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AUSTRIAN POLICE RAID JEWISH SECTION OF REFUGEE CAMP

VIENNA, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- A detachment of 40 police raided the Jewish section of the refugee camp at Aster, near Linz, yesterday, searched a number of buildings, treated several of the residents brutally and made three arrests, according to reports received here today.

The Ministry of Interior, the gendarmerie headquarters and the Linz police disclaimed knowledge of the raid. The Austrian director of the camp was not consulted and protested against the police action for which no reason was given.

About 250 Jewish refugees are resident in the camp. The three arrested were said to be in possession of 1,000-schilling banknotes but there is nothing illegal about possession of such notes in this country.

ISRAEL WATCHES ANGLO-EGYPTIAN TALKS ON EVACUATION FROM SUEZ

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The Israel Government is closely following the present negotiations between Britain and Egypt over the Suez Canal zone, it was indicated here today.

Israel, it is understood, is vitally concerned over two questions involved in the outcome of the negotiations--first, the balance of security for the Jewish State following the agreement that is expected to be reached between Egypt and Britain; secondly, free passage through the Suez Canal. Israel's view is that the international character of the Suez Canal must be maintained.

Israeli circles here are of the opinion that regardless of the outcome of the Anglo-Egyptian talks, no arms should be supplied to Egypt until the country concludes peace with Israel. (The New York Times today reported that the Israel Government has informed the United States, Britain and France that an agreement for the evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal military bases would be a threat to the balance of power between the Arab states and Israel.)

Informed UN circles today revealed that while Israel resumed work on the Huleh project in the non-militarized zone on the Israel-Syrian frontier, its representatives are continuing their talks with UN officials on work in the demilitarized zone and would welcome talks on this with the Arab states. Israel's view, it was emphasized here, is that demilitarized zones should be developed and not left as deserts.

ARAB LEAGUE LEADER VISITS STATE DEPARTMENT; EXCHANGES VIEWS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The Secretary General of the Arab League, Abdul Khalik Hassouna, today visited the State Department and conferred with Henry A. Byroade, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs. The meeting lasted over an hour.

Asked by correspondents if he talked about recent Arab allegations of "aggression" against Israel, Mr. Hassouna stated: "that particular issue was not reached because of limited time." He said he exchanged views with Mr. Byroade "about all problems that interest the Arab world and the United States," noting that he was "pleased with the results of the visit." Ideas, he said, were exchanged "very frankly and very constructively."

The Arab League, he declared, shares the view expressed by Dr. Charles Malik, Lebanese delegate, before the United Nations General Assembly last month that the entire area of Jerusalem should be totally internationalized. However, under questioning about Jordan's position on this question, he said that the Arab League stand was maintained "with the exception of Jordan for the time being."

PLAN FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM OUTLINED BY CRUM

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Emphasizing that the internationalization of Jerusalem is possible, but only with the cooperation of Israel as well as Jordan, Bartley C. Crum, former U.S. member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine, today came out in the New York Times with the following suggestions:

1. "Make it a condition precedent for Jordan's admission to the United Nations that it accept internationalization of Old Jerusalem and Bethlehem, Jordan to act as United Nations Trustee for that area."
2. "Make it a condition precedent for any agreement by the United Nations that Israel may have its capital in Jerusalem, that the New City of Jerusalem be internationalized, with Israel as the United Nations Trustee in that area."
3. "Extend the present truce terms between Israel and Jordan to open up the road to Mount Scopus, the campus of the Hebrew University and the Hadassah Hospital, and provide for free access of all pilgrims--Christians, Mohammedans and Jews--to all the Holy Places in all of the Palestine area."

MOSHE SMILANSKY, LEADING ISRAELI FIGURE, DIES IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Moshe Smilansky, one of Israel's leading personalities, who left Russia for Palestine in 1890, died today at the Hadassah Hospital here. He was 79 years old.

A pioneer farmer and a distinguished author, he was the founder and leader of the Jewish Farmers Federation. He was one of the first settlers in Rishon L'Zion, Israel's oldest settlement. During World War I, he was active in enlistment to the Jewish Legion and volunteered himself. His books, in Hebrew and English, were highly praised. He was greatly respected by the Arabs. On his 60th birthday the Farmers Federation established a settlement "Kfar Moshe" in his honor and published his collected works.

GERMANY GETS ISRAEL'S 1954 REPARATIONS PURCHASING PLAN

COLOGNE, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- A list of the goods which Israel would like to receive during the forthcoming fiscal year under the terms of the reparations treaty has been submitted to the German authorities by the Israel Purchasing Mission here, it was reported today. During the next several months, its contents will be the subject of negotiations between Israeli and German experts.

Until agreement has been reached, no official announcement about the nature of the proposals will be made. It is understood, however, that iron and steel loom largest on the roster of deliveries which Israel seeks to obtain within Germany. Machinery, ships and railroad equipment are other items that will be more in evidence than heretofore.

The schedule deals with orders to be placed between April 1, 1954, and March 31, 1955, which is the third fiscal year provided for in the reparations pact. During each of the first two years, Germany made available \$47,600,000 for Israel purchases. From next April on, annual instalments will probably climb to \$73,800,000, the amount upon which the new Israel purchasing program is predicated.

West Germany is entitled to reduce the instalments to \$59,500,000 by unilaterally terming it impossible to raise the larger sum. On the other hand, she may boost the annual payments beyond \$73,800,000, in which case her obligations under the Agreement would terminate before the presently envisaged target date of 1963.

GERMANY'S CULTURAL LIFE AFFECTED BY LACK OF JEWS, BONN SAYS

BONN, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Cultural life in Germany is now suffering as a result of the "removal of the Jewish element" from German culture by the Nazis, a study made public here today establishes. The study is published in Survey of German Affairs issued by press information department of the Federal Republic.

The study refers especially to the city of Frankfurt, which was one of the largest centers of Jewish population in pre-Hitler Germany. It points out that "only a fraction" of Frankfurt Jews has survived National Socialism, and only a few emigrants have returned.

"There is missing from this group of citizens creative artists, patrons of fine arts, scientists, a strong Jewish element among the audiences at theatres and concerts," the Survey of German Affairs says. It has become only too evident how this efficient city--which has given new life to its historical activity--has been, generally speaking, 'provincial' in the intellectual sphere, despite many individual and splendid achievements. This fact should not be held against Frankfurt - it is an inescapable aspect of Germany's fate. Comparable developments are evident in other large cities, especially Berlin," the Government organ concludes.

U. N. DEDICATES READING ROOM IN MEMORY OF ABRAHAM FELLER

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The United Nations today honored the memory of Abraham Feller, high U. N. official who recently committed suicide, by dedicating a reading room in the U. N. library which will carry his name.

Speakers at the dedication ceremony included U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld, and former Secretary General Trygve Lie. Both emphasized the contributions which Mr. Feller made to the development of the United Nations during his seven years of service. "His contribution to the U. N. is a living thing which continues to facilitate our work and will do so in the future," Mr. Hammarskjöld said. Mr. Lie said that "Abraham Feller's contribution to the U. N. was constructive and of lasting significance."

A. D. L. OFFICIAL REPORTS ON THE ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA IN MEXICO

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- A detailed report on the growing anti-Jewish propaganda in Mexico was presented here last night to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith by Oscar Cohen, its community service director, following his return from a tour of Mexican Jewish communities where he surveyed conditions.

Mr. Cohen reported that the Jews in Mexico suffer "no discrimination in education, employment, housing or social institutions, but are faced by constant and alarming attacks in the daily press." He pointed out that the press in Mexico is anti-foreigner and attacks against Jews take place in this context. No week passes without two or three major articles in Mexican dailies attacking Jews, he emphasized.

"Though it considers the actual danger from any important anti-Semitic movement to be small at present, the Mexican Jewish community is made uneasy by an ever-present potential danger with which it feels unable to cope," Mr. Cohen stated. "In case of real trouble, Mexican Jews believe they do not have effective allies among other elements of the population who could constitute an important bulwark against anti-Semitism. Any major political change can create serious difficulties for the Jewish community, they feel.

"Anti-Semitism as a political weapon is employed by two groups in Mexico," the ADL official said. "Both are fascist in concept and their anti-Semitism stems from their basic political direction. The parties are the Gold Shirts and the Sinarquists, with the former taking a more violently anti-Semitic position. The Gold Shirts have enlisted people of influence, particularly among army officers."

Serious efforts to counteract anti-Semitic propaganda have been undertaken by the Jewish community through the Anti-Defamation Committee which was established in 1944 in conjunction with B'nai B'rith, Mr. Cohen reported.

JEWISH CONGRESS CONFIRMS REPORTS OF TRIALS OF JEWS IN RUMANIA

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- American Jewish Congress sources have confirmed the reports that five prominent Jewish leaders in Rumania have been sentenced to long prison terms for "Jewish activities" after a secret trial on July 20, by a Bucharest military court, Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the organization, revealed today at a joint meeting of that organization's executive and administrative committees.

He disclosed that the one-day secret trial sentenced the following Rumanian Jewish leaders for organizing "a political Zionist underground movement:" Mr. Edgar Kenner, Mr. Horowitz, Mr. S. Schittonowitzer, Mr. Pascue Schechter and a Mr. Tabakaro. The news of this trial was kept out of the Rumanian press and radio, in contrast to the publicity which had formerly characterized trials of this kind.

The same sources which confirmed the July 20 trial, Dr. Goldstein reported, disclosed that preparations are under way for the secret trial of three other outstanding Rumanian Jewish leaders. They are Mr. Jean Cohen, former president of the Rumanian section of the World Jewish Congress; Mr. Jean Littman, former chairman of the World Jewish Congress branch in Bucharest, and Mrs. Susanne Benvenisti, wife of the former president of the Zionist Federation of Rumania, who has himself been imprisoned for some time.

NEW JERSEY SUPREME COURT RESERVES DECISION ON BIBLE DISTRIBUTION

TRENTON, N.J., Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The New Jersey Supreme Court yesterday reserved decision on an application for a permanent injunction against the distribution of copies of the King James version of the New Testament and parts of the Old Testament in public schools in this state.

PIONEER WOMEN CONVENTION DECIDES TO RAISE \$2,500,000 FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The 13th biennial national convention of Pioneer Women today accepted a \$2,500,000 fund-raising quota on behalf of its sister organization, the Working Women's Council of Israel.

Mrs. Beba Idelson, a member of the Knesset and general secretary of the Working Women's Council, traced the growth of the movement in Israel from its inception 32 years ago when its membership was 500 to today's membership of 210,000, including all women who belong to the Histadrut, Israel's Federation of Labor.

Dr. Sara Feder, national president of Pioneer Women, presented a detailed report on the organization's activities and accomplishments in 1952-53 and projected new undertakings for the forthcoming two-year period.

CONFERENCE IN ROCHESTER BRINGS \$450,000 IN CASH TO U. J. A.

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Contributions totalling \$450,000 were made yesterday to the United Jewish Appeal at a regional conference in Rochester of western New York Jewish communities. The checks were presented towards the \$25,000,000 emergency cash drive now being conducted by the UJA.

The final results of the drive will be announced in Cleveland next Sunday at a National Report Conference called by the UJA to map new fund-raising measures to assure the continuation of urgent refugee aid programs in Israel and other parts of the world.

ORT WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ADOPTS PLANS TO FINANCE MEDICAL CLINICS

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Plans to support the establishment in Paris by the ORT of a teacher-training school for girls and to finance medical clinics in ORT schools in 19 countries were adopted last night at the concluding session of a two-day conference of the Women's American ORT. Representatives of 200 chapters of the organization in 32 states attended the meeting.

The first clinics, to be established soon, will be in Israel, Germany, Morocco and Tunisia. The Paris school will open a year from now and will be patterned after the ORT school of advanced technology for men in Switzerland which provides instructors for about 300 ORT educational projects throughout the world.

ARCHITECTURAL PLANS FOR EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Architectural plans for the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University were made public at a press conference here today. The college will be the initial unit of a comprehensive \$25,000,000 Medical Teaching Center to include colleges of dentistry, nursing, public health and post-graduate studies.

The dominant unit of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, will be a 10-story glass-faced building of contemporary design embodying many new departures in medical school construction. Adjoining the 10-story teaching research building will be a 3-story administration and library wing. A 750-seat auditorium will be projected from the administration and library wing to form a porte-cochere over a vehicular driveway which will be used as an entrance for the general public.

AMERICAN BOOKS OUST SOVIET LITERATURE FROM ISRAEL'S MARKET

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- American books and magazines, sent to Israel under the International Media Guaranty Program, have caused Communist publications to be forced out of the Israel market, it was reported here today by Theodore C. Streibert, director of the new U.S. Information Agency.

"In Israel, previous to the launching of the Media Guaranty Program in September, 1952, virtually no U.S. books or periodicals were available in the bookstores or on newsstands, reading material of Russian origin was on sale throughout the country," the report said. It noted that "during the past 12 months American publishers have contracted with Israel firms for books and periodicals totalling over \$3,000,000. Recent reports from Israel state that Communist publications have been forced out of the market since many book shops in Tel Aviv or Jerusalem are as well stocked with American books as the average bookstore in America.

"Apart from the pocket editions which have been very popular in Israel," the report said, "the emphasis has been on serious works - philosophy, politics, economics, and classical literature as well as medicine, law and engineering. There is also a large demand for American books for children."

The Media Guaranty Program helps to overcome the shortage of dollar exchange in Israel by making it possible for American publishers to be paid U.S. dollars for the blocked local currencies, received from sales abroad. It was noted that while the export of literature under the program to six European countries, Formosa, and Israel totalled around \$6,000,000 in the last 12 months, Israel alone contracted for over \$3,000,000.

The program was authorized under the Economic Cooperation Act of 1948 originally administered by the ECA and later Mutual Security Agency. It was transferred to the Department of State by executive order on July 1, 1952, and to the new U.S. Information Agency on August 1, 1953.

NEW YORK MAYOR PROCLAIMS HADASSAH WEEK IN CITY HALL CEREMONY

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- In an impressive ceremony at the City Hall, Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri yesterday proclaimed next week as Hadassah Week during which the women's Zionist organization will seek to increase its 75,000 members in New York to 100,000. New members will be sought through a series of luncheons and meetings and through radio and television programs dedicated to the work of the Hadassah.

MACCABI PARLEY DECIDES TO HOLD NEXT MACCABIAH IN 1957

TEL AVIV, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- The World Maccabi Union closed its meetings here today after deciding that the fifth Maccabiah would be held in 1957. Jewish athletes from all parts of the world were urged to participate in the next competition. A plan for the establishment of a permanent Maccabi village which would serve as a boarding place for Jewish youths from all parts of the world studying and working in Israel was also put forth.

LEON KARNI, NOTED JEWISH EDUCATOR, DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 6. (JTA) -- Leon Judah Karni, noted Jewish educator and director of the Hebrew High School "Marshalliah," died last night of a heart attack. He was 53 years old. Born in Palestine, he studied in Rome and Paris and came to the United States after World War I. He received his master's degree at Columbia University. From 1927 he was principal of the Central Jewish Institute School until he joined the "Marshalliah" in 1942.

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