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STATE DEPT. SEEKS ACTION ON ARAB REFUGEES RECEIVING MILITARY TRAINING

WASHINGTON, June 13. (JTA) -- A State Department spokesman said today that the United States Government has urged the United Nations to remove from the relief rolls of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees all Arab refugees receiving military training.

The Department's expression was seen here as a response to the announcement by the Palestine Liberation Organization that Arab refugees would fight in Viet Nam against United States forces. Most of the refugees concerned are in Jordan and the Egyptian-held Gaza Strip. They receive U.S. surplus food through UNRWA. The United States has contributed about 70 percent of the UNRWA budget since it was established in 1950.

It was learned meanwhile that Washington has requested detailed reports on the activities of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the wake of PLO leader Ahmed Shukairy's announcement that PLO members will fight in Viet Nam against United States forces.

Senate Body May Fold Hearings on U.S. Support of Palestine Refugees

WASHINGTON, June 13. (JTA) -- The Senate Subcommittee on Refugees may hold hearings on issues arising from American support of Palestine Arab refugees, the subcommittee's chairman, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts Democrat, disclosed today. The Senator's comments followed reports that the Palestine Liberation Organization would send soldiers to Viet Nam to gain guerilla experience by fighting United States forces.

Sen. Kennedy confirmed that his subcommittee has just completed an inspection of United Nations relief activities in Egypt, Lebanon and Jordan. Among the problems considered was the question of U.N. relief and utilization of supplies and funds by members of the Palestine Liberation Organization. The subcommittee is mindful of "the need for rectification of refugee relief rolls and questions relating to utilization of United Nations Relief and Works Agency funds for education and other rehabilitation projects."

The Senator made known that the subcommittee has been investigating the Arab refugee problem for several months. He disclosed that George S. Abrams, general counsel and staff director of his subcommittee, and Dale Deahan, a staff member, returned to Washington today from a field investigation that covered UNRWA activities in Egypt, Lebanon and Jordan.

"I have gone over the results with Mr. Abrams, the staff director, and am presently considering whether to hold hearings," Sen. Kennedy said. He added that the staff submitted full reports to the State Department in each country visited, and intends to participate in further consultations with State Department officials.

WORK AT HAIFA PORT RESUMED AT FULL SPEED; WORKERS GET 10% WAGE RISE

HAIFA, June 13. (JTA) -- The port of Haifa was at work again today at full speed, after 1,600 dockworkers and stevedores returned to duty this morning, ending their seven-week-long slowdown strike, which had clogged the port with nearly 40 ships and cost the ship owners an estimated \$6,300,000.

The workers went back with a compromise settlement which granted them a 10 percent wage increase this year, and a rise next year which is not to exceed an additional 5 percent. In accordance with the settlement, a special committee was named last night to study the workers' other demands, including their insistence that stevedores employed for eight years be given the status of permanent employees, entitling them to certain social welfare benefits.

The rulings by the five-man committee are to be binding on both sides, and the group is to hand down its decision within a month. Israel Garber, secretary of the Haifa Stevedores Union, said today: "It is still not clear whether the settlement is a victory for my men or not. Only when the committee hands down its decisions regarding our outstanding claims will we be able to see how we stand."

ISRAEL TAKES U.N. MILITARY OBSERVERS TO BORDER POINTS WITH SYRIA

TEL AVIV, June 13. (JTA) -- Israel took steps today to knock down the allegations made by Syria, and repeated by the Soviet Union, charging Israel with massing troops on its Syrian border.

After Syria agreed to allow United Nations military observers to visit its side of the frontier facing Israel, Israeli army officers started out this morning with a group of U.N. military observers on a tour of all Syrian-Israeli border points, from Tel Dan in the north to Tel Katsir, a kibbutz on Lake Tiberias.

Included in the tour will be not only the Israeli border posts but also the demilitarized zones and the so-called "defense" areas. Under the 1949 Israeli-Syrian armistice agreement, neither side is allowed to station troops or arms in the demilitarized zones. In the "defense" areas, the Israelis are allowed, under the 1949 pact, to station only a limited number of troops and limited quantities of armaments.

The border inspections by the military men attached to the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization had been demanded by Syria. But the same type of check being made on Israel's side will also be carried out on the Syrian side, if the Damascus Government keeps its promise.

MANY ISRAELIS TRAINED ABROAD REPORTED REMAINING IN FOREIGN LANDS

HAIFA, June 13. (JTA) -- Six hundred trained professionals leave Israel every year, and only about 40 percent of them return here, Alexander Goldberg, president of Technion, the Israel Institute of Technology, declared here.

Addressing a round-table forum of students last night, Mr. Goldberg said that 300 Technion graduates are now working in the United States, most of them graduates of the Technion's faculty of electrical engineering.

The main reason for the emigration, he declared, is due to the fact that only 46 percent of the electrical engineering graduates have found employment in Israel, and that these are being employed in Israel as technicians, not as engineers. "There is no coordination," he told the students, "between development of Israeli industry and Technion."

Data revealed at the forum showed that 5,500 Israeli professionals with academic training are now working abroad, 1,500 of them being engineering graduates from Technion.

FRANCE AGREES WITH ISRAEL ON ASKING MOSCOW TO JOIN TRIPARTITE MOVE

PARIS, June 13. (JTA) -- France and Israel are reportedly in agreement on plans to ask the Soviet Union to join the 1950 Tripartite Declaration, guaranteeing the territorial integrity of all states in the Middle East, it was revealed here today.

The disclosure came unofficially after Israel's Ambassador here, Walter Eytan, held a 40-minute conference this morning with French Foreign Minister Maurice Couve de Murville. Israeli circles here, who said the talk was "important" and its results "satisfactory," refused formally to reveal the nature of the subjects discussed. But well-informed sources indicated that Mr. Eytan and M. Couve de Murville talked principally of two matters, one of them concerning the visit to be paid to Moscow later this month by President Charles de Gaulle.

Mr. Eytan reportedly informed France of Israel's interest in the transformation of the 1950 Declaration -- which had been issued by France, Britain and the United States -- into a four-power attitude including the USSR. The Israeli Ambassador and the French Foreign Minister were said to have found themselves viewing that problem in identical fashion, indicating that Gen. de Gaulle may discuss that issue with the Kremlin's leaders when he visits Moscow.

GERMAN CHANCELLOR MUM ON PROPOSAL TO GUARANTEE EXISTENCE OF ISRAEL

BONN, June 13. (JTA) -- Chancellor Ludwig Erhard declined to take any stand on a statement by former West German Defense Minister Franz Josef Strauss that West Germany should guarantee the existence of Israel. Strauss made that proposal during a discussion in France with former Israeli Deputy Defense Minister Shimon Peres.

The Chancellor, speaking at a press conference, said that Strauss was a private citizen and had not "asked me about this before and I don't want to take any attitude on this question."

GOVERNOR OF VIRGIN ISLANDS BECOMES PRESIDENT OF LOCAL B'NAI B'RITH

ST. THOMAS, V.I., June 13. (JTA) -- Gov. Ralph M. Paiewonsky, of the Virgin Islands, was installed here today as president of the Sasso-Cardoze Lodge of B'nai B'rith. He is the first official of his rank to head a B'nai B'rith lodge while in public office. Gov. Paiewonsky is a charter member of the lodge, which was established in 1964.

BARON ROTHSCHILD APPEALS TO U.S. JEWRY FOR AID TO NORTH AFRICAN JEWS

PARIS, June 13. (JTA) -- Baron Guy de Rothschild, president of the Fonds Social Juif Unifié, the central fund-raising body of French Jewry, has called on the world Jewish communities, especially those in the United States, to help French Jews carry the burden of aiding the North African Jews in this country.

Addressing the FSJU's general assembly here, Baron de Rothschild pointed out that 250,000 North African Jews have emigrated to France. He reminded world Jewry that the need for aid to the North African Jews is a common responsibility.

ALEXANDER KONOFF, U.S. INDUSTRIALIST, GIVES \$1,000,000 TO TECHNION

HAIFA, June 13. (JTA) -- Alexander Konoff, of New York, an American industrialist who has been a member of the board of governors of Technion, the Israel Institute of Technology and vice-president of the American Technion Society, announced at the board's annual meeting here today that he is contributing \$1,000,000 for the advancement of Technion's junior technical college and for the promotion of vocational and technical training "of the highest order." He said he will pay the funds over a 10-year period, at the rate of \$100,000 annually.

Another highlight featuring the meeting of the board of governors was the dedication here of the J.R. Sensibar sanitary engineering laboratory. That facility has been established by the Chicago chapter of the American Technion Society, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Sensibar. The latter were guests at a reception marking the dedication.

AMERICAN JEWISH PRESS ASSN. APPROVES TRANSLITERATION OF HEBREW TERMS

ATLANTA, Ga., June 13. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Press Association, composed of the editors and publishers of Jewish newspapers published in English in the United States and Canada, has approved a study on the transliteration of Hebrew terms into the English language, it was announced here by Adolph Rosenberg, newly-elected president of the AJPA.

The study climaxes a 16-year-long project under the chairmanship of Leo Frisch, editor of the American Jewish World of Minneapolis-St. Paul and honorary president of the AJPA. Working closely with Mr. Frisch has been Philip Slomovitz, editor of the Jewish News, Detroit; and Albert W. Bloom, editor of the Jewish Chronicle, Pittsburgh. The editors have been in contact with experts in Hebrew scholarship in their effort to resolve the transliteration problems.

According to Mr. Frisch, the conclusions of the study represent a compromise of various conflicting views that have resulted in confusions when efforts have been made to transliterate from the Hebrew to the English. This has been true, especially, he said, in the spelling of Jewish holidays and other frequently-used Hebrew words and terms. On the basis of the study approved by the AJPA, suggested spellings will be brought together into one manual, which will be printed and distributed not only to editors but also to various Jewish communal organizations and to business firms. In the main, Mr. Frisch said, the new version will be a modernized treatment of the Sephardic pronunciations of Hebrew.

The words whose spelling was agreed upon to date are: Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Hoshana Raba, Shemini Atzeret, Simhat Tora, Hanuka, Hamisha Asar b'Shvat, Purim, Pesah, Lag b'Omer, Shavuot and Tisha b'Av.

N.Y. GOVERNOR URGED TO VETO BILL ON TEXTBOOKS TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, June 13. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress today called on Governor Rockefeller to veto a bill to increase state funds for supplying textbooks to students in private and parochial schools. In a telegram to the Governor, the AJCongress said that the measure would threaten the integrity of the public school system; imperil the constitutional safeguards of separation of church and state; and delay further progress to end segregation in the public school. The bill was passed last month and sent to the Governor for signature.

The controversial bill was enacted as an amendment to the 1965 Ferrall Act, which goes into effect next September 1. The statute requires local school boards to buy textbooks and lend them to pupils in grades 7 through 12 in nonpublic schools. As the law now stands, the state will reimburse local school boards up to \$10 a pupil under the program. The bill before the Governor would increase this reimbursement to \$25 a pupil for the first school year (1966-67) and provide \$10 a year thereafter. The new measure also contains a provision that any money spent above these limits could be included by the local board in its operating expenses, upon which state aid to school districts is based.

PROMINENT JEWISH PERSONALITIES GET HONORARY DEGREES AT BRANDEIS

WALTHAM, Mass., June 13. (JTA) -- Brandeis University held its 15th annual commencement exercises here yesterday, awarding degrees to 334 undergraduates and 158 graduate students, and granting honorary degrees to eight distinguished personalities, including Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman; David Dubinsky, former president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union; Benjamin E. Swig, of San Francisco, a member of the Brandeis board of trustees; and Isador Lubin, well-known Jewish economist.

Others who received honorary degrees were Andrew W. Cordier, dean of the School of International Affairs at Columbia University; Barnaby C. Keeney, president of Brown University; Henry T. Heald, former president of the Ford Foundation; and Francis Keppel, chairman of the board of the General Learning Corporation.

The principal addresses at the commencement ceremonies were delivered by Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg, chief United States delegate to the United Nations; and Erwin D. Canham, editor-in-chief of the Christian Science Monitor.

REMAINS OF ANCIENT SETTLEMENT MENTIONED IN BIBLE DISCOVERED

TEL AVIV, June 13. (JTA) -- The discovery of the remains of a settlement in Upper Galilee, dating back to the 12th century B.C.E. and confirming the Biblical account of the conquest of the Canaanite town of La'ish by the tribe of Dan, was announced here today by Dr. Avraham Biran, director of Israel's Department of Antiquities.

Dr. Biran, who headed the six-week excavation at Tel Dan, a historic mound near the Syrian border, said that the group had uncovered a charred floor at the site at a level dating to the 12th century B.C.E. which was the period of the Israelite judges after Joshua had settled most of the Israelites in Canaan.

He said that the find had confirmed the account in Chapter 18 of the Book of Judges describing how the tribe of Dan conquered and destroyed the town of La'ish, built a new city on the spot which they called Dan and settled there as part of the territory allotted to them as a land inheritance.

Evidence of the prosperity of the city in the 10th and 8th centuries B.C.E., under the firm rule of the House of Kings Ahab and Jeroboam II, was seen in the fact that the Israelites went beyond the confines of the earlier Canaanite town to erect a number of monumental buildings, Dr. Biran reported.

One of the most important aspects of the discovery from the archeologist's viewpoint, Dr. Biran noted, was explanation of the curious shape of the mound which resembles a crater rather than the usual cone. It was found that this shape took form around the 17th century B.C.E. in the era of the Hyksos civilization and included a fortification with sloping ramparts built on either side of a six-yard-thick central supporting wall. The floor of the dwelling covered by a layer of ash was found at the sixth layer of settlement corresponding to the 11th or 12th century B.C.E.

Also found at the site was a rare broken jar fragment dating to the eighth century B.C.E. with an inscription comprising the letters Aleph, Mem and Tzadi in the Hebrew and Phoenician script. Dr. Biran explained the inscription as indicating that the jar either belonged to or was a gift for a man named Ametz of Amatzia, both common names of that period.

Excavation of the mound, which covers an area of 50 acres, was carried out by eight archeologists in the group assisted by members of Kibbutz Dan and other laborers. Only an eighth of an acre of the site was probed, with further excavations planned for some future date, Dr. Biran said.

MONTREAL'S POPULATION SHIFT RESULTS IN SALE OF JEWISH LIBRARY BUILDING

MONTREAL, June 13. (JTA) -- The Jewish Public Library building at Esplanade and Mount Royal Avenues has been sold to the Province of Quebec, because of the movement of Montreal's Jewish population out of the area, it was announced by Fertz Kalles, president.

The main building will be relocated temporarily at the corner of Van Horne and Decarie. The library, a beneficiary of Combined Jewish Appeal, will continue to operate branches at Beth Ora Synagogue in St. Laurent, Young Israel Synagogue in Chomedey, and the Jewish Peretz School in Cote St. Luc.

REFORM CONGREGATION DEDICATES SYNAGOGUE FOR DEAF IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, June 13. (JTA) -- A synagogue for deaf Jews, Temple Beth Solomon, believed to be the first of its kind, was dedicated yesterday in Arista, a suburb of Los Angeles. Founded six years ago by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the congregation was named for Rabbi Solomon F. Kleinman, former UAHC regional director and now rabbi of the new Liberal Synagogue of Encino.