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E.C.A. URGES U.S.A. TO BACK ISRAEL; CITES NEW THREATS BY ARABS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4: (JTA) -- The 67th annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America concluded this weekend with resolutions calling on the United States Government to fulfill commitments for the security of Israel because of Arab aggression preparations arising from the recent Arab summit conference in Egypt. Dr. Max Nussbaum, of Hollywood, Calif., was elected president of the organization for a third term. His election followed adoption by an overwhelming majority of an amendment to the ZOA constitution, permitting three consecutive terms instead of two.

In a resolution on American foreign policy, the convention recalled declarations by Presidents Kennedy and Johnson opposing the use or threat of force in the Middle East. The convention said the eventualities contemplated have now arisen, and a threat of force and aggressive preparations were openly proclaimed at the recent Arab summit conference.

The resolution called on the Administration "to implement its declared policy and commitment by taking appropriate measures without delay--measures calculated to halt the preparations for aggression--to deter the would-be aggressors from launching a war of aggression against Israel, and to use its influence to promote direct negotiations of peace between Israel and the Arab states."

Earlier, the convention received greetings from President Johnson and Gen. Barry Goldwater. Myer Feldman, counsel to President Johnson, in an address today, told the Zionists that the United States is committed to Israel's survival. He also assailed elements that impugn the patriotism of those Americans who work on behalf of Israel.

Johnson Recalls Parley with Eshkol; Goldwater Pledges Friendship

In his communication, addressed to Rabbi Nussbaum, President Johnson, extending "heartiest greetings" to the convention, stated:

"Your convention is another evidence of the close ties of friendship between this country and the people of Israel, a bond which was further strengthened by the visit of Israel Prime Minister Levi Eshkol to this country last June.

"The continued progress of the State of Israel in all fields of economic and social endeavor is of enduring concern to our Nation. Our joint study with Israel of a proposed desalting project in that country, as part of a worldwide cooperative effort to solve the problem of the scarcity of water, should prove a benefit to all mankind;

"As I emphasized to Prime Minister Eshkol, it is the strong desire of the United States to promote friendly relations with all nations of the Near East. The territorial integrity and national independence of all countries in the Near East must be maintained as a primary factor for an enduring peace and for the uninterrupted progress of human development. To this end, the United States is resolved to pursue its policy of firm opposition to aggression, and to the use of force or the threat of force against any country;

"The Zionist Organization of America is to be commended for its program to promote study of Hebrew as a cultural bridge between American Jewry and Israel, and for its efforts to preserve the spiritual heritage of the Jewish people among our fellow citizens of the Jewish faith in this country."

Sen. Goldwater, in his message, stated: "My sincere best wishes to you and all the members of the Zionist Organization of America for a most successful convention; All Republicans note with pride your fine efforts on behalf of American-Israeli friendship. We support the integrity of all Middle East states, and believe that our economic and military assistance should be directed so as to help maintain stability in this region, and prevent an imbalance of arms. May you--and may all of us--soon see the fulfillment of the peace that we seek."

Feldman Sees Mid-East Peace Inevitable; Tells of U.S. Commitments

Mr. Feldman was the convention's guest of honor at a special morning session today. A scholarship in his name was awarded to a student for a full year's study at Kfar Silver, an agricultural institute in Israel, maintained by the ZOA. Responding to tributes by Dr. Nussbaum and other speakers who noted his contributions to American-Israel relations

as adviser to Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, Mr. Feldman told of the necessity for peace and steps taken to achieve it.

In support of Zionism, and obviously rebuking anti-Zionists, Mr. Feldman said: "I get tired of people who think that, if you are engaged in an effort in behalf of Israel, there is something that reflects, somehow, on your patriotism to the United States; These efforts are not inconsistencies with American interests, but a consistent program;

He reviewed efforts of the U.S. Administration to achieve peace, and cited difficulties encountered. He voiced conviction that "peace in the Middle East is inevitable, basing his belief on the following reasons:

"1. The United States is committed to the fact that Israel is here to stay, and will do everything it can to make sure of this; 2. The very close bond of friendship existing between the United States and Israel bears testimony to the prospect that Israel will achieve working arrangements with all other neighboring countries; 3. The United States will assure the territorial integrity of Israel; 4. The United States will oppose aggression of any kind in the Middle East. This we repeat regularly."

Mr. Feldman lauded the ZOA for advancing the aims of Jewish learning, and expressed appreciation for the establishment of a scholarship in his name. Abraham Goodman, of New York, presided at this session.

McCormack Condemns Anti-Israel Threats, Pledges U. S. Aid

Earlier, Speaker John W. McCormack, of the House of Representatives, told the convention that it "is tantamount to treason against world public opinion and treachery against the charter of the United Nations" for any neighboring state to "contemplate the destruction of Israel, or to seek to damage its life in any way."

Delivering the principal address at a luncheon, Rep. McCormack, Massachusetts, Democrat, pointed out that the United Nations charter "clearly states that, for nations to be members of the UN, they must be peace-loving in character and not practice any boycott or undertake any other action which contravenes international law and fundamental laws of the UN."

The luncheon addressed by Rep. McCormack was sponsored by the American Zionist Fund, fund-raising arm of the ZOA, tendered in honor of Yosef Serlin, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset, Israel's Parliament. Rep. McCormack commended Mr. Serlin for his "personal and public achievements."

Asserting that "the military strength of Israel is for the preservation of peace--and not for war and aggression," Mr. McCormack emphasized that, "as long as external threats exist, our Government should and will give necessary assistance to Israel to assure her continued independence and the freedom of her people."

Mr. Serlin, in response, paid tribute to Rep. McCormack's long friendship for the Zionist cause. Charles Rosengarten, of Westbury, Conn., who presided at the luncheon, warned against complacency, and urged support of ZOA projects.

Averell Harriman Lauds Israeli Advances, Courage, Dedication

Under-Secretary of State W. Averell Harriman told the convention that "United States efforts in the Near East are directed towards the maintenance of peace through every avenue open." He added that policies in the Near East "are a part of our total commitment to peace throughout the world."

Mr. Harriman emphasized that "our objective is to prevent acts of aggression and to promote peace in an area where, unfortunately, much hostility continues to exist." He quoted previous statements by Presidents Kennedy and Johnson pertaining to the American commitment to Israel's security.

Citing Israel's rate of economic growth, Mr. Harriman said: "Israel has been blazing a trail for others to follow." He said "the growth rate of this industrious and vibrant young democracy is among the highest in the world." He lauded the "courage and dedication" of Israel's citizens.

Mr. Harriman told of plans for nuclear desalting operations in Israel as a joint American-Israeli venture. He reported, however, that "the important unanswered question is whether the project would be economical," but added: "The prospect is encouraging, and the results of the study will be made available to all nations."

Neumann Demands U. S. 'Re-Assessment'; Goldmann Sends Message

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, honorary president of the ZOA, told the convention that it is "time for President Johnson to reassess the situation and to adopt a new and firmer line toward President Nasser of Egypt, the dictator on the Nile."

He asked the Administration to adopt "a more hard-headed and realistic policy, based not upon preconceived theory and wishful thinking, but upon the realities." He pointed out that "the current policy of U.S. support of Nasser and Nasserism was not inaugurated by

the present Administration. It is a carry-over of past years, to be re-examined in light of experiences and realities."

Dr. Neumann insisted that the United States must withhold financial and political support from Nasser until he renounces aggression and aggressive preparations. He cited the recent Alexandria Arab summit conference and the formation of the "Palestine Army of Liberation" for aggression against Israel.

He expressed confidence President Johnson will act effectively on the Nasser issue. "When he does--and I hope it will be soon--he can count on the full support of public opinion and bipartisan support in the Congress," he said.

Dr. Neumann, asked, in regard to Nasser: "How much longer shall we persist in a policy which has proved so futile, so unrewarding, so fraught with danger, so contrary to our American traditions, so costly and so obviously unsound and discredited by experience? How does it serve our national interest to promote the interest of an ambitious dictator? Why should we be a party even to the slightest degree to his endeavor to foist his way on those who reject his rule?" He charged that Nasser's destructive designs against Israel "are not an end in themselves but calculated to serve his larger ambitions." He said that Nasser's conquest of Israel "would give him easier access to Jordan, Syria and Lebanon." It would "so enhance his prestige among the Arabs as to make his bid for empire appear more possible of achievement," he declared.

In a message from Geneva, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, voiced hope that the ZOA will "begin to map plans for reorganizing the Zionist movement in America." Dr. Goldmann said "the Zionist movement can only regain its former positions in American Jewish life by united action and joint efforts of all the Zionist groups, and it is only natural that the ZOA should take the initiative to bring about such a real unity of effort and work."

The session also heard addresses by Rep. Robert Taft, Jr., Ohio Republican, and S. Zalman Abramov, member of the Knesset and a leader of the Israel Liberal Party.

Resolutions Urge Immigration to Israel, Zionist Unification

In another step, the concluding session of the convention unanimously adopted a resolution on American Jewish immigration to Israel, urging that it be diligently and progressively encouraged by the ZOA, with emphasis on middle class settlement; To promote Jewish immigration from America, the program includes promotion of Israeli housing projects for American settlers, in cooperation with the authorities and bodies engaged in providing housing for newcomers; It provides for encouragement of group visits to Israel by the ZOA group of prospective settlers in close cooperation with counterparts in Israel. The resolution encourages participation of American Jews in one or two-year work and study programs in Israel.

Another resolution hailed "the remarkable progress achieved during the past year for the unification of the forces of General Zionism throughout the world under the aegis of the World Union of General Zionists."

Still another resolution voiced appreciation for "the initial steps taken by Prime Minister Eshkol to provide for closer cooperation between the Government which he heads, and the World Zionist Organization." The convention expressed "the hope that this line of policy, which Prime Minister Eshkol had indicated, will be fully implemented by the Ministries and departments in the Government of Israel and its official representatives and emissaries in the Diaspora."

MIZRACHI WOMEN URGE U.S. INITIATIVE FOR ARAB ISRAEL PEACE

NEW YORK, Oct. 4: (JTA) -- President Johnson was urged tonight to undertake a new initiative for peace in the Middle East, before a developing crisis erupts in that troubled area. In a telegram directed to the White House, delegates to the 39th annual convention of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America, which opened here tonight, specifically suggested that the President "in the bettered climate of America-Soviet relationships," should propose to Soviet Premier Khrushchev as a first step towards total and general disarmament the establishment in the Middle East of a regional pilot plan of disarmament."

Prior to the adoption of the resolution, Mrs. Eli Resnikoff, national president of the women's religious Zionist organization, read to the 1,000 delegates, representing 50,000 members of the organization, a message of warm congratulations from the President. In his message, Mr. Johnson told the women:

"Your work during the past four decades is a shining example of unselfish devotion to the homeless, the poor and the underprivileged. The dedication of Mizrahi Women to the children of Israel--their education, training and welfare--has helped that country assure a future generation of citizens devoted to the ancient, everlasting traditions of Judaism. It has helped bring closer the eternal prophetic vision of a world free from want and united in the belief of man's equality before God. Your efforts deserve the thanks of all Americans."

MEMORIAL GROUP FOR JEWISH CULTURE ANNOUNCES START OF OPERATIONS

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, which is to commence operations in 1965, expects to allocate funds for its programs out of income accruing to it in that year, it was announced here today. The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany is establishing the Foundation in memory of the 6,000,000 Jews who perished during the Nazi holocaust;

Allocations will be granted to qualified organizations and institutions in aid of programs in Jewish cultural and educational fields. The funds of the Foundation are limited and it will therefore focus initially on selected programs and only in those cases where local resources are insufficient to provide the funds sought from it, the announcement stated;

Jewish education will be considered an area of major responsibility by the Foundation. It expects to aid programs calling for the development of teacher training in Jewish subjects, rabbinical training by yeshivot and rabbinical seminaries, and the training of professional staff members for cultural and educational activities in Jewish communities. The Foundation will also assist in the establishment of chairs in Judaica at colleges and universities, the publication of Jewish textbooks, and the development of Jewish educational programs for students at colleges and universities.

Allocations will be granted in aid of research and publication programs in Jewish fields undertaken by universities and other scholarly institutions, with special attention given to the period of the Nazi holocaust. Aid will also be granted toward the translation and publication of works of major Jewish significance, and the publication of literature in Jewish fields for children and youth;

The Foundation will also conduct a scholarship and fellowship program; It will grant scholarships to university students specializing in a Jewish field on a graduate level, and fellowships to persons qualified to carry out independent projects in Jewish scholarship, literature and the fine arts;

The Foundation will consider applications submitted by Jewish organizations and institutions for the year 1965 only if they fall into any of the outlined categories, according to the announcement. Such applications are to be submitted before the end of November 1964, in 10 copies, to the Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, 3 East 54th Street, New York, N. Y., 10022; The applications should contain detailed descriptions of the activities for which funds are requested, precise budgetary data, and information on other sources of income which may be available for the projects; Details of the scholarship and fellowship program and the filing data for applications will be announced at a later time;

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE HEAD URGES U. S. COMMISSION ON ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- A "Warren-type" national commission to investigate racial and religious prejudice in the United States was advocated here today by Jacob T. Zukerman, president of the Workmen's Circle. He issued that call in addressing the concluding session of the organization's national executive committee.

Stating that "racial and religious prejudice is still prevalent in industry, education and housing," Mr. Zukerman told the meeting that, "what is needed is a full and frank discussion and thorough investigation by the Federal Government such as the Warren Commission performed; There is evidence of racial and religious discrimination in so many avenues of American life, that the sooner it is brought into the open and discussed candidly, the healthier the economic and political climate of America will be;"

Benjamin A. Gebiner, national executive secretary, told the meeting that there has been an upsurge of Jewish education in the United States; He stated that his organization, which has 100 Yiddish language schools throughout the United States and Canada, has placed a priority on increasing the number "in view of what has proven to be an unprecedented upsurge by parents to send their children to schools in which Jewish heritage is taught, "

"At a time when," he said, "Jewish religious bodies have launched a massive drive to build new synagogues and community centers, we have found a great expression by young American-Jewish parents who want their children to learn Yiddish, and to become inculcated with Jewish heritage;

"Instead of becoming a dead Eastern European language, our studies reveal that there is a genuine Yiddish-language revival not only in the large urban centers but in the suburbs. We intend to meet this new and welcome challenge," he said.

Backing up Mr. Zukerman's statement about anti-Semitism, Mr. Gebiner called not only for greater American concern with that issue, but also for more vigorous United Nations involvement. He urged forthright action on anti-Semitism at the next session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

SEN. SCOTT URGES TAKING RATION CARDS FROM AGGRESSIVE ARABS

ERIE, Pa., Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Senator Hugh Scott, Pennsylvania Republican, urged the U. S. Government to demand that ration cards be denied to Arab refugees who are training for war against Israel. He spoke before the Jewish Center Brotherhood here;

'RECONSTRUCTIONIST' ENDS 30-YEAR CUSTOM, URGES GOLDWATER DEFEAT

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The Reconstructionist, the bi-monthly publication of the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation, called in its current issue for the defeat of Sen. Barry Goldwater at the polls next month.

The publication ended a 30-year practice of endorsing principles rather than persons, asserting that, this year, the tradition was no longer valid. The publication said Sen. Goldwater's bid for the Presidency "must not only be defeated; he must be completely routed. European friends must be assured that the overwhelming majority of Americans renounce extremism in foreign policy."

NEW YEARBOOK GIVES NUMBER OF JEWS AROUND THE WORLD AS 13,121,000

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The estimated population of Jews throughout the world totaled 13,121,000 at the end of 1963, with the Jewish communities in the United States, the Soviet Union and Israel accounting for 75 percent of the total, according to figures in the 1964 American Jewish Year Book, published jointly here today by the American Jewish Committee and the Jewish Publication Society.

The Jewish community in the United States, according to the Yearbook, is estimated at 5,600,000, nearly half of them living in New York State with 2,381,000 in the Greater New York City area. The second largest Jewish community in the world remained that in the Soviet Union, which was estimated to total 2,420,000, while 320,000 other Jews lived in the Soviet bloc countries. Israel's Jewish population ranked third with 2,143,000.

Only four other countries had Jewish populations of more than 200,000: They are France with 500,000; Great Britain, 450,000; Argentina, 450,000; and Canada, 254,000. Other large concentrations of Jews included Brazil, 130,000; South Africa, 116,000; Morocco, 100,000; Iran, 80,000; and Australia, 67,000.

In an article in the Yearbook on "Jewish College Students in the United States," Alfred Jospe, director of program and resources of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, reported that in proportion to their numbers, almost three times as many Jews in the United States go to college as do college-age men and women in the population generally. The article noted that 80 per cent of Jewish men and women of college age attend schools of higher learning, while the figure for the general population is 27 percent.

ANALYSIS CREDITS GOLDBERG WITH HIGH COURT SHIFT TO LIBERALISM

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The appointment during the past year of Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg, replacing Justice Felix Frankfurter, has swung the balance of the United States Supreme Court more sharply to the liberal side, according to the annual summary and analysis of the Court's decisions, issued today by the Commission on Law and Social Action of the American Jewish Congress.

The summary, which was released on the eve of the beginning tomorrow of the new term of the Supreme Court, noted that, during its last term, the Court decided a higher percentage of cases in favor of individuals exercising their constitutional freedoms than ever before in its history.

Justice Goldberg's role in shifting the center of the Court more strongly to the liberal side was shown by an analysis of the record of the Court before and since his appointment. During the five years before his appointment, the Court decided 128 out of 213 civil rights and civil liberties cases favorably, or 60.1 percent. During the two years that Justice Goldberg has served on the bench, the Court's record in such cases was 67 favorable and 15 unfavorable, or 80.4 percent, the AJC stated.

REFORM SPOKESMAN CALLS FOR MORE ADEQUATE JEWISH SOCIAL ACTION

PLEASANTDALE, N.J., Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Charles Rothschild, president of the New Jersey Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, called on that regional body here today to establish a social action committee to provide adequate machinery to cope with several critical questions of concern in New Jersey. Addressing a three-day conference of the Council, Mr. Rothschild said that, without such a committee, the Reform temple group was unable to "work side by side with our co-religionists and others in the community in actively carrying into action the moral and ethical imperatives of our Judaism."

In another address at the conference, Rabbi Jay Kaufman, vice-president of the UAHG, criticized both President Johnson and Sen. Goldwater for their failure to commit the future national Administration to a program of worldwide nuclear disarmament.

NEW YORK STATE PAVILION CELEBRATES ISRAEL DAY AT WORLD'S FAIR

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- More than 10,000 persons today attended the "Israel-New York State Day" ceremonies held at the New York State pavilion at the World's Fair. Among those attending were 500 youths from the greater New York area Zionist youth movements, yeshivahs, YMHA's, Hebrew schools and other organizations. The cultural program, including Israeli songs and dances, was produced by the American Zionist Youth Foundation, at the invitation of the New York State Pavilion.

N. Y. FEDERATION LAUNCHES ANNUAL CAMPAIGN; GOAL IS \$22,500,000

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, the city's largest voluntarily supported health, social welfare and community services organization, inaugurated tonight its 48th annual campaign, with a goal of \$22,500,000--\$3,500,000 more than was raised last year.

Irving Mitchell Felt, president of the Federation, which supports 116 hospitals, medical and health, social welfare, community center and other agencies in the Metropolitan area, outlined the needs before 600 community leaders at a dinner here; John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, chairman of the Rockefeller Foundation, was the guest speaker:

Mr. Felt stressed that, during the past five years, the number of persons of every faith, race and color served by Federation agencies had increased from an annual average of 850,000 to 1,147,000--a 35 percent rise; and that annual service expenditures of all 116 agencies have risen from 56 percent, to \$114,000,000 annually. He noted that total voluntary contributions to Federation in this same period had increased by only seven percent to \$19,000,000 last year. Federation provides the major philanthropic support for its member agencies.

"The expenditure for philanthropic services," Mr. Felt said, "has risen to such a height over these past few years that, even though the community has been most generous, it has failed to keep pace with this progress. If we are to prevent a backlog of unmet needs, and assure the fullest implementation of expanding knowledge and techniques for the benefit of those who turn to the voluntary agencies of the community, financial support through the medium of philanthropy must increase dramatically."

Loeb Outlines Vast Needs; Past Heads Honored, Raised \$480,000,000

Campaign chairman Henry A. Loeb, a prominent investment banking executive, said the Federation expected to achieve its current goal from 600,000 Jewish families in the Greater New York area, with the help of 15,000 volunteers. He noted that Federation agencies now provide over 90 percent of all Jewish sponsored medical and social services in Greater New York and costs of all these services have increased enormously in the last five years.

Mr. Loeb explained that Federation's 12 hospitals and medical care agencies today served 473,000 persons annually--an increase of 30 percent over five years ago; that 10 family welfare and vocational service agencies served 230,000 each year--up 53 percent in the same period; that 34 community centers served 164,000 yearly--up 57 percent; and that 19 country camps, 41 day camps and three camp sites for country day camping had increased to 57,000 persons served--an increase of 54 percent. The program of aged care now serves 29,000 persons--up 45 percent; and the Jewish education program has increased to 165,000 annually--a 57 percent rise, he said.

In launching its 1964-65 campaign, the Federation honored nine living former presidents, during whose total term of 30 years some \$480,000,000 was raised for Federation agencies. They were Joseph M. Proskauer, Samuel D. Leidesdorf, Benjamin J. Bottenwieser, Norman S. Goetz, Ralph E. Samuel, Milton Weill, Salim L. Lewis, Gustave L. Levy and Lawrence A. Wien. All but Mr. Samuel, who is in Europe, attended. Each was presented with a specially bound copy of the Haggadah.

HISTADRUT TO FINANCE 2,000 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TEENAGERS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- The board of directors of the National Committee for Labor Israel adopted a goal of \$500,000 to finance 2,000 vocational training scholarships for teen-agers in Israel, at its meeting here today. The program will be executed by the Histadrut Scholarship Fund, established in 1957.

The board stressed that scholarships will be granted primarily to young applicants coming from large-sized immigrant families with low income, residing in new development areas in Israel. Most of the training will be provided in the network of 17 Amal vocational schools of Histadrut throughout Israel. The effort on behalf of the scholarship fund will be an integral part of the 41st annual Israel Histadrut campaign which is now under way.

Israel Yeshayahu, deputy speaker of the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, told the board meeting that Histadrut was the first instrument "making all tribes of Israel equals, not only formally but in actuality." He stressed that Histadrut must take a greater role in the education of youth because the pioneering physiognomy of the country depends on the kind of education young people will receive during their formative years.

CHAIM BRAND, FORMER U. S. ACHDUT AVODA LEADER, DIES IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Oct. 4. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held today for Chaim Brand, former leader of the Achdut Avoda party in the United States, who died here this weekend. Mr. Brand was born in Poland and emigrated to the U. S. to escape the Nazis. He settled in Israel last year. President Zalman Shazar, who was associated with Mr. Brand in Zionist activities in Poland, today sent a message of condolences to Achdut Avoda,