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ISRAEL COULD PRODUCE ATOMIC DEVICE WITHIN FEW MONTHS, KENNEDY SAYS

WASHINGTON, June 24. (JTA) -- Israel and India have been singled out by both William Foster, director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, and Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, New York Democrat, as the two nations of greatest immediate concern to American authorities concerned about the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Sen. Kennedy charged in a Senate speech that Israel and India already possess "weapons-grade fissionable material, and could fabricate an atomic device within a few months." He said "there could be no stability anywhere in the world when nuclear weapons might be used... between Arabs and Israelis over the Gaza Strip."

According to Sen. Kennedy, "Israel and Egypt each have been deeply suspicious of the other for many years, and further Israeli progress would certainly impel the Egyptians to intensify their present efforts." He flatly asserted that Israel "can make nuclear devices within a couple of months, and weapons shortly thereafter." He said, "that is the kind of danger that confronts us."

He urged immediate initiation of American-Soviet negotiations -- including other nations with present nuclear capability or potential -- to formulate a non-proliferation treaty. The Senator also urged creation of nuclear-free zones. He said: "If these efforts are successful, we should call on Israel and the neighboring states of the Middle East, which might not be covered, to make the same commitment."

An article published today in the new issue of "Foreign Affairs" by Mr. Foster, head of the Arms Control Agency, was obviously cleared by the Administration before publication. It warned against proliferation of atomic weapons and pinpointed Israel and India as the two countries of the greatest immediate concern to the United States in this connection.

Mr. Foster said Israel and India were "almost certainly the most immediate cases in point." He stressed that one side in disputes like the Israel-Arab situation could not be expected to forego acquisition of nuclear weapons if the other side obtains such arms. He hoped this point would be appreciated "by all elements" in Israel and Egypt "whenever the question of acquiring nuclear weapons arises."

The White House press office today said it was glad Sen. Kennedy shared the President's concern on the proliferation issue. It was indicated that the President himself will speak out on this question in the near future.

STATE DEPARTMENT PREPARING TO OFFER NEW LARGE FOOD AID TO EGYPT

WASHINGTON, June 24. (JTA) -- The State Department is quietly preparing to offer Egypt a massive new "food for peace" program in the wake of the \$37,000,000 in surplus commodities just granted to the Nasser regime, it was learned today from high administration sources.

These sources said the assertions of the State Department that the conduct of the Nasser regime had improved in the last six months were a pretext to justify granting of the \$37,000,000 before June 30, expiration date of the authorization.

President Johnson was characterized as preoccupied with Viet Nam and having delegated authority to White House adviser McGeorge Bundy to examine the Egyptian question. Mr. Bundy reportedly accepted and recommended adoption by Mr. Johnson of the State Department position which sought to minimize negative aspects of the Nasser regime and to portray Nasser in a more favorable light. The State Department's view is that American influence in Cairo would be strengthened through a large new program of aid and development loans.

Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, today criticized President Johnson's decision to restore aid, in the form of foodstuff shipments valued at \$37,000,000 to Egypt. In a statement on the House floor, Rep. Farbstein noted that he had introduced in the Foreign Affairs Committee an amendment to the Foreign Aid Bill that would restrict to one year all future agreements to sell food for "soft currency." He charged that Egypt was obtaining food from America while selling its own rice to Communist nations.

N. C. R. A. C. CALLS ON JEWISH GROUPS TO EXPOSE EXTREMIST RIGHTISTS

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., June 24. (JTA) -- Jewish civic and religious organizations were called upon here today to join with like-minded community groups in a campaign of exposure and counteraction to offset mounting and increasingly successful radical right activities during the past year in smaller American cities. Delegates at the 21st annual meeting of the National Community Relations Advisory Council here were presented for the third year in a row with a study report on recent activities of extremist groups.

The report from 18 communities and 14 states showed that "radical right forces are probably somewhat stronger today than they were a year ago, with a particularly noticeable increase in strength evident in the east." The report called upon local and national Jewish organizations to set up new machinery to watch the activities of the John Birch Society and other right-wing groups; prepare materials to counter attacks by these groups; and seek broader cooperation with other community agencies to carry out this work and to increase educational programs to "convince the Jewish community and others of the threat posed directly to Jews by extremists."

"The radical-right must be combatted on the community level," Mr. Benjamin Epstein, national director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, told the delegates. "The ADL is gearing itself for a counter-attack with point by point answers to the extremists wherever they attack and wherever help is requested." He called upon the member NCRAC agencies, local and national, to join in this campaign. "We shall have to be vigilant, and detect instantly symptoms of this large-scale rightist attack on the American mind," he said. Mr. Emanuel Muravchik, national director of the Jewish Labor Committee, concurred that the radical right requires "watching and counteracting, as does every anti-democratic force in our country." He minimized, however, the dangers presented by these groups, saying, "there is no possibility today that these forces can dominate in the United States."

Aaron Goldman, NCRAC chairman, addressing the opening session, called for the creation of an international body of Jewish religious and civic organizations representing communities throughout the world for the purpose of uniting action on problems of mutual concern to the Jewish people. He told the delegates that the closeness of nations "has made it obvious that what affects Jews anywhere affects Jews everywhere."

The Jewish leader noted the existence of a number of international Jewish cooperative bodies. "But," he said, "what is today widely needed is an inclusive coordinating mechanism embracing Jewish communities and organizations of all countries in an ongoing relationship for interconsultation, mutual study of problems, joint agreement on goals and coordinated pursuit of programs on the international scene."

ISRAELI STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST ARRIVAL OF GERMAN AMBASSADOR

JERUSALEM, June 24. (JTA) -- Several hundred students met today on the campus of the Hebrew University in a silent demonstration of "spiritual stock-taking" in anticipation of the arrival of the first West German Ambassador to Israel. The participants each wore a pin depicting six burning candles in memory of the 6,000,000 European Jews murdered by the Nazis with an inscription "We shall remember forever."

University rector-elect Nathan Rottenstreich told the gathering that West Germany's move to establish diplomatic relations with Israel had been prompted by political and not ethical reasons. He urged his auditors not to forget the Nazi past, declaring that "it is easier to forget than to remember." He said that while Jews must not drown themselves in memories without looking to the future, "we must be rooted in the past to which the six million belonged."

The issue of the projected appointment of a former German army officer as West Germany's first Ambassador to Israel was raised in the Knesset last night and was referred to a Parliamentary Committee after a sharp debate. Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, insisted that no notification had yet been received from Bonn on the name of its nominee. It has been widely rumored that West Germany has chosen Dr. Rolf Pauls, a career diplomat and former Wehrmacht officer during the Hitler regime, as its nominee.

Israel Barzilai, a leader of Mapam, declared that West Germany was "exploiting" the establishment of diplomatic relations by the nomination of Dr. Pauls. He contended that the nomination was designed to "rehabilitate" all Germans who had served in World War II and he urged the Government to withhold approval. Mrs. Meir opposed debate on the issue but expressed readiness to have the issue referred to the Foreign Affairs Committee.

ISRAELI COMMUNISTS, SPLIT IN TWO GROUPS, CANCEL THEIR CONVENTIONS

TEL AVIV, June 24. (JTA) -- Two wings of the split Israeli Communist party called off last night the separate conventions they had planned and instead held "public rallies." The plans for the separate conclaves were canceled through last-minute intervention by foreign Communist Party delegations invited to Israel to attend what originally was to have been the regular convention of the Israeli Communists. The Russian delegation was particularly active in obtaining the cancellations. New party elections will now be held without the customary pre-election convention.

MORE DESECRATIONS OF JEWISH CEMETERIES IN GERMANY; VANDALS FREE

BONN, June 24. (JTA) -- Two new desecrations of Jewish cemeteries in West Germany were reported today in the wake of the anti-Semitic smearings of the Bamberg Jewish cemetery and of a memorial to the synagogue in Bamberg razed by the Nazis in 1938.

Unknown vandals desecrated the Jewish cemetery near Koblenz Tuesday night and rose bushes and flower pots were overturned and uprooted at the Jewish cemetery in Weissenhurm. Rewards of 5,000 marks (\$1,700) were offered by local officials and police began a search for the vandals. Dr. Ludwig Martin, the federal prosecutor general, announced in Karlsruhe, he had begun an investigation to determine whether to take action in the Bamberg desecrations.

The publishers of the two newspapers of Bamberg, the scene recently of the most vicious acts of anti-Semitic vandalism in postwar Germany, said today they would hereafter report any new anti-Semitic acts with maximum brevity. They expressed belief that the lengthy reports on the daubings of tombstones in the town's Jewish cemetery and the smearing of a monument to the synagogue razed in 1938 by the Nazis prompted Bamberg youngsters to emulate such acts.

The German Jewish weekly, the Allgemeine Wochenzeitung, said that the new wave of anti-Semitic actions indicated that potential murderers still lived in West Germany and that it was not true that an unmistakable change in basic German attitudes toward Jews had taken place at broad levels.

ARGENTINE 'COMMANDER' OF ANTI-SEMITIC GROUP CHARGES JEWS WITH ASSAULTS

BUENOS AIRES, June 24. (JTA) -- A leader of the local nationalist movement, the Tacuara, charged at a press conference today that "systematic assaults" were being committed against Tacuara members by "Zionist storm troops." The charge was made by Emilio Berra, commander of the Buenos Aires zone Tacuara, which is not identical with the leftwing movement of the same name banned by the Government after a series of open threats against Argentine Jewry.

Berra charged that one of the attacks took place in Buenos Aires when four Tacuara "youngsters" were assaulted by 15 to 20 men using hard objects. Berra said that the father of one of the Tacuara youths was hit in the eye and that he may lose it. He said that the injured youths were taken to a hospital and that one of the assailants, identified as Adriel Alberto Spival, 22, was detained by police.

Berra presented to reporters several youths, aged 17 to 18, who showed alleged gunshot wounds which Berra said were inflicted on them during an attack on another Buenos Aires street corner.

A delegation of the DAIA, the central body of Argentine Jewry, headed by President Isaac Goldenberg, was received today by Argentine Interior Undersecretary Jose L. Vesco. The delegation described to the official recent extremist anti-Jewish activities in Argentina. Dr. Vesco expressed his "deep concern" but said no action had yet been taken on the problem because of the absence on official business of Interior Minister Juan Palmero.

\$1,045,000 IN ISRAEL BONDS SOLD IN TRIBUTE TO JEWISH LABOR LEADER

NEW YORK, June 24. (JTA) -- More than \$1,045,000 for the economic development of Israel was raised tonight by the fraternal division of State of Israel Bonds at a dinner honoring Cassip J. Walinsky, a prominent Jewish labor leader in the Roosevelt Hotel. Ambassador Abraham Harman of Israel was the principal speaker at the dinner, which was attended by over 800 representatives of 3,200 fraternal organizations.

Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice-president of the Israel Bond Organization, told the audience that "the constantly rising response to the Israel bond program indicates very clearly the high degree of confidence Americans have in Israel's ability to maintain its encouraging rate of economic growth." Mr. Walinsky, who was accorded special tribute in recognition of his ten years of leadership in the Israel bond campaign as chairman of the fraternal division and for 60 years of service in behalf of the Jewish people, received messages of congratulations from United States and Israel government leaders.

EBAN DISCUSSES ARAB-ISRAEL CONFLICT IN 'FOREIGN AFFAIRS' MAGAZINE

NEW YORK, June 24. (JTA) -- Israel's Deputy Prime Minister Abba Eban has called for a "revolutionary" approach to the settlement of the Israel-Arab conflict which would provide the Arab states with a broad range of economic, social and cultural benefits and create a vast "open region" in the Middle East to serve all Mediterranean nations.

In a lengthy article in the July issue of "Foreign Affairs," the quarterly published by the Council on Foreign Relations here, Mr. Eban stressed that the Arab states had much to gain by a permanent peace settlement with Israel in the fields of communications, tourism, agricultural and industrial development, technical progress and the development of natural resources.

JEWISH GROUPS WARN CONGRESSIONAL BODY AGAINST CREATING A 'SUPER-VOTER'

WASHINGTON, June 24; (JTA) -- A Jewish leader warned Congress today against proposed amendments to the Constitution that would create a kind of "super-voter" in state elections; Howard M. Squadron of New York, testifying for 38 member agencies of the National Community Relations Advisory Committee, told a subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee that proposals to permit apportionment of one house of a state legislature without regard to population would offer a "clear invitation to engage in the most blatant kind of discrimination."

Mr. Squadron testified in behalf of the American Jewish Congress; B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League; Jewish Labor Committee; Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. A.; National Council of Jewish Women; Union of American Hebrew Congregations; Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America; United Synagogue of America; and 30 local Jewish community relations agencies across the country. All are member agencies of the National Community Relations Advisory Council.

HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIFTED CHILDREN DEDICATED IN ISRAEL; GIFT OF LOU BOYAR

JERUSALEM, June 24. (JTA) -- A high school and dormitories for gifted children, made possible by a gift of \$1,250,000 from Lou Boyar, Los Angeles philanthropist, was dedicated here yesterday. Among those attending, in addition to Mr. Boyar and 80 Jewish leaders of Southwestern United States, were Education Minister Zalman Aranne, Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, Members of Parliament, Jerusalem Mayor Mordechai Ish Shalom and other dignitaries.

The school, which is already in operation, was named the Mae Boyar School in memory of the philanthropist's wife. It will ultimately accommodate 800 pupils with dormitory facilities for 200. The school complex also includes housing for teachers. Premier Levi Eshkol tendered a garden party in honor of Mr. Boyar and his party. The guests included Cabinet Ministers, Members of Parliament, American Ambassador Walworth Barbour, Gen. Odd Bull, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, and Hebrew University president Eliahu Elat.

In a related ceremony, the Florence Goldenberg Dworsky Hall was dedicated at the University's Mae Boyar Chemistry Building. Funds for the hall were provided by the Los Angeles University Friends of which Mrs. Dworsky is an active member. She attended the ceremony. The Jacob Goldenberg Foundation helped establish the new hall.

HISTADRUT CAMPAIGN REPORTS \$1,000,000 INCREASE IN CASH CONTRIBUTIONS

NEW YORK, June 24. (JTA) -- Cash contributions to the Israel Histadrut Campaign as of June 1 were more than \$1,000,000 ahead of the amount received by the same time last year, it was reported last night by Dr. Sol Stein, executive director, at a meeting of the campaign's administrative committee. The increase included \$446,000 more in the regular campaign and more than \$300,000 from the American Histadrut Development Foundation.

Dr. Stein also reported that during this fiscal year, which began October 1, 1964, the Foundation had received \$1,012,000 in new commitments, bringing the five-year total up to the \$6,242,000 mark. Dr. Stein urged the Jewish communities and Histadrut committee to keep up their pace until the total cash goal of \$5,000,000 is reached by September 30. The administrative committee also tendered a farewell reception to Ben-Zion Han, Histadrut emissary who has completed a two-and-a-half year tour of duty in the Western Hemisphere.

JEWISH COMMUNITY IN ZAMBIA REPORTED WELL TREATED; FEARS INTERMARRIAGE

NEW YORK, June 24. (JTA) -- Jews are treated better in Zambia, an African country that took the step from colony to independent nation only eight months ago, than in many highly developed countries, Dr. Morton I. Teicher, dean of Yeshiva University's Wurzel School of Social Work, reported today following his return from a visit to that country. He said however, that Zambia's Jews fear that intermarriage could threaten their survival.

This fear, he said, stems from the smallness of the Jewish population in Zambia. Totalling only about 100 families in a country of 3,500,000 people, Dr. Teicher explained, Jews have little opportunity to mingle with other Jews. He noted that their professional skills were respected and that they were accorded absolute religious, cultural and political freedom.

RABBINICAL COUNCIL OF AMERICA JOINS THE 'PRESIDENTS CONFERENCE'

NEW YORK, June 24. (JTA) -- The Rabbinical Council of America, representing more than 850 Orthodox rabbis across the country, has joined the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, it was announced today by Dr. Joachim Prinz, chairman of the Conference. The Rabbinical Council will be represented at the Conference by its president, Rabbi Israel Miller.

The affiliation of the Rabbinical Council brings to 21 the number of national Jewish religious and lay groups that make up the Presidents' Conference.