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ORTHODOX LEADER WARNS LAW ON MOBILIZATION OF RELIGIOUS WOMEN WILL BE DISOBEYED

JERUSALEM, March 6. (JTA) -- A warning that religious leaders in Israel will defy the proposed measure calling for the mobilization of Orthodox young women for compulsory service if the Mapai-sponsored bill is adopted was voiced here last night by Rabbi I.M. Levin, Cabinet member and leader of the Agudas Israel Organization.

Opening the debate on Premier David Ben Gurion's proposed amendment to the draft law, Rabbi Levin said that he would be the "first to go to prison for disobeying the bill if it is accepted." The measure provides that young women of military age who claim exemption from military duty on religious grounds must serve two years either in an agricultural settlement or at social welfare work in an immigration camp or elsewhere.

Rabbi Levin, the first of some 40 deputies who have registered their intention of participating in the debate on the Premier's amendment, called it "an act of revenge" on the part of the Premier against the Religious Bloc whose disaffection caused the fall of his Cabinet. He asserted that the security and manpower situation has not worsened since last year when this move was not considered necessary. He also pointed out that only three other states throughout the world have found it necessary to mobilize their women.

Itzhak Ben Aharon, Mapam leader, announced that his party will urge that the measure be sent to committee. There the left-wing Socialists hope to see the entire draft law rewritten to provide for full equality of men and women "in the state and for the state."

Religious Bloc Reconstituted for Election Campaign

Meanwhile, a meeting of representatives of the Mizrahi, Agudas Israel and labor wings of both organizations today agreed formally to reconstitute the Religious Bloc for the forthcoming national elections. The party will open its election campaign after approving its platform next Sunday.

Earlier, at a meeting at which Lemfneh, dissident wing of the Labor Mizrahi group was not represented; the Labor Mizrahi Organization decided to join the Religious Bloc coalition. The dissident group previously voted against joining the Religious Bloc slate and split with the parent organization on the issue of compulsory service for Orthodox women.

HERUT PARTY SPLITS; JABOTINSKY AND BERGSON SEEK SEPARATE RECOGNITION IN KNESSET

JERUSALEM, March 6. (JTA) -- Eri Jabotinsky and Hissal Kook-Bergson today announced that they have split with the Herut Party, and requested Parliament to recognize them as representatives of a separate group.

ISRAEL SEES TO PLACE JEWISH CLAIMS AGAINST GERMANY ON FOUR-POWER CONFERENCE AGENDA

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- The Israel Government has asked that its note on Jewish claims against Germany, addressed to the four occupation powers two months ago, be placed before the conference of the deputies of the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France, the United States and the Soviet Union which opened yesterday in Paris, it was reported here today. The report says that the Israel Government is contemplating further diplomatic action to safeguard the Jewish claims against Germany.

HIGH U.S. OFFICIAL CRITICIZES GERMAN LEADERS FOR STAND ON CONDEMNED NAZI CRIMINALS

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- Assistant United States High Commissioner for Germany Benjamin Battenweiser was quoted by the Times of London today in sharp criticism of the position taken by the leaders of Western Germany with respect to condemned Nazi war criminals.

Referring to the reprieve of 21 convicted men in Landsberg prison, Mr. Battenweiser was quoted as declaring: "In spite of all this, not one German Cabinet Minister and no important Church dignitary has extended a single word of endorsement to the courageous, just and generous spirit and understanding with which these cases were handled.

"It is regrettable and far from reassuring to the outside world," he declared, "that only a small sector of German leaders has set a compelling example by publicly disowning the nightmare of Nazi terror by acclaiming the just fate that has finally caught up with seven mass murderers."

BAVARIAN RESTITUTION OFFICE RESUMES NORMAL OPERATIONS; DR. AUERBACH REPLACED

MUNICH, March 6. (JTA) -- The work of the Bavarian Restitution Office has returned to normal this week following the replacement of Dr. Philip Auerbach, its Jewish head, by a Dr. Seitz, who conducted the formal investigation of Dr. Auerbach's stewardship of the office.

After the inquiry Dr. Auerbach was removed because he "lacked the necessary qualifications" for the job--which he had handled for many months. The Bavarian Government also issued a statement that Dr. Auerbach had committed no criminal acts during his term of office. The investigation was launched after political opponents accused him of embezzling funds from the office.

Meanwhile, in an interview with a Munich newspaper, Dr. Auerbach charged that Dr. Seitz is a former assistant of Hans Frank, Nazi Governor of occupied Poland, who was hanged as a war criminal by the Allied Powers. Munich Chief Rabbi Ohrenstein stated today that the Restitution Office should be headed by a Jew, and that victims of persecution can have no confidence in a head of the office who was once connected with the Nazis.

FORMER NAZI GUARD AT TREBLINKA CAMP SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT FOR MURDER OF JEWS

FRANKFURT, March 6. (JTA) -- A German court here has sentenced Josef Heitritter, former Gestapo guard at the Treblinka concentration camp, to life term following his conviction on charges of murdering countless Jewish prisoners in the camp. The Nazi's victims included many infants and children.

I.R.O. AND ORF JOIN IN STUDY OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR ADULT IMMIGRANTS

GENEVA, March 6. (JTA) -- The International Refugee Organization has joined with the World ORF Union, at the request of the International Labor Organization, in the preparation of a study of vocational training for adult immigrants. ORF and other voluntary organizations have helped the I.R.O. retrain 100,000 displaced persons.

JEWISH AGENCY ANNOUNCES LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS AUTHORIZED TO RAISE FUNDS IN U.S.

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency's Committee on Control and Authorization of Campaigns today announced a list of ten Jewish organizations which have been authorized to conduct campaigns for Israel projects in 1951. The Committee is headed by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency.

The organizations authorized to conduct Israel campaigns in 1951, all of which received similar authorizations in 1950, are: Hadassah, including Junior Hadassah; National Committee for Labor Israel; Jewish National Fund (traditional collections only); Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America; Mizrachi Women's Organization of America, including Junior Mizrachi Women; University-Institute-Technion Fund in behalf of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, the Weizmann Institute of Science and the Haifa Technion; American Fund for Israel Institutions; Federated Council of Palestine Institutions; Material for Israel, Inc. (materials only); Women's League for Israel, Inc. (New York area only.)

A Jewish Agency spokesman explained that authorizations were granted upon submission of formal applications and financial data, but did not imply endorsement. He emphasized that all organizations whose applications were approved have agreed to conduct their campaigns so as to assure priority to the United Jewish Appeal drive. Negotiations for one or two additional authorizations are still under way, the spokesman declared.

DR. NEUMANN DENIES HE NEGOTIATED WITH BEN GURION TO JOIN ISRAELI CABINET

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- Reports that a "secret agreement" has been concluded between Prime Minister David Ben Gurion of Israel and Dr. Emanuel Neumann, American Zionist leader, for the creation of a new government coalition in Israel in which Dr. Neumann was to serve as a member of the Israeli Cabinet, were today denied at a press conference here by Dr. Neumann.

"The rumors are false and entirely without foundation," he said. "I saw Premier Ben Gurion during my recent visit in Israel as a private individual and not as a representative of the General Zionist. I negotiated no agreement and concluded none."

Dr. Neumann said that there is no doubt that the General Zionists will emerge as one of the two leading parties in the forthcoming Parliamentary elections in Israel and that they "will play a decisive role in determining the composition of the new Cabinet."

ISRAEL'S MINISTER OF RELIGIONS LEAVES U.S.; CONSIDERS ISRAELI ELECTIONS UNWIS

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- The decision to hold national elections in Israel at the present time is not a "desirable" political move, Rabbi Judah L. Maimon, Israeli Minister of Religions, declared here today prior to his return to Israel. He blamed both the Religious Bloc and Premier David Ben Gurion for the present government crisis, but said that it is too late now to restore the coalition which existed prior to the fall of the Cabinet.

The Israeli Minister, who spoke at a luncheon given in his honor by B. Manishevitz, head of the matzah company, lauded American Jewry. "I am leaving the United States with the impression that Judaism is growing in this country," he said. The Minister was presented with a certificate stating that 3,000 pounds of foodstuffs were being shipped to Israel for distribution among 500 needy families as a contribution of the matzah company.

ZIONIST YOUTH HOLD NATIONAL CONVENTION IN ARGENTINA; WILL AID IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

BUENOS AIRES, March 6. (JTA) -- A national conference of the Zionist Youth Confederation, attended by 250 delegates representing 12,000 youth of all Zionist groups, last night pledged to stimulate the immigration to Israel of professionals and technicians. The delegates, who proclaimed immigration to Israel as the personal goal of each young Zionist, heard a report that 223 youths are presently being trained at agricultural centers in this country for life in the Jewish state.

CONFERENCE OF ENGLISH-JEWISH PUBLICATIONS VOTES TO SUPPORT U.J.A.; LAUDS J.T.A.

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- Support of the United Jewish Appeal was pledged in a resolution adopted here at the closing session of the three-day national conference of the American Association of English-Jewish Newspapers. Earlier, the parley adopted a resolution promising its support to the Israeli bond drive in the United States.

The conference appointed a committee to prepare a plan for the enforcement of a code of advertising for the English-Jewish newspaper field. It re-elected Philip Slomovitz of Detroit president and Leo E. Frisch of Minneapolis treasurer. Mr. Slomovitz and Mr. Frisch were also elected president and treasurer, respectively, of a new news-and-feature service which the conference voted to launch.

The Association pointed out that its own service is not intended to compete with existing Jewish press services but was "designed to fill specific needs of the English-Jewish press." The convention adopted a resolution reaffirming the importance of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to American Jewry and urged support of the J.T.A. by the American Jewish community.

ISRAEL APPOINTS NEW CONSUL FOR LOS ANGELES; NEW ISRAELI CONSUL ARRIVES IN MONTREAL

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- Harry Beilin, formerly consul representative of the Israeli Foreign Office in Haifa, will assume the duties of Israel Consul in Los Angeles March 15, the Israel Consulate General here announced today. Mr. Beilin, who worked with the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem for many years, replaces Reuven Dafni in the Los Angeles post. Mr. Dafni is returning to Israel.

Hanan Aynor, who served with the Western European Division in Israel's Ministry for Foreign Affairs, has arrived in Montreal, Canada, to assume his new duties as Vice Consul in the Israel Consulate. He replaces Mr. Aris Ben-Tovim who was recently transferred to New York as Consul.

EGYPTIAN TEAM REFUSES TO PLAY ISRAEL AT WORLD CHAMPION TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT IN VIENNA

VIENNA, March 6. (JTA) -- The Egyptian team refused to play Israel today in the 18th annual world champion table tennis tournament here on the grounds that Egypt does not recognize the existence of Israel as a state.

The Egyptians said they had nothing against the Israeli players because of their religion, but could not recognize them as representing a country. The tournament committee was to meet today in an extraordinary session with the possibility that the suspension or expulsion of Egypt would be considered.

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