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SENATE PASSES OF BILL; MEASURE GOES TO WHITE HOUSE FOR PRESIDENT TRIMAN'S SIGNATURE

WASHINGTON, June 7. (JTA) -- The Senate this afternoon adopted the compromise Displaced Persons Bill on a voice vote. The new measure, which provides for the admission of 341,000 DP's up to June 30, 1951, now goes to the White House for President Truman's signature.

35,000 JEWS WILL ENTER U.S. UNDER NEW DP BILL; EID OF MASS IMMIGRATION SEEN

ATLANTE CITY, June 7. (JTA) -- Plans for the settlement of at least 35,000 Jevish displaced persons who will come to the United States during the fifteen-month period beginning July lat under the newly liberalized Displaced Persons Act were outlined here to the 1,000 social workers attending the annual meeting of the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare, by Arthur Greenleigh, executive director of the United Service for New Americans.

Declaring that "we are now approaching the end of the mass immigration program which has been with us for the most of two decades," Mr. Greenleigh expressed the hope that American Jewish communities throughout the country will continue to receive the newcomers and assist them in the Americanization process.

"By far the great majority of these people will need local community aid assistance in the resettlement process," Mr. Greenleigh said. "The key task in the long-range adjustment of the immigrant rests in the local community. Communities must be prepared to receive these newcomers, sometimes on little or no advance notice. Resettlement of immigrants on a mass scale is something that cannot always be accomplished on a rigid schedule or in conformance with perfect social planning."

(In New York U.S.N.A. announced that the 108 Shanghai refugees now on Ellis Island awaiting a decision on their eventual resettlement in the United States were today granted a stay until June 19. The original stay, granted by the Attorney General's office May 28, was scheduled to expire on Friday. Meanwhile, comferences are continuing in Washington between immigration authorities and U.S.N.A. and other Jewish agencies on the status of the refugees who are expected to be admitted as immigrants as soon as President Truman signs the new DP bill.)

THREE-MAN ISRAEL DELECATION LEAVES TODAY FOR LONDON ON "CONFIDENTIAL MISSION"

TEL AVIV, June 7. (JTA) -- A three-man delegation, headed by David Horowitz, director-general of the Israel Treasury, will tomorrow leave for London on what Mr. . Horowitz described as a "confidential mission."

Well informed sources here, as well as the Hebrew press, today said that the delegation will begin very important discussions with British authorities and British oil companies. The other two members of the delegation are described as a fuel expert attached to the Customs Department and a fuel expert attached to the Finance Ministry.

ISRAEL'S RELATIONS WITH BRITISH COMMORWANTH REVIEWED; EIRE'S REL'OCNITION SOUGHT

state and Eire is now under consideration.

LONDON, June 7. (JTA) -- A review of Israel's relations with the British Commonwealth was today presented here by Michael Comay, Israel Foreign Ministry official, who also reported that the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Jewish

Mr. Comay, who is in charge of the Commonwealth Division of the Ministry, revealed that there is an agreement in principle between Israel and South Africa for the establishment of a legation at Praetoria, in addition to the consulate which now exists at Johannesburg. Reporting that Harry Linton, new Israel Minister to Australia, is flying to Camberra Thursday to take up his post, Mr. Comay expressed the opinion that Australia will abandon its previous position in support of the internationalization of Jeruselem.

Turning to the Asiatic Dominions, the Foreign Ministry official pointed out that India's delay in granting Israel formal recognition is due to internal considerations-relations with its own Moslem minority-and its position vis-a-vis Moslem Pakistan. He reported a measure of "informal recognition" from Ceylon, and added that there has been a lessening of open hostility on the part of Pakistan. "Certainly Pakistan will not agree to the formation of an anti-Israel Moslem blcc." he said.

U.N. DELECATION. ISRAEL OFFICIALS DISCUSS WORK FOR PALESTINE WAR REFUGES IN COUNTRY

TEL AVIV, June 7. (JTA) -- A nine-man U.W. delegation concerned with relief for Palestine refugees left Israel last night after conferring with Israel officials on providing work relief for an estimated 28,000 refugees of the war who are now in the Jevish state.

The Israelis proposed to the U.N. delegation, representing the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Falestine Refugees in the Near East, a gradual reduction of direct relief to the refugees in the Jewish state and their progressive placement on works projects. In addition, the general overall situation of the refugees in this country was discussed as was the question of cooperation between the Israel authorities and competent U.N. agencies dealing with the refugee situation.

An Israel spokesman estimated that of the 28,000 refugees, 25,000 were Arabs and 3,000 were Jews. The U.W. delegation was headed by Maj. Gen. Howard Kennedy, director of the Agency, while the Israel officials were headed by Dr. Walter Eytan, director-general of the Israel Foreign Ministry.

(The N.Y. Times reports today from Beirut that Gen. Kennedy warned the Syrian Government that if Syria continues to interfere with the transport of U.N. relief supplies to Transjordan, the goods will be brought in through Israel. The report said that a plan to transport supplies for Arab refugees in Transjordan through the Israel port of Heifa is being considered.)

ALL ISRAEL CHILDREN WILL GET FREE SCHOOLING, MINISTER REPORTS TO PARLIAMENT

JERUSALEM, June 7. (JTA) -- The Knesset was told last night by Minister of Education Zalman Shazar that every child in the country between the ages of five and 13 will receive free schooling during the coming semester, in accordance with the recently-enacted compulsory education law. Minister Shazar said that since enactment of the new education legislation, an additional 1,000 teachers--including 400 newly-arrived immigrants-have been engaged. In preparation for the new term, new schools with 450 classrooms are now being completed, he said.

Municipal authorities throughout Israel--with the possible exception of Tel.
Aviv, Ramat Gen and Petach Tikvah--are making all necessary preparations for the coming school term, he said. Mr. Shazar said that there were indications that these three cities "would also fall into line."

HINGARIAN MINISTER ATTACKS SUPPORTERS OF ZIONISM AND IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

VIENA, June 7. (JTA) -- Joszef Revai, Hungarian Minister of Education, in a general attack on the Catholic Church, various Protestant groups and some elements among the Jews, today criticized those members of the Jewish community who "support reactionary Zionism," according to reports received here from Budanest.

In a reference to large-scale emigration of Israel-bound Jews, the Minister declared: "We are by no means willing to encourage the export of hundreds and thousands to be exploited in Palestine." Two small parties of Jews recently left for Israel; they were part of a group of 3,000 to whose migration the Hungarian Government agreed.

ANTI-ZIONIST PROPAGANDA IN RUMANIA HAS FAILED TO CONVINCE JENISH WORKERS, PAPER SAYS

VIENNA, June 7. (JTA) -- The failure of anti-Zionist propaganda by the Jewish Democratic Committee of Rumania is admitted in an article in the latest issue of Unirea, publication of the Committee, to reach here.

The article also declares that the Committee has failed to convince Jewish workers to leave their present homes for other localities where they are offered work through which they "can become builders of socialism." Unirea points out that the Jewish Democratic Committee has not succeeded in getting many persons to attend its promegands many of those who do attend its promegands marievs.

FRENCH ZIONISTS TAKE STEPS TO BOLSTER UNSUCCESSFUL DRIVE OF UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

PARIS, June 7. (JTA) -- Establishment of a "Committee of Action and Discipline" to improve the fund-raising results of the United Jevish Appeal in France was decided on at an emergency conference of the French Zionist Federation. The meeting was called to "remedy the unsatisfactory fund-raising position in France."

Sam Segal, representing the Jewish Agency executive in Jerusalem, told the parley that failure of the 1950 United Jewish Appeal campaign in France would maan not only a financial but a moral blow to Zionists in this country, "since the future of the French Zionist movement depends on the success of the campaign."

MATIONAL U.J.A. PARLET OPERS IN CHICAGO; WILL DISCUSS EMICRATION FROM RUMANIA, IRAQ

CHICAGO, June 7. (JTA) -- American aid for the emigration of Jews from Rumania and Iraq to Israel will be one of the major topics of discussion at the national conference of the United Jewish Appeal which opens here tomorrow in the presence of more than 500 Jewish communal leaders from 38 states. The conference will continue through Sunday.

Major speakers at the parley will be Mrs. Golda Myerson, Israel Minister of Labor, who will report on the situation in Israel; Aubrey S. Eban, newly-appointed Israel Ambassador to Washington; and Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, director-general of the Joint Distribution Committee, who returned this week from a fact-finding mission in Iran. Tomorrow's session of the parley will be devoted to the work of the Women's Division of the U.J.A. The plenary sessions will start on Saturday evening and continue through Sunday.

JEJISH FEDERATIONS URGED TO FORM CENTRAL BODY TO SPEAK WITH AUTHORITY FOR U.S. JEHRY

CHILINMATI, June 7. (JTA) -- A recommendation that the Central Conference of American Rabbis ask the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds to convene all American Jewish community councils, for the purpose of forming an organization "that shall speak and act with authority for American Jewry" was made here today at the opening session of the 61st annual convention of the organization of Reform rebbis.

The recommendation was put forth by Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. In his presidential address he also recommended that the convention disapprove "any merger of congregations" and that the C.C.A.R. name a committee "to obtain suggestions on how to make the synagogue service more successful."

Dr. Marcus expressed opposition to utilization of the public schools of this country for the furtherance of denominational religion. "One would think that men of this generation have read sufficient history to know that the legal union of the church and the state for 1,400 years led to the violation of conscience and to the brutal senseless slaughter of millions of human beings," he stated.

He thereupon recommended that the C.C.A.R. "authorize the holding of an Institute on church and state, and from that forum express to the world our convictions on this subject in no uncertain terms." He added that "it is important to let the world know where we Jews stand in this attempt to make the public school system a lattleground between conflicting Christian interests."

He paid a warm tribute to the state of Israel and to "these heroic men who built a new state with their own lifeblood," and added that "it is a privilege to be alive in this age, to help write one of the most glorious pages of all Jewish history and to witness this Messianic ingathering of the exiles."

Equal Rights for Liberal Rabbis in Israel Demanded; Restrictions Reported

Observing that "we love Israel and are scalous for its honor," Dr. Marcus recommended that the C.C.A.R. "denounce the injustice that now prevails in the land of Israel whereby some Reform rabbis are denied complete religious equality." He asked that "Liberal rabbis be granted the same rights as all other rabbis, and the same rights as Christian and Moolem clergymen.

"Liberal rabbis, with one exception, are not permitted to preside at marriages, at divorces, or to perform other functions which are denied no other group, Jerish or Gentile, in the land of Israel," Dr. Marcus said. "If such a condition existed in the United States, the rabbis of this Conference would shatter these very walls with their outeries against this discrimination.

"If there is a single Jew in Israel who is deprived of his civil liberties because of his religion, then there is injustice in the Holy Land. There can be no compromise with wrong. We, as liberals, as rabbis, as Jews, as humanitariams, must protest."

Turning to the task of Jews in the world, Dr. Marcus said that, with Israel, the task if "of again making Israel a Holy Land, a land of books and ideals." Taking issue with those who say that Zionism is dead, he continued: "I say that there is a higher Zionism and that has only begun, and that is the task of making Israel a Holy

Land, a land to which all people will again stream that they may be reborn in that new faith that will glow on Judah's hills." Rabbis, he said, must give Israel "spiritual, religious and cultural aid."

"But that is only half our task," he pointed out. "The other half is to make of American Jevry the greatest Jevish community the world has ever known. That is our mandate. I am not thinking in terms of numbers when I speak of greatness. I am speaking of greatness in terms of the spirit, of an America whose Jews read and study, who have a knowledge of their ancestral history."

Earlier in his presidential message, Dr. Marcus recommended that the C.C.A.R. appoint a committee "to draft an extensive and detailed blueprint of Liberal Jewish practice, in all its aspects" for consideration at the next C.C.A.R. convention. "Our time-honored religious service has not changed substantially in the last 2,000 years, but the world has changed," he observed. "Are we not plowing our spiritual fields with a forked stick in this new world of supersonic travel and instantaneous commitmation!"

CRITICIDOX CONTREGATIONS OPPOSE ADOPTION OF SEPARATE RELIGIOUS FLAG FOR AMERICAN JEARY

NEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, representing all Orthodox synagogues in the United States and Canada, today ennounced its opposition to the adoption of a separate religious flag for American Jewry as proposed recently by Rabbi Arysh Lev, director of the Division of Religious Activities of the National Jewish Helfare Board.

Pointing out that traditional Judaism does not recognize the existence of an American Judaism separate from the "World Community of Israel," the statement expressed opposition to the adoption of "concepts and symbols which will divide American Jewry from Klal Yisrael, whether they hide behind the Ten Commandments or any other emblem."

Released by Rabbi Irwin Gordon, national director of ecumunity activities of the Union, the statement reviewed Jewry's history of revery displaying flags in synasquess. It related the change of this custom by Jewish religious groups which wroke away from the Orthodox movement and by the display of the Zionist blue-and-white-flag and the American flag in synagogues during the war.

"With the establishment of the state of Israel and the adoption of the blueand-white flag as its national ensign, some question has been raised concerning the Propriety of further display of the Zionist flag in synagogues and centers," the statement said. "Using the fear of 'double loyalty' as a jumping-off point, certain, sectarian groups have asked for the adoption of a new religious flag for American Jeury.

"The spectre of "dual loyalty," we are convinced, exists primarily in the minds of those who are not loyal to their own Jevish heritage," it continued. "As observant Jews, we have never found and do not today find any contradiction between our loyalty to our faith, our devotion to our heritage and people and our political loyalty to the land of our birth.

"Traditional Judaism, unlike the sectarian movements, which have broken from it, does not recognize this existence of a separate and distinct 'American' Judaism.

Surely, none of this is sufficient reason for the adoption of new-symbols which will separate American Jewry from Klal Yisrael, the world community of Israel, united by its common allegiance to its Torah," the statement insisted. Finally, it pointed out that the Union does not object to the use of the chaplain's flag as a U.S. Army banner to be used on military occasions.

SCHOOL BOARD DEFIES STATE BAN ON INTERFAITH GRADUATION SERVICE; CASE MAY GO TO COURT

SCMERS, N.Y., June 7. (JTA) -- The school board of the Somers Central School last night decided to hold an interfaith baccalaureate service June 18 despite a ruling to the contrary by Acting State Commissioner of Education Lewis A. Wilson. A rebbi and a Protestant minister are scheduled to participate in the exercises which will be held on the school grounds.

The board's latest action is a continuation of its running fight with a local Catholic clergyman, Rev. Edward V. Dargin, paster of St. Joseph's Church in Croton Falls, who opposed the interfaith services on the grounds that Catholic Church canon law forbids Catholics from participating in the religious services with non-Catholics.

When the school board originally refused to heed his protest, Rev. Dargin appealed to the state education department. Commissioner Wilson told the school board that while it was not uncommon for such services to be held they should not be held in the school in the face of a protest. The board's defiance of the Commissioner's advisory ruling may eventually throw the case into the courts.

ARCENTIVE REVISIONIST PARLEY SAIS INCUNISTS SUFFER DISCRIMINATION IN ISRAEL ARMY

EUKNOS AIRES, June 7. (JTA) -- Isaac Bokser was reelected president of the Revisionist Organization at the group's annual convention, attended by delegates from all parts of Argentina, as well as from Chile and Uruguay.

The parley criticized what it termed "discrimination" practiced against veterans of the Irgun Zvai Leumi now sorving in the Israel Army and also appealed for an allocation to the Revisionists by the United Israel Drive. The delegates said that unless this were done, the Revisionist Party would launch its own campaign at a later date.

Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Israel parliament, declared last night at a reception tendered in his honor that Jevish communities throughout the world must extend financial aid to Israel for at least another five years. He expressed gratification over the recent Zionist Actions Committee decision to develop closer cooperation between the Jevish Agency and the Israel Government.

SMITH COLLEGE AWARDS FIRST HONORARY DEGREE FOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN JENISH LIFE IN U.S.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass, June 7. (JTA) -- The first honorary degree for achievements in Jewish life ever conferred by Smith College was awarded here to Mrs. Irving M. Engel, President of the National Council of Jewish Women, at ceremonies marking the institution's 75th anniversary. Mrs. Engel was the recipient of an honorary degree of Master of Arts from the college, her alma mater.

NON-JEWISH FOUNDER OF "CHILDREN TO PALESTINE" LEAVES FOR ISRAEL TO VISIT YOUTES

HEW YORK, June 7. (JTA) -- Mrs. Martha Sharp, wife of a Unitarian minister and a founder and vice-chairman of Children to Palestine, Inc., an organization transporting orphaned Jewish children to Israel, left here last night by air to visit some of the 20,000 youngsters brought to the Jewish state with the aid of her group. This will be Mrs. Sharp's fourth visit to Israel.

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