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ISRAELI DELEGATION TO GERMAN REPARATIONS TALKS LEAVES FOR LONDON

TEL AVIV, March 16. (JTA) -- The members of the Israeli delegation to the reparations talks with West Germany, accompanied by a number of advisors in various fields, left here today for London for talks with representatives of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany which will open in London tomorrow. The London talks will precede the opening of negotiations with the Germans.

(The New York Times reported from Germany today that the Israeli-Bonn talks which were scheduled to open tomorrow have been delayed a week or ten days at the request of the Germans. It was also reported from the West German capital that the Bavarian Government has agreed to pay the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization 19,000,000 Deutschmarks--\$1,523,900--for claims for heirless Jewish property in the province.)

The Israeli delegation consists of Dr. F. E. Shinnar, Foreign Ministry representative, and Dr. George Josephthal, Jewish Agency director of immigration. They were accompanied by five advisors in the fields of economics, law, politics and finance, and will have an additional group of five experts in various economic branches available as needed.

It was announced here that a member of the Conference on Material Claims will sit in as an observer at the Israeli negotiations, while an Israeli representative will also observe the Jewish organizational talks with the Germans. A special Cabinet committee and several inter-ministerial committees have been assigned to coordinate Israeli claims and demands with the needs of the country.

Herut to Hold Demonstration Protesting Negotiations

HAIFA, March 16. (JTA) -- Menahem Beigin, Herut leader, addressing a meeting in Haifa today, threatened that if the Mapai Party interferes with the right-wing movement's projected demonstration in Tel Aviv against the reparations negotiations with Germany, the Herut would "reply to force with force."

Mr. Beigin was commenting on the fact that the pro-government Mapai Party has begun organizing industrial workers in volunteer units to "protect the government and party institutions" in the event that the right-wing demonstration leads to violence. Meir Argov, Mapai Party secretary, pledged that the workers recruited by the Labor Party would not interfere with the Herut demonstration "if it passes quietly."

The date of the demonstration has not been announced, but will take place on the day that the negotiations open. Herut leaders have stated that they will seek official permission to hold the rally, but will hold it regardless of whether they receive permission or not. In view of the tension that has arisen as a result of the Herut plans, the authorities are reported to have taken special precautions to avert clashes.

BRITISH JEWS CRITICIZE "AMERICAN MONOPOLY" ON REPARATIONS TALKS

LONDON, March 16. (JTA) -- The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany was severely criticized here today at a meeting of the Board of Deputies of British Jews because of its naming of an all-American praesidium and for assigning only American experts and advisors to represent the world Jewish organizations at the reparations negotiations with West Germany.

Members of the Board representing every shade of opinion within the organization were unanimous in condemning what Dr. Abraham Cohen, board president, called an "American monopoly." He demanded that strong representations should be made to the praesidium. Barnett Janner, M. P., termed the situation "very unsatisfactory," adding that while the Board remained "loyal" to the purpose of the negotiations it could not permit the praesidium, on which it was not represented, to use its name as a "rubber stamp."

ISRAEL'S IMMIGRATION MINISTRY DISBANDED; FUNCTIONS DIVIDED

JERUSALEM, March 16. (JTA) -- Israel's Ministry of Immigration passed out of existence today and its functions were taken over by four existing ministries.

Under the new arrangements, medical care of immigrants will be handled by the Ministry of Health; passport and exit visa issuance by the Ministry of the Interior; issuance of visas for entering Israel by the Foreign Ministry's Consular Department; and border control by the Ministry of Trade.

AGREEMENT ON STATUS IN ISRAEL FOR JEWISH AGENCY REPORTED REACHED

TEL AVIV, March 16. (JTA) -- Full agreement on special status in Israel for the Jewish Agency was reached this week-end at a meeting between Government and Jewish Agency leaders. Dr. Nshum Goldmann, chairman of the agency, said here prior to his departure for London.

The meeting took place at Zichon Jacob where Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan is convalescing; and was attended by Premier David Ben Gurion, Dr. Goldmann, Berl Locker, co-chairman of the Agency, and Mrs. Rose Halprin, American member. A second meeting was held later in the day in Tel Aviv. Dr. Goldmann said the status measure would be discussed by the Government and then submitted to Parliament for confirmation.

Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, returning this week from Jerusalem where he attended the plenary session of the Jewish Agency executive, reported that the Government of Israel will proceed with the granting of a special status to the Jewish Agency. He made this announcement on the basis of information he received in the course of a number of conferences with Prime Minister David Ben Gurion and most members of his cabinet.

SHARETT ILL IN LONDON; MUST POSTPONE IMPORTANT VISIT TO ROME

LONDON, March 16. (JTA) -- Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett was still confined to bed today suffering from influenza and it appeared likely that his scheduled visit to Rome as guest of the Italian Government would have to be postponed for a week.

The Israeli Foreign Minister was to have been received by President Einaudi and Premier Alcide de Gasperi this week to discuss with the Italian leaders a number of outstanding Italian-Israeli questions. (A report from Tel Aviv today stated that the Italian Foreign Ministry had called home its Minister to Israel, Count Gustiniani, for consultation.)

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE PROTESTS DEPORTATIONS IN EAST EUROPE

NEW YORK, March 16. (JTA)---The American Jewish Committee, in a letter today to Secretary of State Dean Acheson, urged "outspoken public protests by the United States Government against resumption by the Hungarian and Rumanian Governments of mass deportations."

The letter, signed by Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president of the American Jewish Committee and Dr. Herman A. Gray, chairman of its foreign affairs committee, called attention to the fact that a former public condemnation by the President of the United States of "brutal mass evacuations" being carried out during last summer by the Communist rulers of Hungary, followed by protests of other governments, "had considerably abated the tempo of those deportations."

"Unfortunately," the letter adds, "recent reports by responsible press services and newspapers of the free world indicate that the Hungarian Government has resumed these mass deportations and that similar banishments have started on a large scale in Rumania as well."

The letter charged that "the majority of the Rumanian victims are Jews," and noted that the Rumanian mass evacuations have coincided with large scale arrests of Zionists. "Recent reports reveal that in the course of the current third round-up of Zionists in Rumania, hundreds of Zionists have been arrested together with their families and that they have disappeared without trace," the letter said.

The letter also warned "that the adoption by the Rumanian Government of the same method of mass liquidation of the middle-classes as pursued last year by the Hungarian Government, shows that there is a centrally directed policy which is on the way to engulfing all of Eastern Europe. It is our view, therefore, that renewed and even more outspoken public protests by our Government, by other democratic governments and by the United Nations, addressed to both of the totalitarian regimes involved, are urgently called for," the communication stressed.

Deploring the failure of the sixth session of the U.N. General Assembly to act upon the earlier Hungarian evacuations, the Committee's letter urged "that our Government take all possible steps to make sure that the fourteenth session of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations scheduled to convene in May, in New York, addresses itself to the situation which has developed in Hungary and in Rumania, and that our Government present to the Secretary General of the United Nations all available evidence on this subject."

RUMANIA SUSPENDS PUBLICATION OF JEWISH COMMUNITY ORGAN

LONDON, March 16. (JTA) -- The Rumanian authorities have again suspended the news bulletin issued by the Jewish community in Bucharest, it was reported here today. The bulletin served as the only publications link among Jewish organizations in Rumania, the report said.

DR. AUERBACH'S TRIAL SCHEDULED TO OPEN IN MUNICH NEXT MONTH

MUNICH, March 16. (JTA) -- The higher state court today reversed its decision last week to postpone the trial of Dr. Philip Auerbach, former head of the Bavarian State Restitution Office, on fraud charges, and announced the trial would open as scheduled on April 2.

A medical expert has been instructed to report to the court whether the state of Dr. Auerbach's health permits his continued detention in prison. Owing to his illness last year, he had been transferred from prison to a hospital.

W. J. C. REGRETS FAILURE OF U. N. GROUP TO BAN RACIAL PROPAGANDA

NEW YORK, March 16. (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress today hailed the action of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and of the Press in adopting an International Code of Ethics for the press at last Friday's meeting. However, the Congress expressed regret over the Sub-Commission's failure to include a provision stressing the professional journalist's duty to refrain from disseminating racial or religious propaganda.

In a statement before the Sub-Commission, Dr. Gerhard Jacoby, consultant of the World Jewish Congress to the U. N. Economic and Social Council, said that the adoption of the code was an important step in the direction of implementing the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. However, he pointed out that the code as adopted did not include a proposed article to discourage the use of public media of information for propaganda contrary to the principles of human rights.

Appearing before the Sub-Committee, Dr. Isaac Lewin, speaking in behalf of the Agudas Israel World Organization, drew attention of the group to the necessity of inclusion of the concept of race and religion in Article 4 of the Code of Ethics which imposes on reporters describing and commenting on countries other than their own "the duty of acquiring the necessary knowledge of such country which will enable them to report and comment accurately and fairly thereon."

Dr. Lewin cited historic examples of harm and ordeals caused by inaccurate reports on religion, especially on Jewish religion. He asked therefore that the commission give an authoritative interpretation of the word "country" in the code. The Rapporteur of the Sub-Committee, Dr. Azkoul, of The Lebanon, explained that he and a majority of the Sub-Committee understood the word "country" in the broad sense so as to include the whole concept of a people, its race and religion. The code will therefore impose the same obligations of fairness of reports and comments on races and religions as on countries, he said.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS ATTACKED FOR OPPOSING IMMIGRATION BILL

WASHINGTON, March 16. (JTA) -- Rep. Francis Walter this week-end attacked the American Jewish Congress for its opposition to his Omnibus Immigration Bill. The chairman of the House Immigration Subcommittee said that there was not a "scintilla of truth" in A. J. C. charges that his bill would "tear down precious rights of American citizens." He asserted that the charges were part of a "propaganda drive" by A. J. C. leaders and DP Commissioner Harry Rosenfield.

The only statements of opposition to the measure, he stated, came from Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the A. J. C., and an attorney representing "refugee interests." He linked the American Jewish Congress opposition to his plan with that of a Communist publication. (Opposition to the bill has been announced by all major American Jewish organizations.)

U. S. JEWISH SERVICEMEN ARRIVE FROM GERMANY FOR FURLOUGH IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, March 16. (JTA) -- A party of 37 American Jewish servicemen, including Army Chaplain M. Diana, arrived here from Germany to spend a 10-day leave in Israel. They are all serving in the American occupation forces in Germany.

SHARETT, GOLDMANN AMONG RECIPIENTS OF STEPHEN WISE AWARD

NEW YORK, March 16. (JTA) -- Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, co-chairman of the Jewish Agency; Professor Zachariah Chafee, Jr., of Harvard University; and composer Ernest Bloch, have been named recipients of the Stephen Wise Awards for 1951, it was announced today by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress. The awards each bear a cash value of \$1,000.

In announcing the recipients, Dr. Goldstein hailed Mr. Sharett for "building a position of international respect and understanding for Israel." Professor Chafee was termed "the nation's foremost interpreter of the constitutional basis of freedom of speech and civil liberties."

The award to Dr. Goldmann was made for "his lifetime of service to the Jewish people" and "statesmanlike guidance and skillful leadership on all the critical problems by which the Jewish people has been confronted in a chaotic and uncertain world." Ernest Bloch was honored for "translating the Jewish soul and the Jewish idiom into major works of enduring significance which have enriched contemporary Jewish culture."

PROF. EINSTEIN ACCEPTS SPONSORSHIP OF U.S. STUDENT TOUR TO ISRAEL

NEW YORK, March 16. (JTA) -- Prof. Albert Einstein, who this week-end marked his 73rd birthday, will be one of the four honorary sponsors of the Jewish Agency's Israel Summer Institute--a seven-week work-study tour of Israel designed for American students and educators--it was announced today by the Agency. The other honorary sponsors include Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Justice I. C. Rand of the Supreme Court of Canada.

Acting on the premise that "nothing speaks for Israel more eloquently than Israel itself," the Summer Institute was established three years ago to afford young Americans an opportunity, not only to visit the Jewish State, but to meet its people, its leaders and scholars, to study at its university and to work in its famous agricultural settlements. The total cost for enrollment in the Institute is \$875 dollars which includes round-trip fare, tuition, living expenses in Israel and a stop-over in Paris. The Institute leaves the United States July 8 and returns August 25.

STREET IN ISRAEL TOWN NAMED FOR URUGUAYAN U. N. REPRESENTATIVE

TEL AVIV, March 16 (JTA) -- Prof. Enrique R. Fabregat, Uruguayan representative to the United Nations, formally opened a street in Ramat Gan today named in his honor.

Mayor Krenitzki of Ramat Gan hailed Prof. Fabregat's role in the establishment of the State of Israel and the Uruguayan diplomat expressed thanks for the honor and said he was happy to have been among the creators of the Jewish State. Prof. Fabregat served as a member of the United Nations commission which visited Palestine in 1947 and recommended establishment of a Jewish State.

CELEBRATION OF MIZRACHI WEEK BEGINS IN STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON, March 16. (JTA) -- Celebration of "Mizrachi Week" in Massachusetts began today. The week was proclaimed by Governor Paul A. Dever who called attention to "fifty years of Mizrachi endeavor in the creation of the State of Israel." Mizrachi Week will end next Sunday, March 23.