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INAME DELECATION AT LAUSANNE PARLEY REJECTS U.S. STAND ON FUTURE OF STATE'S FRONTIERS

LAUSANNE, May 19. (JTA) -- The position taken by the United States in relation to the future frontiers of Israel was considered here today a key factor in the sattlement of this difficult question.

The Israeli delegation to the conference now in session here under the ausples of the U.N. Conciliation Commission for Palestine has been advised that the kerican member of the three-nation commission is bound by the statement of President fruman shortly before the November elections that if Israel wished to retain Western Callee, which the U.N. General Assembly allotted to the Arabs, she would have to make compensatory territorial concessions elsewhere.

The Israelis rejected all suggestions that they yield Western Calilee or yield other territory in exchange for it even before the proposition was formally put to them by the Commission. Israel seeks some frontier rectification which would give it the towns of Tulkarem and Calkilya in central Falestine and thus bring the whole Mediterranean coastal plain under its rule.

Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett left Switzerland for Prague today where he will confer with Czechoslovak Foreign Minister Vladimir Clementis. He was accompanied by Reuven Shiloah, Foreign Ministry official who headed the Israeli delegations at the Rhodes armietice talks. From Prague, Sharett will fly to Tel Aviv.

ERAELI-TRANSJORDAN JERUSALEM COMMISSION SESSION FRUITLESS; U.N. BODY MOVES TO JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, May 19. (JTA) -- The tenth meeting of the special Israeli-Transjordan armistice commission on Jerusalem proved fruitless today. In a four-hour session the question of Israeli access to Mt. Scopus and through the Latrum area was not resolved.

The Transjordanian delegates refused to move from their demand that the Jews permit all Arabs who fled Jerusalem to return and to restore their property to them. The next meeting of the body has been set for May 29.

The transfer of United Nations headquarters and the central truce supervision committee from Haifa to Jerusalem began today. It is expected to be completed by the middle of next week.

MESCON PERMITS FOUR JEWS TO LEAVE FOR ISRAEL; HUNGARY LIMITS EMIGRATION OF JEWS

TEL AVIV, May 17. (JTA) -- Four Soviet Jews were permitted by the Moscow authorities to emigrate to Israel since the establishment of an Israeli Legation there, it was reported here today by Joshua Shay, director-general of the Ministry of Immigration.

The Israeli official revealed that the Hungarian Government no longer permits the emigration of any Jews to the Jewish state except in cases of parents who have children in Israel or children whose parents now reside in Israel.

During the year since Israel was proclaimed, the new state received 218,000 immigrants, bringing its total population to 890,000--a 35 percent increase in 12 conths, Shay stated. Four Jewish centers, he said, were cleared of Jews during the year. These were the Cyprus detention camps, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Aden.

CREEK FOREIGN OFFICE ATTACKED IN PRESS FOR APPOINTING JEW AS REPRESENTATIVE TO ISPAEL

ATHENS, May 19. (JTA) -- The Greek Foreign Office said today that it had requested acceptance by the Israeli Foreign Office of Joseph Mallah as Greek "diplomatic agent," and not as ambassador. A spokesman for the Foreign Office told the Jewish Relegraphic Agency correspondent here that as soon as normal diplomatic relations between Greece and Israel are established, an ambassador of Greek origin would be designated. Mallah is Jewish.

The Foreign Office statement came after the press of all political parties, particularly the Conservative newspaper Estia, expressed opposition to Mallah's appointment. Estia assailed Foreign Minister Constantin Tsaldaris for having appointed a Jevish merchant, "who does not even have a Greek-sounding name," to protect Greek orthodox interests in Israel. It described this appointment as an "international sendal."

"It is absurd that Greece, the only free Orthodox Christian country, should be represented by a Jew of non-Greek origin," the paper asserted. It also stated that the Israeli Government had objected to the appointment of a Jew as Greek representative in order to avoid misunderstandings. The paper appealed to the Holy Synod of Greece to intervene and "put an end to this degradation of our faith."

The Greek Foreign Affairs Ministry said that Mallah's name had been proposed to give that the Greek Government made no discrimination of "nationalities." Issuel's reply on Mallah's acceptability has not yet been received. Informed sources said that the Estia campaign was really directed against Foreign Minister Tsaldaris, in an attempt to embarrass him and his Populist Party. Estia is a strong supporter of Spyro Markezinis, leader of the New Party, who was ousted from the Greek Cabinet file weeks ago after Tsaldaris had exposed a currency smuggling scandal in which Markezinis was involved.

ISRAELI PREMIER APPEALS TO IMMIGRANTS TO SETTLE ON LAND IN COASTAL AND BORDER AREAS

TEL AVIV, May 19. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion today called on immismats to Isreel to turn to agriculture either as settlers or as agricultural laborers, as their shere in the upbuilding of the Jewish state. He issued the call at ā convention of representatives of agricultural settlements throughout Israel who met to consider their role in the national economic battle.

The Premier singled out Israel's coastal and border areas as places for the stablishment of new settlements by the immigrants. He also called for a new "great national swing to the land," asserting that Israeli agriculture must be "extensive in the area and intensive in character."

He demanded a step-up in agricultural production as a means of fighting the high cost of living. Such an increase could come about, he said, by using modern stentific methods and exploiting the large areas available to Israel. Finally, he tald the delegates of the projected construction of camps near settlements for living quarters for the immigrant laborers who decide to work in the settlements.

Minister of Rationing and Supply Dov Joseph told the parley that the government's austority plan will not harm acriculture, but will strengthen it. He asked for the cooperation of the agricultural settlers in the implementation of the austerity program.

BILL TO ESTABLISH CONGRESSIONAL NEAR EAST SURVEY COMMISSION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, May 19. (JTA) -- The bill to establish a Congressional Near East survey commission to go to Israel as the first step in implementing the President's program for aiding underdeveloped areas was today referred to the House Committee on foreign Affairs for consideration. Its referrel to the committee is considered a favorable sign because three of the Committee's members are sponsors of the bill.

MANN DISCOURAGES LARGE-SCALE TOURISM: NOT READY TO ACCOMMODATE 1.000 FROM BRAZIL

WASHINGTON, May 19. (JTA) -- Israel is discouraging "a heavier tourist trafto for the time being because of the limited accommodations available." it was made nown today by the Israeli Embassy. A proposed cruise for 1,000 tourists from Brazil 25 not approved by authorities because of lack of adequate facilities for the visiters, a news release said.

The Embassy stated that the Israeli Government feels that before any largecale influx of tourists is encouraged, adequate facilities, comparable to those found elsewhere in the world, should be available. "Some private investors are making plans to erect large and up-to-date hotels to cater to the tourist trade," the Embassy statement said. "The government hopes to make Israel an all-year resort. Festivals. armivals, and international conventions will be promoted from time-to-time to provide attractions, but not before 1950."

The Embassy also described the new government tourist department which is fixing ceiling prices for accommodations, food, and sightseeing tours. The opening of tourist information offices at Lydda Airport and throughout Israel is announced.

It is estimated that the average tourist's stay this year will be three weeks. Extween 15,000 and 20,000 visitors are expected in 1949, which would make it the bigast tourist year since 1935.

Israeli Embassy in Washington Starts Publication of Newsletter

Integration of the Arab community in Israel is described in a front-page article in the "Israel Newsletter," the first issue of which was published today by the Israeli Embassy here. Cooperation between Arabs and the predominantly Jewish population has been much advanced, according to the article. Particular emphasis is paid to participation of Arabs in political life and labor organizations.

Advances in education for Arabs, particularly Arab girls who were totally neglected under Mandatory rule, are also reported. The article tells of Arabs in the government health program, and other benefits extended to all citizens. Assistance of the state to mosques and Moslem religious worship is described. The bulletin will be published twice monthly, to report on "the political, economic and social life. of Israel."

3.500 MORE JEWS LEFT TURKEY FOR ISRAEL LAST MONTH; RATE OF MIGRATION BEING MAINTAINED

ISTANBUL, May 19. (JTA) -- Some 3.500 Jews emigrated from Turkey to Israel during April and the same rate is apparently being maintained this month, it was learned here today. Twenty-six hundred of the emigrants left from this port during April and the remainder from Izmir.

The exchange of diplomatic representatives between Turkey and Israel, unofficially reported scheduled for last month has still not taken place. As a result, the migration of Jews to Israel is completely uncontrolled by the Israeli authorities.

The Chamber of Commerce of Izmir, Turkey's largest exporting port, has announced that \$1,500,000 worth of Turkish goods were shipped to the Jewish state from that port during 1948. Israel is high on the list of 30 nations to whom Turkey exports its products.

MISSER OF JEMISH DP'S FROM CAMP IN UPPER AUSTRIA TO OTHER PARTS OF U.S. ZONE COMPLETED

VIEWA, May 19. (JTA) -- The transfer of displaced Jews from Camp Bindertonel, in Upper Austria, to DP centers in other parts of the United States zone has sen completed according to a schefule worked out last March between military authorities and representatives of the DP's, it was reported here today. The vacated camp all be used to house American military and civilian personnel and their families.

The Austrian Government has prepared legislation providing for the restitution of home and apartments taken from victims of the Nazis. The proposed law, the fifth inseries of restitution measures, will probably not become effective until the early months of next year.

According to available statistics, some 70,000 apartments were taken over by mais and Mazi sympathizers during the wave of residential looting before and during the war. Officials now say, however, that only 4,000 have been requested by their former owners, because the previous occupants of the others are either dead, missing or have left the country in the wast migration of refugees, particularly of Jews.

LODON POLICEMAN CONFESSES TO SETTING FIRES IN ORDER TO GET REVENCE ON JEWS

LONDON, May 19. (JTA) -- A 22-year-old London police constable, Clifford Mexamer Weallans, today was accused of setting fires to two factories and causing traps of over \$25,000, which he was alleged to have started to get "revenge on Jews."

Weallans was charged with having admitted that "altogether I have set 11 other fires. I set these all for the seeme reason to get my own back on the Jews. I saw may be things done to our blokes in Palestine, and I wanted to even things up." Alice stated that all the fires were set in East London districts. Weallans was remained in custody until May 26.

O. AFRICAN JUSTICE MINISTER REFUSES TO ACT AGAINST BRITISH IMMIGRANT SPREADING FASCISM

JOHANNESBURG, May 19. (JTA) -- The question of the admission of J.L. Battersby, a British fascist, to South Africa was again raised on the floor of Parliament paterday when Justice Minister C.R. Swart was asked why his department permitted a mown fascist to enter the country.

Swart declared that he knew nothing about Battersby, adding that "if he acts in any way dangerous to the state I will deal with him." Battersby, a Mosleyite who is interned in Britain during the war, has established a fascist newspaper and a "Hitlerian Center" in Natal. During the debete an M.P. offered to forward a copy of Extersby's paper to Swart to prove that his actions were dangerous to the country, but the Minister dismissed the suggestion with the remark: "That is the sheerest non-sons, why do you take notice of it?"

LEGRAL SYNAGOGUES IN BRITAIN ACT TO DISAFFILIATE WITH JEWISH BOARD OF DEPUTIES

LONDON, May 19. (JTA) -- The final withdrawal of the Union of Liberal Proressive Synagogues from the Board of Deputies of British Jews was forecast here last night in a decision adopted by a meeting of the officers and repeathatives to the board of Liberal synagogues and congregations composing the Union.

The unanimous decision of last night's session was to recommend to all affiliated organizations that they do not return to the Board of Deputies. The Liberals walked out of the Board some weeks ago when they were defeated over the question of whether the Orthodox religious authorities or lay leaders of Liberal synagogues shall appoint officials who record marriage services in the Liberal congregations. J.T.A. NEWS -5 - 5/20/49

THET TRANSPORT OF AIRBORNE JEWISH REFUSERS FROM SHANGHAI ARRIVES IN TOKYO

MEW YORK, May 19. (JTA) -- Sixty-one Jewish refugees in flight from wartimestened Shanghai arrived at Tokyo last night in the first phase of an emergency air excuation by which it is hoped to rescue 320 Jewish men, women and children who have been living in the Chinese port city for the past ten years, the Joint Distribution Committee reported today.

The refugees are bound for Canada. Sponsoring the movement, which has been mand "Operation Flying Dragon," are the J.D.C., the International Refugee Organization, and the Canadian Jewish Congress. The first flight is expected to be followed by five others. The planes are scheduled to fly across the Pacific Ocean via Japan, the Aleutians and Alaska, debarking at Everett Field, Seattle. From there the refuges will travel by bus to Vancouver. Transportation costs are being shared by the LDC, and IR.O.

JUNISH REPRESENTATIVES TESTIFY ON DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT BEFORE CONCRESSIONAL BCDY

NEW YORK, May 19. (JTA) -- Evidence of the existence of wide-spread and growing employment discrimination against Negroes, Jews, and other minority groups was presented to a House Labor subcommittee today by Irving Kane, chairman of the National Commity Relations Advisory Council, national coordinating body for the major Jewish organizations.

Kane told the subcommittee, holding hearings on a bill to create a federal fair employment practices commission, that this legislation should get first priority in the civil rights program. "No other right is so fundamental as the right to work," as said, "For the right to work is in our economic order the right to survive as an independent, self-respecting person. And to this right all other rights are subordingly without this right, no other right has meaning or purpose."

Rabbi Eli E. Pilchik, representing the Synagogue Council of America, also registered his support of fair employment practices legislation in testimony before the subcommittee. He told the subcommittee that an increasing number of discriminatory practices are noted as unemployment increases. He pointed out that all religious faccinations have gone on record for a program which would curb discrimination.

WORLD JEWISH CONCRESS PROPOSES U.N. SURVEY OF PUBLICATIONS SPREADING RACE HATRED

NEW YORK, May 19. (JTA) -- A world-wide United Nations survey of newspapers and publications spreading racial and religious hatred was proposed by the World Jewish Congress today as a means of reducing such propaganda without invoking legal sanctions in a memorandum submitted to U.N. Secretary General Trygve Lie.

Maintaining that such a study should be one of the main tasks to be undertaken by the Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information of the Press of the Human Rights Commission, the W.J.C. proposed that all member states of the U.N. should be invited to report to the Sub-Commission at regular intervals vital statistics on newspapers or other publications appearing within its territory which regularly publish propadid alirected against racial, religious or national groups. These nations should almore the government measures undertaken to combat the effect of such hate

The Sub-Commission should invite the assistance of specialized agencies and international non-governmental organizations granted consultative status with the Donomic and Social Council, in providing such data, the Congress memorandum suggest-di. The U.N. Secretariat should be requested to prepare a study on the most effective mans of combetting the publication of propaganda preaching racial, national, relicious or other discrimination, intolerance or hatred, it added.

LING ISLAND COMMUNITY LEADERS PLEDGE TO RAISE \$2,000,000 FOR U.J.A. OF GREATER N.Y.

LAWRENCE, L.I., May 19. (JTA) -- More than 500 Jewish community leaders attaining a United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York rally here last night heard Israeli Chief Rabd Isaac Berzog assert that "at this very moment there are 60,000 newomers in Israel crowded in reception camps under the most primitive conditions." Guests attaining the rally, which was arranged for the Five Towns of Long Island, pledged to raise \$2,000,000 toward the 1949 goal of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York.

In a message wired to the meeting, Israeli Ambassador Eliahu Elath declared:
The very existence and prosperity of Israel depends on the efforts of the United Jewish Appeal. The work carried on by the U.J.A. is particularly important at this time
when the new state is faced with additional and overwhelming responsibilities affecting not only its own citizens, but all our brethren newly-arrived, as well as those
instinctly waiting to find homes and refuge in Israel."

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF JEWISH MEN'S CLUBS OPENS ANNUAL CONVENTION TODAY

ATLANTIC CITY, May 19. (JTA) -- Judge Louis E. Levinthal, former president of the Zionist Organization of America, will receive the annual award of the National Reteration of Jewish Men's Clubs of the United Synagogue of America at the organization's national convention, opening here tomorrow. The convention will continue through Sunday.

The award, conferred annually upon an "American Jew for distinguished service to the Jewish community," will be presented by Stanley Garten, former president of the 8,000-member organization, to Judge Levinthal for "his service as advisor to Gen. Clay on Jewish affairs and for many other important contributions to Jewish life." lest year's recipient of the award was Henry Morgenthau Jr., general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

ANDAS ISRAEL PARLEY REVIEWS PROBLEM OF INCLUDING RELIGIOUS LAW IN ISRAELI CONSTITUTION

HURLEYVILLE, N.Y., May 19. (JTA) -- The problems of assuring that Jewish religious law is recognized in the Israeli constitution were reviewed here today at the annual convention of Agudas Israel. The discussion was led by Israeli leaders of the organization who came to the U.S. to attend the convention. Other subjects on today's legadd included rehabilitation of Jewish war orphans in Europe and Israel, and Jewish education in the United States.

MEEUM OF JEWISH ART OPENS IN PARIS; FEATURES ANCIENT SYNAGOGICAL EXHIBITION

PARIS, May 19. (JTA) -- A museum of Jewish art opened here with a collection of documents and photographs of ancient synagogues in Restern Europe forming the major part of its exhibit. The museum was act up under the auspices of the ORT and is located in one of the GRT installations in Paris.

CHARLES COHEN, U.J.A. FOUNDER, DIES AT 63; RECEIVED WARBURG AWARD FOR COMMANAL WORK

NEW YORK, May 19. (JTA) -- Charles Cohen, a founder and director of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, died here yesterday at the age of 63. A welfer and communal worker for many years, Cohen served on the executive committee of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York and recently received the Felix M. Warburg Memorial Award for 25 years of service to the Federation and the community.

PHILIP POLICANSKY, SO. AFRICAN INDUSTRIAL LEADER, DIES; WAS ACTIVE IN JEWISH COMMUNITY

CAPETOWN, So. Africa, May 19. (JTA) -- Philip Policansky, well-known South African industrial pioneer, died yesterday at the age of 83. He was born in Russia and came here in the 1890's. He was an outstanding leader in the Jewish community. THE CONTENTS OF THIS BULLETIN ARE NOT FOR FUBLICATION WITHOUT SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION