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ISRAEL CABINET WEIGHS DECISION ON GERMAN REPARATIONS TALKS

JERUSALEM, April 21. (JTA) -- The Israel Government's delegation to the German reparations talks at The Hague will remain in London until the Cabinet takes a final decision on the future of the interrupted talks, it was learned today.

The Cabinet held two meetings yesterday at which Gershon Avner, delegation head, reported further on the situation, and there was extensive discussion. A Government spokesman said last night that the negotiations at The Hague had now entered such a "delicate stage" that further information was needed by the Cabinet before it could reach any decision.

The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Knesset will resume discussion of the Israeli-German talks only after the Cabinet has taken a decision.

The Cabinet voted adherence by Israel to the international communications treaty and international pacts for elimination of the manufacture of dangerous drugs and suppression of illegal traffic in these drugs.

FIRST SWARMS OF LOCUSTS REPORTED IN SOUTHERN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, April 21. (JTA) -- Agricultural experts flew to the Negev today to check on reports that the threatened invasion of Israel by great swarms of locusts had actually begun. It was stated here that the first locusts had been sighted at the Israeli agricultural experimental station at Ein Yahav, located 80 miles south of Beersheba. Another swarm of the pests is said to be moving westward from Eilath, on the Gulf of Akaba.

(The British Government is spending 1,000,000 pounds throughout the Middle East to fight the locust invasion, it was reported in London today. Some 7,600 tons of poison bait has been distributed as part of this program.)

UNITED STATES OFFERS ISRAEL DOLLAR-FREE BOOK IMPORTS

JERUSALEM, April 21. (JTA) -- A draft agreement providing for the import of American books into this country without involving dollar payments has been submitted by the United States Embassy to the Israel Foreign Ministry, it was reported today. The proposed agreement, similar to that under which books from the Soviet Union are imported here without foreign exchange payments, would permit the U.S. Embassy to use Israeli currency paid for the books in meeting its local expenditures. American publishers would be paid by counterfunds of the Mutual Security Program.

U. N. OBSERVERS PROBE LAND-MINING OF ISRAELI ARMY PATROL NEAR GAZA

TEL AVIV, April 21. (JTA) -- United Nations observers today continued their investigation of the mining of an Israel Army car near the Gaza strip, last Friday, they reported today. Nine Israeli soldiers were wounded in the road mine explosion.

Spring conditions have resulted in an increase in infiltrations from the Gaza area into Israeli territory, it was reported today, requiring increased Israeli protective activity. The Arabs have been seeking new grazing areas for their flocks in Israeli territory.

JERUSALEM NEIGHBORS ESCORT CONVICTED ORTHODOX YOUTHS TO JAIL

JERUSALEM, April 21. (JTA) -- Three Orthodox youths of the Mea Shearim quarter, who were sentenced to terms of imprisonment for participation in demonstrations against Sabbath violations, began their sentences yesterday as a thousand of their neighbors, in a unique demonstration, carried them to the prison gates. Sentence had been imposed on the trio on the eve of Passover but the magistrate ordered deferment until after the holidays.

BAR KOCHBAH PROCLAMATION PAPYRI FOUND NEAR BETHLEHEM

LONDON, April 21. (JTA) -- Papyrus fragments, found in a cave near Bethlehem, are part of a proclamation of the Second Jewish Revolt against the Romans, about 132 C. E., the Sunday Times reported here from Amman. The proclamation was signed by Bar Kochbah, known as Simeon Ben Kosibah.

The fragments are being assembled by G. Lancaster Hardin, head of the Jordan Government's Antiquities Department, assisted by a staff of Arab experts. According to the Amman report the title of the proclamation has been deciphered to read "Deliverance of Israel by the Ministry of Simeon Ben Kosibah, Prince of Israel." It seems that many copies of the proclamation were prepared on single sheets of papyrus and cut out as required.

Other identified fragments, the report states, are from operational orders to army commander Yeshua Ben Galgoleh. Coins of the same period have also been found. The caves, where the discoveries were made, are in a ravine known as El Murabaat, just north of Ain Jiddie, otherwise the Biblical Engedi part of the wilderness to which the Jews fled to continue guerrilla operations against the Roman armies.

PLAN FORMATION OF NEW ISRAELI PURCHASING COMPANY HERE

NEW YORK, April 21. (JTA) -- Formation of a new purchasing corporation able to assume supervision and control of a long-term purchasing program in the United States for the State of Israel is the major objective of the current visit of Dov Joseph, Israel Minister of Supply, the J. T. A. learned today. Mr. Joseph, who arrived for a brief visit, will also arrange for purchase of supplies here with funds from last year's American grant in aid and will confer with U. S. Government authorities in Washington on these purchases.

The proposed new purchasing agency, according to present plans, would command sufficient sources of capital and credit here to be able to embark on and maintain a long-term supply program for Israel. Purchase of food and other supplies in the United States would be concentrated in the hands of this agency to ensure a regular flow of supplies to meet Israel's needs.

ISRAEL OBSERVES WARSAW ANNIVERSARY AT FOREST OF MARTYRS

JERUSALEM, April 21. (JTA) -- A special memorial service held in the Forest of the Martyrs near Eshtaol, in the Judean Hills, the birthplace of Samson, today marked Israel's observance of the ninth anniversary of the revolt in the Warsaw Ghetto.

Members of the Government and Knesset, Zionist leaders and veteran Ghetto fighters took part in the services which was arranged by the Jewish National Fund. In a message to the assembly, Premier David Ben Gurion declared that "the only memorial suitable to the memory of exterminated European Jewry is the State of Israel which is the realization of the dreams of generations and which serves as a haven for every Jew in the world desiring a free and independent Jewish life."

The Jewish National Fund, a cause close to the hearts of millions of Jews for decades, had undertaken the Forest of Martyrs project, Premier Ben Gurion added, and said: "The Forest of the Martyrs is a symbol of the martyrs in which their hope will flourish, the hope which supported them in their lives and gave them strength to stand to the last moment. In this forest we will honor their dear and tragic memory."

Dr. A. Granot, head of the J. N. F., described the forest as the symbol of those who were unable to reach "the safe shores of the homeland." The Ghetto fighters issued a proclamation calling on Jews throughout the world to participate in the planting of the forest.

Anniversary of Jewish Uprising Against Nazis Observed in Poland

LONDON, April 21. (JTA) -- The ninth anniversary of the Jewish revolt in the Warsaw Ghetto against the German Army in World War II was observed yesterday in many towns in Poland, according to Warsaw radio broadcasts.

Teachers in Polish schools had been instructed to lecture to the children on the Jewish revolt and mass meetings were arranged in many cities to pay tribute to the Jews who died resisting the Nazis.

A large memorial meeting was held in Warsaw at the ghetto monument erected on the site of the former ghetto. Representatives from provincial Jewish communities participated in the meeting.

Greek Jews Pay Tribute to 52,000 Greek Jewish Victims

ATHENS, April 21. (JTA) -- Special services were held here yesterday to commemorate the 52,000 Greek Jews deported to Nazi concentration camps and annihilated there during World War II. The services took place in the Beth Shalom Synagogue.

Ghetto Fighters Honored at New York Memorial Meeting

NEW YORK, April 21. (JTA) -- Heroes of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising were eulogized yesterday at a memorial meeting here under the sponsorship of the World Jewish Culture Congress and the Union of Former Nazi Concentration Victims and Jewish Partisans. Speakers included Jacob Pat, chairman of the congress administrative committee; Aaron Glantz Leyeles, the poet; Judah Elberg, who spoke in the name of new immigrants and Jacob Zelemensky, who spoke for the partisans and concentration camp victims.

ROTHSCHILD SUES GERMAN FOR OWNERSHIP OF WINNING RACE HORSE

BRUSSELS, April 21. (JTA) -- An unusual action for the recovery of property will be brought in the Belgian courts this week by Baron Maurice de Rothschild against Max Teuscher, a German sportsman, whose entry, Erienkind, won the Easter Race here and a purse of 800 pounds.

Baron de Rothschild obtained a writ against the German and seeks delivery of the horse, valued at 5,000 pounds, on the grounds that it is the daughter of a horse stolen from him when the Nazis overran France and seized his entire stable. The American occupation authorities restored the stolen horses to Baron de Rothschild in 1946.

REFUGEE PROBLEM'S "VICIOUS CIRCLE" MUST BE BROKEN, GREENLEIGH WARNS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 21. (JTA) -- The "vicious circle" of refugees created by world tensions and unsettled refugees creating further tensions must be broken in the interests of world peace, Arthur Greenleigh, executive director of the United Service for New Americans, told the third international conference of non-governmental organizations interested in migration.

Mr. Greenleigh was elected chairman of the conference which is being attended by representatives of major voluntary agencies from all over the world. Other Jewish groups participating in the sessions are the Joint Distribution Committee, Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations; Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations for Consultation with ECOSOC, HIAS, National Council of Jewish Women, World Jewish Congress, World Union for Progressive Judaism and World ORT.

Mr. Greenleigh declared that non-governmental agencies already had contributed largely to the successful settlement of more than 1,000,000 persons by the International Refugee Organization, and said governments were depending on these agencies to help carry out further migration schemes.

"We therefore bear the responsibility to point out to governmental and inter-governmental bodies our objective appraisal of their programs, procedures and regulations," he stated. "We also have the responsibility to spell out to these bodies the principles for which we stand and on which we are ready to cooperate with them for the welfare of millions of individuals and for the eventual benefit of countries and society as a whole."

URGE RACE RELATIONS TRAINING PROGRAM FOR BOSTON POLICE

BOSTON, April 21. (JTA) -- Resolutions dealing with anti-Semitic activities in the Boston area were adopted here yesterday by the New England regional conference of the American Jewish Congress. The conference urged a race relations training program for Boston policemen and called on brotherhood groups for an immediate approach to the problem of juvenile delinquency involving anti-Semitism.

Senator Leverett Saltonstall, of Massachusetts, who addressed the gathering, spoke of the problem of nationalism and cited Israel as "an example of what can be done with the growing spirit of nationalism which is now sweeping the smaller nations of the world."

LOUIS BRESLOW, J. W. B. OFFICIAL IN LOS ANGELES, DIES AT 52

MT. POCONO, Pa., April 21. (JTA) -- Louis G. Breslow, Los Angeles area director for the National Jewish Welfare Board-United Service Organizations, died here today following a heart attack. Mr. Breslow, who was attending a U. S. O. conference here, was 52 years of age.