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AUSTRIAN SOCIALISTS KILL HOPE OF EARLY RESTITUTION SETTLEMENT

VIENNA, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The Austrian Social Democratic Party has torpedoed the already dim prospects of an early settlement of Jewish claims for restitution, which have been under negotiation between the Austrian Government and world Jewish organizations since last year, by demanding inclusion of benefits for Socialists persecuted by pre-Anschluss regimes in Austria in the overall scheme.

Dr. Reinhardt Kamitz, Finance Minister, has proposed to the Cabinet that it offer the Jewish Claims Committee on Austria 30,000,000 schillings as a lumpsum settlement of all heirless and communal property claims and establish a 100,000,000 schilling fund for restitution and indemnification of all political victims of the Nazi regime in Austria, including the Jews, it was learned today. Dr. Kamitz based this generalized offer on the position that it was contrary to Austrian law to offer the Jews "special treatment."

Dr. Adolf Schaerf, Socialist Deputy Chancellor, would agree to support this offer only if Socialists persecuted during the 1933-38 period would benefit from the general fund. This the People's Party (Catholic) leaders would not agree to, since it would place the pre-Anschluss Dollfuss and Schuschnigg governments (also based on Catholic parties) in the same category as the Nazis.

Social Democratic circles asserted today that they do not recognize a moral obligation to make restitution to the Jews, as Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany has done.

A spokesman for the People's Party termed the Socialist attitude on the problem an attempt to make Chancellor Julius Raab's forthcoming American visit a failure, since he will come to the United States without an agreed settlement with the Jewish organizations.

Jewish circles here consider Dr. Kamitz' latest offer to be far below minimum Jewish demands, noting that the total offered is less than the heirless property claims alone.

DEATH SENTENCE DEMANDED FOR ELEVEN JEWS ARRESTED IN EGYPT

LONDON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The death sentence has been demanded for the eleven Jews arrested in Cairo and Alexandria on charges of alleged "espionage," the Manchester Guardian reported today.

The Guardian dispatch noted that neither the lawyers for the accused nor anyone else has been permitted to see the Jews, and that one of them was reported to have committed suicide and several others to have tried to kill themselves. It also reported that the Egyptian press has been drumming up sentiment against the arrested Jews, suggesting that Egypt is honeycombed with "Zionist spies" and warning all Egyptians to be on their "guard."

SECURITY COUNCIL SENDS 'BAT GALIM' COMPLAINT BACK TO MIXED UNIT

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 11. (JTA) -- After a brief twenty-minute meeting on Israel's complaint about Egypt's seizure of the freighter Bat Galim, the Security Council today requested Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine, to "stint no effort" to hasten a report on the incident, if possible "before the end of this month."

The request was worded by Henri Hoppenot, of France, this month's president of the Council, and was adopted without comment, either by the ten other members of the Security Council, or by the representatives of Israel and Egypt who were present at the Council table.

Truce Supervisor Sees Lengthy Delay in Armistice Body

As the Council convened this morning, its members had copies of a new report issued only an hour earlier, in which Gen. Burns informed Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold that the Bat Galim issue is at the very bottom of a long agenda facing the Israel-Egypt Mixed Armistice Commission. In the report, Burns told Hammarskjold that unless Egypt agrees to move the Bat Galim incident to the top of the agenda, he cannot even estimate the date on which the case is likely to be discussed in the MAC. There are 48 other items before this case on the MAC agenda, Gen. Burns reported.

After today's session got under way, M. Hoppenot summarized the remarks made at the last Council meeting by the representatives of New Zealand, Great Britain, the United States, Colombia and Brazil. "It seems to be the general feeling," said Hoppenot, "that it is up to the chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission to decide the order of importance of items on his agenda and to determine their priority. The Security Council feels," M. Hoppenot said further, "that the chairman of the MAC should give priority to the Bat Galim incident, should stint no effort to hasten the report with the least delay, if possible before the end of this month. The Security Council hopes that the members of the Mixed Armistice Commission will help the chairman and that the latter will communicate again with the Council as quickly as possible."

In his report Gen. Burns reviewed various Egyptian and Israeli moves in relation to the MAC agenda, which ended in a deadlock with the Egyptians insisting that the agenda be cleared of all complaints, including the Bat Galim incident, in the order in which they were placed before the body. This past Tuesday the MAC disposed of 26 non-investigated complaints, Israel and Egypt between them withdrew three others, and six were considered and settled at the meeting.

This left 48 complaints before the Bat Galim matter and the first agreed date for a meeting was November 15. It was because of this uneven handling of agenda items, plus various difficulties in setting meeting dates, that Gen. Burns refused to estimate the date on which the MAC might get to the Bat Galim case.

DELEGATE SAYS IRAQ WILL NOT USE U. S. ARMS FOR AGGRESSION

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Any American arms that may be furnished to Iraq "will never be used for aggressive purposes" and statements to the contrary are "Zionist propaganda which does not serve either American interest or world peace," Dr. M. F. Jamali, chief of the Iraqi delegation at the United Nations, declared here today.

Dr. Jamali said that "a violent campaign against United States policy of arming the Arabs" was carried on during the last election campaign in this country by "the Zionists and their friends." His statement listed seven points, which characterized Iraq as a country with a stable regime, modern, progressive, peace-loving, with "no aggressive intentions toward any quarter."

U.S. JEWRY FACES MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES IN ISRAEL, UJA MISSION SAYS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- American Jewry must prepare itself for great and inescapable responsibilities facing it in relation to the rescue of Jews from tension-ridden countries in the coming year, the United Jewish Appeal's study mission of 35 American Jewish leaders declared today in a statement just prior to leaving Israel.

The mission firmly believes, the statement went on to say, that a renewed effort by American Jewry can not only sustain the remarkable progress made in Israel in the past year, but can also make possible significant new advances in the renewal and reconstruction of Israel's rich human resources.

The special UJA mission, which will make its full report to UJA's National Conference in New York on December 10-12, outlined three major tasks which will require the urgent support of American Jewry. They are:

1. The absorption of tens of thousands of men, women and children who must be brought from North Africa; 2. The intensification of agricultural settlement and industrial expansion, without which there cannot exist the economic basis necessary for the absorption and integration of past and present immigration; 3. The strengthening of programs of care, education and vocational training being carried out on behalf of Israel's immigrant children.

The mission declared that it was deeply impressed by gains made in the absorption of immigrants, in agricultural and industrial development, and in the care of children and the aged. While it was clearly aware of the problems which remain, it was nevertheless deeply gratified that the \$65,000,000 made available here through the UJA "consolidation loan" had helped materially to improve Israel's financial position, the mission said.

J. D. C. Opens New Home for Aged at Nathanya

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- A new home for aged people in Israel was opened at Nathanya yesterday by the Malben, the Joint Distribution Committee's social welfare program in Israel, in the presence of President Itzhak Ben Zvi, members of the Cabinet and Parliament and of the United Jewish Appeal study mission. There are already 513 elderly people established in the garden apartment-type institution.

President Ben Zvi, in an address at the inaugural ceremonies, hailed the JDC's role in Israel and Jewish communities abroad and called this institution an example of the JDC's contribution to the absorption of new immigrants. Minister of Health Joseph Serlin, Minister of Social Welfare Moshe Shapiro and Mayor Oved Ben Ami of Nathanya also praised the JDC's work in Israel.

Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-chairman of the UJA and a member of its study mission, stressed that the JDC had always striven to help immigrants and had done its best to save those Jews who could be saved during World War II. He called Malben another link between Israel and American Jewry.

The home has its own synagogue, hospital and community hall. It also has facilities for workshops and handicraft manufactures, including the weaving of rugs.

GORDON CLAPP SEES PEACE AS MIDDLE EAST'S FIRST NEED

NEW YORK, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Nature's gifts to man can be "organized to produce a creative system of life and living" in the Middle East only through peace between Israel and her neighbors, Gordon Clapp, New York's Deputy City Administrator, declared at the annual American Technion Society's founders' dinner here tonight.

Mr. Clapp, who headed a United Nations mission which made an economic survey in the Middle East in 1949, told more than 300 guests at the dinner that "Israel has among her people skills and experience drawn from all over the world. This gives Israel a tremendous and strategic asset in her program to make the Negev productive, produce more food, build industry and reach the world's markets with the products of specialized skills."

LABOR PEERS HIT BRITISH GOVT. ON ROLE IN ARAB-ISRAEL ISSUE

LONDON, Nov. 11, (JTA) -- Labor peers put the government on the defensive yesterday over its handling of the Arab-Israel conflict, while Lord Reading, the government spokesman in the House of Lords, repeated statements made earlier in Commons by Foreign Secretary Sir Anthony Eden and Minister of State Anthony Nutting to the effect that conclusion of the Anglo-Egyptian pact on the Suez has made for an improved climate in the Middle East in which there is greater hope for making progress on an Israel-Arab settlement.

Lord Alexander asked for strong guarantees from the signatory powers of the Tripartite Declaration of 1950--Britain, France and the United States--to Israel in view of Arab threats against the Jewish State, specifically one made recently by the Egyptian Minister for National Guidance (propaganda). Lord Pakenham said he could not understand why an alliance of friendship had not been concluded by Britain with Israel.

The Archbishop of York called for placing the Holy Places in Palestine under international control, admitting the serious difficulties in the path of internationalizing Jerusalem, a move which he supported. He criticized the submission of credentials in Jerusalem by the British and American ambassadors as a move which created "anxiety."

The Times of London, in a dispatch from Jerusalem, commented today that for all practical purposes the problem of Jerusalem's status would seem to be ended. The comment followed a report that the new British Ambassador to Israel, John W. Nicholls, had presented his credentials to President Ben Zvi in Jerusalem.

The possibility of an Anglo-Israel military "arrangement" must be ruled out as long as Israel's "quarrel with the Arab states remains unhealed," the Daily Telegraph, a leading Conservative newspaper, declared today. In an editorial, the Telegraph discussed possible British bases in the Middle East to replace the Suez Canal military complex.

TRADE UNION DEVELOPMENT IN ISRAEL LEADS MIDDLE EAST

GENEVA, Nov. 11, (JTA) -- Israel is the only country in the Middle East where the development of trade union and employer movement has reached a level which, in practice, embraces all forms of occupational life. This was reported in an International Labor Organization survey of freedom of association and industrial relations in the Middle East, distributed here today.

In Israel, the survey comments, the right of occupational association is neither guaranteed nor restricted by legislation, "but is exercised as an established and traditional practice." Trade unions are, in fact, organized under a "general law" which provides simply that "any number of persons may establish a society for any lawful purpose." The survey notes that Israel's trade union system covers all branches of the economy, both public and private, and the liberal professions, and that government workers are extensively organized.

In many instances, collective agreements contain provisions whereby the employer recognizes the right to organize and bargain collectively. "In short," the survey states, "without any intervention of the law, the Histadrut, in particular, has attained its objective of embracing in one organizational structure both urban and rural workers of all trades and professions."

ISRAEL-BOUND FISHING VESSEL PASSES THROUGH SUEZ CANAL

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11, (JTA) -- An Italian fishing boat passed through the Suez Canal and arrived at the Israel port of Eilat, it was reported here today. The vessel will engage in fishing operations in Eilat Bay and in the Red Sea.

RUMANIAN HIGH COURT APPROVES SENTENCES OF ZIONIST LEADERS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The Rumanian High Court has approved most of the harsh sentences meted out to Zionist leaders by Rumanian military tribunals in the past year, reducing several of the sentences by only two years, it was reported here today in a dispatch from Vienna.

The report, published in the newspaper Maariv, said that the sentences of 15 and 20 years imprisonment assessed against the Revisionist leaders M. Kenner and M. Drimmer, respectively, were approved, while a life term handed out to Dr. Zysou has been reduced to 20 years imprisonment. A 15-year term for Jean Cohen has been cut to 13, the report added. Suzanne Benveniste and Jean Lippman, who had requested their release on bail pending an appeal, were turned down when the prosecutor opposed the request.

The conviction of Zionist and Jewish communal leaders came on charges of Zionist activity, organizing an immigration movement to Israel and maintaining contact with Jewish organizations abroad.

ISRAEL-GERMAN TALKS TO BEGIN ON 1955 REPARATIONS DELIVERIES

COLOGNE, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Hillel Dan, chairman of the Israel Government corporation which handles all matters pertaining to German reparations goods, arrived here today to participate in talks with German Government representatives for the schedule of goods Israel will receive from Bonn in the year commencing April 1, 1955.

Preliminary talks between Israeli and German experts on the purchasing schedule are due to get under way within a few days. They will settle the broad categories and quantities of products which Germany would manufacture and ship during the third year of reparations payments.

ISRAEL, WJC DELEGATIONS ARRIVE IN MONTEVIDEO FOR UNESCO SESSION

MONTEVIDEO, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Dr. Arie Kubovi, Israel Minister to Argentina, Uruguay and Chile, will head the Israel delegation at the annual meeting of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization which opens here tomorrow. Deputy delegation head will be Dr. Mordecai Avida, secretary of the Israel legation in Buenos Aires.

The World Jewish Congress delegation attending the UNESCO sessions in an observer status will oppose any attempt by Rumania to become a member of UNESCO, it was revealed here today by Dr. Aharon Steinberg, head of the Congress delegation. He disclosed that Prof. Salo Baron of Columbia University will supervise the Jewish history section of a projected UNESCO project for the writing of the history of the world. Dr. Moises Goldmann, president of the DAIA, central representative organization of Argentine Jewry, will serve as a member of the WJC group.

DUTCH TELEVISION PRESENTS STORY OF JEWISH LIFE

THE HAGUE, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- A Protestant-sponsored program on the Dutch Television Service for the first time in the history of Dutch television presented today a feature on a Jewish subject. The program, "The Life of the Jews in the Netherlands," included scenes of prewar Jewish life in the ancient ghetto of Amsterdam, and recalled the terrible days of the German occupation.

JEWISH LIFE IN KENYA NOT AFFECTED BY EMERGENCY SITUATION

LONDON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Jewish communal life in Kenya has not been affected by the state of emergency proclaimed by the British Colonial Government in Kenya in its campaign against the Mau Mau, the Board of Kenya Jewry reported today. The board informed the World Jewish Congress that a foundation has already been laid in Nairobi for a new synagogue.

ATTORNEY GENERAL BROWNELL ANNOUNCES NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY

NEW YORK, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Attorney General Herbert Brownell announced today at mass naturalization ceremonies here the new pre-inspection policy under the immigration laws.

The new procedures, which call for inspection of aliens at their point of origin and reject the ineligible there, will serve a two-fold purpose, according to Mr. Brownell: First, inadmissibility of any alien will be determined before arrival, and often before departure from abroad, materially reducing the hardship which comes with exclusion at a port of entry. Second, the alien in possession of proper documents will be admitted with virtually no delay at the port of entry by the immigration authorities.

DRIVE FOR 100,000 MEMBERS LAUNCHED BY CHRISTIAN-JEWISH CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- A campaign for 100,000 new members for the National Conference of Christians and Jews was launched today when Ben Duffy, chairman of the 1955 Brotherhood Week, spoke at a Veterans Day luncheon closing the 26th annual meeting of the NCCJ, held here the past three days.

"The concept of brotherhood is so much a part of our American heritage we should make it cut deep into the heart of practically everyone in this country," he said. Duffy previewed the Brotherhood Week program telling of programs to be presented in 12,000 school systems, thousands of parishes of churches and synagogues, at labor union meetings, at parent-teacher groups, fraternal orders, veterans groups and many other clubs and associations. President Eisenhower will be honorary chairman of Brotherhood Week.

Duffy held that the task force of responsible citizens of the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 300 cities across the country are enlisted to prevent and when necessary, "put out the fires of religious and racial antagonisms." Duffy said "we need such task forces not in 300 cities but in 12,000 or more to truly safeguard this country against the fires of bigotry and religious and racial hatred."

B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN HIT COMMUNISM, "CLIMATE OF FEAR" IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The executive committee of the B'nai B'rith Women's Supreme Council, at a meeting in Washington today, adopted a report recognizing "the Communist threat to human freedom and dignity"...but asserting the threat can only be met and overcome by those who are devoted to the "moral basis of our religious and political traditions."

The statement was concerned with the recent tendencies which have "brushed aside the classic American safeguards of human liberty--painstaking investigation, fair and impartial hearing, the right to confront and cross-examine one's accusers, and the presumption of innocence until guilt is proven. This tendency has substituted for these safeguards the destruction of reputation by rumor, defamation and the intimidation of critics."

The Women's Supreme Council, representing 125,000 B'nai B'rith women in the United States and Canada, "viewed with grave concern the climate of fear and mutual suspicion which has developed and given cover to professional bigots and hate-mongers. We urge," the report concluded, "those entrusted with the leadership of our government and all other Americans of good will to speak out boldly against those who would confuse dissent with disloyalty, and destroy honest reputations by rumor, defamation and intimidation."