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## BEN GURION BLAMES GENERAL ZIONISTS FOR BREAKDOWN OF TALKS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion charged tonight that the General Zionist Party had "slammed the door" on further negotiations looking to a broad coalition government for Israel and placed blame on the centrist group for breakdown of the talks.

In his reply to Dr. Peretz Bernstein, General Zionist leader, Mr. Ben Gurion rejected General Zionist complaints that the breakdown was the result of his failure to provide definite proposals on which the General Zionists could consider entrance into the government. He denied that he had made continuation of the talks impossible.

"My door is never closed to Zionists," he said in his letter to Dr. Bernstein. "Zionist unity in Israel and the Jewish nation throughout the world is essential and I shall continue my efforts to bring unity nearer."

The premier referred to the main point at issue in the negotiations - the status of the three great cooperative enterprises of the Histadruth, the Israel Labor Federation - and said that the State was unable now to become either capitalist or socialist exclusively. Both sectors, he said, were essential to the fulfillment of Zionism. He said his policy was to encourage private and cooperative enterprises and he was trying to achieve social conciliation.

He recalled his three talks with Dr. Bernstein and said he had tried to explain that as long as the General Zionists refused to see the three cooperatives - Solel Boneh, Thuva and Hamashbir Hamerkazi - as Zionist enterprises which assist the development of the State, "as I see every private enterprise in this regard, they (the General Zionists) are not committed to social conciliation which is the basis for cooperation and unity in the Zionist camp."

# Premier Convinced Centrists Prepared to Join Government

The premier emphasized that conciliation in the religious, cultural, social and economic fields was most essential. The time, he warned, had not yet come for final decisions on these questions.

Turning to the immediate question of General Zionist participation in a broader coalition, Mr. Ben Gurion said he was still convinced that the centist group was prepared to join the government but "participation in Government responsibility does not mean readiness to accept portfolios." The basis for coalition, he said, must be a clarification on the basic problems.

On receipt of the Ben Gurion letter, Dr. Bernstein told newsmen tonight that the premier's reply convinced him that Mr. Ben Gurion's approach to the General

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The custom, discontinued since the Dispersion, required that the Kings of Israel read the Torah to pilgrims from all parts of ancient Israel who assembled near the Temple. The readings, held every seventh year, marked the completion of the Sabbatical year.

Today's prayers and subsequent blessings by Chief Rabbis Ben Zion Usiel and Isaac Herzog were broadcast over loudspeakers. Many of the pilgrims, among whom were a high percentage of recent immigrants, arrived in decorated cars and trucks which climbed Mt. Herzl where the reading was held. Afterwards the pilgrims joined in a huge procession which circled the city behind several bands. Crowds in the streets cheered them on.

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#### ISRAEL PROTESTS JORDAN BORDER VIOLATIONS

JERUSA LEM, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Israel has called for an urgent meeting of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission to consider measures to stem persistent Arab attacks and raids on Jewish settlements in the Jerusalem corridor.

In a letter to Col. Bennet de Ridder, chairman of the commission, Col. Shaul Ramati, chief Israel delegate, listed more than a score of incidents in recent weeks and called for action to prevent further attacks, looting and murders.

## FIRST AMERICAN SMALLHOLDERS COLONY BEGUN IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The cornerstone of the first American smallholders cooperative settlement was laid at a village near Beer Tuviah where 70 American Jewish families are expected to settle in the near future. Participants in the dedication ceremonies included Minister of Finance Levi Eshkol, who urged American Jewish youths to come to Israel and settle on the land.

Each house in the new settlement comes fully equipped with kitchen utensils and a refrigerator and consists of three-and-a-half rooms. Settlers who will live in the new colony are members of Ha-Rar Haoved, an American group organized two years ago. Each family will farm 30 dunams and will have a cow and chickens.

#### ISRAEL NEWS BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, (JTA) -- A three-man delegation from Burma, including the Burmese depty defense minister, toured Israel military installations this week-end and praised Israel's "efficient and economic" army.

TEL AVIV, (JTA)—Long-smouldering differences between Mapai and Mapam settlers in Ein Harod, which resulted in physical division of the colony, brought new clashes between the two groups as Mapam members protested against the partition line.

TEL AVIV, (JTA) -- Planes of all types, including jet-propelled aircraft, will now be able to land at Lydda International Airport following extension of a new runway to 2.400 wards.

JERUSALEM, (JTA) -- A municipal garden will be dedicated here Oct. 12 in memory of Dr. Judah L. Magnes, for many years chancellor of the Hebrew University.

LONDON, (JTA) -- Revenue of the Palestine Electric Corporation increased 20 percent in 1951 to 5, 768,000 pounds, Lord Samuel, board chairman, reported to the annual stockholders' meeting here. Customers of the company increased in number by 27,000 during the year, making the total 209,000.

LONDON, (JTA) -- Eliahu Elath, Israel Minister to the Court of St. James, will re-present his credentials to Queen Elizabeth on Oct. 21 as Israel 'Ambassador. The British envoy in Israel re-presented his credentials as Ambassador last week.

NEW YORK, (JTA) -- Violinist Yehudi Menuhin will begin a 15,000-mile tour in behalf of the Israel bond drive with a concert in Memphis, Tenn., on Oct. 14. He will visit seven states.

Edward G. Robinson cancelled his personal arrangements to appear at four dinness this week in place of Eddie Cantor who was to open the autumn bond drives in Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Kansas City. J. T. A. News -4 - 10/7/52

# W. J. C. MISSION DISCUSSED WORLD PROBLEMS WITH ISRAELI LEADERS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- A World Jewish Congress mission composed of Dr. Maurice Perlzweig of New York and A. L. Easterman of London, left Israel this weekend after a series of conferences here with members of the government and Foreign Ministry officials. The delegates were received by Premier David Ben Gurion and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett.

Questions discussed by the mission here included heirless property in Austria, Greece and other countries, the future of Jewish communities in North Africa and questions of Jewish concern scheduled for discussion at the forthcoming General Assembly of the United Nations.

In a statement prior to their departure, the World Jewish Congress delegates said that the discussions had disclosed a large area in which consultations and co-operative action would be useful. They said arrangements had been made for regular consultations between the Congress and the Israel Foreign Ministry on matters of common interest.

## ARAB DELEGATION TO PROTEST BONN PAYMENTS TO ISRAEL

BONN, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- an Arab League delegation which will express the "apprehension" of the Arab organization at the signing of the reparations pact between West Germany and Israel, is expected to arrive here today.

Meanwhile, a group of 28 deputies in the Bonn Parliament are planning to introduce a motion asking that German reparations payments due Israel be turned over to the United Nations for the use of Arab refugees as well as Israel. The deputies are led by Dr. Josef Trischler, a member of the Free Democratic Party, which is included in the Bonn government coalition.

# BAVARIAN OFFICIAL DEFENDS AVERBACH TRIAL JUDGE

MUNICH, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The conduct of Judge Mulzer, presiding judge at the trial of the late Philip Auerbach, was defended here today by Dr. H. Koch, Secretary of State of the Bavarian Justice Ministry.

Mulzer and two other of the five judges sitting on the Auerbach case are former members of the Nazi Party. The chief witness against Auerbach whose testimony was accepted without question, was subsequently convicted and sentenced on a charge of perjury growing out of another case.

Dr. Koch said that Judge Mulzer is under police protection after receiving threats from what Dr. Koch described as circles "close" to the late Dr. Auerbach, onetime head of the Bavarian Restitution Office. Dr. Koch also protested against the "collective prejudice" exhibited toward Judge Mulzer because he had been a Nazi judge. Dr. Koch said that a leading member of the Munich Jewish community--whom he refused to name--had told him that he would prefer to be tried by former Nazi judges so that he could be sure of an objective handling of his trial.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the Bavarian Finance Ministry reported that the reorganization of the Restitution Office was still going on, over a year after Auerbach had been removed. He said that the aim of the reorganization was to speed payment of claims and that 30,000,000 deutschemarks had been set aside in the current budget for payment of such claims. He also revealed that payment of indemnification for imprisonment under the Nazis would be started in the near future.

### GERMAN POLICE DENY KNOWLEDGE OF JEWISH BOMB PLOT

BONN, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Reports that the German Government believed that bomb attempts made against Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and Professor Franz Boehm, head of the German reparations mission at The Hague, several months ago were the work of a Jewish terrorist organization were denied here by the Federal Criminal Investigation Department. A government spokesman said no such information had ever been issued by the department and added that there was no reason for commenting on this "highly political affair."

Some government circles are of the opinion that reports alleging that Jews were behind the attempted assassinations were inspired by extreme right-wing members of the Bundestag who were and still remain opposed to any agreements between Israel and Germany.

## ITALIAN JEWS CONCERNED BY ACTION AGAINST PROTESTANT CHURCH

ROME, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The Jewish community and other religious minorities in Italy are deeply concerned by the Italian Government's action in ordering the closing of the Churches of Christ, a Protestant sect, and are closely following developments in the case.

Minorities' spokesmen expressed the hope that out of the discussion over this case would come a stricter application of the constitutional guarantees as opposed to the police laws of the fascist period still being applied to religious minorities here.

#### J.D.C. OPENS NEW SCHOOL FOR CASABLANCA CHILDREN

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee announced today the opening of a new school for Jewish children in Casablanca with facilities for 1,400 boys and girls. The school is the first step in a program of expanded educational, feeding and medical aid for Jewish children in Casablanca undertaken by the J.D.C. and the Moroccan Jewish organizations.

Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the J.D.C., said the organization, which will spend \$2,000,000 on programs in North Africa and the Moslem world this year, hopes that by the end of the year "every Jewish child in Casablanca can have the benefit of decent education in decent surroundings."

# U. N. SUBCOMMISSION REJECTS SOVIET MOTION ON DISCRIMINATION

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The United Nations subcommission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities rejected today a Soviet resolution on the "extirpation" of discrimination which would have invited the subcommission to "prepare during the next year concrete recommendations" on measures to be taken for promoting the "extirpation" in all U.N. member states of discrimination because of race, color, sex, etc. and also "the cessation of all forms of propaganda for racial or national exclusiveness, hatred or contempt."

Some of those opposing the resolution indicated that it was already covered in another draft proposal which they would support. The subcommission then discussed this draft resolution which would call for appointment of a special rapporteur to page-pare a plan for the study of discrimination in the fields of education.

Previously, the subcommission adopted a resolution calling on U.N. member states to review existing legislation with a view to eliminating discriminatory measures.

## BONN CHARGES USSR EXPORTS NAZI ANTI-SEMITIC FILMS TO ARABS

BONN, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitic films produced during the Nazi regime by Veit Harlan and others, including the Veit Harlan film, "Jew Suess," are being exported to the Arab countries by the Soviet Export Film Corporation of Moscow, the bulletin of the Federal Government's préss department said today.

The government release charged that these films are sent to the Arab countries to strengthen anti-Israel feeling in the Arab countries and to arouse Arab opinion against the West German-Israel restitution agreement.

### FEDERAL GRAND JURY BEGINS HEARINGS ON MINORITY BOMBINGS IN MIAMI

MIAMI, Fla., Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Forty witnesses, including I2 alleged members of the Ku Klüx Klan, appeared here today before a Federal Grand Jury which began investigating a series of auti-minority bombings here last winter.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation entered the case last December following bombings of a Catholic Church, Negro homes, Jewish synagogues and schools, during which one Negro leader and his wife were murdered. Although Jewish owned property was damaged, no Jews were injured in the blasts. Protests by national Jewish organizations, as well as labor, civic and minority groups, called for Federal action to investigate the crimes and to protect civil rights.

#### MICHIGAN GOVERNOR CLEARS TWO STATE BOARDS ON BIAS

DETROIT, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Gov. G. Mennen Williams has cleared two state boards of bias in connection with questions concerning name and nationality appearing on their application blanks.

The governor investigated whether these questions, appearing on the forms of the State Board of Law Examiners and the State Board of Emaminers in Optometry, were discriminatory. He is now seeking removal of the questions from the forms, with the requested information to be submitted following the applicant's acceptance or approval by the State bodies.

## ARMED FORCES PROGRAMS NEED CIVILIAN VOLUNTEERS

BALTIMORE, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The need for civilian volunteers to work with morale, religious and recreational programs of such agencies as the Jewish Welfare Board, the USO and the Red Cross was stressed here yesterday in a televised panel discussion by Harry Greenstein, executive director of the Associated Jewish Charities and Welfare Fund.

Chaplain Eugene Borowitz, Jewish chaplain at the Bainbridge Naval Training Center, reported "a greater turning to religion on the part of the men in the armed services than is found at home." He stressed need for "home hospitality" for the troops.

## JEWISH VOCATION SERVICES AIDED 70,000 LAST YEAR

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The 25 Jewish vocational services agencies in the United States sponsored by welfare funds, gave vocational guidance and placement services to 70,000 individuals last year and placed 25,000 of them in jobs, the Jewish Occupational Council reported today.