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ATTEMPT BY ANY STATE TO FORCE ITS IDEOLOGY ON ISRAEL WILL BE RESISTED, BEN GURION WARNS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion, addressing the closing session today of the national conference of the Mapai, the Israel Labor Party, denounced aggression as a method of liberation of one country by another and warned that any country attempting to force its ideology on Israel will find "Israel ready to stand up" with all its traditional moral power and, "if necessary, with its armed forces."

Emphasizing that the Mapai party's chief aims were "peace and independence," Mr. Ben Gurion said the Jewish state will define its policy on "each world problem according to two criteria--the interest of the state of Israel and the interest of the Jewish people."

The Israel Premier stressed that the principle "guiding Israel's foreign policy is fundamental--non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries, irrespective of their domestic regimes."

Earlier, the conference adopted unanimously a series of resolutions upholding the government in its political and economic policies. On the Jewish state's foreign policy, the conference declared that while "maintaining watchful readiness for the defense of Israel, endeavors should be made to reach agreement with our neighbors and for the establishment of friendly relations with all peace-loving nations. The delegates also called for "active participation in strengthening world peace through the United Nations."

Arrest of Zionist Leaders in Rumania Is Condemned

In other resolutions, the conference delegates expressed full support for the Israel Government's attitude in upholding the "effective stand of United Nations members against any attempt to disturb world peace" and condemned the arrest of Zionist leaders in Rumania and the release by occupation authorities of convicted Nazi war criminals in Germany.

The delegates also pledged their "loyalty to the government's independent policy in international affairs," which it described as "based on the preservation of its complete liberty to determine its attitude in any international issue according to its moral and political principles and its own independent judgment of the vital interests of the state of Israel and of the Jewish people, while at the same time faithfully adhering to the United Nations and supporting all efforts to enhance the U.N.'s authority."

Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, addressing the Mapai parley, described the "best course to reach the target of mankind's most adequate status"--which he said constitutes the world's main conflict today--when he praised the development of "Britain's democratic Socialism and the attainment of its achievements without bloodshed."

Mr. Sharett expressed the wish that British Socialism will continue to enjoy success, "despite the bitter and tragic conflict separating England from Israel." The Foreign Minister emphasized that the Jewish state today faces a critical shortage

of foreign currency, a wide gap between the level of exports and imports and enormous costs in continuing the large-scale immigration of Jews to Israel and their absorption into the economic life of the country.

These problems, he added, compared with the "meager means available, have prevented Israel from reaching consolidation of the stage of a Socialist society--which is Mapai's historical objective."

Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan voiced full confidence in the stability and economic independence of a large population in Israel, which he said will be reached in the next five or ten years. He reiterated his "deep anxiety," however, over the present "transition period," which must be met with "mobilization of Israel's total powers and opportunities."

Labor Minister Golda Myerson threatened to bring Italian building workers to Israel to accelerate the building of new houses in the Jewish state. Her statement, made at the Mapai conference, of which she is a leading member, provoked a wave of protests among the delegates. She bitterly criticized the building workers in Israel and said that their failures are slowing down the housing construction program and are thus delaying the granting of living accommodations for thousands of immigrants.

Pinhas Lubianiker, Histadrut leader, speaking on behalf of the building workers union, stressed the difficulties confronting the trade and opposed the bringing in of new workers from Italy. He said that the unsatisfactory situation could be remedied by a national conscription of building workers.

PLAN TO FORM SEPARATE RELIGIOUS UNITS IN ISRAEL ARMY IS REJECTED BY BEN GURION

BETACH TERVAH, Israel, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- The suggestion that Orthodox Jews be formed into separate units within the Israel Army in order to enable them to maintain strict religious observance was rejected here by Premier David Ben Gurion.

Addressing the fifth national conference of Poale Agudas Israel, a religious labor group, the Premier said that his first care was the country's security. He emphasized that in no other army in the world can soldiers maintain ritual observance as freely as in the Israel Army.

Wearing a traditional skullcap, Premier Ben Gurion pledged his support for the eradication in Israel of certain tendencies deprecating the values of religious teachings. He praised the Agudah labor movement for its cooperation with the government and welcomed the proposed merger between the Agudah laborite group and Hapoel Hamizrachi, the Orthodox Zionist labor group.

He predicted that such a consolidation would lead to the incorporation of the united religious labor groups in the Histadrut, Israel's Federation of Labor, as a separate orthodox division. The convention concluded with a resolution adopted by about 90 percent of the delegates approving the merger and instructing the new executive of the organization to start negotiations with Hapoel Hamizrachi for the purpose of carrying the merger through.

U.S. AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL SAILS FOR HOME; WILL HOLD CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON

TEL AVIV, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- The American Embassy announced today that U.S. Ambassador James G. McDonald and his wife sailed for the United States aboard the SS LeGuardia for a two-month vacation, during which the Ambassador will visit Washington for consultations with the State Department.

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RUMANIAN COMMUNISTS SEEK TO COMPEL ZIONIST LEADERS TO "CONFESS" ESPIONAGE FOR U.S.

TEL AVIV, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Jewish Communists in Rumania are seeking to compel arrested Zionist leaders to "confess" that they have conducted espionage activities on behalf of the United States as well as sabotage against Rumania's economic system, it was reported here today by Hador, organ of the Israel Labor Party.

The report says that apparently only five or six of the arrested 45 Zionist leaders will be put on trial, after those "prepared" to admit their "guilt" are chosen. Some of the leaders, arrested on July 11, have been released after being "worked up" to a point where they allegedly agreed to testify against the other Zionist leaders who are still detained, Hador reports, adding that "Bucharest is filled with rumors to this effect."

The Israel labor paper also reports that Jews in Rumania today live in greater anxiety "than during the Nazi days." They are afraid to confide in one another and speak in whispers. "Continued repressive methods may lead to a larger proportion of suicides among Jews in Rumania, the normal proportion having been exceeded even at present," the report says.

The paper charges that Samuel Mikunis, general secretary of the Communist Party in Israel and a member of the Israel parliament, has helped to stimulate renewed propaganda in Rumania against the Jewish state during his recent visit to Bucharest. Mikunis, the article states, attended several closed meetings of the Jewish Communist Party during his stay in Rumania and reported on the situation in Israel with a view to helping in the campaign of incitement against the Jewish state.

The general secretary of the Communist Party in Israel is also charged by the labor newspaper with recommending to the Rumanian Government that the arrested Zionist leaders in Rumania be put on trial. The paper points out that the anti-Israel propaganda conducted by Mikunis during his visit to Rumania "proved inefficient" and led only to increased eagerness on the part of Rumanian Jews to go to Israel.

IRAQI JEWISH STUDENT PERMITTED TO REMAIN IN U.S. UNDER PROVISIONS OF DP ACT

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- An Iraqi Jewish student studying in the U.S., who claimed that he could not return to Iraq because of racial and religious persecution against Jews in that country, has been permitted to remain in the U.S. with immigrant status under the Displaced Persons Act, the American Jewish Congress announced here today. The student's name was not disclosed for fear that the Iraqi Government might retaliate against his family.

The A.J.C., which has pressed for the application of the DP Act to Jews from the Middle East, hailed the ruling as "an important precedent which will extend the humanitarian privileges of the DP Act to Jews from many Moslem lands." The Congress had argued before the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service that the clause in the DP Act providing that benefits of the Act be extended to victims of "events subsequent to the outbreak of World War II" should apply to Jews from the Middle East.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH IN GERMAN PROVINCE OBSERVES "DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR JEWISH PEOPLE"

STUTTGART, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- A "Day of Remembrance for the Jewish People" was observed here by the Evangelical Church in Wurttemberg-Baden. A sermon in honor of the 6,000,000 martyred Jews murdered by the Nazis was delivered by Dean Maas of Heidelberg, who recently visited Israel at the invitation of the Israel Government. He was the first German to receive such an invitation.

HADASSAH CONVENTION OPENS IN N.Y.; CONSUL LOURIE WARNS ARAB STATES ON PEACE DELAY

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Consul-General Arthur Lourie of Israel tonight warned the Arab states that their refusal to sign final peace treaties with the Jewish state would militate against their best interests. His warning was sounded at the initial session of the 36th annual convention of Hadassah, which opened at the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria and will continue through Wednesday. More than 2,000 delegates attending the convention also heard an address by Senator Brian McMahon, chairman of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy.

"If, as appears to be the case," Mr. Lourie said, "the Arabs are not prepared to make peace with us now, we can wait. If need be, we can wait a long time. But the Arab states should know that time is not necessarily in their favor, and that they may find themselves again limping behind the march of events." He noted that "a year ago Israel was ready to accept the return of 100,000 Arab refugees as part of a comprehensive settlement. That offer was not even deemed worthy of an answer and lapsed through Arab refusal to discuss it when it was feasible. Today the proposal of the Israel Government is being overtaken by events. The land of Israel is filling up and terms which it was possible to offer a year ago are not now applicable to changed conditions."

Turning to Israel's support of the United Nations in Korea, Mr. Lourie said his country's stand must be viewed against the background of "Israel's position in relation to the conflict between the two world blocs," which he said "has from the very beginning been exceptional." He pointed out that Israel had ties both with the Eastern and Western blocs. Israel, he said, was modeled after the Western democracies with which it had the strongest cultural and economic ties, particularly with the United States and American Jewry, whose assistance helped Israel to statehood and is still needed. At the same time he said, Israel owed a debt of gratitude to Eastern Europe for its support of partition and cannot do anything that would hamper the chances of Eastern European Jewry to go to Israel.

Frankly examining the much-discussed issue of world Jewry's relationship to Israel, now a sovereign state, Mrs. Samuel Halprin, Hadassah president, said the Jewish community is divided into the "galuth"--that part which lives in lands where Jews are in danger--and the diaspora, that part which enjoys freedom and equality in democratic countries. It is in the diaspora that Jews of the United States belong, she emphasized. When Israel declares that the exiles will be gathered in in three years, it is to the Jews of the galuth that Israel refers, Mrs. Halprin said.

AMBASSADOR EBAN RETURN TO U.S.; SAYS ISRAELIS VERY MUCH INTERESTED IN KOREAN WAR

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Aubrey S. Eban, Israel's Ambassador to the United States who returned here from Tel Aviv with his family over the week-end, said that public opinion in Israel is very much interested in the Korean situation and that "the Israel Government's concern has been expressed in two messages in support of the efforts of the Security Council to restore international peace and security."

Israel's attitude, Mr. Eban added, is "governed solely by its obligations as a member of the U.N. and is influenced by Israel's own experiences in the past, when Israel was attacked." Declaring that a "major democratic adventure of our time is going on in Israel now--the building of a nation at break-neck speed," Mr. Eban noted that "many difficulties of an economic character cause grave concern, but these are pains of rapid growth and not of illness." Mr. Eban is expected to present his credentials to President Truman this week.

AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS DENOUNCE PRO-COMMUNIST "STOCKHOLM PEACE APPEAL"

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Ten major Jewish organizations issued a statement during the week-end denouncing the "Stockholm Appeal" and characterizing as a "despicable divide-and-conquer tactic" the circulation of a version of the pro-Communist petition directed specifically to Jewish groups.

The Jewish organizations called upon "all who wish to serve the peace of the world and the preservation of freedom to reject, with calm and common-sense, the Stockholm Appeal." The organizations charged that "those who assist the unscrupulous Communist aggressors in advancing this instrument of their destructive purposes make use of every device of confusion and distortion."

Organizations which signed the statement were: American Jewish Committee; American Jewish Congress; Anti-Defamation League; Association of Jewish Chaplains in the Armed Forces; B'nai B'rith; Jewish Labor Committee; Jewish War Veterans of U.S.A.; National Community Relations Advisory Council; National Council of Jewish Women; and Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Declaring that the fraudulence of the appeal directed to Jews is "transparent," the statement pointed out that the endorsements contained therein "obviously come from pro-Communists, from those behind the Iron Curtain who had no choice, or from innocents who have been duped by the spurious appeal, if indeed the endorsements are authentic."

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE MEMBERS URGED TO ENCOURAGE CONFIDENCE IN UNITED NATIONS

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee, in a message to members of his organization in 500 cities, made public during the week-end, urged support of and confidence in the United Nations and criticized Yakov A. Malik, Soviet delegate to the U.N., for using "obstructionist tactics" in the Korean situation.

"Only as the American people keep themselves correctly informed about the facts which Mr. Malik is seeking to distort can we and our fellow citizens prevent his tactics from succeeding," Mr. Blaustein said.

"We cannot afford to ignore the obstructionist tactics of the Soviet delegate which are obviously devised to prevent the free nations from taking action under the leadership of the United Nations in bringing peace to Korea. If the United Nations is kept from taking proper action in Korea there will be little hope of stopping Communist aggression elsewhere by action of the U.N.," he declared.

BERNARD BARUCH CELEBRATES EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY; NATION'S LEADING PAPERS HAIL EVENT

NEW YORK, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- The 80th birthday of elder statesman and Presidential adviser Bernard Baruch was hailed during the week-end by the nation's leading newspapers. The New York Times, in a highly laudatory editorial, said that "if one may judge by the events of the last three weeks in Washington, Mr. Baruch has never been a more vital force in American affairs." No public figure of our time, the paper added, "has shown more unwavering confidence than has Mr. Baruch in the American people or a more sincere devotion to those values which add up to the American way of life."

JEWISH CAPTAIN IS FIRST MARINE CORPS AVIATOR TO BE KILLED IN ACTION IN KOREA

SUMTER, S. C., Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Word was received here during the week-end that Captain Vivian M. Moses, a member of one of South Carolina's oldest and most prominent Jewish families, was the first Marine Corps aviator to be killed in action in Korea. Capt. Moses was a nephew of retired Marine Corps Major General Emile P. Moses. Another uncle, Herbert A. Moses, is a leader of the United Jewish Appeal in Sumter and a former chairman of the Sumter Jewish Welfare Fund.

Special Jewish memorial services were conducted aboard a Naval aircraft carrier off the Korean coast on Aug. 4. All hands stood at attention as "Yizkor" was recited. A Marine rifle squad fired a volley in honor of the 27-year-old captain. Death came to Captain Moses shortly after he was first shot down and rescued by a Marine helicopter off the Korean coast. He was aboard the carrier less than an hour when he took off on his last mission.

DR. LVOVITCH, ORT FOUNDER AND LEADER, DIES IN FRANCE; WAS 68 YEARS OLD; FUNERAL TODAY

PARIS, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Dr. David Lvovitch, one of the founders of the World ORT Union and chairman of its executive, died at Claremont-Ferrand, at the age of 68. Funeral services will be held in Paris tomorrow.

Dr. Lvovitch, a native of Russia, became an American citizen in 1939. He founded the ORT's branch in Poland in 1920 and a year later became vice-president of the World ORT Union when it was set up in Berlin. In addition to his long service with European branches of the organization, he also aided in the work of the American ORT Federation. Dr. Lvovitch organized ORT programs in displaced persons camps in Germany immediately after World War II ended.

JEWISH LEADERS PARTICIPATE IN CEREMONY HONORING SAN MARTIN, LIBERATOR OF ARGENTINA

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- Jewish delegations from all parts of the country converged today on the "Mountain of Glory" in the province of Mendoza to participate in ceremonies marking the 100th anniversary of the death of Gen. Jose de San Martin, Argentina's national hero and South American liberator. Dr. Ricardo Dubrovsky, president of the DAIA, central representative body of Argentine Jewry, and Dr. Moses Slinin, president of the Ashkenasi community of Buenos Aires, spoke during the ceremonies.

Highlighting the ceremonies at the site where San Martin began his crossing of the Andes to liberate Chile and Peru from Spanish rule, was the unveiling of a bronze plaque on the Monument to the Army of the Andes. The plaque depicts two great liberators -- Moses freeing the Jews from Egyptian bondage, and San Martin breaking the chains of Spanish oppression in South America -- and is the work of the noted Jewish sculptor, Israel Hoffmann.

Argentine Jews Erect Building in Israel in Memory of San Martin

TEL AVIV, Aug. 20. (JTA) -- A cornerstone for a building carrying the name of Gen. Jose de San Martin was laid at the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovoth, in memory of the Argentine hero. The building, to be erected with funds contributed by Argentine Jewry, will serve as a home for visiting South American scientists. The ceremony was presided over by Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Knesset, and the principal speakers included Argentine Minister to Israel, Pablo Manguel; Joseph Mirelman, who represented Argentine Jewry; and Israel Minister to Argentina, Yaakov Tzur.