FUND REPORTS INCREASE IN CONTRIBUTIONS

LOS ANGELES, April 20. (JTA) -- Pledges totaling \$2, 349, 463--nearly \$100, 000 over the April 1 quota--were announced by J. M. Stuchen, general chairman of the 1960 United Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, as obtained to the beginning of this month. One hundred and four division chairmen topped their quotas of 35 percent of the \$7, 000, 000 UJWF total goal.

"Results to date are gratifying, but we cannot let up in our efforts to reach our May 1 quota of \$3, 500, 000," Mr. Stuchen said. Another highlight of the week's UJWF activities was an impressive \$500, 000 pledged by members of Brentwood County Club.

#### AMERICAN GROUP TO CONSTRUCT RUBBER RECLAIMING PLANT IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Government has authorized the construction of a rubber reclaiming plant in the coastal town of Natanya, by the U. S. Rubber Reclaiming Company of Buffalo, N. Y. The plant will be operated by Gamid Rubber Products and Plastics, Ltd., a subsidiary of Koor Industries, the industrial division of Solel Boneh of Israel.

The plant, which will have an ultimate daily capacity of 20, 000 to 25, 000 pounds, will utilize a process developed by the American firm for the reclamation of large quantities of scrap rubber, a growing by-product of Israel's industrialization program. Under the terms of an agreement between Gamid and the American firm, the plant's output, which will go primarily into the production of tires and tubes, may also be exported to countries in Europe and Africa.

#### SALE OF FOODSTUFFS FROM ISRAEL IN U. S. EXPECTED TO RISE THIS YEAR

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- Sale of foodstuffs from Israel in the United States are expected to set a new high of \$1, 500, 000 in 1960 at the wholesale level, as compared with the \$1, 000, 000 registered in 1959, it was indicated here today by Nathan Raviv, Trade Commissioner for Israel in this country.

Originally seen in department stores, the Israel products have now taken shelf space in a number of the supermarket chains across the country, Mr. Raviv said. Products already appearing on grocers' shelves throughout the nation include a full line of chocolates and candies, dehydrated soups, canned melons, grapefruit segments, figs, olives, pickled cucumbers, okra and marmalade.

Honey, matzohs and matzoh meal, peanuts, olive oil and cheese are other items from Israel that are being sold here in ever increasing quantities. Principle importers of Israel's food products are: Tel Aviv Import Corp., New York, the Aviv Import Co, and Israel Creations, Inc.

#### U. S. GROUP FINANCES NATIONAL CULTURAL CENTER FOR YOUTH IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- A national cultural center for youth was dedicated here today. The center, to be operated by the Youth Aliyah, is being financed by organizations affiliated with the American Interfaith Children to Palestine movement.

#### DR. ASTOUR NAMED PROFESSOR OF YIDDISH CULTURE AT BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

WALTHAM, Mass., April 20. (JTA) -- Dr. Michael Astour, a leading Yiddish writer and historian, has been named first incumbent of the newly created Jacob D. Berg Chair in Yiddish Culture at Brandeis University. The distinguished scholar and author of numerous books and articles on social, scientific and literary topics, will join the Brandeis faculty in the fall of 1960. The Berg Chair in Yiddish Culture will be used to enhance the teaching of the Yiddish language and culture. It was established this year by Jacob D. Berg of Elmhurst, Long Island.