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PROGRESS REPORTED AT HAGUE REPARATIONS PARLEYS

THE HAGUE, March 31. (JTA) -- An acceptable formula on relation of the London conference on Germany's external debts to the German-Israeli discussions here on Israel's reparations claims against Germany, has been reached, a spokesman for the Israeli delegation disclosed today.

The announcement was made, he declared, to counteract unofficial statements that this issue, dealing with Germany's capacity to pay, was being passed over. "You can quote me as saying that we have reached a formula on the London conference which is satisfactory but which cannot yet be made public," the Israeli spokesman said.

The two delegations, he said, are still at work on various points requiring clarification. At today's meeting between the German and Israeli negotiators, it was learned, the Israeli delegation stated categorically that there was no relationship between Israel's global claims and the demands being made by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. It was announced that the German and Israeli delegations had agreed that Israel's claim was not prejudicial to any individual claims made by citizens of Israel. This agreement will be incorporated in the final draft.

Referring to reports that the German delegation had no power to discuss financial payments to Israel, the Israeli spokesman said today that "Dr. Frohwein (the German spokesman) has said to me that he told reporters his delegation expects to discuss actual sums before Easter."

The delegation representing the Conference on Jewish Material Claims against Germany reported today that its sub-committees have been engaged in a point by point discussion since last Thursday of the Conference statement. These sub-committees are now drafting a joint report outlining points of agreement and disagreement for submission to a plenary session of the parley tonight.

German Reparations Should Go to Arabs, British Anti-Jewish Weekly Says

LONDON, March 31. (JTA) -- Germany should make recompense to individual Jews whom she injured but should pay the billion and a half dollars claimed by Israel in reparations into a fund for resettlement of Palestine Arab refugees, the weekly magazine, Truth, which is known for its anti-Jewish bias, proposed here today.

The paper says that the Israeli claim is justified, but since Jewish refugees were resettled in Palestine "obviously at the expense of the Arabs whose entire country was stolen for Jewish settlement," reparations should go for rehabilitation of the dispossessed Arabs.

ISRAEL MAY GET ITALIAN LOAN AND INVESTMENTS, SHARETT REPORTS

TEL AVIV, March 31. (JTA) -- Possibilities of an Italian loan to Israel and of Italian investment in Israel were held out here today by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett on his return from official visits to Britain and Italy.

Mr. Sharett said that the trade and communications talks he initiated in Rome will continue. He denied that in his talks with Italian Premier Alcide de Gasperi there had been any attempts at mediation by Italy between Israel and the Arab states and added that he had pointed out to Premier de Gasperi that relations between Italy and Israel on the one hand and Italy and the Arab states on the other were not contradictory.

The Foreign Minister disclosed that in his London talks with Prime Minister Winston Churchill, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and Chancellor of the Exchequer R. A. Butler, he had discussed British military aid to Israel as well as economic and fuel problems. He pointed out that Israel had purchased quantities of military equipment in Britain and there was a possibility of future purchases.

In his audience with the Pope, Mr. Sharett said, the internationalization of Jerusalem was not mentioned. The main topics discussed, he said, were the Christian communities in Israel, the Holy Places and religious freedom in Israel.

Mr. Sharett was forced to spend the night in Athens, the plane on which he was flying from Rome to Lydda having had to return to Athens Airport owing to mechanical difficulties.

Prior to boarding the plane at Rome last night, Mr. Sharett told reporters that Israel's position in the Mediterranean and its democratic structure as well as its ties throughout the world were a good foundation for the development of friendly relations with a democratic Italy. Such relations, far from being aimed against the interests of any other state or group of states, could only help promote peace and harmony in the Middle East and the entire Mediterranean area, Mr. Sharett added.

ISRAEL PARLIAMENT PREPARING TO VOTE ON NATIONAL BUDGET

JERUSALEM, March 31. (JTA) -- Israel's new budget was moving through its second and final readings in the Knesset tonight with adoption expected at a late vote despite bitter attacks from the opposition parties, including the Progressives, who demanded a 10 percent cut "down the line" in order to "normalize the State's finances."

The Knesset is expected to adopt some amendments to the new Nationalities Law before adjournment on Wednesday for the Passover recess.

The Cabinet, at its meeting today, approved regulations covering exemption of women from military service requirements. The Cabinet also voted approval of Israeli participation in the Olympic Games at Helsinki and allocated foreign exchange for this purpose.

ZIONISTS ASK BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO AID ISRAEL-ARAB PEACE

LONDON, March 31. (JTA) -- A resolution calling on Britain to try to bring about a peace settlement by direct negotiation between Israel and the Arab states was adopted today by the Zionist Federation of Gt. Britain at its annual conference here.

ASCRIBE JEWISH BOMBING CLAIM TO PROVOCATEURS

LONDON, March 31. (JTA) -- An Israel Legation spokesman today described as "the act of provocateurs, probably Nazis," the dispatch of letters to news agency offices in Paris asserting that last week's attempt to assassinate Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany was the work of a so-called "Jewish Partisans Association."

The letters, postmarked from Zurich, written on plain paper with illegible signatures, described the attempt, made by mailing a bomb, as the "first action" and promised further attempts. A German police official was killed by the bomb.

Jewish organizations have no knowledge of any organization purporting to call itself the "Jewish Partisans Association."

JEWISH COOPERATIVES IN POLAND THREATENED WITH LIQUIDATION

LONDON, March 31. (JTA) -- Jewish cooperatives in Poland are being forced out of existence, according to reports received here today from Warsaw. They said the Polish Government is taking official measures designed to get all Jews into heavy industry.

Wages in Jewish cooperative shops have been leveled to those of state shops and government officials are using all pressure possible to persuade Jewish tailors, shoemakers and building workers to enter nationalized industries. The few who have done so are featured in the Communist Jewish press. The authorities are also reported planning drastic limitation of the Jewish cooperatives which have, since the war, given a number of Jewish workers their means of livelihood.

SOVIET UKRAINE TO HONOR MEDIEVAL SLAYER OF JEWS

PARIS, March 31. (JTA) -- A monument to the memory of the Cossack Hetman, Bogdan Chmielnicki, who was responsible for the massacre of an estimated 300,000 Jews in 1648-49, will be unveiled on May 1 in Lwow, in the Soviet Ukraine, the Soviet Radio reported today. Chmielnicki, who led a war against the Kings of Poland, has now been elevated to the status of a Ukrainian national hero.

BAVARIAN COURT REFUSES TO RELEASE DR. AUERBACH FROM CUSTODY

MUNICH, March 31. (JTA) -- The Bavarian higher court has rejected applications for the release from custody of Dr. Philip Auerbach, former head of the Bavarian State Restitution Office, pending his trial on fraud charges, and for his transfer from a municipal to a private hospital.

Auerbach's trial, after delays of more than a year, is now set for Wednesday though there are reports that it may again be postponed. The court, in denying application for his release, said that a medical report had shown him to be in improved health. The request for his transfer to a private hospital was denied on the grounds of the costs involved.

ISRAEL CAN BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING IN DECADE, GRANADOS REPORTS

SAN DIEGO, Cal., March 31. (JTA) -- Israel can become self-supporting within ten years if American Jews continue to back the United Jewish Appeal, Dr. Jorge Granados, former Guatemalan envoy, told the Southern California zone conference of the U. J. A. here last night. More than \$200,000 in cash was presented by the 300 delegates.

Dr. Granados declared that "Israel has made unbelievable progress in the close to four years of its existence" despite the extraordinary problems created by its unprecedented immigration. Jack Benny, motion picture and radio star, received an ovation when he appeared at the conference and pledged his support to the U. J. A.

MRS. MYERSON AT BOND DINNER OPPOSED BY LOCAL LEADERS

INDIANAPOLIS, March 31. (JTA) -- Israel Minister of Labor Golda Myerson was the principal speaker here last night at a dinner held by the Israel bond drive over the opposition of the local Jewish community which had insisted that active sale of bonds cease for a six-week period during which the Indianapolis Jewish Federation would hold its annual campaign for funds for local, national and overseas needs, including the United Jewish Appeal.

Bond drive officials reported that more than 650 people attended the dinner and that Israel bonds to the value of \$155,000 were sold at the function. Federation officials, who placed the attendance at 500, said that almost all local Jewish leaders refused to attend the function. They said that the situation brought into the open the national conflict between the national bond office and the National United Jewish Appeal over failure to achieve national coordination of the two efforts. They said that Edward M. M. Warburg, general chairman of the U. J. A., and Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, its executive vice-chairman, had telegraphed Julian Freeman, president of the Jewish Welfare Federation, supporting the community stand. Leaders of the federation addressed a community religious service on Friday, preceding the bond dinner, at which the federation's position was reaffirmed.

Plan for Joint Sponsorship Rejected by Federation

The federation disclosed that it had rejected a proposal that Mrs. Myerson appear in Indianapolis under the joint auspices of the Bond drive and the U. J. A. "The federation," it was stated, "could not accept co-sponsorship of its opening Federation-U. J. A. campaign with an organization that was not a beneficiary and was not a philanthropic program." They also reported that 39 of the largest bond purchasers in Indianapolis had signed a statement condemning the holding of the bond dinner.

Mrs. Myerson told the dinner that "As we stand on the threshold of the fourth anniversary of our independence, the development of our economy is the most decisive factor in our future." She stressed the need for "investment dollars to give us the machinery, electric power, raw materials for our factories, steel for new railroads--the resources that can make us self-sustaining in a matter of the next six or seven years."

The Israeli Labor Minister also urged support of the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Federation campaign in order to aid in reception and care of new immigrants to Israel.

Governor Henry F. Schricker lauded the State of Israel's efforts to achieve economic security and draw a parallel between its struggle and the struggle of the early American pioneers of 1786. In addition, he paid tribute to Mrs. Myerson as a symbol of the democratic spirit of Israel.

Eddie Cantor, speaking by telephone from Hollywood, paid tribute to Mrs. Myerson as the personification of Israel. City Comptroller John R. Barney, presented her with the key to the city. Other speakers were Henry Montor, vice-president, and Samuel Lubetkin, member of the executive committee of the Israel Bond Issue.

Seaboard Zionist Region Votes Priority for U. J. A. Drive

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 31. (JTA) -- A resolution which would give priority to the United Jewish Appeal over other fund-raising activities, including the Israel bond campaign, was adopted yesterday at a meeting of the executive body of the Seaboard Region of the Zionist Organization of America. The resolution was proposed by William H. Simons of Washington.

JAVITS TELLS MINORITIES TO FIGHT ATTEMPTS TO IMPOSE DISCRIMINATION

SCHNECTADY, N. Y., March 31. (JTA) -- The Saudi Arabian boycott of American firms with some Jewish ownership and that country's refusal to permit American Jews to work there on American Government projects represent "an affront to our institutions to endeavor to impose upon us a policy of discrimination in this way," Rep. Jacob Javits told the annual convention of the Upper New York State Council of B'nai B'rith here yesterday.

The New York Congressman warned that these developments, the McCarran-Walter Omnibus Immigration Bill, exclusions from public housing on racial grounds and the Federal Government's impotence in dealing with the Florida bombings reveal a trend which "presents a real challenge and opportunity to minority groups in the United States."

WARNING TO MINORITIES INSERTED IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

WASHINGTON, March 31. (JTA) -- An editorial from a Missouri newspaper warning minorities in the United States that they enjoy equality of treatment under the law "by virtue of the rugged sense of justice and humanity of the majority" was inserted in the Congressional Record here today by Rep. John T. Wood, of Idaho.

The editorial, which appeared in the Clayton, Mo., Watchman-Advocate, warns minorities, whether racial, religious or economic, not to play politics or use political threats "to compel enactment of class regulations designed to benefit its exclusive interests to the detriment of the nation's popular majority."

GOLDSTEIN ASKS OUTRIGHT REJECTION OF OMNIBUS ENTRY BILLS

NEW YORK, March 31. (JTA) -- A call for outright rejection of the McCarran-Walter Omnibus Immigration Bills now pending in Congress was made here today by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress, in an open letter to Rep. Francis E. Walter.

Dr. Goldstein, replying to charges that he had presented a false picture of the proposed legislation, denounced it as "restrictive beyond any possibility of improvement" and warned that years of effort to achieve a liberal and humane immigration policy "now stand in total jeopardy." He declared the new bills would introduce provisions "frankly racist in intention" and would continue the present national origins immigration policy which he said Rep. Walter himself conceded to be racist in intent.

Other provisions of the bill, Dr. Goldstein declared, were "loose, reckless and needlessly harsh." He stressed the need for careful examination of the bills but charged such examination was being frustrated by the "unaccountable haste" with which the sponsors of the bills "are attempting to jam this legislation through Congress."

NOTABLES ATTEND WASHINGTON DINNER FOR LORD SAMUEL

WASHINGTON, March 31. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador and Mrs. Abba Eban were hosts tonight at a dinner in honor of Viscount Herbert Samuel of London, chairman of the Board of Governors of Hebrew University.

Among the guests were Mutual Security Director W. Averill Harriman, Secretary of Agriculture Charles Brannan, Sen. Harbert H. Lehman, Chairman James Richards of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Rep. Emanuel Celler, James Fulton and Abraham Ribicoff, Federal Security Administrator Oscar R. Ewing, Chairman Leon Keyserling of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisers, Commissioner F. Joseph Donohue of the District of Columbia, Henry A. Byroade, who has been designated as the new Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, G. L. Jones, director of the Near Eastern Division of the State Department.