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U.N. ASSEMBLY ADOPTS RESOLUTION ON ARAB REFUGEES OPPOSED BY ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 3, (JTA) -- The United Nations General Assembly adopted in a plenary session here today a resolution which, among other points, calls upon the Palestine Conciliation Commission "to continue its efforts for the implementation" of a paragraph in a 1948 Assembly resolution interpreted as giving the Arab refugees the "right" to return to Israel.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 82 to one, with 14 abstentions, the only negative vote having been cast by Israel. The draft adopted by the Assembly was identical with one passed by the body's Special Political Committee on November 20. Then, as today, Israel rejected the resolution, introduced by the United States, as "unacceptable."

Ambassador Michael S. Comay, Israel's permanent representative here, denounced the resolution in a speech delivered before the balloting, pinpointing his Government's rejection of the draft specifically to the clause which ties PCC action to the disputed Paragraph Eleven of the 1948 resolution. That paragraph, said Mr. Comay, "torn from its setting, has undergone an irrational transformation in the Arab mind. It has become a mystic symbol of the contention that Israel does not belong to the Israelis--and it must be wiped off the map of the Middle East."

Pointing out that that very 1948 draft also had called upon the Arab states to negotiate a full and final settlement of all disputes with Israel, Mr. Comay declared: "It is a sorry fact that the Arabs hail Paragraph Eleven as a denial of the sovereignty of a United Nations member state and as a license for belligerency."

Mr. Comay called for a separate vote on the clause in the U.S. resolution linking the refugee settlement to Paragraph Eleven of the 1948 document. On a roll call ballot on that clause in the American draft, 79 members voted in favor, Israel voted against, while 18 members abstained and 13 members were declared as "absent." A number of those "absentees" were members obviously friendly to Israel and did not want to place their names on record as failing to endorse the American draft.

Israel Willing to Seek Agreement with Arabs on Refugees, Comay Says

Ambassador Comay told the full Assembly that Israel sees the Arab refugee issue as "a human problem resulting from political and military events of 15 years ago." "Israel," he said, "has been and is willing to cooperate in an overall settlement of this problem agreed to between the host countries and herself." Those countries, which have jurisdiction over the areas where the refugees live now and receive United Nations relief are Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria.

"On the other hand," Mr. Comay maintained, "Arab delegations insist that the refugees reject Israel's statehood and must return in order to overthrow that statehood, with the help of the rest of the Arab world." He cited the fact that an "Algerian solution" has been called for by high Arab spokesmen, saying, such a solution meant the establishment of a "Palestine Army" to overthrow Israel.

Thus the Arabs, said Mr. Comay, "have left no room for serious and realistic discussion. The issue goes much deeper than a text or a mandate. It is rooted in the Arab refusal to come to terms with Israel in general--and on the refugee question in particular. While this stalemate is maintained, Israel can do no more than she has already done to help solve the problem. We certainly cannot cooperate in bringing our statehood into question or in undermining the safety of our realm."

In addition to Mr. Comay, representatives of Jordan, Cyprus and Syria also addressed the Assembly, all of them declaring they would vote for the American resolution. The United States delegation, which had presented the resolution originally in the Special Political Committee and which had amended its own resolution under Arab pressure to make it acceptable to the Arab bloc, sat mute in the Assembly today.

Knesset Opens Debate on U.N. Resolution on Arab Refugees

JERUSALEM, Dec. 3, (JTA) -- Opposition party deputies charged today, during Parliamentary debate on the Arab refugee problem, that developments at the recent United Nations discussion of the issue represented a "great failure" for Israel. The debate began today following a report yesterday by Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign

Minister, on the developments in the Special Political Committee of the UN General Assembly, when a United States-sponsored resolution two weeks ago was approved 83 to one, Israel casting the lone negative vote.

Israel had termed the resolution "unacceptable" in that it revived a 1948 resolution calling for repatriation or compensation for the refugees with no reference to the possibility of their resettlement in the Arab host countries. Israel took the position during the debate of expressing willingness to negotiate with the Arab countries on the refugee issue separately.

Israel Offer for Talks on Refugees Criticized and Defended

Menachem Beigin, leader of the Herut party, accused the Government in the Knesset today of violating a Knesset 1961 resolution which affirmed that the only solution of the refugee problem was resettlement in Arab countries. He said the "switch" from a call for direct Israel-Arab talks on a peace settlement to one for talks on the refugees separately was "a grave one." He asserted that under that proposal, Israel "obviously" would not go to the negotiating table with nothing to offer.

Ishar Harari of the Liberal party said that to talk only about the refugees was "just what the Arabs want" but Israel's strongest card, he stressed, was--no refugee talks as long as the Arab States were unprepared to live at peace with Israel. He added that the Israel Government should urge the United States to put an end to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for the refugees and that its contributions should go direct to the host countries, thus shifting responsibility for the refugees from the United Nations to the Arab countries.

David Hachohen of Mapai said that the Arab States wanted to destroy Israel by returning the refugees and that the identification of the refugee delegation at the UN with the Arab States proved that the refugees did not deserve to return. He said that Israel should intensify its information activities in the United States and shift its propaganda emphasis from the UN to world capitals.

Moshe Unna of the National Religious party welcomed "under the circumstances" the change in the pro-Israel resolution draft of general talks to refugee talks. He charged the United States with responsibility during the past three years for prevention of adoption of resolutions for direct Israel-Arab talks. He said that American action had strengthened Arab intransigence.

Itzhak Barzilay of Mapam said that Israel-Arab talks on refugees would "break the ice." He urged the Israel Government to declare readiness to accept back a certain number of refugees. Moshe Sneh of the Communist party said that recognition of the refugee "right" to return was the way to win recognition of Israel by the Arab States. Menachem Porush of Agudat Israel argued that it would be dangerous to permit the refugees to return except in the framework of a general peace settlement.

CHANCELLOR ERHARD SAYS HE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ISRAEL AT PRESENT

BONN, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Chancellor Ludwig Erhard indicated today that he did not intend to take action in the near future on establishing normal diplomatic relations between West Germany and Israel but he emphasized that he considered the proposal a question of timing.

He was asked at his first press conference since taking office, whether he intended to take such action. He replied that "our relations with Israel are not so much a question of diplomatic relations as a matter of our obligations. Our policy in the past has been one of maximum recognition of our obligations and a true spirit of friendship."

"It is not so much a question of whether we should take up diplomatic relations but when," he added. "If you consider the present circumstances in the Arab world and the possible consequences in regard to the German Democratic Republic, our present course seems the most appropriate." This was a reference to widespread fears among West German leaders that the Arab countries would retaliate against full West German diplomatic ties with Israel by extending recognition to the East German Communist regime.

"If you ask me whether I intend to make application in the Cabinet for exchange of full diplomatic relations with Israel, my answer would be 'not at the present time,' " he said.

PRESIDENT KASA VUBU OF CONGO ARRIVES IN ISRAEL ON STATE VISIT

TEL AVIV, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- President Joseph Kasavubu of the Republic of the Congo arrived in Israel today with his wife and a 17-man entourage for a one-week state visit. He was greeted at the airport with full military honors and welcomed by President Shazar, Premier Levi Eshkol and Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister.

JEWISH LORD OUSTED FROM BRITISH INSURANCE BOARD UNDER ARAB PRESSURE

LONDON, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- A spokesman for the Norwich Union Insurance Societies denied today that the resignation of Lord Mancroft, a London Jewish business leader, from its board had been prompted by anti-Semitism. Disclosure of his resignation was linked to Arab pressure on the company, which does a small amount of business in the Arab world.

"If we discriminated against Jews, we would not have appointed Mancroft to the board in the first place," the spokesman declared. He declined, however, to answer questions on whether the Jewish baron had been asked to resign and he refused to confirm or deny the reports that Arabs had threatened to halt doing business with the insurance company if Lord Mancroft remained a director.

According to the resignation report, Lord Mancroft had been told that his position on the London board, which advises the parent board in Norwich only on matters in the London area, would jeopardize the firm's prospects in the Arab countries.

The resignation evoked critical comment in the British press. Lord Mancroft said he "absolutely" would not make any public statement on the matter. The Evening Standard said in an editorial: "Senseless and evil discrimination against the Jew already exists as an underground movement in a certain stratum of society, but here is discrimination alleged in the board room of a respectable and responsible business company, which is quite a different matter."

SHOWING OF FILM 'EXODUS' CANCELED IN TURKEY UNDER ARAB PRESSURE

ISTANBUL, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- The showing of the film "Exodus" which was scheduled in a number of Turkish theaters, has been canceled as a result of Arab pressure, it was reported here today.

It is understood that Arab diplomats approached the Turkish Foreign Ministry and offered to ban the film "Lawrence of Arabia," which they characterized as "anti-Turkish," if the Turkish authorities would cancel the showing of "Exodus." While the Government has not yet ruled on an ban, it has asked the Turkish theaters to withdraw their announcements of "Exodus."

J.W.V. URGES LEGISLATION BANNING FIREARMS FOR AMERICAN NAZI PARTY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Federal legislation to prohibit extremist groups like the American Nazi party from maintaining arsenals or firearms and training adherents as snipers was asked today by National Commander Daniel Neal Heller of the Jewish War Veterans in a letter to President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Noting the assassination of President Kennedy by an extremist, Mr. Heller pointed out that the Nazi group maintains "storerooms of weapons and actually conducts firing range training in nearby Arlington, Va."

ANTI-SEMITES SENTENCED FOR DEFACING SYNAGOGUE WILL GET NEW TRIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- The Supreme Court yesterday ordered a new trial for Harold Fahy, accused of being a neo-Nazi anti-Semite, who was sentenced to 60 days' imprisonment for painting a swastika on Beth Israel synagogue in Norwalk, Connecticut.

Fahy appealed to the Supreme Court for a new trial on grounds that a can of paint and a brush were unlawfully seized from his car at his home and were improperly used as evidence in County Court, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Chief Justice Earl Warren delivered the 5 to 4 decision. Justice Arthur Goldberg favored Fahy's appeal. Justice Harlan dissented in an opinion in which Justices Clark, Stewart, and White joined.

VANDALS DESECRATE 236 GRAVES AT JEWISH CEMETERY IN NEW JERSEY

JERSEY CITY, N.J., Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Police today were investigating vandalism at Mt. Moriah Jewish Cemetery in Fairview, N.J., in which a total of 236 graves were desecrated. The tombstones of more than half of the desecrated graves were overturned, some of them weighing between 600 and 1,000 pounds and many of them were broken into several pieces.

This was the second such incident of vandalism at the cemetery. A year and a half ago, 36 tombstones were overturned and five youths aged 12 to 15 were detained after the incident. No arrests have yet been made in connection with the latest incident. Fairview police said today that they were "certain" that the latest incident was not the work of anti-Semites but of youths engaged in "mischief."

JEWISH AGENCY IN NEW YORK HOLDS MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR DR. SILVER

NEW YORK, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Memorial services were held today for the late Dr. Abba Hillel Silver by the American Section of the Jewish Agency here with Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, and Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the American section, as the principal speakers. Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, who had been scheduled to speak, was delayed in London and sent a message which was read at the memorial meeting. Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, a member of the Jewish Agency executive, conducted religious services.

With representatives of all the Zionist groups in America in attendance, the late Zionist leader was hailed for his role in presenting the Zionist case before the United Nations and in developing public opinion for the creation of Israel.

Dr. Goldmann characterized Dr. Silver as one of the most courageous, powerful and effective leaders in the history of Zionism. "His great ability as an orator and a statesman enabled him to mobilize American Jewry in support of the Jewish State in a decisive way," Dr. Goldmann said. "His belief in the Zionist idea and the Zionist movement was unparalleled. He was deeply convinced of the historical necessity of a strong Zionist movement even after the creation of the State of Israel. His concept and vision of the future of the Jewish State and of the Jewish people was statesmanlike and prophetic, and was based on the loftiest values and ideals of Jewish history. His sudden death deprives the Jewish people of one of its top leaders."

Mr. Sharett, speaking on behalf of himself and of his colleagues of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, said: "With the death of Dr. Silver, the most dynamic and powerful figure has disappeared from the world tribune of the Zionist movement. As an inspired leader and redoubtable fighter, Dr. Silver played for many years a central role in the evolution of American Zionism. In the crucial years of World War II, he was entrusted with the supreme command of American Zionist forces. By his stand in that capacity on the American political scene, and as spokesman of the Jewish Agency in the international arena, he made a decisive contribution to the attainment of the historical resolution of the United Nations General Assembly which opened for the Jewish people the portals of statehood in its own country."

Dr. Neumann said: "Zionism was the great passion of Dr. Silver's life. Dr. Silver, more than any other of his generation, brought to successful conclusion the task first set by Theodor Herzl--to secure international sanction for the re-establishment of a free and independent Jewish Commonwealth. The dazzling triumph won under his leadership," said Dr. Neumann, "has earned for him the proud title of architect of the new Jewish State, crowning his life with the aura of immortality."

Among those present at the services were: Katriel Katz, Consul General of Israel; and representatives of the New York Board of Rabbis, Zionist Organization of America, Hadassah, Labor Zionist Organization, Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, Chdut Avodah, Progressive Zionists of America, United Zionists Revisionists of America, National United Jewish Appeal, United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, and the State of Israel Bonds.

Silver Eulogized at Israel Cabinet Meeting and in Knesset

JERUSALEM, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, the American Zionist leader who died in Cleveland this weekend, was eulogized at the Cabinet meeting yesterday by Prime Minister Levi Eshkol. Premier Eshkol stressed Dr. Silver's great achievements as a leader of the American Zionist movement.

The Knesset, Israel's Parliament, paid tribute today to two departed Jewish leaders--Meir Argov, the late chairman of the Knesset's foreign affairs committee, and Rabbi Silver. Mr. Argov was eulogized by Kadish Luz, Speaker of the House. Rabbi Silver's eulogy was delivered by Joseph Serlin.

1,000,000 TREES TO BE PLANTED IN ISRAEL AS 'KENNEDY MEMORIAL FOREST'

JERUSALEM, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- A John F. Kennedy Memorial with a million-tree forest will be established in the United States Freedom Forest in the Judean Hills, it was announced here today by Yaacov Tzur, world chairman of the Jewish National Fund.

The Kennedy Forest will be planted around a Kennedy Peace Memorial of 50 pillars for the 50 states along with a monument to the assassinated American President, the nature of which has not yet been determined. A total of 1,000,000 trees have already been planted in the Freedom Forest including 20,000 trees planted in honor of the then Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson.