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NASSER'S PLAN FOR A NUCLEAR WAR AGAINST ISRAEL REPORTED BY GERMANS

LONDON, May 4. (JTA) -- Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser is preparing, with the help of 500 German scientists and electronics experts, a "deadly" set of plans to use atomic warfare against Israel and, unless the Soviet Union and the United States give joint guarantees against aggression to Egypt and Israel, the "new kind of arms race in the Middle East will menace the people of the entire world," the Guardian of Manchester warned today.

The newspaper revealed Nasser's entire atomic program in a special article from Frankfurt, Germany, reporting that "thanks to the help of German scientists, there are indications that Nasser has already achieved a breakthrough" toward making Egypt a "minor nuclear power." The information, said the newspaper, came from persons who have been connected with the work in Egypt. "They have convinced me of the authenticity of their information," the Frankfurt correspondent stressed.

Knowledge of Nasser's nuclear program has been top secret, restricted to a handful of German scientists and Nasser's personal advisers, the correspondent declared, but Israel has now been informed of the details of the Nasser program, while the Governments of Britain, France and the United States "are aware at least of the general outlines of the program."

Plan Provides for Nuclear Bombs and Radioactive Missiles

Nasser's nuclear program aimed at Israel consists of three main features, all designed to annihilate Israel, the report stated. The first feature is "Operation Cleopatra," which involves production of nuclear bombs of the type used by the United States in its atomic attack on Hiroshima in 1945. While the Hiroshima bomb is now considered "out of date" by big power standards, it was pointed out that such a bomb is sufficient for the destruction of Israel's highly-concentrated centers of population.

This project has been delayed somewhat by the inability of the German scientists, thus far, to make an easily transportable bomb or nuclear war head, light enough to be fitted onto a rocket. But the project, according to the report, has probably not been abandoned. One of Nasser's plans, discussed with his closest advisers, said the report, was to try to obtain some of the Hiroshima-type A-bombs by bribing Royal Air Force officers to bring three or four of them to Egypt stealthily. The bribes would have amounted to \$8,000,000 per bomb.

The second feature of the Nasser program is called "Operation Ibis," and involves the making of small missiles with "limited radioactive fallout." These could be used as bombs dropped by planes, or as warheads for rockets, or as shells fired by artillery. The German informants told the Guardian correspondent they believed that this type of missile has already been produced by the German scientists in Egypt, and is being stockpiled in Egypt.

The third phase of the Nasser program, called "Operation Strontium-90," has been reportedly given serious consideration by Nasser for causing heavy civilian losses among the Israelis when small packages of Strontium-90 are dropped over Israel. The key figure in "Operation Strontium-90" was reportedly Prof. Wolfgang von Piltz, a German rocket specialist. Later, the report stated, some electronic experts, also Germans, were brought into this project, and some Egyptian scientists and nuclear experts were added.

The report said that there has been a definite breakthrough by Egypt in "the field of light and easily transportable missiles, containing limited quantities of radioactive material. The exploding of such missiles would not produce the heat or blast effects of a hydrogen bomb, but their secondary radiation effects would cause countless deaths through radioactive fallout," the report stated.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ASKS U. S. TO ASSURE ISRAEL OF DEFENSIVE ARMS

WASHINGTON, May 4. (JTA) -- A bi-partisan call to the Administration to consider the possibility of assuring Israel of arms to defend herself against Arab aggression was voiced here tonight at the closing session of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee's two-day conference.

The conference adopted a statement of policy which appealed to President Johnson "for a review of American policy in the Near East--to meet the growing danger which not only

threatens a war of extermination against Israel, but also weakens the United States and undermines the security and peace of the free world."

Congressman Thomas Morgan, chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, reviewed the role Congress has played in supporting the establishment and economic development of Israel, noting that very often Congressional thinking was ahead of that of the professional diplomats. Rep. Morgan rejected the theory professed by many Government officials in connection with American aid to Nasser that economic aid and surplus food does not contribute to the arms race.

"There is no real difference between economic and military aid," he said. "It is less than frank to pretend that our economic aid does not bolster the military prowess of the recipient country. Accordingly, we have some misgivings about economic aid to a nation which shops in Moscow for arms." Noting that aid to Israel has been declining as a result of her economic progress, Congressman Morgan declared: "Nor will we cut aid to Israel if it endangers her existence or encourages those who threaten her."

Since Israel must divert much of her resources for security because of the concentration of Soviet weapons in the hand of her threatening neighbors, there are two alternatives, he said--either to halt the arms race or "act firmly to prevent an arms imbalance." He pointed out that Congress last year approved an amendment barring American assistance to any country engaging in or preparing for aggression against another recipient of American aid; "That was alternative one. If that alternative cannot be carried out then, manifestly, the Administration should consider the second alternative--make certain that Israel has the arms to defend herself," he declared.

Senator Scott Urges U.S. to Give Defense Equipment to Israel

The call for American arms to Israel was spelled out even more specifically by Senator Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania Republican, who expressed the hope that President Johnson "will examine the situation again in view of recent clear evidence of Nasser's expansionist and imperialistic drive that threatens not only Israel but Western positions of strength."

"First, the United States must stop all aid to Egypt. Secondly, I urge President Johnson to consider the possibility of providing military defense equipment to Israel--as we did in 1962--to offset the dangerous advantage that both U.S. and Soviet aid has given to Egypt," Sen. Scott declared.

In its statement of policy, the Committee warned of the growing danger created by Arab aggressiveness and expressed concern that "despite this growing threat to the United States and the rest of the free world, the Arab states continue to receive generous economic assistance from the United States."

Noting that the present Administration reiterated President Kennedy's commitments to intervene to prevent aggression in the Near East, the policy statement declared that such commitments "will have greater effect if they are reinforced by concrete military aid to strengthen those whose security is imperiled. Israel is in that category."

The policy statement commended President Johnson's support of Israel's water development program, and also declared that "the most feasible solution for the Arab refugees is settlement in Arab lands, which have space and economic opportunity for them."

The Committee urged the Government to resist vigorously Arab boycott attempts in America, and called attention to the fact that, despite successive pledges by U.S. Administrations, the Suez Canal remains closed to Israeli shipping. In conclusion, the statement urged American initiative for Israel-Arab peace negotiations. "Our country has the obligation to exercise moral leadership in the attainment of an Arab-Israel peace," the statement stressed.

ITINERARY OF PREMIER ESHKOL'S VISIT TO U.S. ANNOUNCED IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, May 4. (JTA) -- The final itinerary was announced here today for the forthcoming visit to Washington of Prime Minister Levi Eshkol.

Mr. Eshkol will remain in the United States for 12 days, the first three of which will be devoted to talks in Washington. During his stay in Washington, the Israeli Premier will be given a dinner by President Johnson at the White House and will be host to Mr. Johnson at a dinner in a Washington hotel.

From Washington, Mr. Eshkol will proceed to New York for a four-day visit during which he will be the guest of Mayor Wagner at a reception and of United Nations Secretary General U Thant at a luncheon at United Nations headquarters.

The Israeli Premier will then visit Fort Bliss where Israeli military personnel are being trained in the use of American Hawk missiles and will then proceed to Los Angeles for a two-day visit. On his return trip from the West Coast, Mr. Eshkol will visit Chicago.

Mr. Eshkol will be accompanied by a number of high Israeli officials on his trip to the United States. During his visit to various countries, he will meet with Jewish leaders there and outline to them the latest developments in Israel.

DISPUTE OVER LAVON REMAINS SUSPENDED UNTIL ESHKOL'S RETURN FROM U.S.

TEL AVIV, May 4. (JTA) -- The new dispute in the years-old Lavon Affair--involving, this time, a disagreement between Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and former Premier David Ben-Gurion--remained in suspension today as the leadership of the dominant Mapai party agreed to postpone a further possible fight on the matter, so as to show the world that Mr. Eshkol has the united backing of his party on the eve of his scheduled visit to the United States at the invitation of President Johnson.

The affair had flared up again this weekend after Mr. Eshkol, consigning the Lavon dispute to past history, invited Pinhas Lavon, former Defense Minister and former secretary-general of Histadrut, the Israel Federation of Labor, to return to the Mapai councils. With Mr. Ben-Gurion insisting, by letter, that Mr. Eshkol was not empowered to reverse the 1961 Mapai decision to oust Mr. Lavon, the party leadership met here for nearly five hours last night, arguing the matter; Mr. Ben-Gurion was not present, but strong factions inside Mapai argued for his point of view.

In a letter to last night's meeting, Mr. Ben-Gurion explained he was not attending the session because he regards the entire matter as "a comedy." He charged that the issue has been revived by the Israeli newspapers and radio, and insisted that the Mapai Secretariat cannot discuss a matter that had already been settled by the entire party.

At one point, the meeting was suspended while a compromise was drafted by Mrs. Golda Meir, the Foreign Minister; Pinhas Sapir, Minister of Finance; and Zalman Aranne, Minister of Education. They proposed that Mr. Eshkol be permitted to make a statement on the issue. Yosef Almogi, Minister of Housing, walked out of the meeting in protest against that proposal. Mr. Eshkol then made his statement, declaring that he had taken the action for the rehabilitation of Mr. Lavon after consulting with many Mapai members, but contending that the action was his own and did not contradict any official Mapai decisions.

Reuven Barkat, secretary-general of Histadrut, told the session that the record must show that Mr. Eshkol's statement had been heard but neither accepted nor rejected by the Mapai leadership. On that note, and with the common agreement that Mr. Eshkol must not be faced with a divided party before his departure for the United States, the meeting ended. However, it seemed certain that, next month, after Mr. Eshkol returns from his American visit, the matter will be revived for further argument inside Mapai.

Meanwhile, supporters of Mr. Ben-Gurion left today for Sdeh Boker, the ex-Premier's home, to confer with the elder statesman, and to listen to any reactions he might have as a result of last night's session. All leaders of Mapai agreed, however, that Mr. Eshkol, due to arrive in Washington June 1, will be going to the United States with the backing of the entire Mapai party.

1,500 NURSES OF HISTADRUT HEALTH INSTITUTIONS GO ON 24-HOUR STRIKE

TEL AVIV, May 4. (JTA) -- Some 1,500 nurses of the Kupa Holim sick fund of the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation, went out on a 24-hour strike today in support of demands for better working conditions.

Elementary school teachers, meanwhile, said they would strike for the next three days unless the Government withdrew a decision refusing them extra pay for coaching athletic teams.

LONDON JEWS DISAGREEING WITH CHIEF RABBI FORM SEPARATE SYNAGOGUE

LONDON, May 4. (JTA) -- About half of the 700 members of the New West End Synagogue decided at a meeting here last night to establish a new congregation with Dr. Louis Jacobs as spiritual leader. The synagogue's officers and board of management were discharged last week by the United Synagogue, Britain's governing synagogue body, in a dispute over the earlier appointment of Dr. Jacobs as Minister of the congregation.

Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie, spiritual head of the United Synagogue, had declined to approve Dr. Jacobs' appointment as minister of the New West End Synagogue on the grounds that his views are not in line with Orthodox Judaism. The United Synagogue Council then deposed the congregation's officers when the latter proceeded to appoint Dr. Jacobs to the post over the Chief Rabbi's objections.

Since the property of the New West End Synagogue belongs to the United Synagogue, the new congregation will have to find a new place of worship which, according to last night's decision, will be called the "New London Synagogue." Chief Rabbi Brodie, meanwhile, has called an emergency meeting of all Orthodox rabbis and ministers in the country to be held tomorrow to deal with the entire issue.

ARGENTINE MINISTER ASSURES W.J.C. DELEGATION ON CHECKING BIGOTRY

BUENOS AIRES, May 4. (JTA) -- Argentine Foreign Minister Zavala Ortiz today assured a delegation representing the Latin American section of the World Jewish Congress that the Government would not permit any racist propaganda against any religious group. The Foreign Minister gave the assurance after the members of the delegation protested the anti-Semitic activities currently being carried out by Arab agents in Argentina. The World Jewish Congress just concluded its Latin American conference here.

PROMINENT EDUCATORS DISCUSS NEGRO-JEWISH RELATIONS; FIND ANIMOSITY

NEW YORK, May 4. (JTA) -- A group of prominent educators and writers taking part in a conference on Negro-Jewish relations agreed here yesterday that animosity exists between Jews and Negroes but disagreed on motivations behind Negro anti-Semitism.

The conference, which was sponsored by the Conference on Jewish Social Studies, dealt with the question of whether Jews were occasionally harassed by Negroes because they were white or because they were Jews and with the role of the Jews in the Negroes' struggle for civil rights.

Referring to the recent attack on children at a Brooklyn yeshiva by a group of 50 Negroes, Professor Horace Mann Bond, a distinguished Negro educator and dean of the School of Education at Atlanta University, said that the Jewish children were attacked because they were white and that the incident lacked "the classic elements of anti-Semitism."

Professor Abraham G. Duker of Yeshiva University, contended, on the other hand, that the attack was due to basic anti-Semitism. "Anti-Semitism among Negroes," he said, "stems from the same source as white anti-Semitism, namely, Christian teaching."

Leo Srole, professor of sociology in psychiatry at the Downstate Medical College of New York State University, said that Negroes find Jews "available objects for the hostility they bear to the white community." Howard M. Brotz of Smith College, urged that more Negroes study and emulate the self-help projects of the Negro Jews of Harlem, which, he said, has achieved an admirable record in controlling crime and improving housing conditions among members of the group.

Bayard Rustin, Negro leader who helped direct the March on Washington last August, said that the Brooklyn incident merely expressed the frustrations of Negroes who were ready to "adopt a slogan of 'to hell with everybody, regardless of color, race or creed.'" Harold Ribalow, Jewish author, said Negro authors like James Baldwin have been more effective than Jewish writers as spokesmen for their communities. Jews, he said do not accept Jewish writers until their works are acclaimed by non-Jews.

MEMORY OF JULES ISAAC HONORED IN FLORENCE AT IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY

FLORENCE, May 4. (JTA) -- A special commemoration ceremony was held today in memory of Jules Isaac, the noted French historian known for his lifetime struggle against religious prejudice. The Mayor of Florence, Giorgio La Piza, has designated the day as "Jules Isaac Day."

The ceremony was held in the magnificent setting of the Florence Municipal Hall in the "Palazzo Vecchio" in conjunction with the annual meeting of European societies for Christian-Jewish friendship. Participating in the meeting were the French Ambassador M. Bernard, Chief Rabbi Jacob Kaplan of France and Chief Rabbi Toaff of Rome. Also present were representatives of B'nai B'rith, Alliance Israelite, the American Jewish Committee and Jewish communities throughout the world.

Jules Isaac's books on anti-Semitism and early Christian teachings have made a deep impression on World Christianity and his meeting with the late Pope John XXIII in 1960 mark the beginning of discussions of suggestions now before the Ecumenical Council.

\$700,000 IN ISRAEL BONDS SOLD AT DINNER HONORING CATHOLIC PRELATE

PITTSBURGH, May 4. (JTA) -- Monsignor Charles Owen Rice, popularly known as Western Pennsylvania's "labor priest," was honored here last night by more than 600 civic, communal and labor leaders at an impressive dinner in behalf of State of Israel Bonds.

Approximately \$700,000 in Israel bonds were sold at the dinner, which was the occasion for a city-wide tribute of the labor movement to Monsignor Rice for his many years of crusading leadership in behalf of social justice and the cause of labor, and for his warm friendship and support for the State of Israel.

EGYPTIAN AND LEBANESE TEAMS FAIL TO APPEAR FOR GAMES WITH ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 4. (JTA) -- An Israel bridge team won a match in the Second World Bridge Olympiad by default last night when the Egyptian team they were scheduled to play failed to appear. The captain of the Egyptian team, Omar Shariff, had indicated earlier that his team was boycotting the match with Israel on written instructions from the Cairo Government.

A spokesman for the Lebanese team, meanwhile, announced that his group would not appear tonight for a scheduled match with Israel. One of the members of the Lebanese team is a Jew, Shoua Yedid.

RABBI FASMAN RETIRES AS PRESIDENT OF HEBREW THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

CHICAGO, May 4. (JTA) -- Rabbi Oscar Z. Fasman, president of the Hebrew Theological College in Skokie, Illinois, since 1946, today announced his retirement as the president of that institution, effective as of October 1, 1964. His resignation was accepted with deep regret by the board of directors of the college, who paid tribute to him for his years of service. By unanimous vote of the directors Rabbi Fasman was named as president emeritus of the college.