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CALM MARKS NATIONAL ELECTIONS IN ISRAEL; ARAB VOTERS DOUBLED IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, July 30. (JTA) -- Complete calm and orderliness marked the national elections here today. The returns are not expected to be known before midnight, but by noon well over 60 percent of all registered voters had cast their ballots.

At least 15,000 non-Jews--including monks and nuns--participated in the elections. The polling began in an almost festive atmosphere with all citizens of Israel observing the day as a legal holiday. Many voters, especially the newcomers from Yemen and other Moslem countries, cast a ballot for the first time in their lives.

Members of the Neturei Karta, extremist Jewish Orthodox group which does not recognize the Jewish state because it was not established with the arrival of the Messiah, formed small jeering groups at the polling places in the Mea Shearim section of Jerusalem, but the appearance of police was sufficient to disperse them.

Arab participation in today's voting was very large. In the Arab-populated Abu Gush quarter, in the northern part of Jerusalem, twice as many Arabs went to the polls today as did in the elections for the Israel Parliament in 1949. It is believed that most of them voted for the list of the Nazareth Arab Democratic Party, which is affiliated with the pro-Government Israel Labor Party.

Large Turnout in Tel Aviv Elections; Veiled Arab Women Vote in Jaffa

TEL AVIV, July 30. (JTA) -- The turnout in this city in Israel's second general election appeared large this evening as the last few voters hurried to the polls to cast their ballots before the polling places closed. Throughout the day orderliness marked the voting, with lengthy queues forming in front of most polls.

Many of the country's top political leaders turned out early to cast their ballots. Shortly after 8 A.M. Premier David Ben Gurion and his wife walked to their polling place, where a respectful crowd insisted that the Premier and his wife go in immediately, out of turn. In nearby polls, at almost the same time, Mapai's Speaker of the Knesset Joseph Sprinzak and Menahem Beigin, leader of the government's right-wing opposition Herut Party, also cast their ballots.

In Jaffa the most distinctive feature of the long lines of waiting voters were the numerous veiled Moslem women. Besides Syria, Israel is the only Middle East country where Moslem women have the franchise.

The major parties, anticipating a heavy turnout, mobilized hundreds of autos, buses and trucks to transport voters to the polls. In some instances vacationists were brought from Galilee resorts and then taken back after voting. Vehicles were also in constant use between the polling places and immigrant work villages on the city's outskirts. For a period of 36 hours the authorities lifted restrictions on private inter-zonal automotive travel.

ISRAEL CONSOLIDATING ITS POSITION. BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY TELLS COMMONS

LONDON, July 30. (JTA) -- Foreign Secretary Herbert Morrison, addressing the House of Commons today on the situation in the Middle East, expressed regret over the fact that there has been no progress toward permanent peace between Israel and the Arab countries. He emphasized that the Jewish state had established itself and was consolidating its position.

Declaring that the British Government had hoped eventually to bring about a settlement acceptable to both Jew and Arab alike, Secretary Morrison said Britain "would have brought peace and prosperity to the Holy Land," but other countries and the people of Palestine had their own ideas on the matter.

Relations between Britain and Israel were steadily improving, he told Parliament. He added that Britain does not consider its relations with the Arab states in any way incompatible with its relations with the Jewish state, despite the friction that exists between them.

It is distressing that mutual hostility and suspicion between Israel and the Arab states is still as strong as ever, the British Foreign Secretary stated. These emotions, he added, have been exacerbated by a series of major frontier incidents. Under these conditions, he continued, little progress has been made with economic and social improvements for the future prosperity of the countries concerned.

Britain Will Resist Aggression, Whether Arab or Israeli, Morrison Says

The Foreign Secretary placed responsibility for this "unhappy" state of affairs on both parties. The Arab states, he pointed out, still feel unprepared and unable to recognize the "plain fact" that Israel has come to stay as a national entity and "cannot be swept away ~~bag~~ and ~~baggage~~ into the Mediterranean." The Israelis, for their part, do not fully appreciate the strength of the Arab suspicion of their expansion aims and the importance of taking positive steps to allay the suspicion, he asserted.

He also took the opportunity to reaffirm the decision of the British Government to carry out the "obligations which it assumed in the tri-partite statement of May 25, 1950." He stressed that "we shall resist any act of aggression, whichever side may commit it. I earnestly hope that reason will soon prevail and that both sides will come to the realization that it is in their own interest to put forward sincere and positive proposals for peace."

Both parties would have to make considerable concessions, and Britain would do everything in its power to assist in the pacification of the Middle East, he emphasized, but it must be understood that nothing could be done unless and until the initiative came from the parties concerned. A settlement could be imposed from the outside, he pointed out, but added his opinion that peace must be freely and willingly negotiated.

Referring to the Israeli complaint against Egypt for blockading the Suez Canal, the Foreign Secretary said he regretted that Egypt had not modified its attitude toward the blockade, adding that Britain had done everything possible through diplomatic channels but to little avail. He also said he thought the U.N. Security Council would decide that there is no reasonable ground for continued discrimination against Israeli traffic and against oil tankers bound for the Haifa refineries. In this position Mr. Morrison was supported by Winston Churchill, who said that blockading the Canal was a violation of the Israeli-Egyptian armistice agreement.

HARDENING OF GERMAN ATTITUDE TOWARD JEWISH RESTITUTION REPORTED IN LONDON

LONDON, July 30. (JTA) -- Indications received here from Germany point to a general hardening in the attitude of the German authorities toward Jewish restitution.

A dispatch received today quotes the Sueddeutsche Zeitung as reporting that the authorities of the German states in the American zone have agreed not to handle "for the time being" compensation claims of persons who entered the U.S. zone of Germany after May 8, 1945. This would, in effect, deny compensation to the overwhelming majority of Jewish DP's.

SOVIET ENCYCLOPEDIA IGNORES JEWISH LITERATURE AND AUTHORS IN U.S.S.R.; NEW TREND SEEN

LONDON, July 30. (JTA) -- Jewish literature and Jewish authors are ignored in the latest edition of the Soviet Encyclopedia which formerly devoted many pages to Jewish authors in the U.S.S.R. and their works, it was reported here today. Copies of the latest edition of the encyclopedia have just arrived from Moscow.

A slashing attack on two Israeli labor parties for their failure to send delegations to the Youth Peace Congress to be held in East Berlin was made this week by the Communist-controlled Yiddish newspaper Volkstimme, published in Warsaw. The parties singled out for attack were Premier David Ben Gurion's Mapai and the Soviet-oriented Mapam parties.

JEWISH COMMUNITY IN VIENNA HAS NO FUNDS TO TAKE CARE OF ITS CEMETERY; GRAVES NEGLECTED

VIENNA, July 30. (JTA) -- The Jewish Community of Vienna can no longer care for over 1,000 Jewish graves at the Doebbling Jewish Cemetery, on the outskirts of the city; it was revealed this week-end by Dr. Ernst Felsberg, community treasurer.

Dr. Felsberg said that the community has hardly enough money available for the care of the sick and the indigent. He added that the community would appreciate financial assistance from relatives of people buried in the Doebbling cemetery to make possible the physical rehabilitation of the neglected graves.

HAMBURG MAYOR OFFERS COMPENSATION TO JEWISH JOURNALIST FOR "UNWARRANTED" REMARKS

BERLIN, July 30. (JTA) -- Hamburg Mayor Max Bauer has offered to pay 1,500 Deutschmarks in damages to Karen Nishoff, a Jewish journalist in Berlin, after a judge in that city declared "unwarranted" the Mayor's remarks that Miss Nishoff was "a tool of the Communists" and that she was responsible for an anti-Semitic demonstration inside the court during the trial of Voit Harlan, producer of the Nazi-made anti-Semitic film "Jew Sues."

Miss Nishoff was the only witness courageous enough to testify against Harlan at his fourth trial on charges of crimes against humanity, and was abused inside the courtroom and abused and assaulted as she made her way from the court under escort.

ANTI-SEMITIC AUTHOR RETURNS TO FRANCE AFTER BEING GRANTED AMNESTY BY GOVERNMENT

PARIS, July 30. (JTA) -- Louis Ferdinand Celine, notorious anti-Semitic author of Vichy France, returned here from Denmark yesterday. The author, sentenced in absentia for collaborationist activities, was recently granted an amnesty by the French Government.

EX-NAZIS HOLD IMPORTANT POSITIONS IN GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE, JEWISH CONGRESS REPORTS

NEW YORK, July 30. (JTA) -- A number of notorious ex-Nazis have been appointed to positions of influence in the new Foreign Office of the West German Republic, the World Jewish Congress revealed today, as the result of an investigation into the organization of West Germany's Foreign Office and diplomatic corps. Many of those men served in the Nazi Foreign Office under Von Ribbentrop and were trained by him, the survey disclosed.

The investigation, undertaken with the aid of the World Jewish Congress staff in Germany, also revealed that these new officials include men who cooperated in the mass murder of Jews, plundered works of art and committed other crimes. The former Nazis have been appointed not only to secondary posts in the Foreign Office but also to top-level positions.

It has also been learned that the new Foreign Office had intentions of appointing ex-Nazis to the five highest posts in the political department, three of the five top positions in the Bureau of Protocol and the five highest offices in the "Peace Bureau." In revealing the results of the survey, Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig, director of the Department of International Affairs of the World Jewish Congress, said the facts constituted another demonstration that the Western Allies' decision to end the state of war against Germany was premature.

MYSTERIOUS PLANE DROPS ANTI-SEMITIC LEAFLETS IN DETROIT; INTENSIVE SEARCH STARTED

DETROIT, July 30. (JTA) -- State police, federal investigating agencies and the United States Air Force were collaborating today in search of a private plane which flew over a three-mile industrial area of Detroit yesterday and dropped thousands of vicious anti-Semitic handbills.

The plane made two flights dropping mimeographed leaflets. After the first flight, police notified the nearby Selfridge airfield and three Army training planes were sent up to observe. The private plane appeared five hours later and again dropped leaflets, as the army plane sought to come close enough to read its identification number. Because of the great number of planes in the air at the time, they were unable to trace the plane back to its field.

HOTEL ADVERTISING CONTAINING RACIAL OR RELIGIOUS BIAS PROHIBITED IN WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE, July 30. (JTA) -- A bill prohibiting advertising of hotels, resorts or other places of amusement as restricted because of race, color, creed or ancestry, went into effect here this week following its signature by Gov. Kohler. The new state legislation provides penalties up to six months' imprisonment or fines up to \$100 or both for violation of the anti-discrimination measure.

EXAMINATIONS FOR LICENSING OF DOCTORS WILL NOT BE HELD ON SATURDAY IN NEW YORK STATE

NEW YORK, July 30. (JTA) -- The New York Board of Rabbis today announced that as a result of its representations to the State Commissioner of Education, examinations for the licensing of doctors to practice medicine in the State of New York, originally scheduled to take place from Wednesday, October 31st through Saturday, November 3rd, have been changed so that no examinations will be held on Saturday.

DR. EZRA JORAS, NEW ISRAELI MINISTER TO YUGOSLAVIA, ARRIVES IN BELGRADE

VIENNA, July 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Ezra Joras, the new Israeli Minister to Yugoslavia has arrived in Belgrade, it was reported here today from the Yugoslav capital. The new Minister was met by a representative of the Yugoslav Foreign Ministry and members of the staff of the Israeli legation.

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