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## ISRAEL SCIENTIST LEAVES FOR MOSCOW PARLEY ON ATOMIC ENERGY

TEL AVIV, June 28. (JTA) -- Dr. B. M. Block, director of the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovoth, left for Moscow today. He will represent the Institute at a conference called in Moscow by the Soviet Scientific Academy to discuss peaceful uses of atomic energy.

The Weizmann Institute is surveying Israel for uranium deposits. The surveys have been made possible by Henry Benson of Montreal, who donated two special scintillometers to the institute. The instruments are installed in planes.

### ISRAEL AND EGYPT MEET TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON BORDER TENSION

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- Israeli and Egyptian representatives met this morning under the chairmanship of Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, United Nations truce chief, to discuss problems concerning the easing of tension on the Israel-Egyptian frontier in the Gaza area. The meeting took place on the Gaza border, and was devoted to working out an agenda for further talks.

Joseph Tekoah, Israel's representative, read out at the meeting a statement on Israel views. He said that Israel considers the existing armistice agreement as basic, and believes it to be efficient enough to put an end to the border tension. If all the details of the Israel-Egyptian armistice pact had been lived up to, there would probably be no need for the present meeting, the Israeli representative declared. The next meeting will be held tomorrow morning.

Meanwhile, an Israeli fishing boat was fired on today from Syrian positions along the shore of Lake Kineret, according to an announcement here by Israel's army spokesman.

At the same time, the Foreign Ministry announced that the Israel vessel "Bracha Fould," which entered Lebanese waters by error yesterday while en route from Alexandretta to Haifa, has been released by authorities of Lebanon. The ship had been detained a few hours in the harbor of Beirut until Lebanese officials made sure that the entry into their country's waters had been unintentional.

# State Dept. Indicates Interest in Outcome of Gaza Talks

WASHINGTON, June 28. (JTA) -- State Department sources today reiterated their support of Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, and their interest in lessening tensions between Israel and the Arabs, as an answer to the Egyptian government's bar of high-level talks with Israel on proposals to lessen friction along the Gaza strip.

The State Department placed its faith in the representatives of Egypt and Israel who started to meet today on problems of the Gaza strip.

Aron Wiener head of the irrigation work department of the Israel Government, arrived here to confer on technical details of the Johnston water development scheme.

It was learned in comection with the water development scheme that Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy for negotiation of a water agreement in the Arab-Israel area, has again postponed his visit to the Middle East, this time until August. State Department sources attributed the delay to the upcoming Israel elections and to the continual flare-ups in the Gaza Strip area. Mr. Johnston last visited the Middle East in December.

### AUSTRIAN TALKS ON JEWISH CLAIMS REPORTED REACHING DELICATE STAGE

VIENNA, June 28. (JTA) -- Jewish and Austrian Government teams of experts negotiating legislative measures and administrative procedures concerning Jewish claims against Austria had reached today what some of the experts called a "very delicate" stage in their talks.

An Austrian Government spokesman said the negotiations are "making very rapid progress." but some of the experts seemed not over-optimistic about early conclusion of the talks that have dragged on for two years.

## KNESSET DEFEATS NON-CONFIDENCE MOTIONS ON THE KASTNER CASE

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- The sensational libel trial in which a district court judge; justified most of the charges against Dr. Israel Kastner, former head of the Hungarian Jewish Rescue Committee and now a member of the staff of the government-controlled radio station "Kol Israel," had its reverberations today in the Israel Parliament, with two motions of non-confidence against the government.

Dr. Kastner was charged by Malkiel Gruenwald, a 70-year-old pamphleteer, that, as head of the Hungarian Jewish Rescue Committee, he collaborated with the Nazis and was responsible for the murder by the Nazis of Hungarian Jews. Mr. Gruenwald also charged Dr. Kastner with being responsible for the acquittal by the Nuremberg war crimes tribunal of Himmler's deputy in Hungary.

As an official of the Israel Government, Dr. Kastner complained to the attorney general that he was being libeled, and the attorney general had gone to court to press the libel case. The trial, which lasted for about a year, ended last week with a verdict by the district court judge that Mr. Gruenwald's charges against Dr. Kastner have been proven.

At today's session of the Israel Parliament, the right-wing Herut Party deputies, and the deputies of the Communist Party, introduced separate motions of non-confidence, censuring the government for bringing the case to trial. After a heated debate, marked by stormy scenes, both motions were voted down. The Herut motion was opposed by 50 votes against nine, with 22 abstensions, while the Communist motion was defeated by 60 votes against seven, with 17 abstentions.

Prime Minister Moshe Sharett, addressing the Parliament on the issue, abstained from defending or condemning Dr. Kastner. The latter insists that he is innocent, and is being backed by many Hungarian Jews in Israel. However, Mr. Sharett said that, in view of the gravity of the charges, he approves of a decision taken today by Israel's Minister of Justice, Pinhas Rosen, ordering the attorney general to appeal against the conclusion of the district court judge.

## Association of Hungarian Jews Pleads for Dr. Kastner

Meanwhile, it became known today that the Association of Hungarian Jews in Israel yesterday appealed to Mr. Sharett and Dr. Rosen, asking them to order a review of the Kastner trial. The association expressed itself in support of Dr. Kastner. Two kibbutzim have also expressed their faith in Dr. Kastner by offering him membership. One of the kibbutzim is named for a parachutist, Goldstein, whom Dr. Kastner was charged with betraying.

The case of Dr. Kastner came up for discussion yesterday at a meeting of the Cabinet, It was decided to leave the entire matter in the hands of Dr. Rosen. The Minister of Justice today announced that he ordered the Attorney General to appeal against the verdict to the Supreme Court, and called upon the people and the press of Israel to abstain from discussing the verdict publicly in order not to prejudice the Supreme Court's decision.

On the other hand it was announced today that a group has been organized to back Mr. Gruenwald, the pamphleteer who voiced the charges against Dr. Kastner. The group, named "Council to Defend Gruenwald," said that it will file two more charges against Dr. Kastner.

## ORT CONGRESS HEARS REPORTS ON SITUATION OF JEWS IN NORTH AFRICA

GENEVA, June 28. (JTA) -- The situation of the Jews in North Africa, and the vocational training activities of ORT there, were reviewed here last night at the World ORT Congress by delegates and leaders from Morocco and Tunis attending the Congress, which marks the 75th anniversary of the organization.

The North African ORT program, it was reported, will be expanded, the budget being increased from the present \$749,000 a year to more than \$1,000,000 annually. The new program calls for establishment of new ORT centers, in cooperation with local authorities, in Sefrou, Fez, Marrakesch and possibly Magadore.

The living conditions among the Jews in Morocco were analyzed by Laza Schulman, Moroccan vice-president of ORT, while Elie Nataf, chairman of ORT in Tunisia, reported about Jewish life in his area.

J. J. Bowers, addressing the delegates in behalf of the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization, lauded ORT's work and declared that "those who have organized ORT training centers might perhaps help the acute shortage among technically trained staffs in underdeveloped areas." "I hope the time comes," he said, "when ORT can provide such help, even if the help does not reach Jewish people directly, in areas where human beings are struggling to bridge the gap between the Iron Age and the Twentieth Century."

# GERMANY DECORATES JEWISH HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL IN BERLIN

BERLIN, June 28. (JTA) -- Professor Kurt Levinstein, former principal of the socalled "French High School" in this city, and a member of the local community has been awarded the Order of Merit by West German Federal President Heuse.

# USE OF LAW IN FIGHTING BIAS URGED BY AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

NEW YORK, June 28. (JTA) -- The use of law, in conjunction with educational efforts, as a means of flighting anti-Semitism and advancing equal rights and equal opportunities for all, is recommended in a statement signed by 66 social scientists, lawyers and Jewish community relations experts released here today by the National Community Relations Advisory Council, coordinating body of a number of major Jewish organizations and local Jewish community relations councils.

"The first responsibility of Jewish community relations agencies is to deal with matters directly affecting Jews," the statement declares. "Experience shows, however, not only that discrimination against any one group threatens the rights of all, but also that the rights of all are equally affected by legal measures taken in defense of any one." Specific recommendations include the following:

- "That Jewish community relations agencies engage in activities designed to prevent discrimination against any group, as an appropriate part of their long-range program to contribute to Jewish security in the United States.
- 2. "That Jewish community relations agencies give support to measures designed to preserve civil liberties.
- "When shortages or lack of facilities tend to intensify discrimination, as in employment, housing or education, measures to expand opportunities and facilities are a proper concern of Jewish agencies.
- 4. "When a social welfare bill is pending, there is sometimes a question whether Jewish agencies should support inclusion of a provision to insure that it is administered without segregation or other forms of discrimination. In general, we favor inclusion. We recognize, however, that insistence on such provisions may sometimes prevent the passage of needed welfare legislation. We recommend that the decision to insist or not to insist on such provisions be made on a case-by-case basis in the light of the relative values involved.
- 5. "That Jewish agencies support efforts to remove procedural barriers that serve to block enactment of legislation embodying desirable community relations objectives.
- "That there be full support of measures designed to secure effective implementation of the law, including appropriations, appointments, and effective administrative procedures and action."

"The complexity of the problems in using the law to advance community objectives places a strain on the limited resources of the Jewish community," the statement says. "We therefore believe it is important to conduct continuing joint planning to deal with questions of priority, strategy, and timing, and to determine the most effective use of the resources available to all the agencies. We recommend that all Jewish community relations agencies, national and local, participate in the joint formulation of policy and the joint planning of activities in relation to particular measures for the advancement of their objectives."

In commenting on the report, Bernard H. Trager, of Bridgeport, NCRAC chairman, observed that it laid to rest an old controversy as to whether law or education was the better avenue toward social change. "We believe now," said Mr. Trager, "get only that law and education are compatible approaches to the promotion of equality, but that they complement each other in several respects and should be so utilized. Every action to improve community relationships requires a balanced program of education, research, and social action."

## U. S. AMBASSADOR IN LONDON PAYS WARM TRIBUTE TO AMERICAN JEWRY

LONDON, June 28. (JTA) -- A warm tribute to the Jewish community in the United States was paid here last night by Winthrop Aldrich, Washington's Ambassador to Britain. Mr. Aldrich attended a reception held in honor of Rabbi Eliezer Silver, chairman of the Union of American Orthodox Rabbis.

"The Jewish community in America," said Mr. Aldrich, "is renowned for its great generosity. It has borne more than its share on all fields of American civic and charitable life. I gladly welcome, therefore, the efforts of the eminent rabbinical leader of American Jewry, Rabbi Silver, in the cause of Jewish religious education."

## \$250,000 IN ISRAEL BONDS PURCHASED IN HONOR OF DR. JOSEPH SCHWARTZ

NEW YORK, June 28. (JTA) -- More than \$250,000 in Israel bonds were purchased in honor of Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice-president of the Israel Bond Organization, at a reception last night held in the home of District Attorney Edward S. Silver, Brooklyn. The reception was attended by 40 of Brooklyn's top civic, communal and business leaders who accorded tribute to Dr. Schwartz.

Mr. Silver, who is chairman of the Brooklyn Bond committee, announced that the quarter-of-a-million dollars in Israel bonds purchased at the reception marked the beginning of Brooklyn's "most intensive" effort to help the people of Israel win their economic independence.

## DUBINSKY EXPRESSES ENTHUSIASM ABOUT ISRAEL UPON RETURN TO U.S.

NEW YORK, June 28. (JTA) -- Expressing himself as "enthusiastic" over achievements in Israel, David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, today declared that the Jewish State deserves the help not only of Jews but of "all Americans who understand the meaning of freedom and liberty." He returned from an overseas trip during which he had spent nine days touring Israel. eager to see that country for the first time.

"I left Israel," he declared, "inspired by everything I saw there. A small land with great problems, Israel has recorded tremendous achievements in the short period of its existence. There simply aren't enough words to express the enthusiasm with which one is infused upon seeing that brave little land for the first time.

"In my nine days there, I toured virtually the entire country. I saw the Socialist kibbutzim, the factories, the housing developments under construction, the great industrial developments built by the workers of Israel. Much of it was like a dream--but it was not a dream, it was something I saw, and entirely real.

"Israel is a country that deserves everyone's help. With our help, they will reach reagreater heights of achievement. Not only Jews, but all Americans, the entire American people which, like the Israeli people, fought for freedom and liberty--which, like the Israelis built a free democratic republic--must help this little nation which is a bulwark of freedom, a democratic stronghold in the Middle East."

## ISRAEL SCOUTS ARRIVE IN U.S.; INCLUDE A MOSLEM AND A CATHOLIC

NEW YORK, June 28. (JTA) -- A selected group of nine Israel boy Scouts, including a Moslem and a Catholic, received the greetings of a patrol of New York Scouts upon their arrival here today aboard the S.S. Jerusalem from Haito.

Mutted to make a tour of Scout camps in the United States, and also to participate in the world Scout jamboree in Canada in Aquest, the Israel visitors were met by a New York Scout patrol, Scout officials, and Jewish leaders. At ceremonies on shipboard, the visitors from Israel presented the blue and white flag of Israel to their American greeters; the U.S. Scouts; in turn, gave an American flag to their foreign guests.

Also welcoming the youths were Reuven Dafni, Acting Consul-General of Israel, who greeted them in behalf of his government, and Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council, who bid them welcome in behalf of all the Zionist organizations in the United States. The American Zionist Council is coordinating the Scouts' tour throughout the country in cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America, whose guests they will be in the various encampments.

#### JUDGE ROSENBLATT ELECTED PRESIDENT OF FOUNDATION FOR J N. F.

NEW YORK, June 28. (JTA) -- Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt, Zionist leader, was relected president of the Foundation for the Jewish National Fund of America at a session of the board of directors at the Biltmore Hotel, Dr. Harris J. Levine, president of the Jewish National Fund, announced today. The Foundation is an agency of the JNF which devotes itself to the raising of funds for land development projects in Israel through wills and insurance policies with the Jewish National Fund as the beneficiary.

Judge Rosenblatt announced that, within the last three years since its inception, the Foundation for the Jewish National Fund has raised a potential of \$5,000,000 in wills, bequests and insurance with the JNF as the beneficiary, thus making possible the establishment of a number of land development projects in Israel bearing the names of the donors.

## FORTY JEWS TO LEAVE CHILE FOR PERMANENT SETTLEMENT IN ISRAEL

SANTIAGO, Chile, June 28. (JTA) -- Some 40 more Chilean Jews will leave this week to settle permanently in Israel, bringing the total to leave during the first six months of this year to 100.

About 70 percent of those who will have left by the end of this month are pioneers trained on farms in Chile for their new life in Israel, and the remainder of the immigrants are parents of pioneers who left earlier and have prepared homes for their families. It is estimated that slightly over 200 Jews have left Chile for permanent settlement in Israel since the Jewish State was founded. The total Jewish population of Chile is 30,000.

## MAXIM STERN, WELL-KNOWN JEWISH REVOLUTIONARY LEADER, DEAD

RIO DE JANEIRO, June 28. (JTA) -- Maxim Stern, weil-known Jewish revolutionary lader in Czarist Russia, and vetern of the Jewish Socialist Bund, died here, aged 71, after a prolonged illness.

Mr. Stern, who was also a leader of the ORT, and active in other Jewish organizations, left Russia after the Communist revolution. He resided in Germany until the Nazis came to power, taking an active interest in Jewish affairs. He settled in Brazil after the outbreak of World War II.