AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT FAVORS TRANSFER OF JEWISH WAR ORPHANS FROM BRITAIN TO AUSTRALIA

LONDON, Aug. 16. (JTA) -- Sydney J. Ware, president of the Australian Welfare Guardian Society, is due to arrive here shortly to confer with representatives of Jewish organizations on plans for the transfer of Jewish war orphans from Britain to Australia. The Australian Government is said to be favorably inclined toward the plan.

British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie today deplored attempts by individuals to organize vocational training programs among needy Jews in North Africa. Addressing a meeting of representatives of religious organizations in this country, Rabbi Brodie suggested that a coordinating committee be set up in which all groups concerned with religious activities in behalf of Jews in North Africa would be represented.

WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS URGES U.N. TO ESTABLISH PERMANENT INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

NEW YORK, Aug. 16. (JTA) -- The establishment of a permanent International Criminal Court which could not be accused of practicing "victor justice" or "party justice" has been urged by the World Jewish Congress in a memorandum submitted to U.N. Secretary General Trygve Lie for transmission to the U.N. Committee on International Criminal Jurisdiction now meeting in Geneva.

The World Jewish Congress position thus far was in opposition to that of British Attorney General Sir Frank Soskice, who told the Geneva meeting that the nations of the world were not yet ready for such a court and that it might become "the focus of international discord." The W.J.C., on the contrary, pointed out that an established international criminal court "has of necessity a much higher moral authority" than one created, as was the court set up at Nuremberg to try the chief Nazis after World War II, for a specific purpose.

The memorandum also declared that a permanent court backed by the full prestige of the United Nations would rise above international politics and would, by its nature, prevent accusations that the victor was trying the vanquished or that "party justice" was involved. Further, the memorandum argued, the establishment of special courts for every violation of international criminal law would require considerable time, "a very important element in prosecution of crimes," and that such courts cannot, as a permanent tribunal could, create stable jurisprudence and accepted interpretations of the applicable law.

ARTHUR SCHNABEL, FAMOUS PIANIST, DIES; WAS VICTIM OF ANTI-JEWISH LAWS IN GERMANY, ITALY

GENEVA, Aug. 16. (JTA) -- Arthur Schnabel, one of the world's greatest pianists, who was compelled to leave Germany when the Nazis came to power and was later forced to leave Italy as a result of Mussolini's expulsion order against foreign Jews, died last night in Arenstein, Switzerland, at the age of 69. He arrived there two months ago to take a long rest because of a heart ailment.

Mr. Schnabel, who was also a composer, settled in the United States in 1938 after he left Italy. He later became a naturalized American citizen. He was born in Lipnik, Carinthia, in Austria and was recognized as a piano virtuoso when he was nine years old. His first appearance in the United States was at the end of 1921. In 1915 he was given an honorary professorship by the Prussian state, and from 1925 to 1933--until Hitler came to power--he taught music at the Berlin Hochschule.

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JEWISH AGENCY LEADERS OPPOSE "SCARE PROPAGANDA" TO INFLUENCE AMERICAN JEWS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Opposition to "scare propaganda" aimed at getting American Jews to migrate to Israel was expressed here today by Berl Locker, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, addressing the World Zionist Congress. Such propaganda, he said, is useless, citing the example of Polish and Russian Jewries. "Although these Jews had been persecuted, they did not emigrate in masses, although they might have been among the living if they had done so," he declared.

Consequently, he continued, there is much less reason to hope that "scare propaganda" would convert American Jews. However, he urged American Zionists not to attempt to rationalize and explain away their failure to settle in Israel. Although he rejected the arguments of some of the speakers that what happened to Jewry in Germany must also happen to Jews in America, he insisted that Jewish history shows that in countries outside Israel "Jews are either persecuted or tolerated."

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, took issue with Mrs. Rose Halprin, Hadassah president, who had declared earlier that American Jews are free and do not live in fear. "Galuth (exile) does not cease being Galuth because Jews are happy and well treated there," he said. "Galuth is not measured by good or bad treatment. Galuth is a mystical concept. If you deny that America is Galuth you might as well deny the need for Israel." He recommended that more funds be spent on the training of Jewish youth for emigration to Israel as pioneers.

American Delegates Warn Congress Against Forcing Issue of Emigration from U.S.

Hayim Greenberg, American Labor Zionist leader, and member of the Jewish Agency executive, advised the delegates to adopt a "realistic" attitude on the question of large-scale emigration from the United States to Israel. He bluntly declared that American Jews would not "be persuaded to come to Israel by declarations and manifestations by the Congress." He pointed out that in making this statement, he was not speaking as a non-believer in a youth pioneering movement among American Jews.

In seeking to explain the situation, particularly to Israelis who were most critical of the American Jewish role, Dr. Greenberg told them that they had to consider the Galut as composed of three different categories. Just as there was a difference between medieval Spain which expelled the Jews, and Holland, which gave them refuge, he said, there is a difference today between Iraq and the United States.

The first category of the Galut, he said, was the countries sealed under seven locks, permitting neither entry nor exit - an obvious reference to the Soviet Union. The second category, he said, was composed of the Islamic countries. The third was composed of the countries of high culture in which the Jews had established positions and were relatively integrated into the general mass of the population.

He could, he said, offer no solution for the Jews in the countries of the first category. The solution for the Jews in the Arab lands, he said, was emigration

to Israel. The Jews in the third category, he declared, "rightly or wrongly, do not regard themselves as candidates for mass emigration in the near future. They cannot be persuaded to accept the fate of German Jewry as their own fate. They do not believe it can happen here." Of the Jews in this category, he said, one element will vanish in the population majority, one element seeks some kind of integration between their Jewishness and the mass culture and the third element will some day emigrate to Israel.

Earlier, Halprin appealed to the Congress for a better understanding of the special position of the Jews in the United States. "Every American Zionist organization," she declared, "supports the pioneer movement because it is part of the American pioneering tradition. But we cannot base appeals on the fear motive. There are countries where such an appeal is justified, but not the United States where Jews live in the Diaspora (Dispersion) by choice, where they are free to go out as they wish and with no fear.

"We are ready," she told the Congress, "to work for a pioneer movement appeal based on idealism, but the numbers of those coming will be small." She questioned the wisdom of converting the Zionist movement into a pioneer movement which, she said, would be much smaller than the present body. She also appealed for special treatment for American immigrants in Israel noting that "although they are no better than anybody else, historical accident placed them in different previous circumstances than other Israel immigrants."

Mrs. Halprin, too, told the Congress to be "realistic in the world in which we live and know that citizens owe full allegiance to the countries in which they live. This," she added, "is true in the United States, although there is plenty of room for cultural pluralism. The Congress would be ill-advised to adopt any resolution which did not recognize these facts." The speaker urged continuation of a strong, dynamic Zionist movement which, she said, was "the strongest link between Israelis and Jews abroad."

Dr. Goldmann Urges "Capturing" of Local Communities Outside of Israel

In closing the first stage of the general debate at the Zionist Congress, Dr. Goldmann said that the primary tasks of the Zionist movement in countries outside of Israel are: the raising of funds for Israel; "Zionizing" the Jewish youth; "capturing" local communities, and avoiding getting involved in party differences. It is also important, he stated, to have a single voice for common problems and not to have each Zionist group come out with its own statements overriding the existing central Zionist body, as for example the American Zionist Council.

Dr. Goldmann emphasized that it must also be taken into consideration that thousands of potential young Zionists do not enroll because they wish to be non-partisan Zionists. The structure of the Zionist movement in countries outside of Israel is, therefore, one of the most essential tasks and should not be underestimated, he declared. A structure should be created which would permit these youths to join and if after a time they wish to join the Zionist party, they should be free to do so.

At a press conference today, Dr. Goldmann predicted that the name of "Jewish Agency for Israel" would replace the former title of "Jewish Agency for Palestine" and that the American branch of the Agency would be continued and that a European office would also be set up. He expressed confidence that a majority vote will be mustered in both the Zionist Congress and the Israel Parliament to grant the world Zionist movement a special status in Israel.

Dr. Goldmann also indicated that there is a strong sentiment among the delegates for eliminating some of the Agency departments, with the Israel Government assuming responsibility for the work previously done by these sections. He said that it was unclear whether a president would be elected by the Congress to head the World Zionist Organization.

"MANY THOUSANDS" OF JEWS MAY MIGRATE FROM U.S.S.R. TO ISRAEL, ZIONIST CONGRESS HEARS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- "Many thousands" of Jews may come from the Soviet Union to Israel in the future, Itzhak Raphael, head of the Jewish Agency's immigration department, indicated today at the World Zionist Congress. He said that the recent arrival of several Jews from Russia to join their relatives is a sign that a serious diplomatic attempt in Moscow may achieve the uniting of thousands of families some of whose members live in Israel and others in the U.S.S.R.

Mr. Raphael said that of the 600,000 Jews expected to immigrate to the Jewish state in the next three years some 400,000 are from Oriental countries. Health work must be done among them, under Israeli direction in advance of immigration. He expressed the hope that Hungary would eventually agree to permit the emigration of a large number of its 130,000 Jews. He also thought that the legitimate and orderly evacuation of the Jewish communities of Yemen and Iraq held hope that similar arrangements could be made with other Arab states, including Egypt.

A four-year plan to place 4,000,000 dunams (1,000,000 acres) of land under irrigation and to settle 25 percent of Israel's anticipated 2,000,000 population, was presented to the Congress today by Levi Eshkol, head of the Agency's Settlement Department. The plan would enable Israel to export surplus agricultural products for foreign exchange. At the end of the four-year period, Mr. Eshkol told the Congress, Israel's dependence on outside sources for food would be primarily in poultry.

The plan calls for mixed farming, not on the basis of having each farm produce a little of everything but rather of having it specialize in crops most suitable to the particular area and, in addition, produce such essentials as poultry and vegetables. Israel agriculture at the end of that period would also provide raw materials such as vegetable oil, sugar and tobacco for the pharmaceutical and other industries.

Implementation of this plan, Eshkol reported, will require a total expenditure of 215,000,000 pounds ($502,000,000) of which 156,000,000 pounds ($436,800,000) would be required before the end of the four years. Of this amount, he said, 58,000,000 ($162,400,000) would be required in foreign exchange.

LABOR ZIONIST PARLEY VOTES AGAINST CLOSING OF JEWISH AGENCY BRANCH IN NEW YORK

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- A resolution calling for the closing of the Jewish Agency executive branch in New York was defeated here at the closing session today of the world Labor Zionist conference when a majority of the delegates decided that such a step would be "premature." Instead, a committee consisting of Zalman Shazar, Louis Segal and Baruch Zuckerman was appointed to outline in concrete terms a program for the Agency executive in America.

Mr. Segal, who agreed that the American office be liquidated, argued that the Jewish Agency, with its various departments, divests the local Zionist movement in America of some its functions. Only a Zionist movement with manifold functions can grow, Mr. Segal claimed.

The case for maintenance of the status quo in reference to the New York branch was presented by Berl Locker, Agency chairman in Jerusalem, who was supported by Mr. Zuckerman. He argued that since Zionist groups in the U.S. are not yet ready to merge into a real federation the Agency executive must provide them with a coordinated leadership.

DRAMATIC DEBATE BETWEEN DR. SILVER AND GOLDA MYERSON HIGHLIGHTS ZIONIST CONGRESS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Basic conflicts within the Zionist movement were highlighted this week-end at the World Zionist Congress in a dramatic debate between Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Israel's Labor Minister Mrs. Golda Myerson. Dr. Silver voiced strong criticism of the Israel Government and the manner in which it handles its relations with the Zionist movement, but concluded with an appeal for unity. Mrs. Myerson defended the record of the Israel Government.

Declaring that the Israel Government would have to face mounting criticism, Dr. Silver said: "Friends of Israel will be more critical and I counsel you to take it in good grace. "Do not resent it. This criticism will be due to the fact that they hope Israel is to be great in moral excellence and in every other respect and when they see party strife, dangerous schismatic education and gross irregularities in the Congress elections, they feel let down.

"You, on the other hand, have the right to speak to us for our failure in halutziot because we have failed," Dr. Silver continued. "You may criticize our impatience. Both sides, you and we, should welcome frankness." Let us work as one people and we shall be invincible in the face of difficulties. Jewry is waiting to give you the support to which you are entitled. We will also give you, as a united movement, manpower and youth."

He praised the Israel Government "of which we are proud" and to which he said all Jews had contributed, and added that much remained to be corrected and rectified, as was inevitable. He warned, however, that should Jews overseas begin to feel that Israel flouts them completely, "they might cease to help you and there will be nothing you can do about it."

He attacked the demand for "unconditional cooperation" of the Zionists movement with the State of Israel proposed in connection with the special charter sought by the movement in Israel and commented that the term unconditional is used towards enemies, not allies. He criticized the "Socialism in our time" slogan since, he said, no such legislation was intended and the government in any case, was working towards a reasonable solution of its economic problems. From the long-range view, he said, it was obvious that Israel would have a mixed economy.

Mrs. Myerson Asks Why U.S. Zionist Leaders Don't Settle in Israel

In a sharp reply, Mrs. Myerson, who accused Dr. Silver of "insulting" the Israel Government, issued a blanket invitation to all delegates to remain in the country after the Congress ends and see for themselves how Jewish national interests are guarded by the Government. She also referred to a "romance between Silver and the Mapam," the pro-Soviet left Socialist party in Israel.

In a scathing counterattack, Mrs. Myerson demanded to know what Zionist leaders in America had done to refute the libels that the Israel Government was preventing private capital and foreign investors from participating in Israel's upbuilding. She asked whether some of these same leaders had not helped fan "the fires of allegation."

The Israelis, she insisted, are always ready to listen to advice, although, understandably, they are not always willing to accept it. Claiming that in 1939 Dr. Silver opposed illegal immigration to Palestine and a straining of relations with Britain over its White Paper restricting Jewish emigration to Palestine, she said: "If he was wrong once, he may be wrong again."

Finally, she said that if American Zionist leaders had come to Israel and settled there after the state was established, it would have been "an inspiring example" of immigration for American Jewish youth. "Israel will yet see a mass migration

from the free countries," she predicted, "because Jews will not be able to resist the temptation to participate in the upbuilding of the state."

Browdy Denounces Attacks on American Zionist Organization

Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, denounced attacks made in the general debate at the World Zionist Congress on the American Organization. "We shall not permit calumny, particularly the assertion that we are reactionary," he said. "Fifty-four years of Z.O.A. endeavors repudiate this allegation." He told the Congress that "we are prepared to work unconditionally, but not at the expense of our self-respect."

Ezra Shapiro, of Cleveland, a Progressive, speaking in the General debate, said his group was not identified with any Israeli party and "when we mean non-intervention, we mean just that--absolute non-intervention in Israel's internal and external affairs." In an apparent reference to statements last night by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who warned that American Jews might "cool off" towards Israel if they disapproved of Israeli policies, Shapiro declared: "American Jews have shown a deep love and affection for Israel and this continues." He declared that non-Zionists could not be turned away or regarded as inferior and added that once they show they are ready to help Israel, "we must be ready to receive their support."

Baruch Zuckerman, member of the American section of the Jewish Agency executive, denied that control of Israel funds was in non-Zionist hands. He said non-Zionists helped raise funds which were finally disposed of through the Jewish Agency.

HOUSE APPROVES BILL WHICH INCLUDES $73,500,000 GRANTS-IN-AID FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- The House this week-end gave final approval to the Administration's foreign aid program, which includes $73,500,000 in grants for Israel. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee will take up the bill this week.

Before the final vote was taken the House decisively rejected a move to delete from the bill a $50,000,000 grant to Israel to aid immigrants. The motion to cut off this aid was offered by Rep. Harold Cooley, Democrat of North Carolina, who said that past aid to Israel "has not been in the interests of peace." Rep. Colley's amendment was defeated 146-65.

CONGRESSMAN ASKS HOUSE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ANTI-SEMITIC PUBLISHER IN CALIFORNIA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19. (JTA) -- Democratic Congressman Samuel Yorty of California asked the House Un-American Activities Committee to investigate anti-Semitic propaganda being put out by Robert H. Williams of Santa Ana, California. The Los Angeles Congressman said that any group "dedicated to the gospel of hate" is a threat to American security and should be "exposed to pitiless publicity."

Rep. Yorty said Williams publishes the "Williams Intelligence Summary" and such pamphlets as "Know Your Enemy." Among the Jews attacked in Williams' publication are U.S. delegate to the U.N. Benjamin Cohen, Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, who is termed as a delegate from the "Marxist-dominated Zionist State," Sen. Herbert H. Lehman and U.S. General Mark Clark, whose mother was Jewish.