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MOSCOW WILL "STRENGTHEN" COOPERATION WITH ARABS, MALENKOV SAYS

LONDON, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- Soviet Premier Georgi M. Malenkov, addressing the Supreme Soviet, emphasized that the resumption by Moscow of diplomatic relations with Israel need not be interpreted as meaning that the Soviet Government will not continue to strengthen its "cooperation" with the Arab countries, the Moscow radio reported today.

"The assertions of some foreign newspapers that the restoration of diplomatic relations with Israel will lead to a weakening of the relations of the Soviet Union with the Arab states are void of any foundation," Premier Malenkov said. "The activity of the Soviet Government will be directed also in the future toward the strengthening of friendly cooperation with the Arab states."

With regard to the renewed relations with Israel, Mr. Malenkov stated: "Striving to ease the general tension, the Soviet Government agreed to restore diplomatic relations with the State of Israel. It took thereby into consideration the pledge of the Government of Israel that Israel will have no part in any union or agreement pursuing aggressive aims against the Soviet Union. We consider that the restoration of diplomatic relations will promote cooperation between the two states."

(In Jerusalem, the Israel Foreign Office today refrained from commenting on Mr. Malenkov's statement. Political circles there emphasized that no change is to be expected in Israel's foreign policy. They expressed the hope that Israel would become a bridge between the East and the West in the present conflict.

GERMANY CUTS RED TAPE IN REPARATIONS PAYMENTS TO ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- The implementation of the West German-Israel reparations pact is being carried out in an "absolutely satisfactory" manner, Dr. George Josephthal, head of the Israel corporation charged with handling the goods assigned to the Jewish State in payment of reparations, declared here today.

Dr. Josephthal, who has just returned from a European trip including a visit to Germany, said that German officials were cutting down on red tape all along the line and have cooperated in several other ways. Among these, he pointed out, has been a tendency to approve the purchase of goods needed by Israel which were not included on the approved list of reparations items.

Also, he said, the Germans have approved the purchase by Israel of goods from other countries in which Germany has blocked credits. This has permitted Israel to obtain such goods as wood, cotton, rubber and hides--all within the framework of

the reparations agreement. He reported that an agreement of the same nature is expected to permit Israel to obtain wheat supplies with reparations funds--probably from Turkey.

Dr. Josephthal said that between two and three ships bearing reparations goods would soon be arriving monthly at Israeli ports. The first four cargo vessels carrying German goods will be Israeli-flag ships and the fifth will be a Swedish vessel. He stated that an understanding has been reached for Germany to supply Israel with heavy equipment, including shipping and electrical installations.

Commenting on the course of the negotiations between the Austrian Government and the world Jewish organizations for the recovery of heirless and other unclaimed Jewish property, Dr. Josephthal said the talks might fail unless the Austrian Government agrees to repay the value of stock and bank deposits seized by the Nazis from Jews, as well as turning over heirless property which is now in the hands of the Austrian Government. The talks, currently in recess, are scheduled to be resumed early next month.

ISRAEL BELIEVES U. S. GRANT-IN-AID RESTRICTIONS NOT AIMED AT HER

JERUSALEM, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- The refusal on the part of the United States Government to grant a loan to Israel for the purpose of repayment of short term debts in America was explained by the argument that Israel will be able to repay these debts from income received through the United Jewish Appeal, the sale of Israel Bonds and reparations from Germany, it was revealed here today.

Informed circles indicated today that the amendment to the Mutual Security Act passed by the U. S. Congress restricting foreign governments from using American grant-in-aid funds to "make payment on account of the principal or interest on any debt" is not aimed at Israel but is directed chiefly against European countries. The Israel Government expects to receive \$70,000,000 in grant-in-aid funds from the United States this year.

U. N. COMMISSION REFUSES TO SUPPORT ISRAEL'S CHARGES AGAINST JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission today refused to uphold Israeli charges that Jordanian forces were responsible for the murder of three Israeli soldiers in the Beit Jibrin area yesterday. The Commission, which was told by the United Nations observers that tracks from the scene of the ambush led to Jordan territory, ruled that there was no "technical" evidence to support the charge.

The soldiers, on border patrol, were walking along a road in the Beth Jibrin region when they were caught in automatic rifle crossfire from both sides of the road. All three were killed before they could defend themselves. Their attackers stripped them of their rifles before withdrawing.

920 IMMIGRANTS ENTERED ISRAEL LAST MONTH; JEWS FROM INDIA EXPECTED

JERUSALEM, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- Some 920 immigrants arrived in Israel during July, a Jewish Agency spokesman announced today on the basis of preliminary figures.

The spokesman reported that groups of Jews from India and Persia are expected to arrive this month. He said that some 200 Jews are still trudging through the deserts of Yemen seeking a way to Israel and that a party of 24 Yemenite Jews recently reached haven in Aden where they are now awaiting transportation to Israel.

W. J. C. ASSEMBLY CLOSES TODAY; WILL APPEAL FOR STATELESS JEWS

GENEVA, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- An appeal to the nations of the world to take legislative and administrative action to facilitate the naturalization of stateless persons now within their borders, will be made by the Third Plenary Assembly of the World Jewish Congress, which is scheduled to conclude here tomorrow.

The appeal is contained in one of a series of draft resolutions being prepared in committee to sum up the discussions and conclusions of the representatives of Jewish communities in some 60 countries on political, social and cultural matters.

As indicated in the draft resolutions, the WJC will express its deep regret and concern that a number of major powers have declared that they will not adhere to a binding international covenant on human rights. The assembly will urge all members of the United Nations to support the adoption of the covenant as a step towards "the building of a structure of international relations based on mutual understanding and on the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter."

The Congress will call on Jewish communities throughout the world to "mobilize every moral resource in support of the United Nations and to cooperate actively with like-minded groups in the struggle for implementation of the principles and purposes of the UN throughout the whole field of international relations." It will also appeal to the statesmen and governments of the world to end the present international tension "with the burden of insecurity which it imposes on the peoples of the world."

Will Call for Furtherance of Yiddish Language

The WJC will adopt a resolution designed to restore the Yiddish language to the position it enjoyed at the beginning of the last decade as a major medium of communication of world Jewry. To counteract the "contentions of assimilation" in the countries outside Israel, the delegates will urge that no efforts be spared to further the "creative power of the Yiddish masses which finds its expression through the medium of Yiddish." The resolution will call for support of all educational and cultural activities in Hebrew, Yiddish and other languages which are likely to promote Jewish cultural unity.

Another draft resolution urges that "special attention" be paid to the exploration of sociological phenomena underlying the "alienation of Jews from their national origin." In addition, the delegates will call for establishment of a Jewish world educational council to coordinate Jewish cultural and educational work, and will recommend that the 27th day of the Hebrew month of Nissan be set aside as a worldwide national memorial day for Jews. It was on this day in 1943 that the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt began.

Zalman Shazar, representative from Israel and former Israeli Minister of Education, told the delegates that the desperate battle for daily bread is nearing its end in Israel and "we may look forward to a better economic existence." He requested that the WJC triple its efforts in behalf of the economic consolidation of the Jewish State and detailed the contributions of the present generation in Israel.

Sam Schwartz, editor of the Yiddish daily, "Folksbild," reported on the condition of Jews in Bolivia, Paraguay, Colombia and Ecuador where, he said, "the Jewish communities live under the influence of rabid nationalism and unstable governments recently established by revolution."

Underlining that he was speaking for some 40,000 Uruguayan Jews as "a Jew from the freest and most democratic republic in Latin America," Mr. Schwartz declared that the Jews of the four states he named feared to send delegates to this assembly because they would have to report on the "realities" of the situation in their countries, after which their freedom of movement would be curtailed by their governments.

DEFENSE COMPLETES SUMMATION IN FRANKFURT "JEWISH BANK" CASE

FRANKFURT, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- With counsel for the prominent Jewish attorney Joseph Klibansky demanding his acquittal because of "proven innocence," the defense completed its summation today in the involved "Jewish Restitution Bank" case, which has been dragging on in a local German courtroom for the past ten months.

Mr. Klibansky, who was indicted for having been an accessory in the violation of corporation and foreign currency laws, will make his final remarks next week. The other four defendants, who were connected with the bank in one capacity or another, will also make their concluding statements. The court will hand down its verdict in about two weeks' time.

"These monstrous proceedings have become the very archetype of the situation described in Franz Kafka's famed novel, "The Trial," declared Dr. Paul Haag on behalf of Mr. Klibansky, an Orthodox Frankfurt-born Jew, whom the Association of Jewish Communities in Hesse recently confirmed as its legal adviser. Dr. Haag intimated that the extent and character of the court case had been designed to ruin his client, to humiliate and traduce him.

Mr. Klibansky became the short-lived bank's legal adviser in 1949-50 with the intention of helping Jewish refugees, often living in straitened circumstances abroad, to derive some benefit from their blocked accounts in Germany. He had not violated the law in any way, said Dr. Haag after a seven-hour analysis of the charges, although he might have committed honest mistakes. He had not fled, as the heads of the bank had done, but had insisted on seeing his honor vindicated by the court.

Earlier, counsel for the other defendants had also pleaded for acquittal. On behalf of 57-year-old cashier Siegfried Froehlich, who is a refugee from Eastern Germany and the second Jew in the dock, Dr. Anton Reiners argued that for Froehlich, whose profession was that of bank clerk, conviction would mean "the end of the road." The elaborate investigatory and courtroom proceedings had produced only negligible evidence of wrongdoing, he concluded.

THREE JEWS MAY BE RE-ELECTED TO WEST GERMAN PARLIAMENT

BONN, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- At least three Jews will be re-elected to the next West German Bundestag, it was predicted here today. All of them are Social Democratic members. The parliamentary elections will take place September 6.

Of the 484 West German deputies, half will be chosen by majority vote in individual constituencies and half will be elected on statewide party tickets with the aid of proportional representation. Jakob Altmaier, 64, and Peter Blachstein, 42, will both contest the same "safe" Social Democratic constituencies which sent them to Parliament in 1949, the former in Hanau, near Frankfurt, the latter in the Hamburg district.

Berlin delegates to the Bundestag, whose votes are not counted there because of four-power arrangements with regard to the separate status of the city, are picked by a different procedure. It is fairly certain that Jeannette Wolff, 65, will again be prominent among those representing Berlin in Bonn.

It does not appear that any of the other parties will run candidates who are avowed Jews, but a number of nominees of all parties are known or believed to be of Jewish or part-Jewish extraction. The Christian-Democratic Union has picked Professor Franz Boehm, head of the German delegation to the reparations negotiations with Israel in The Hague and proven friend of the Jews, to contest a Frankfurt constituency.

AMERICAN JEWISH EDUCATION ASSOCIATION ISSUES CALL TO PARENTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- A call to Jewish parents, proclaiming the period from September 8 to October 8 as Jewish Education Month, and urging the entire American Jewish community to devote special attention to Jewish educational resources and programs, including enrollment of all Jewish children, was issued today by the American Association for Jewish Education, with the support of the presidents of all major national Jewish organizations.

"As we prepare to celebrate 300 years of achievement," the AAJE emphasized, "we must therefore resolve that we shall provide the spiritual foundation for yet greater achievements in the centuries to come. Only through a consistent, dedicated and effective community-wide effort on behalf of Jewish education for all, can we insure our spiritual and cultural strength, now and for the future."

The AAJE appealed to American Jewry to concentrate its efforts, during Jewish Education Month "to extend and improve" the resources for Jewish education. "We must make certain to provide for our children and our grandchildren the best that modern education has to offer," the appeal said. "All Jewish children have a right to a Jewish education and should therefore be enrolled in Jewish schools. We as adults owe it to ourselves and our children to keep pace with them and achieve for ourselves as well as for our children a spiritual future that is worthy of a past rich in memory and achievement."

AMERICAN ORT REPORTS GRADUATION OF 780 MECHANICS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- The American ORT Federation today reported that 780 skilled mechanics were graduated this year from 18 vocational centers operated by the ORT in Israel. "The graduates are expected to be snapped up quickly by Israel's industries, which suffer from a severe shortage of technically trained personnel," the report said.

"Their newly acquired skills," the report pointed out, "cover a wide range of trades, including refrigeration, tool-making, electrical work, agricultural machinery mechanics, automobile mechanics, radio, carpentry, dental mechanics, sewing and cutting, watchmaking and art-weaving. The ORT school for dental mechanics in Jerusalem and the watchmakers' school at Jaffa are the only institutions in the country training workers in these skills."

ISRAEL LINE STARTS DIRECT NEW YORK-HAIFA SAILINGS

NEW YORK, Aug. 10. (JTA) -- Zim Israel Navigation Co., Israel's largest steamship company, has been admitted to the Transatlantic Passenger Conference, the American Israeli Shipping Co., Zim's representatives in the United States and Canada, announced here today.

"With the admission of Zim Lines to the Transatlantic Passenger Conference, the long-awaited Israel-flag passenger service between the United States and Israel has passed from the blueprint stage to accomplished fact," the announcement stated.

Inaugurating its service under the Conference from this country to Israel, the Zim Line has scheduled a first sailing of the S.S. Jerusalem from New York to Haifa on November 9th, to be followed by five additional scheduled sailings of this vessel between November 1953, and October 1954.