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## STATE DEPT. SUPPORTS BUTTENWIESER'S REPORT ON GERMANY REJECTED BY ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE

WASHINGTON, May 18. (JTA) -- The State Department today announced that the address on Germany by U.S. Assistant High Commissioner Benjamin J. Buttenwieser which was rejected by the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League at its convention in Chicago last Sunday will be delivered before the Foreign Policy Association in New York tomorrow. The State Department also announced that it would mimeograph and distribute the speech.

The Washington Post and the Washington Evening Star today published editorials severely criticizing the Anti-Defamation League for not permitting Mr. Buttenwieser to deliver his speech. The Post argues that the League could have heard Mr. Buttenwieser's views and then rebuked him. The Star says that "Mr. Buttenwieser's censors have no reason whatever to be proud of their act."

The speech advocates leniency toward the Germans and claims that Nazism in Germany "has been destroyed never to rise again." At the same time, Mr. Buttenwieser admits that there are former Nazis in many public positions in Germany, including school teachers, policemen, high state officials as well as businessmen holding important posts.

Asserting that not all of these former members of the Nazi Party "were devils," Mr. Buttenwieser says that "it is neither possible nor desirable to try to keep 7,000,000 former party members--and, with their dependents, probably 25,000,000 people--outside of the community or outcasts from it." He claims that the major war criminals were tried at Nuremberg and before special U.S. military courts at Dachau.

## Buttenwieser Argues Against Barring Former Nazis from State Employment

Mr. Buttenwieser takes issue with those who suggest that the U.S. policy on the eradication of Nazism and measures to prevent its reappearance have been woefully weak. "There are," he says, "Americans and Germans who feel that, in the face of the fiendish crimes committed under the Hitler regime, unparalleled in the annals of history, our measures were all too weak and compromising in ferreting out and punishing those who had any part in those barbaric ravages."

Terming this view "extremist," Mr. Buttenwieser says that if stronger measures were taken by the U.S. occupation forces to eradicate Nazism, it would "merely have been allowing the predatory law of the jungle to prevail." The U.S. Assistant High Commissioner expresses the belief that "in the spirit of forgiveness" as well as "with a constructive view to the future," it was far better "to err on the side of fairness and leniency rather than arbitrariness and ruthlessness."

Insisting that "it is proper to have former Nazis, who have been tried and either acquitted or found guilty and served their sentences, function wherever their skills and ability permit," Mr. Buttenwieser argues that keeping them from earning a livelihood would mean punishment over and beyond what was stipulated by legal procedures. "Such punishment," he says, "would simply mean to create an atmosphere of revenge in which a people could not reform themselves."

WEIZMANN MAY GO TO SWITZERLAND; SPEAKER OF KNESSET LEAVES FOR URUGUAY

JERUSALEM, May 18. (JTA) -- President Chaim Weizmann may leave in midsummer for Switzerland for medical treatment, it was announced by his office today. Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Parliament, left by plane today for Uruguay to address the opening of the United Jewish Appeal fund-raising drive in Montevideo.

Speculation was rife in Parliamentary circles as to who will be the acting head of the Jewish state in the absence of President Weizmann and the speaker, who served as Acting President last year. The problem was resolved, however, when the President announced that he would postpone his departure until after Mr. Sprinzak's return.

ISRAEL PREMIER TO NEGOTIATE WITH PHYSICIANS WHO DECLARED STOPPAGE IN STATE HOSPITALS

JERUSALEM, May 18. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet last night instructed Premier David Ben Gurion to meet with representatives of government-employed physicians who Tuesday staged a 24-hour strike and with civil service officials who have been negotiating with the doctors.

The one-day work stoppage, which affected some 300 doctors in immigration camps, government hospitals and clinics, was called in support of demands for an increase in their current monthly wage of 80 pounds (\$224) and for recognition of their national medical association. The Cabinet also considered the picketing of the Yemenite Rosh Haayin immigrant camp by unemployed Histadrut workers protesting the fact that some of the camp inmates accepted employment below union scales.

An agreement for the incorporation of the Hapoel Hamizrachi in the Histadrut, Israel's general federation of labor, was signed here today in the offices of the Histadrut. The pact will become effective, however, only after a solution is reached on the problem of Mizrachi teachers who have thus far refused to join the Histadrut.

STATE DEPT. SEEKS TO "SOFTEN UP" ISRAEL BY SUPPLYING ARMS TO EGYPT, DR. NEUMANN REPORTS

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- A warning that "the British Foreign Office and our own State Department must know that they are playing with fire when they place at Egypt's disposal jet bombers, tanks and naval craft" was sounded here tonight by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, former president of the Zionist Organization of America, addressing a Zionist meeting at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria following his return from Israel.

"The official explanation by the State Department that this type of equipment is required for Egypt's internal security deceives nobody," Dr. Neumann said. "If our State Department is permitting or helping to provide Egypt with such weapons which may be turned any day against Israel, it is indulging, at the very least, in a squeeze play designed to 'soften up' the Government of Israel and force it into making political concessions," the Zionist leader stated. He added that "Israel will not be intimidated and is preparing to meet any new attack."

Reporting on the internal situation in Israel, Dr. Neumann said that the major difficulty confronting the Israel Government at the moment is the economic problem, particularly the problem of foreign exchange. The leaders of the government, he said, are most anxious to attract private capital from abroad by encouraging private enterprise.

U.N. COMMISSION ADOPTS TEXT OF HUMAN RIGHTS COVENANT; RATIFICATION BY U.S. PREDICTED

LAKE SUCCESS, May 18. (JTA) -- Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt predicted today that the United States would ratify the International Covenant on Human Rights which the U.N. Commission on Human Rights unanimously voted later in the day. The document will be sent with implementation proposals to the Economic and Social Council.

It was decided not to take a vote on a Lebanese suggestion that the Economic and Social Council be asked to pass it on in turn to the U.N. General Assembly. Denmark withdrew a resolution which would have postponed final consideration of the draft covenant until 1951.

Mrs. Roosevelt, chairman of the Commission and U.S. representative, told a press conference that the covenant was in complete accord with the American Constitution and therefore she expected the Senate to ratify it. She added, however, that before the United States could ratify, it would have to be satisfied with the text of Article 25, which deals with state laws in conformity with the Covenant.

AGUDAH DENIES IT "RECOGNIZED" WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT; SAYS IT DID NOT SEEK PRIVILEGES

LONDON, May 18. (JTA) -- The European executive of the Agudas Israel organization categorically denied today reports released by the World Jewish Congress alleging that the Agudah executive granted "recognition" to the West German Government and asked that specific privileges be accorded to it.

The Agudah executive explained that the Orthodox organization had protested to the British Foreign Office against the Bonn Government's intention of setting up a department for Jewish affairs which, the Agudah said, would relegate the Jews in Germany to a minority status.

Simultaneously, the Agudah executive expressed concern to the Bonn Government over its proposal and suggested that "in all matters pertaining to the Jewish community, the German Government should confer with representatives of communal bodies, and in religious matters with a representative of the Rabbinate." The Agudah memorandum pointed out that this procedure had satisfactorily been adopted in the United States and in West European countries.

U.N. BODY SENDS IRON LUNGS BY AIR TO ISRAEL TO HELP COMBAT INCREASE IN POLIO

LAKE SUCCESS, May 18. (JTA) -- In response to an urgent request from the Government of Israel, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund has rushed two iron lungs by air to Haifa to help in combatting a serious increase in polio, it was announced here today.

The lungs are the portable type. They have already arrived, and are about to be used to assist stricken children. Two larger, nonportable lungs are also on the way, having been loaned for six months by the British Government, to UNICEF, for use in Israel.

TOYS AMERICAN LEGION COLLECTED IN U.S. ARRIVE AT HAIFA FOR CHILDREN OF ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, May 18. (JTA) -- The Israel vessel Akko arrived at Haifa yesterday with a cargo of ten tons of toys for Israel children. The toys were collected in the United States by the American Legion for children in many countries overseas.

JEWISH CONGRESS CHARGES AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION ORGAN WITH BIAS; FILES COMPLAINT

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- Citing numerous situations-wanted advertisements published in the monthly Journal of the American Medical Association which list religious or racial specifications, the American Jewish Congress announced today that it had filed a complaint against the A.M.A. with the New York State Commission Against Discrimination. The complaint charged that such ads published by the A.M.A.'s official organ violated the New York State law banning references to race, creed or color.

The complaint was signed by Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the Congress, and Will Maslow, general counsel of the organization. "We have filed this formal action against the A.M.A.," said Rabbi Miller, "only after A.M.A. national officials insisted on continuing the publication of such ads. A number of doctors wrote to the Journal complaining that such ads, which abet racial and religious discrimination, will become the pages of a magazine devoted to the medical interests of all Americans. The replies from the Journal's editor, Dr. Austin Smith, declared that at the direction of the advertising committee at A.M.A. headquarters, the magazine would persist in its present policies."

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF DR. SILVER'S TEMPLE CELEBRATED; DULLES URGES INTERFAITH COOPERATION

CLEVELAND, May 18. (JTA) -- The 100th anniversary of The Temple, of which Dr. Abba Hillel Silver has been the spiritual leader for the last 35 years, was celebrated here tonight with John Foster Dulles, Foreign Adviser to the State Department and prominent Protestant lay leader, as one of the principal speakers at the gathering. The Temple, which now counts a membership of about 2,000 families, was founded in 1850, as Tifereth Israel, with 47 charter members.

Emphasizing that inter-faith cooperation and goodwill are essential for maintaining world peace, Mr. Dulles said that the anniversary of the founding of The Temple "is an event of national, indeed international significance." He pointed out that at the celebration "leading citizens of our country, not merely those of Jewish faith, but those of other faiths, unitedly extend congratulations of the past and best wishes for the future" of The Temple. "We do so even though many of us do not share the faith that is taught and practiced by Jews," he emphasized.

Dr. Silver said in his address that he has been asking "with increasing concern" in recent years whether Jews in the United States are not becoming, "Jewishly rootless and Jewishly illiterate." "I am afraid that if we yield to the minimalist trends, the reducing of Jewish life to some bright surface facade, we shall be underwriting our own death," he declared. He pointed out that "a temple cannot feed the minds and the hearts of absentee members" and called upon American Jews to be not only temple members and temple builders, but also "temple goers and temple worshipers."

FIRST EDITION OF SCRIPTURES IN HEBREW BRAILLE COMPLETED; 20-VOLUME WORK TOOK 5 YEARS

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- The completion of the first edition of the Scriptures in Hebrew Braille was announced here by the Jewish Braille Institute of America. The 20 volumes took five years to complete.

The first edition of 25 copies has already been distributed and a new edition is planned. In order to complete the project a new International Hebrew Braille Code had to be developed to replace several regional Hebrew Braille alphabets which were found to be inadequate. An advisory council of rabbis and scholars assisted in the translation.

ISRAEL GOVERNMENT TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHEMICAL COMPANY ON DEAD SEA OPERATIONS

JERUSALEM, May 18. (JTA) -- Negotiations between the Israel Government and the Palestine Potash Company over the resumption of the company's activities on the Dead Sea and extension of its concession will begin here within a few days, following the arrival of a group of the company's directors.

The Israel Parliament recently approved a Cabinet decision to permit the company to resume activities if it meets a number of conditions, including the sale of sufficient shares to permit control of the corporation by Israelis. The directors who have arrived here include Lord Glenconner of London, Israel Brodie of New York and Moshe Novomiesky, manager of operations.

U.S. EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OFFICIAL CALLS FOR GREATER PRIVATE INVESTMENTS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- The granting of loans to Israel is not enough, Sidney Sherwood, secretary of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, which granted a \$100,000,000 loan to the Jewish state, declared here today. He stressed that "expression of confidence in the new state by private businessmen in the form of actual investment of private funds in the country is essential."

Mr. Sherwood spoke at a ceremony marking the opening of a new six-story building for Ampal--American Palestine Trading Corporation--the largest single American investor in Israel. He paid high tribute to Ampal for its vital role in stimulating private investments in the Jewish state.

Wilfred Malenbaum, chief of the Investment and Development Staff of the State Department, also emphasized the need for private investment in Israel. He pointed out that the U.S. Government has long supported policies to encourage private overseas investment by American citizens. He lauded the Israel Government for its enactment of legislation aimed at attracting private foreign investments.

Israel Consul Gideon Strauss praised Ampal's economic achievements in Israel. He pointed out that Ampal activities make the corporation a major factor in Israel's dealings with the United States. Edmund I. Kaufman, chairman of Ampal's board of directors, announced that the assets of the corporation today amount to more than \$13,000,000 and that its capital resources are close to \$11,000,000.

AMERICAN AND BRITISH BANKING CORPORATIONS OPERATING IN ISRAEL SEEK MERGER

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- The merging of American and English banking interests in Israel was urged today by the Palestine Economic Corporation of New York and Palestine Corporation Ltd. Both companies recommended to their shareholders a merger of their interests by the Palestine Corporation's issuing to the Palestine Economic Corporation 900,484 shares at par. The issued capital of the Palestine Corporation would accordingly be increased to a total of 1,535,000 pounds sterling.

ANGLO-PALESTINE BANK SEEKS TO SPEED TRANSFER OF REGISTRATION FROM LONDON TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, May 18. (JTA) -- The management of the Anglo-Palestine Bank is expediting arrangements for the transfer of the Bank's registration from London to Israel, it was learned here today from authoritative sources. A change in the institution's name is being contemplated, it was reported.

LEADING AMERICAN ATHLETES WILL PARTICIPATE IN WORLD MACCABI GAMES IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- Many of America's leading athletes will participate in the Third World Maccabiah Games to be held in Israel September 7 to October 9, 1950, it was announced today by Colonel Harry D. Henshel and Charles L. Ornstein, co-chairmen of the National Committee for United States Participation, at a press conference held at the Harmonie Club here.

Outstanding Jewish athletes from every section of America will be considered for a place on the team, Col. Henshel said. The National Jewish Welfare Board is co-operating with the National Committee for U.S. Participation in the technical work of selecting and certifying the athletes.

A two-day organizing conference of the World Maccabi Union held in Paris this week adopted a decision to admit all Jewish athletes to participation in the Third World Maccabiah at Ramath Gan, Israel, regardless of their affiliation with Maccabi or other sports groups. This decision will permit participation by each athlete on an individual basis in the games.

AMERICAN PRO-ARAB GROUP HONORS DOROTHY THOMPSON FOR STIMULATING AID TO ARAB REFUGEES

NEW YORK, May 18. (JTA) -- The columnist Dorothy Thompson yesterday received the first public award of the Holyland Emergency Liaison Program for her "magnificent contribution" in arousing public opinion in behalf of the Palestine Arab refugees. Accepting the scroll, Miss Thompson declared that the plight of the refugees is "a bitter well poisoning the entire political atmosphere of the Middle East."

2,000 JEWS GREET BEIGIN ON HIS ARRIVAL IN CUBA; ZIONIST BOYCOTT RECEIPTION

HAVANA, May 18. (JTA) -- Menachem Beigin, former leader of the now-dissolved Irgun Zvai Leumi and present head of the Herut Party in Israel, arrived here by air and was greeted by some 2,000 Cuban Jews. The rightist leader was scheduled to be guest of honor at a \$100-plate dinner at the Hotel Nacional here. He is visiting several Latin American countries during his present junket.

The Zionist Federation of Cuba issued a statement declaring that it is not taking part in the reception to Mr. Beigin, since he is visiting Cuba not as a representative of the Israel Government, but as leader of the Herut seeking to raise funds among Cuban Jews, despite a ban on separate fund-raising efforts for Israel. The Hashomer Hatzair organization distributed a pamphlet in Spanish charging that Mr. Beigin is a "murderer."

REMAINS OF OSCAR GRUENBERG, DEFENDER OF MENDEL BEILLIS, TRANSFERRED TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, May 18. (JTA) -- The remains of Oscar Gruenberg, famous Jewish lawyer who played an important role in the defense of Mendel Beilis, a Jew in the city of Kiev accused by the Czarist regime of killing a Christian boy "for ritual purposes," were brought here from France together with the remains of his wife and were interred today at the Old Cemetery here. Beilis' acquittal was to a great extent due to Gruenberg's defense which was praised by leading jurists throughout the world.