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U. S. URGED TO WARN ARABS AGAINST WAR, HALT MIDDLE EAST ARMS RACE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- A Republican Congressman told the House of Representatives today that the United States should warn leaders of the Arab states against war with Israel, while a Democrat called upon the U. S. A. to persuade all countries in the Middle East to stop escalating their war potentials.

Rep. Frank J. Horton, New York Republican, said in a speech on the House floor that the United States could do more to encourage Arab-Israel peace by making it "absolutely clear that we will not tolerate any attempt to change the borders of any state in the Middle East by force." He said: "We should do this strongly enough to convince any doubters among the Arab leadership that a war against Israel is futile. If we make our position forcefully enough, and clearly demonstrate our commitment to Israel, there is an excellent chance that the arms race may cease."

Rep. Horton pointed out that a stronger U. S. anti-aggression guarantee was desirable because "no matter how much is devoted to military equipment, none of these countries can ever hope to match the United States." He said that, "once the futility of any attempt to settle the problems of the Middle East by force is seen, it will be possible to allocate more time and increased funds toward finding a solution to the many economic and social problems which remain."

Reuss Cites Massive U. S. Aid as Device to Reduce Arms Expenditures

In the other address on the Middle East, Rep. Henry S. Reuss, Wisconsin Democrat, told the House that United States aid to the Arab states and Israel should be linked to the reduction of arms expenditures by those countries. He declared that the United States, "through its foreign aid program, has a powerful device which could be used to persuade the countries of the Middle East to yield in the arms race, and devote their considerable efforts to more constructive ends."

He stated that, "without playing favorites, the United States in the future could make assistance contingent upon the countries' willingness to slacken arms development and step up economic development in cooperation with the other countries in the area. We should also consider joining with other nations to help the Middle East in a coordinated large-scale economic development program, similar to the one which President Johnson has proposed for Southeast Asia," he said.

In deploring the military expenditures of Mideast nations, Rep. Reuss pointed out that the United States, with all its global commitments, spent between 9 percent and 10 percent of its gross national product on national defense. By comparison, he noted, in a recent year, Egypt spent 8.6 percent of its GNP; Syria, 12.7 percent; Iraq, 8.6 percent; Jordan, 22.8 percent; and Israel, 8.2 percent. He termed the Arab and Israeli defense budgets "wholly unreasonable rates of expenditure." He said that, if Mideast countries reduced defense outlays, "much of the wealth of the area could be put to improving the lives of the people."

In urging a move to tie further U. S. aid to reduction of military expenditures, Rep. Reuss noted that between 1945 and 1964, the United States provided Egypt with \$888,900,000; in economic aid; Israel received \$771,000,000, and Jordan got \$429,000,000, he said, in depicting the aid program as a mechanism to influence de-escalation of military spending in the Middle East.

Roosevelt Reiterates Link of German Payments to Arab Refugee Issue

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- Rep. James Roosevelt, Ambassador-designate to the United Nations economic and social council, said today that, while in his remarks in the House of Representatives yesterday he did not intend to link Jewish claims against Germany with Arab claims against Israel, he could "only repeat that, because Israel has collected substantial reparations for German injuries to Jewish people, it is fitting and just, as Israel herself has constantly recognized, that there be a just settlement of claims of Arab refugees." Mr. Roosevelt explained, in answer to criticism voiced by

Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, that "I merely urge stronger initiative in order to commence the dialogue necessary to achieve peace in the Middle East." Rep. Roosevelt, the eldest son of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, voiced "regret" that Rep. Halpern charged him with equating, in effect, the Nazi genocide against Jews with the situation of the Palestinian Arab refugees.

The Baltimore Sun said today, under a headline reading "Roosevelt Reneges on Arab Stand," that Rep. Roosevelt is abandoning what some considered a partisan stand on the Arab-Israel issue "as he continued preparations here today to become one of the five United States' Ambassadors to the United Nations."

Paul W. Ward, Washington correspondent of the Sun, pointed out that Rep. Roosevelt has now stated that the pro-Israel views he previously voiced "cannot be binding upon me in the new duties which I shall assume." Ward emphasized that Roosevelt added: "I pray that, in my new assignment, I may be the friend of all the representatives of the people of the Near East."

NASSER ATTACKS ISRAEL IN MOSCOW; RECEIVES PLEDGES OF 'ENORMOUS' AID

BALTIMORE, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- President Gamal Abdel Nasser, of Egypt, who has just concluded a series of high-level talks with Soviet leaders in Moscow, was reported here today in dispatches from the Soviet capital as having left Moscow with pledges of "enormous" economic and military assistance. Stephen Nordlinger reported today in a Moscow dispatch to the Baltimore Sun that Nasser referred to Israeli-Arab relations in a Moscow speech. He was quoted as saying:

"I would like you to know that our hostility toward Israel has no racist character. In the history of our area, there has not been any case of anti-Semitism toward Jews who lived in our countries. It was precisely the setting up of Israel that is a manifestation of aggressive racism used by colonialism for establishing in the center of the Arab world a base which prevents the reunification of the Arab nation, creates a threat to its security, and diverts its strength to repel a danger instead of directing it in the interests of peaceful economic construction."

MAPAI EXPELS THREE BEN-GURIONISTS WHO RAISE RACIST ISSUE IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- The secretariat of Premier Levi Eshkol's Mapai Party today expelled three Ashdod members of former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's new rival group, because they "conduct a slander campaign inside Mapai." The rival group is called the National Workers List, or Rafi.

One of the three expelled members, Meir Evenhaim, touched off a violent controversy by reading a statement that the Mapai central committee was fighting Rafi in Ashdod because "central committee members are whites, while Ashdod inhabitants are brown." Evenhaim also charged that members of the Mapai secretariat had been "educated" to hate Israelis of Oriental origin.

"Mapai regards Oriental Israelis as people whose task it is to build marble houses for Mapai leaders, and to furnish those houses with expensively upholstered arm-chairs" he declared, and he warned the secretariat to avoid repeating in Israel the "tragedies" of racial conflict in Alabama and Los Angeles.

The openly racist attack was the most violent in the deepening cleft in Israel's dominant labor party, touched off when Mr. Ben-Gurion assailed Premier Eshkol's leadership of the party and the country, and announced an independent list to compete against Mapai in local and Parliamentary elections on November 3.

Mapai secretary Reuven Barkatt, reacting to the attack, expressed "indignation and shock." He added that those who backed Evenhaim "must realize the horrible conclusions of their deeds." He challenged Evenhaim to publish his statement in full "so that every citizen will realize what dangers we face." The two other Ashdod members expelled were Andrew Barness and Avraham Hadar.

SPECIAL KNESSET SESSION REJECTS MOVE TO AMEND ISRAEL'S LIBEL LAW

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- Motions to amend Israel's widely-criticized new libel law were defeated at a special session of Parliament today, by a vote of 51 to 54. The vote was on party lines with all coalition party members voting to support Premier Levi Eshkol's objection to action on the matter at the present time, and most of the opposition parties voting for amendment now.

Members of former Premier David Ben-Gurion's new National Workers List (Rafi), and two members of Agudat Israel abstained. The special session had been made mandatory by submission of a petition by the opposition parties.

JEWS IN VIET NAM THEATER PLEAD FOR PRAYER BOOKS, OTHER FACILITIES

BY DAVID H. WHITE

(Mr. White, publisher of the Houston, Tex., Jewish Herald-Voice, and a member of the board of directors of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, went to South Viet Nam on a Government-sponsored interfaith mission.)

SAIGON, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- The urgent need for more Jewish religious facilities for Jewish personnel in the United States forces in South Viet Nam has again been pointed up for this observer. That need and its urgency are seen as greater than ever today, following a visit by this correspondent yesterday to the SS Midway, the huge aircraft carrier of the Seventh Fleet in service in Viet Nam waters. The story goes back to last Passover, but the facts are as relevant today as they were in the spring.

Of the 3,500 men in the Midway's complement, 12 Jews sat down to a seder on the first night of Passover. The food had been prepared especially for the Jews by Navy cooks under the supervision of one of the galley crew who knew how to do that particular job.

The Catholic chaplain aboard had arranged for the use of the officers' mess for the seder. The ingredients had been provided by the National Jewish Welfare Board. The service was conducted from an old Haggadah that had somehow been left, probably by accident, in the ship's library. A Negro member of the crew who knows Hebrew participated in the seder.

There is a very busy Jewish chaplain here in Saigon, Rabbi Richard Dryer. But even he had not known of the seder aboard the Midway. Like all chaplains in this theater, Rabbi Dryer, who makes his headquarters here, is constantly making trips away from his office in Saigon to outposts around the country.

Regular Sabbath Eve Services Scheduled; 'No One Asks a Man's Religion'

Since Passover, several of the men on the Midway have requested that they be furnished with Jewish prayer books. Two of the crew members, Lt. Ronald Lightstone and Chief Fireman Abec agreed that regular Friday evening services should be held on the Midway after they receive the Jewish prayer books. It would be so much simpler, they said, if each man attending had an individual copy of the prayerbook.

Asked whether there were only 12 Jews aboard the ship, the answer came quickly: "No one asks the other man's religion." It became clear that others might answer the call to Sabbath eve services if they chose to do so.

The visit to the Midway again illustrates the truism that Jews do want to perpetuate their Judaism wherever they are, and the need for encouragement to worship in their faith more adequately. The least we can do is to give them the implements of their faith -- the prayerbooks, the Torah. The stimulus will be an enhancement of our Judaic heritage.

JWB Meets Military Build-Up Needs; Another Rabbi to So. Viet Nam

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- The National Jewish Welfare Board, moving to meet the religious needs of the growing number of Jewish personnel in the United States military build-up in South Viet Nam, announced today that a second Jewish chaplain has been assigned to the area. Chaplain Robert L. Reiner, of the United States Naval Reserve, will go to the area where currently only Chaplain Richard Dryer is on duty for Jewish personnel, now numbering more than 500.

Sanford Solender, JWB executive vice-president, also announced that the JWB is mobilizing resources to meet anticipated future needs. He said that, of the 14 military installations in the United States where the heaviest impact is expected because of the build-up, 11 are covered by full-time Jewish chaplains, and three by part-time chaplains. There are 71 full-time Jewish chaplains, and 252 part-time chaplains on active duty, according to the JWB Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy.

During September and October, the JWB will send teams of personnel into the most heavily militarily-impacted areas to appraise the effect of the build-up, determine the Jewish population at each installation, ascertain the needs of the Jewish chaplains, examine types of installations and the nature of the training program as these factors affect the JWB on-base activities for trainees.

JWB staff personnel will meet this month with supply officers at the Pentagon to discuss supply needs and to determine whether any special problems in providing supplies exist. JWB plans to insure the availability of Passover and other supplies as needed, and has already sent Chanukah supplies for the next festival to Chaplain Dryer.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS PROTEST AGAINST 'PILGRIMAGE' HONORING FASCISTS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- National Commander Ralph Plofsky, of the Jewish War Veterans, announced today that his group is alerting other veterans organizations and taking steps to expose and debunk the planned September 19 "pilgrimage" organized by a right-wing group to honor the memory of three Russian Fascists who served the Nazi cause.

The Russians, held at Fort Dix, N.J., among Nazi prisoners of war, committed suicide in June, 1945, to avoid return to Russia by the U. S. Army and trial as war criminals. A conservative youth organization, "Young Americans for Freedom," announced that it is organizing a ceremony to honor the Fascists as "freedom fighters" and anti-Communist heroes. Participation of patriotic and veterans groups was sought.

Mr. Plofsky said the JWV would undertake to expose "this absurd gesture which does such a grave disservice to Americans who fought and died to liberate Europe from Nazism." "If it is now desirable to honor all those who fought against Russia during World War II," he continued, "the next logical step in this illogical concept would be to pay homage to Adolf Hitler because he, too, was an anti-Communist."

The Jewish Veterans leader said the Y. A. F. demonstration actually aided Communist propagandists and facilitated efforts to depict America as pro-Fascist. The September 19 "pilgrimage" would make "a mockery" of the vigil against Soviet anti-Semitism, scheduled to be held here that same day by Jewish and other groups, Mr. Plofsky declared.

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN HELPS EVALUATE ZIONIST FUND-RAISING IN CANADA

MONTREAL, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- Issues of fund-raising and organization for Israel were evaluated at a series of meetings between officials of the United Israel Appeal of Canada and the Zionist Organization of Canada with Dr. Israel Goldstein, world chairman of the United Israel Appeal. The meetings were held in Montreal and Toronto.

After the Montreal discussions, Dr. Goldstein conferred with Toronto UIA and ZOC local leaders, and with officials of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal and the Women's Division of the Toronto United Jewish Appeal. Dr. Goldstein also addressed a special gifts dinner in Montreal of the 1955 Joint Campaign for the Combined Jewish Appeal and the United Israel Appeal.

SO. AFRICAN WOMEN ZIONISTS MEET; MRS. HALPRIN ADDRESSES PARLEY

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- The South African Women's Zionist Conference opened here last night with an address by Mrs. Rose Halprin, member of the American Section of the Jewish Agency executive, who greeted the conclave on behalf of American Zionists.

Other speakers at the opening session included Israel's charge d'affaires, Azriel Harel, and Mrs. Aleck Jaffe, wife of the Mayor of Johannesburg. Mary Adler, outgoing president of the organization, reviewed the work and achievements of the South African Women's Zionist group since the last conference two years ago. The record gathering of delegates from all parts of South Africa and Rhodesia will conclude the conference tomorrow.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE NAMES NORMAN S. RABB TO IMPORTANT POST

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. (JTA) -- Norman S. Rabb, a prominent Boston Jewish communal leader, has been appointed national chairman of the interreligious affairs committee of the American Jewish Committee.

The committee is the policy-making body which guides the AJC's department of interreligious affairs in the promotion of interfaith understanding and in combatting religious prejudice. Mr. Rabb is chairman of the board of trustees of Brandeis University, a top leader of the Greater Boston Combined Jewish Philanthropies and a member of the national council of the Joint Distribution Committee.

LEONHARD F. FULD DEAD AT 82; PHILANTHROPIES TOTALED \$10,000,000

TRENTON, N.J., Sept. 1. (JTA) -- Leonhard F. Fuld, a prominent Jewish attorney, economist, realtor and philanthropist, died here yesterday at the age of 82. His philanthropic endeavors were largely concerned with aiding the health and welfare of nursing students at various hospitals, which received more than \$10,000,000 from him during his lifetime. Born in New York, Mr. Fuld was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Columbia University, where he earned five degrees. For many years he was an instructor in economics and business administration at the Bernard M. Baruch School of Business Administration of the City College in New York.