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Two Banished Jerusalem Arab Leaders Declare Readiness to Cooperate with Israel

JERUSALEM, August 1. (JTA) -- Two of the four Arab notables who were banished from Jerusalem yesterday on charges of "incitement to subversion" against Israel professed their willingness today to cooperate with Israeli authorities. They made their statements in newspaper interviews.

The four were Anwar El Khatib, the former district commissioner of Old Jerusalem under King Hussein of Jordan; Ibrahim Baher, a Communist lawyer from Ramallah; Abdel Nuhsein Abumizhar, a former member of the Old Jerusalem Municipal Council and a former leader of the Baath Socialist Party; and Daoud el Hussein, a member of a well-known extremist Palestinian party and onetime leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization in the West Bank section, now under Israeli control. They were ordered "banished under police surveillance" and taken to Safed, Tiberias and Hadera.

Anwar El Khatib told the press that he was a peaceful and moderate man who had from the beginning urged his fellow citizens in Old Jerusalem to keep law and order. He said he had only objected to activities of the Israel Religious Affairs Ministry "interfering" in what he considered the internal affairs of the Moslem clergy in the Old City. Ibrahim Baher similarly asserted he could not understand why the Israeli authorities had acted against him. He said he had done "nothing illegal."

The banished notables were given freedom by the authorities to choose their own lodgings and they have freedom of movement within the limits of the towns where they were sent. They must report to the police three times daily.

Ben-Gurion Proposes Intensive Jewish Settlement in the Old Part of Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, August 1. (JTA) -- Former Premier David Ben-Gurion proposed in Parliament today that a belt of Jewish settlements should be established around the former Old City of Jerusalem as part of a program of intensive Jewish settlement of the area. He spoke during the debate on Foreign Minister Abba Eban's report on foreign policy.

He also proposed that the Hebrew University should transfer at least half of its facilities to the former campus on Mount Scopus, which was abandoned when Jordan seized the Old City and its environs in the 1948 war. A small maintenance unit remained on the Mount Scopus enclave which was serviced by a twice-a-month convoy from Israel during the 19 years until Israel took the area in the June war. Mr. Ben-Gurion urged also that housing should be established on Mount Scopus for teachers and students.

(In London, the British Friends of the Hebrew University issued a statement declaring that Israel's recovery of the Mount Scopus area offered an opportunity for further development of the university's facilities but that full advantage of the opportunity could be taken only if societies of friends of the university throughout the world would contribute an additional 3,000,000 Israel pounds (\$1,000,000) to the university's working budget. The statement was signed by Lord Cohen of Walmer, Dr. Alec Lerner and Prof. Norman Bentwich.)

Mr. Ben-Gurion proposed also that at least 20,000 Jewish families should settle in the former Jewish quarter of Old Jerusalem which the Jordanians destroyed and in the empty areas around the Old City which have been incorporated into the reunited Jerusalem. He said his proposed belt of Jewish population would contribute to the raising of the standard of living of Arab residents of the area.

He emphasized that plans to give "Jewry's eternal capital" a Jewish character should not be done by evicting the Arab population "not even one soul." He urged also that the Kalandria airport, on the site of the former Jewish village of Etarot, which was incorporated in the enlarged capital, should be developed as an international airport. He said his proposals were based on the idea that Jerusalem should be a bustling commercial and industrial center and the capital of Israel not only in name.

Eban Addresses Knesset on Arab Refugee Issue; Speaks of Pilot Projects

JERUSALEM, August 1. (JTA) -- Israel can conduct some pilot experiments in resettling Arab refugees in constructive occupations but the complete solution to the refugee problem depends on the achievement of Arab-Israeli peace, Foreign Minister Abba Eban said tonight in Parliament.

Sen. Symington Says Israel Would Be Able to Buy Arms in U.S. Even Under Curb

WASHINGTON, August 1. (JTA) -- A successful Congressional effort to end the Defense Department's \$383,000,000 revolving arms sales credit fund would not affect other means of supplying American arms to Israel, Sen. Stuart Symington, Missouri Democrat, said yesterday in a statement on the Senate floor.

A number of Senators and Representatives are seeking an end to the revolving fund after it was learned that the Defense Department has used the fund to guarantee \$591,000,000 for the purchase of United States weapons by 14 underdeveloped nations, including Israel, in 1966 and 1967. The Administration, seeking to defeat in the Senate a Foreign Relations Committee amendment to abolish the fund, has been telling Congressmen that this would hamper arms sales to Israel.

Sen. Symington, a leader of the Congressmen in the fight on the fund, denied this. He said that the President would keep his authority under the Foreign Assistance Law to sell weapons to Israel, without legal limit, from Defense Department arsenals, on a three-year credit basis. He said the President also could grant up to \$300,000,000 in weapons to countries whenever he considers this "vital" to United States security. Sen. Symington added that Israel's credit was good enough to qualify it for commercial bank loans to finance arms purchases.

Congressional Delegation Returns from Israel; Says Eshkol Seeks Durable Peace

WASHINGTON, August 1. (JTA) -- A delegation representing the House Foreign Affairs Committee subcommittee on Near Eastern Affairs returned today "with the overwhelming impression that Israel was making a determined effort to translate the aftermath of its astounding military victory into a durable peace."

Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, and Rep. William Broomfield, Michigan Republican, visited Israel and met with Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and other leaders. They said Mr. Eshkol outlined a suitable peace plan for Jordan, but they thought it depended upon the willingness of King Hussein to enter negotiations. The Congressmen said in a joint statement that "since there has been nothing to indicate such (Arab) intent, the general impression is that there will be no further major changes for several months."

Premier Eshkol informed the Congressmen that the territories of the West Bank had never been recognized as part of Jordan "even by the Arabs." He said that within the framework of a general peace settlement, Israel would be prepared to come to an agreement to grant Jordan free passage to the Mediterranean, to work toward Arab refugee problem solutions, and economic developmental cooperation with Jordan.

The Congressmen reported that Mr. Eshkol "would agree that the safeguarding of the Islamic holy places should be in the hands of Jordan." They were "particularly gratified" by the Israeli policy to work toward Arab refugee settlement. It was also their conviction that "Israel will firmly guarantee access to the holy places of Jerusalem to all Moslem and Christian pilgrims."

Rep. Robert Taft, Jr., Ohio Republican, said today on his return from Israel that he saw "a good chance" for direct negotiations between the Arabs and Israel but thought it would take "a little time." He stressed that the United States should try to promote direct negotiations. "The results are far more likely to be lasting than if we seek a settlement through some intermediary, some international agency where there is no face-to-face meeting," he stated.

54 Moslems Sentenced in Tunis for Participation in Anti-Jewish Riots

PARIS, August 1. (JTA) -- One Moslem was sentenced to a prison term of 20 years at hard labor, and 53 others received terms ranging up to 15 years at the conclusion of a four-day trial in Tunis yesterday on charges of participating in anti-Jewish riots on June 5, the day war broke out between the Arab states and Israel.

The 20-year sentence was given Mohamed Ben Janet, 20, a theological student whom the police charged with leading the riots. In the disturbances, a synagogue was burned down in the capital of Tunisia and many shops owned by Jews were looted. The rioters also set fire to the British Embassy in Tunis and smashed windows in the United States Embassy.

All of the defendants pleaded guilty, but defense counsel maintained there was no proof of their participation in or leadership of the riots. However they were judged by the court on the basis of police reports. Ben Janet was described by the prosecution as a man "known for his political ideas and his opposition to the Tunisian regime." All of the defendants were under 30 years of age, and five were under 17.

Jewish Woman Killed in Casablanca; Anxiety Among Jews in Morocco Grows

PARIS, August 1. (JTA) -- A 50-year-old Jewish woman, Mrs. Anna Zafrani, was killed in Casablanca last week, in the third such killing in Morocco since the Arab-Israel war in June. The incident increased the anxiety of Moroccan Jews, who have been departing in greater frequency to France. The opposition Istiqlal Party has been continuing its anti-Jewish campaign.

Jews in Poland Threatened at Warsaw Mass Meeting Against Siding with Israel

LONDON, August 1. (JTA) -- Polish Jews received another warning last night against supporting Israel in the aftermath of the Israeli victory in the June war, it was reported here today from Warsaw.

The renewed warning emerged from a mass meeting last night in Warsaw which marked the 23rd anniversary of the 1944 Warsaw uprising against the German occupiers. The meeting adopted a resolution reiterating a June 19 ultimatum by Communist Party leader Wladyslaw Gomulka to Polish Jews to back the Polish regime's total support of the defeated Arab countries. In warning the Jews, the Polish Communist leader had said that "Poland will not tolerate a Fifth Column in the country."

The resolution adopted last night and reported by the Polish Press Agency, declared: "We are in full solidarity with Wladyslaw Gomulka's speech and accordingly state that a Polish citizen may have only one fatherland, Poland. We also state that we shall not remain indifferent toward people who, in the face of a threat to world peace, hence also to the security of Poland, support the aggressor."

Soviet Yiddish Writers Support Moscow's Anti-Israel Stand on Middle East

LONDON, August 1. (JTA) -- The Sovietische Heimland, the only Yiddish publication in the Soviet Union, published in its current issue a letter from a group of Soviet Jewish writers supporting the Soviet Government's position in the Middle East dispute.

The letter made a reference to the "aggressive policy of Israeli ruling circles" in urging the unconditional withdrawal of Israeli forces from Arab-occupied territories but was generally much milder than current Soviet propaganda blasts against Israel. It made no reference to the charges of Nazi-like atrocities which have consistently marked Soviet anti-Israel propaganda.

The letter noted that Soviet Premier Kosygin "told the United Nations General Assembly on June 18 clearly that the Soviet Union was not against Israel" but only opposed its "aggressive policy." "The Soviet Union has always supported the right of big and small nations to national independence," the letter stated, "This is why the Soviet Union voted in 1947 for the U.N. decision to create an Arab and a Jewish State in Palestine."

"We urge all progressive Jewish writers and cultural workers, indeed Jews throughout the whole world, to raise their voice for peace in the Middle East and for withdrawal of Israeli troops behind the truce lines and for promotion of an atmosphere of respect for the rights of all countries and peoples in this area," the letter said.

It linked the issue with the death of 6,000,000 European Jews by the Nazis with the statement that a people which had suffered such a tragedy "clearly knows the dangers of military conflicts." The writers also cited the late Albert Einstein as having allegedly warned "Israeli rulers in his time that Israel's independent existence could only be ensured in conditions of good neighborly relations with the Arab states." The letter cautioned also that "the Israeli people have no need for foreign territory. Occupation and annexation are the road of adventurers."

Aaron Vergelis, editor of the publication and long-time Jewish apologist for the Soviet regime, was one of the signers. Others were Hirsh Osherovich of Wilno, Abraham Gontar, Shike Driz, Z. Wendroff, Nathan Lurie of Odessa, Chaim Maltinsky of Minsk, Boris Miller of Biro-Bidjan, Chaim Melamud of Czernowitz, Moshe Notovich of Kazan, Yechiel Falikman of Kiev, Solomon Roitman of Yoshkar and Yechiel Schreibman of Kishinev.

Soviet Press Continues Campaign Against Israel and Jews

LONDON, August 1. (JTA) -- The anti-Israeli and anti-Jewish campaign in the Soviet press, which sharpened considerably during the June war between the Arab states and Israel, continues unabated, it was noted here today upon examination of the contents of leading Soviet newspapers received in London.

The most recent example of Israel-baiting and Jew-baiting in the Soviet press was noted here in a series of articles with a Cairo dateline being printed daily in Pravda, official organ of the USSR Communist Party. Summarizing the recent events in the Middle East, the Pravda writers not only distort the facts of the June war known to the world at large, but also engage in concentrated attacks on Israel and Jews in general.

Jewish Veterans in Australia to Return Decorations to Communist Lands

MELBOURNE, August 1. (JTA) -- The Association of Jewish Victims of Nazism of Australia proposed today a meeting of all Jewish war veterans to consider returning decorations from Communist countries in protest against the Communist bloc stand on Israel in the June crisis and war.

Jewish war veterans in Australia have decorations from the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Hungary and Yugoslavia. All of those countries broke off relations with Israel during the crisis.

Paris Jewish Communist Newspaper Published Protest to Russia

PARIS, August 1. (JTA) -- The Union of Jewish War Veterans here protested today to the Soviet Ambassador in Paris against the recent appearance of an anti-Semitic cartoon in several Soviet newspapers. A copy of the protest letter was reprinted today in Neue Presse, a newspaper in Paris published by Jewish Communists.

San Francisco Jewish Welfare Federation Allocates \$2,810,448 to 35 Agencies

SAN FRANCISCO, August 1. (JTA) -- A total of \$2,810,448 has been allocated to 35 local, national and overseas beneficiary agencies by the Jewish Welfare Federation of San Francisco, Marin County and the Peninsula, it was announced here by Federation president Robert E. Sinton. Allocations are for the fiscal year March 1, 1967 to February 29, 1968.

The figures match the record which was set last year, and, significantly, includes an increase from Federation's regular 1967 campaign. An analysis of the figures shows that United Jewish Appeal was again the principal beneficiary, receiving \$1,200,500, with an additional \$56,500 going to other overseas agencies. Local agencies of Federation received \$1,141,873, which includes allocations from United Crusade Campaigns. National beneficiary agencies of Federation were allocated \$131,650.

Sinton noted that with the regular campaign allocation, Federation has now earmarked \$3,550,500 for the United Jewish Appeal thus far this year. Included in this total is the Israel Emergency Fund, which now has raised more than \$2,100,000 in San Francisco, Marin County and the Peninsula; and a special gift of \$250,000 from Federation's capital funds.

Yeshiva University's School for Social Work Gets \$230,762 Federal Grant

NEW YORK, August 1. (JTA) -- Yeshiva University's Wurzwiler School of Social Work has been awarded a \$230,762 federal grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's National Institute of Mental Health towards a seven year experimental demonstration program in cooperation with the Associated YM-YWHAs of Greater New York, it was announced here today.

Dr. Morton I. Teicher, dean of the School, said that while the program may be extended to the entire network of services maintained by the Associated Ys, the initial phase of the project will concentrate on one center, the East Flatbush-Rugby Y, in Brooklyn. The project plans to experiment with new structural links between agency and school similar to the "medical school-teaching hospital" relationship. The School is currently conducting a three-year cooperative program begun last year with the 92nd Street Y in Manhattan.

"While the Associated Ys and the Wurzwiler School blazed some new trails in the area of research cooperation," Dr. Teicher said, "both organizations are interested in developing new horizons and methods for meeting the needs of the community and the needs of social work education. The project should yield a new prototype which can serve as a model throughout the field for the enhancement of social work service and education."

The program, in effect, seeks to bring the School directly into the arena of agency operation through the social work students' closer experience with group work, casework, community organization, research, program and agency administration and community planning. Wurzwiler School of Social Work, the first university-based social work program under Jewish auspices, was established in 1957. Its two-year program of study, with concentrations in social group work and social casework, leads to the master of social work degree.

Group of 177 U.S. Students Leaves for Year Study at Hebrew University

NEW YORK, August 1. (JTA) -- A group of 177 college and university students left today from Kennedy International Airport for a year of study at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. This is the largest group in the thirteen-year history of the One Year Study Program of the American Friends of the Hebrew University and one of the largest programs of its kind.

Dean Hyman Kublin of the City University of New York, chairman of the program's Academic Committee, said the students come from 69 colleges and universities throughout the United States. They live in 23 states and include students from Canada, Korea, Panama and Peru. The American Friends has this year processed and selected a total of 322 American students for the various programs it conducts in conjunction with the Hebrew University.

Pennsylvania Law Permits Observant Jews to Keep Stores Open on Sundays

HARRISBURG, August 1. (JTA) -- Gov. Raymond T. Shafer has signed into law a bill permitting Pennsylvania businessmen to do business on Sunday if they observe their Sabbath on a different day of the week. The measure had long been sought by Pennsylvania Jewish organizations.

In signing the measure, Gov. Shafer said that "too many of our citizens have been penalized because they worship God on a day other than Sunday." He added that "all businessmen may now worship on their Sabbath according to their beliefs, without fear of undue hardship to their businesses."

The law amends an act of June 24, 1939 concerning selling certain personal property on Sunday. It now reads: "No individual who by reason of his religious convictions observes a day other than Sunday as his day of rest and actually refrains from labor or secular business on that day shall be prohibited from selling the above enumerated articles on Sunday in a business establishment which is closed on such other day."

Attending the signing ceremony were representatives of the Pennsylvania Jewish Community Relations Council, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Pennsylvania Council of Churches, the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference and the National Fair Sabbath Committee.