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# U.S. AND BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARIES DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST SECURITY

PARIS, May II. (JTA) -- Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Harold MacMillan and Turkish Deputy Minister M. Zorlu agreed during their meetings here to direct their immediate Middle East diplomacy toward strengthening the "northern tier" pact by further inducements to the Arab states to adhere to it, it was learned here today from informed circles.

The three statesmen congratulated themselves on the progress thus far in the Middle East and look to early Pakistan accession to the pact. This would provide added strength in their talks with the other Arab countries, especially Egypt which still remains cold to Western wooing. None of the participants in the Paris talks felt any need for early American direct participation in the "morthern tier" pact, which so far includes Britain, Iraq and Turkey. The position of Israel - other than its connection with the Middle East troubles that affect the security of the area - was not considered in any detail, it is understood.

France, these informed circles stated, remains an observer of Western maneuvers in the Middle East, indicating only lukewarm support for the Western overtures to the Arab states, which continue to flood the North African countries with violently anti-French literature and news broadcasts. France, for her own good reasons, finds it preferable to maintain a diplomatically "correct" relationship with the Arab countries. With Israel, however, France is on the best of terms and Israel's relations with France can be said to be the warmest between her and any of the major Western Powers.

#### INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS TAKES OVER AROLSEN ARCHIVES IN GERMANY

LONDON, May il. (JTA) -- The International Tracing Service at Arolsen, Germany, which is a compiete catalogue of all those imprisoned and done to death in Nazi concentration camps liberated by the troops of the Western Powers, as well as a catalogue of instructions from Hitler, Himmler and other top Nazis for the extermination of European Jewry, will be administered by the International Red Cross under an international committee. Hanan Cidor, an Israel official, revealed at a press conference here today.

Mr. Cidor director of the Division for International Organizations of the Israel Foreign Ministry and head of a committee in Israel on the Arolsen archives, speaking at the Israel Embassy, said that the international committee which will be responsible for the archives will consist of representatives, on the ambassadorial level, of the following states: United States, France, Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Italy, Israel and Germany.

For the first five years, the Bonn Government will bear the administrative costs of approximately 1.5 million deutschemarks annually. After that time, the international committee will decide what to do about the future of the archives. The pact setting up the administration of the files was initialled at Bonn last week, two days before Germany became a sovereign state. Mr. Cidor revealed. It will be signed in June.

Mr. Cidor disclosed that nongovernmental organizations with a special interest in the archives will be allowed to participate in meetings of the international committee, but without voting rights.

He said he was present at the closing of negotiations with a British microfilming organization to copy the entire Arolsen collection of about twenty million documents for the Yad Vesnem, israel memorial library for the 6, 300, 300 Jewish martyrs of Nazism. The microfilming operation will take a year to complete. He pointed out that duplicating the Arolsen documents was essential because the whole International Tracing Service was "an organization of paper and wood" whose records and filing cases needed only a match to send it up in flames.

Thus through the initiative of the Israel Government, Mr. Cidor stressed, the documents on which former concentration camp inmates rely for support of their compensation claims will not pass to the German Government, although they will remain in Germany. To achieve this end, he disclosed, it had been necessary to overcome the opposition of Germany. The Germans, he said, claimed that their Constitution forbade financial support of any but national institutions—something which Mr. Cidor disproved.

TUNES OPENS STATE POSTS TO JEWS; WILL TRAIN YOUTHS AS POLICEMEN

TUNIS May II. (JTA) -- A number of Jewish youths will be given training in various branches of the Tunisian police force, it was learned here this week-end. Previously no Jews were admitted to police posts.

At the same time, Tunisian Premier Tahar ben Ammar issued instructions that applications by Jews for posts in the new Tunisian administration be processed as quickly as possible and that, where the applications are considered satisfactory, the posts should be made available to them.

The Alliance Israelite Universelle has announced the opening of a new school in a remote rural area of Morocco. Site of the school is Arghen du Goundasi, about 100 kilometers south of Marrakesh. The Jewish community there comprises 300 persons, living in conditions of extreme poverty.

# JEWS IN GERMANY CELEBRATE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR LIBERATION

BERLIN, May II. (JTA) -- Jewish communities in West Germany are celebrating the tenth anniversary of their liberation from the Nazi regime and the re-emergence of Jewish communal life.

In Berlin, the Central Council of Jews in Germany arranged a celebration in Germany's largest synagogue, located on Pestalozzi Street. The meeting was addressed by Dr. Otto Suhr. Mayor of West Berlin; Heinz Galinsky, president of the Berlin Jewish Community: Dr. H. G. van Dam, secretary-general of the Central Council. The latter pointed out that Germany had capitulated not only in 1945, but also without a fight in 1933 and 1938 when the Naxis took over. He stressed that the creation of Israel, from which he had just returned, had imbued the Jewish community of Germany with a new self-confidence.

At the beach near Neustadt, close to which 7, 398 concentration camp inmates were drowned just ten years ago almost within sight of liberation, a memorial service was held in the presence of several of the small number of survivors. Wreaths were dropped into the sea at the point where the "Cap Arcona" and the "Thielbeck," two Nazi slave ships crowded to the gunwales with prisoners from 24 nations, went to the bottom during a British ar raid on German shipping in the Baltic.

#### GERMAN JUROR FAINTS WHEN MASS POISONING OF JEWS IS DESCRIBED

FRANKFURT, May II. (JTA) -- An elderly woman juror fainted in court here at the trained of German chemical manufacturer Dr. Gerhard Peters when she heard him explain calmly how a lethal cyanide product of his own invention and manufacture, known as "Zyklor. B," was injected into closed rooms at concentration camps through shower-type nozzles. Dr. Peters is being tried in a local court for being "an accessory" to the murder of 500.000 Jews in Nazi gas chambers.

Dr. Peters is charged with the death of just 300,000 Jews because at least that number was killed with the "Zyklon B" gas crystals he furnished to Auschwitz after SS Lt. Col. Kurt Gerstein had, by Peters' own admission, revealed the purpose of the shipments to him in the summer of 1943. The indictment makes no mention of the hundreds of thousands of killings of innocent people resulting from earlier poison gas deliveries made by Dr. Peters.

The defendant, who was handed over by the Allies to the Germans seven years ago and whom high-ranking German personalities are keeping out of jail even though he has been convicted in seven different trials. is presently working as an industrial chemist for a Cologne subsidiary of the IG-Farben chemical empire. During the war, he was manager of the "German Corporation for Vermin Extermination" (DEGESCH), a firm derived from IG-Farben.

## GERMANY NON-COMMITTAL ON CALENDAR REFORM PROPOSAL; INFORMS UNESCO

BONN. May II. (JTA) -- The Federal Government is not in a position to take a final stand on the current calendar reform proposals against which Jews object, and recommends that the United Nations should more extensively canvass the views of the Christian Churches and of the other denominations, according to an official reply that will be given to UNESCO.

The Federal Government in its statemen. to UNESCO acknowledges that the proposed reform would have certain beneficial effects on economic life, but voices misgivings whether a matter of this kind should be judged from the utilitarian point of view alone.

## FEW NAZI VICTIMS, BUT TOP NAZI OFFICIALS, GET INDEMNIFICATION

REGENSBURG, May 11. (JTA) -- While only some 20 percent of indemnification claims by Nazi victims have been paid within the past ten years, 85 percent of the top Nazi Party leaders get full and ample pensions. a retired high German Government official. Dr. Wolfgang Schnidt, told a regional meeting of Nazi victims affiliated with the Sociai Democratic Partys. One of every four Nazi victims died without having received a penny of compensation, the speaker noted.

## REFUGEE RELIEF ACT CALLED "FRAUD"; ONLY 563 IMMIGRANTS ADMITTED

WASHINGTON, May II. (JTA) -- Rep. Irwin D. Davidson of New York introduced a bill in Congress today to remove administration of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 from the jurisdiction of Scott McLeod, State Department security chief, and to remove all "ethnic" requirements from the law. The bill is identical with one introduced in the Senate recently by Sen. Herbert H. Lehman.

After introducing his bill, Rep. Davidson called the Refugee Relief Act a "fraud" and a "deceptive fake which decency demands we rectify. " He charged that only 563 immigrants have come to this country in 18 months under the measure which was designed to admit 214,000 in 39 months.

# CANADA'S IMMIGRATION POLICY NOT BASED ON RACE, MINISTER SAYS

OTTAWA, May II. (JTA) -- The racial origin of prospective immigrants does not play any part in the decision on their admission to Canada, the Federal Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, J. W. Pickersgill, told the House of Commons. "Nor does the department pay any attention to keeping a racial balance" in the country, the Minister said in response to a Conservative Party critic who deplored the decline of British immigrants into Canada.

Mr. Pickersgill said the department would like to see more immigrants from the British Isles and was concerned about their failing numbers. It gives preference to them because they fit quickly and more easily into Canadian life. But the policy of preference and selection is not based on race or creed, he insisted. "It is based upon a conception of adaptability to the kind of society we have tried to build in this country in the last 300 years.

Leon D. Cresthol, Liberal Party member of the House of Commons for Montreal, used the Canadian Government to speed up immigration into the country and thus solve the nation's economic problems. "Canada should maintain a population of 30,000,000 rather than half that number," he said. "Increased productivity will progressively restrict the economy unless the population increases accordingly. More immigration would make more production necessary and thus provide more jobs."

# U. N. COMMISSION HEARS REPORT ON HOUSING OF IMMIGRANTS IN ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., May 11. (JTA) -- A report on the housing conditions under which new immigrants are living in Israel was presented today at a session of the United Nations Social Commission by G. G. Lotan. member of the Israel delegation of the U. N.

Mr. Lotan said that the population of Israel had doubled since the end of 1948 and the problem of housing the new immigrants had been one of the most difficult the government had had to face. At first, many new settlers had had to be housed in tents, and later in tin huts, with permanent housing available for them only after a year or two. However, Mr. Lotan added, now the use of tents had ended and it was hoped that the use of tin huts could be ended in a year, as work on housing programs continued. Government wanted to thank the United Nations for its technical assistance to Israel in the field of housing, which had helped greatly in meeting the problem. he declared.

#### PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR PRESENTS STATE'S HIGHEST AWARD TO DR. SALK

HARRISBURG, May II. (JTA) -- The State of Pennsylvania's highest award, the Meritorious Service Medal, was presented to Dr. Jonas Salk, discoverer of the antipolio vaccine, at a special session of the State Assembly here yesterday. The presentation was made by Gov. George M. Leader who stressed that the honor was for Dr. Salk's "historical medical" discovery.

The Pennsylvania Legislature will also honor Dr. Salk by establishing at the University of Pittsburgh Medical School a \$25,000-a-year chair of Preventative Medicine. Dr. Salk will be named the first professor to hold the chair. He made his discovery while director of research in preventative medicine at the University of Pittsburgh.

The citation presented to him with the medal, reads in part: "Dr. Salk's achievement is meritorious service of the highest magnitude and dimension for the commonwealth, the country and mankind." Pinning the medal on Dr. Salk, Gov. Leader said that as a parent of three children he was "humbly thankful" to the scientist and as Governor he was "proud to pay him tribute."

### BRAZIL HONORS DR. SALK; MAY GRANT HIM HONORARY CITIZENSHIP

RIO DE JANEIRO, May II. (JTA) -- A bill proposing that the Government of Brazil grant honorary citizenship to Dr. Jonas Salk in recognition of his anti-polio vaccine discovery was introduced in Parliament here by deputy Chagas Freitas.

A letter of thanks, signed by thousands of Brazilian mothers, is now being prepared here for presentation to Dr. Salk. Among the first to sign the letter were: Yoao
Cafe Filho, wife of the President of Brazil; Mrs. Carlos Luz, wife of the Speaker of
the House; Mrs. Alim Pedro, wife of the Mayor of Rio de Janeiro. The letter to Dr.
Salk was drafted and circulated at the initiative of Dr. Pedro Calmon, rector of the
University of Brazil.

# ISRAEL LEADS BACKWARD COUNTRIES TO PROGRESS, MRS. ROOSEVELT SAYS

NEW YORK, May II. (JTA) -- "Israel is pioneering the solution of one of the most crucia' problems of a rapidly changing and shrinking world - how to help the people of backward and underdeveloped countries come across the centuries into the atomic age, "Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt said tonight; addressing a United Jewish Appeal dinner at the Hotel Plaza. The dinner, which was sponsored by the American ORT Federation, was one of the highlights of a day in which pledges of \$1,860,000 to the UJA in New York were announced at five fund-raising events. The ORT-sponsored dinner brought \$750,000.

Discussing her second visit to Israel from which she returned a few weeks ago, Mrs. Roosevelt reported that she was particularly struck by the rapidity with which immigrants from backward areas - from lands where "the ground is still plowed with a crooked stick." as she put it - are being absorbed into Israel's highly complex, mechanized economy. She described the development of Beersheba, which was a mud hut village in which a few thousand people lived on the edge of the Negev desert when she first saw it three years ago, into the bustling modern frontier town of more than 20,000 population she saw on this year's visit.

The labor that built Beersheba, the former First Lady pointed out, was provided largely by immigrants brought to Israel from Yemen, the remote Arab kingdom in Arabia. Practioners of primitive handicrafts in Yemen, they had never seen even the simplest of Western tools or construction techniques before they came to Israel, Yet, in the space of three years, they became the carpenters, masons, plumbers and electricians who built by the hundreds the two-room concrete cottages in which they live and the factories and other industrial and commercial establishments in which they work.

American ORT's president, Dr. William Haber, reported that ORT, which receives a large portion of its funds from the United Jewish Appeal through a working agreement with the Joint Distribution Committee, is already the largest producer of skilled labor in Israel and is now ready to expand its facilities there with a special network of vocational training schools for immigrant youth. Another major area of ORT operations, Dr. Haber said, is North Africa whence 30,000 immigrants are expected to come to Israe! this year. Some 20,000 students a year now receive a wide variety of mechanical and technical training in 300 ORT schools and workshops in 19 countries Dr. Haber added.

# U S. AMBASSADOR ATTENDS CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONY AT HAIFA

HAIFA, May II. (JTA) -- Construction of a \$200,000 Haifa Community Center was begun here today with a cornerstone laying ceremony attended by United States Ambassador Edward B. Lawson, Canadian Ambassador Terence Macdermot, Minister of Posts and Telegraph Joseph Burg, Haifa Mayor Abba Choushi and Mizrachi leaders from the U.S. and Canadia. Funds for the project were raised jointly by the American and Canadian Mizrachi women's organizations.

Addressing the ceremony, Ambassador Lawson said that Israel youth were privileged to be among the first citizens of the new Israel. "Children are a nation's most important asset." he said "and by preserving the spirit and character of children you will preserve the spirit and character of the nation." The American Ambassador also called upon the Israel people for courage, patience and restraint in the face of "seemingly intolerable conditions." Then Ambassador Macdermot spoke and Rabbi Salman Reichman of New York and Mrs. B. Gottesfeld wielded the trowels in the cornerstone ceremony.

## PRAYERS MARK ANNIVERSARY OF FALL OF JERUSALEM'S OLD CITY

JERUSALEM, May II. (JTA) -- Special prayers were offered on the seventh anniversary today of the fall of the Old City of Jerusalem to the Arab Legion. The services were conducted atop Mt. Zion from which could be seen the ruined Jewish quarter of the Old City and the deserted Wailing Wall. Services were also held for those who died in defense of the city.

in the Knesset, the Herut Party called for the government to recompense those who lost their homes when the Old City fell. In reply Finance Minister Levi Eshkol noted that the government had offered to each family evacuated from the Old City certain sums to enable its re-establishment and that such families could claim the money any time they chose. Also he said, such families were given priority for homes in government housing projects.

## HARRY SEEVE RESIGNS FROM HIS POST IN ISRAEL BOND ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK. May II. (JTA) -- The resignation of Harry Seeve as executive director of the Greater New York Committee for State of Israel Bonds was announced today by Rudolf G. Sonneborn, president of the State of Israel Bond Organization. The retirement will take effect on May 15th.

# DR. GERSHUNI, EDITOR OF JEWISH NEWSPAPER IN PARIS, ARRIVES IN U.S.

NEW YORK, May II. (JTA) -- Dr. Jacob Gershuni, editor of the Jewish daily Unzer World Paris and former Jewish Agency representative for emigration in North Africa, arrived here today.