ARAB DELEGATE ATTACKS ISRAEL AT U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

UNITED NATIONS, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Iraqi delegate Mohammed Jamali today charged at the United Nations that the State of Israel was continuing to disturb the peace of the Middle East. Speaking at the opening of the General Assembly's general debate he said that Israeli "aggression" along the borders of various Arab states was constantly killing "innocent Arabs."

The Iraqi delegate claimed that Israel was embarked on a program of large-scale military preparations. He asserted that Israel had defied implementation of the General Assembly's resolution urging the return of the Palestine Arab refugees to their former homes. He demanded that "justice be done to the Arabs of Palestine" and declared that such justice would make for peace and stability in the Middle East.

It is expected that Israel will not make its policy statement in the general debate until some time next week.

ISRAEL PREMIER DETERMINED TO REORGANIZE AND ENLARGE CABINET

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion and members of the central committee of his Mapai Party, major group in the coalition government, feel that it has become necessary to reorganize and enlarge the Cabinet, it was learned today in government circles.

The Laborites feel that enlargement of the Cabinet would ease the burden of the overworked ministers by dividing certain of the ministries such as Communications, Finance, Commerce and Industry. This would also make for more efficient administration of these departments. It is also felt that such reorganization would leave open the way for more parties to join the government.

Although no contact has yet been made by the Premier with leaders of the Poale Agudah, one of the two religious parties which recently walked out of the Cabinet, it is expected that a meeting will be held soon. The Mapai is reported to be hopeful that the Agudah workers will return and that the Premier is willing to compromise on the issue of conscription of Orthodox women and is prepared to postpone for another year a solution of the problem of the "independent" educational systems.

In an apparent effort to reach a satisfactory compromise on the conscription issue, Mr. Ben Gurion today went to Ramath Gan to call on Rabbi Karelitz, 90-year-old sage, to seek advice on Torah interpretation in reference to the conscription of Orthodox women. Rabbi Karelitz, who does not participate in politics, is respected by Jews throughout Israel and abroad as an authority on religious matters.
INDIVIDUAL ZIONIST GROUPS NO LONGER NEEDED, RABBI MILLER SAYS

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Individual Zionist parties outside Israel have "outlived their purpose," Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the Zionist Organization of Israel, today told a meeting of World Jewish Congress leaders. Rabbi Miller arrived here yesterday from a two-week visit to Israel where he conferred on American and world Zionist problems with Premier David Ben Gurion.

Commenting on his talks with the Premier, Rabbi Miller said that he had noted a significant change in the Premier's attitude: that Mr. Ben Gurion no longer denied the fact that Jewish communities abroad would survive and that he no longer stated that Jews could not be Zionists unless they came to Israel to live. The Z.O.A. president reported that the Premier had questioned him for four hours on all phases of American Jewish life, and that "concrete help to Israel" was only mentioned in passing.

The major portion of his talks with the Premier were concerned with strengthening Zionism throughout the world, which it was agreed, Rabbi Miller said, would have to be based on the following points: acceptance of the spiritual content of Judaism; the unity of the Jewish people; and, the centrality of Israel in the entire scheme of Jewish existence. Rabbi Miller criticized the tendency of Israelis to isolate themselves from world Jewry, and stressed Mr. Ben Gurion's concern with the content of Judaism abroad.

APPEAL AGAINST ACQUITTAL OF TWO ISRAELI YOUTHS ORDERED

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Attorney General of Israel has ordered the filing of an appeal against the acquittal of two youths who were apprehended following the explosion of a bomb outside the home of the late Minister of Communications, David Zvi Pinkas.

The two men, Amos Kinan and Shaltiel Benyair were acquitted by a magistrate here for lack of evidence. No one was injured by the blast, and Mr. Pinkas died of natural causes some weeks afterwards.

WOMEN'S CONGRESS DECIDES TO SPONSOR ARAB-ISRAEL CONFERENCES

ROME, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The congress of the Women's International Alliance, which was held at Naples, adopted a proposal to sponsor an Arab-Israel women's round-table conference on problems of Arab-Israel peace and the question of refugees in the Middle East, Mrs. Tehilla Matmon, Israel delegate, reported here today.

Mrs. Matmon, president of the Israel section of the League for Women's Rights, said the session instructed its political committee to arrange the time and place of the parley.

HOLLAND TO NEGOTIATE NEW TRADE AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL

THE HAGUE, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Netherlands-Israel trade treaty which was scheduled to expire on the 31st of October will be extended for an additional two months, it was announced here today. A Dutch delegation will proceed to Israel in December to negotiate a new agreement.

Israel imported goods worth nearly 15,000,000 guider (app. $3,750,000) from the Netherlands during the first six months of 1952, it was announced here today. During the same period, Israel exported goods valued at 4,734,000 guider to Holland.
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DRIVERS IN ISRAEL GO ON STRIKE; OPPOSE PERMITS FOR MORE TAXIS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Taxicab drivers throughout Israel today struck for three hours in protest against a decision by the Ministry of Communications to grant more taxi licenses. The cab drivers also oppose a government decision to allow the importation of new cabs by fleet companies which are now being organized.

U.S. GUARAN保证ES $1,075,000 FOR PUBLICATIONS SENT TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Embassy of Israel announced today that informational media guaranty contracts for Israel totalling more than $1,000,000 have been concluded since the start of the program some three months ago.

Extension of informational media guaranties to the countries of the Near East was authorized by Congress in the Mutual Security Act of 1952. A bilateral program was signed between Israel and the United States last June 8. The guaranty contracts are between American book, periodical, and magazine publishers and the American Government, subject to approval of the Israel Government. The American Government guarantees convertibility into dollars of publishers' earnings in Israel and these earnings in local currency are in turn deposited to the account of the United States Government in Israel.

The great number of guaranty contract applications received during the first three months indicates the wide interest by Israelis in publications which reflect the scientific, cultural, technical and educational developments in the United States.

The amount of $1,075,000 for Israel during three months compares with a total of $6,500,000 for American books and magazines exported under this scheme to all European countries combined between April 1948 and June 30, 1952, according to M.S.A. statistics. Although most of the large American publishers are already included, the total for Israel is expected to rise still further during the current year and new applications are still being received. Last year, imports of all U.S. publications by Israel amounted to only $200,000 due to the foreign currency shortage.

U.S. LABOR ZIONISTS DEFEND THEIR RIGHT TO ENDORSE STEVENSON

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Labor Zionist Organization of America today issued a statement in which it denied the right of the American Zionist Council, representative body of the Zionist movement in the United States, to criticize its endorsement of Governor Adlai E. Stevenson for President.

"We deny specifically and generally the right of the Council to consider or to act upon this matter," the statement said. "By tradition, by its whole principle of organization, and upon many occasions of the past, it has been the declared policy and practice of the Labor Zionist Organization of America to take part in, and to make declarations concerning, issues and candidates in American elections.

"This derives from the fact that we are not only a Zionist party; we are also a Labor party. And we have always regarded not only as our right but as our duty to second our advocacy of social justice in Israel with a similar stand and similar action in the United States. This has nothing whatsoever to do with the American Zionist Council. In regard to matters affecting Zionist policy we go along with other groups in relation to declared policies, in majority opinions," the statement pointed out.
CONFERENCE OF GERMAN JEWS ABROAD DEFINES STAND ON REPARATIONS

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The major portion of the assets being received from Germany by Jewish successor organizations, particularly the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization in the U.S. zone, should be used for the relief of needy Jews, especially those in Israel, the Council for the Protection of the Rights and Interests of Jews from Germany, declared last night in a resolution adopted at a public session.

The crowded session, presided over by Dr. Leo Baeck, one-time Chief Rabbi of Berlin, also urged that the Council continue its efforts to secure an adequate share of all recovered communal funds from Germany. The meeting adopted a resolution lauding the Luxembourg pact for German reparations payments to Israel and the Jewish Claims Conference, and urged speedy implementation of the legislative program for restitution pledged by the German Government in that treaty. The resolution pointed out that many surviving German Jews are old and speedy payment of compensation is their only hope of financial security during their remaining years.

The resolution also thanked the negotiators of the pact with Germany for the job they did and noted "with satisfaction" that the presidency of the Claims Conference had recognized the Council's right to a share of the funds paid it by the Germans. It expressed the hope that this share would be sufficient to cover the costs of the social program planned by the Council. Finally, the resolution urged the Council to continue its efforts to obtain a share of unclaimed, heirless and communal property in Germany.

Prior to the public session, delegates to the Council from Israel, the United States, Belgium, Holland, France and elsewhere held a closed meeting to consider the Council's claims to a share of heirless Jewish property in Germany and of the reparations payments made to the Claims Conference. This meeting, at which members of the Central Council of Jews in Germany were present as observers, also reviewed the position of former German Jews and discussed plans for the establishment of such social welfare projects as old age homes and other institutions.

SOCIALIST DELEGATES TO DISCUSS AUSTRIA'S REPARATIONS TO JEWS

MILAN, Italy, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The question of the Austrian Social Democratic Party's opposition to the settlement of restitution and reparations claims by the Jews against Austria will be raised informally at the International Socialist Conference here by delegates from the Israel Mapai Party and the World Union of Zionist Socialist Parties. A number of delegates here have already expressed privately support of the Jewish claims.

Many Socialist leaders have expressed satisfaction over the decision of Zionist groups to attend the parley. It is expected that the Israeli delegates will use the opportunity presented by the presence of Socialist delegates from Japan, India, Indonesia and Burma at the parley to improve relations between Israel and the Asian world.

Agudah Leader Discusses Jewish Claims with Austrian Diplomat

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- M. R. Springer, honorary secretary of the Agudah Israel world executive, today conferred with Baron Lothar Wimmer, Austrian Ambassador to Britain, on the Jewish claims for restitution and reparations against Austria.

An Agudah announcement on the meeting said that Mr. Springer had conveyed to the Ambassador the active interest of Orthodox Jews in this affair and had been told that his views would be transmitted to the proper Austrian authorities. The Agudah said that it had learned that the Austrian Government would welcome the cooperation of representative Jewish groups on this issue.
JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN ITALY WARNED AGAINST CONFERENCE ON GERMANY

ROME, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Several individual Jewish communities in Italy have received invitations from the Italian Committee for an International Conference for a Peaceful Solution of the German Problem to join in deliberations of the body.

However, the Union of Italian Jewish Communities has asked the recipients of the invitations to hold up acceptance pending further study by the Union. The Union will issue a policy statement in reference to the conference because it deals with problems which are international in scope rather than specifically Italian.

HOLLAND PROMISES NO FURTHER LENIENCY FOR FORMER GESTAPO CHIEF

THE HAGUE, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Netherlands Government will not further reduce the sentence of Willi Lages, one-time Gestapo chief in Holland who was sentenced to die several years ago for the deportation and subsequent murder of 70,000 Dutch Jews, Minister of Justice Dr. H. Donker, told Parliament late yesterday.

The question of the government's future attitude toward Lages was raised in Parliament following country-wide protests and demonstrations against the recent commutation of his death sentence to life imprisonment. Many Dutch leaders had expressed the fear that in a few years the Lages' sentence would be reduced again and he would be released to return to Germany.

In response to charges that German intervention might have been responsible for the clemency extended the Nazi, the Minister said that the Germans had not had anything to do with the matter. He stressed that German war criminals in Holland were not considered prisoners of war whose welfare was the concern of the Germans.

THREE-DAY NATIONAL PARLEY OF JEWISH WELFARE BOARD OPENS TODAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Three hundred top Jewish community leaders from all parts of the country will attend the National Jewish Welfare Board's three-day National Leadership Mobilization on GI and Community Service opening here tomorrow at the Hotel Statler.

The parley has been called to give the nation's key Jewish communal leaders an opportunity to get direct from government spokesmen a detailed picture of the close relationship between the country's long-range defense, welfare and recreation needs and the services and programs of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Top-ranking government figures will lay before the gathering the latest facts concerning military and civilian welfare and recreational requirements, and J. W. B. officials will present the details of the organization's projected 1953 programs in these fields.

At a meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee of the J. W. B. this morning it was reported that over 200 communities are "rapidly expanding their center programs, services and facilities to meet the impact of growing social, morale and educational needs resulting from the nation's defense mobilization and the widespread recognition that normal recreational and social activities are essential to fortify Americans' capacity to adapt themselves to life under a continuous crisis."

At the leadership mobilization tomorrow, the participating Jewish community leaders will appraise the extent and character of the service J. W. B. must provide for the Armed Forces, hospitalized veterans and Jewish Community Centers in 1953 and consider and act upon a proposed 1953 budget to carry out these responsibilities in fullest measure.
ISRAEL MINISTER ARRIVES IN U.S. TO ADDRESS U.J.A. CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Haim Cohen, Minister of Justice of the State of Israel and its first Attorney General, arrived in the United States today to confer with leaders of the United Jewish Appeal and to address the two-day U.J.A. National Leadership Conference opening this Saturday evening at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington. This is Mr. Cohen's first visit to the United States.

The Israel Cabinet officer, who will address more than 500 outstanding Jewish communal leaders, will submit a special report to the U.J.A. conference outlining Israel's grave need for added financial support with which to accelerate the settlement of its immigrant population and the development of its economic resources.

The conference will mark the three-quarter point in the U.J.A. 1952 nationwide campaign and will usher in its final effort this year to raise large-scale cash funds for financing the settlement, welfare and rehabilitation progress of its constituent agencies— the United Israel Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee and United Service for New Americans.

SOUTH AFRICAN LEADER ARRIVES IN U.S. TO STUDY JEWISH INSTITUTIONS

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Gustav Saron, General Secretary of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, the central representative body of South African Jewry, arrived here today for a two-month stay in the United States to study American Jewish institutions, including voluntary agencies, schools, welfare funds, cultural and educational organizations, and interfaith activities.

Mr. Saron expressed the hope that he would fully acquaint himself with all phases of Jewish life and activities in the United States with a view to utilizing his experiences in this country for the improvement of Jewish communal life in South Africa. The executive council of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies has announced that Mr. Saron's report will be rendered to a subsequent congress of the Board where his recommendations will be discussed with a view toward the adoption of some American methods and techniques for Jewish communal activities in South Africa.

HEBREW UNION SCHOOL WILL OFFER DEGREE TO CANTORIAL STUDENTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Hebrew Union School of Sacred Music will add a fourth year to its cantorial course and will offer—for the first time—a degree of Bachelor of Sacred Music to candidates who complete the four-year course, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion announced today.

The aim of the expanded program is to offer cantors, of all branches of Judaism, a wider program of preparation and to confer a degree which gives more adequate recognition to the musical competence and training of cantors. Candidates for the degree will be required to complete courses in language, literature and other academic course, in addition to courses in music and education.

NEW JEWISH SCHOOL OPENED IN MOROCCO FOR 1,300 STUDENTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The American Friends of the Alliance Israelite today reported that a new Jewish school for 1,300 students was opened yesterday in Casablanca and that the Alliance was entrusted with responsibility for instruction in the school under an agreement reached among the French authorities in Morocco, the Joint Distribution Committee and the Casablanca Jewish community.