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## KNESSET HOLDS LAST SESSION; ENDORSES NEW CABINET; ELECTIONS JULY 26

JERUSALEM, June 30. (JTA) -- The Israel Parliament held its last session today, after endorsing last night the new Cabinet by a 66-32 vote, with three abstentions, thus leaving the General Zionists out of the government. Elections for a new Parliament will be held on July 26.

In closing the session, Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the House, announced the construction of a new building for the Parliament, and expressed hope that the new structure will be inaugurated shortly. At present the Parliament is housed temporarily in a building leased from a private owner.

In presenting his new Cabinet to the Parliament for approval, Premier Moshe Sharett said that the reshuffled government, from which the four General Zionist members are left out, will follow no new program. No new ministers, he said, have been invited into the Cabinet, but the portfolios of the General Zionist members have been distributed among the remaining members of the coalition cabinet which is now composed of the Mapai, Progressives and Mizrahi Laborites.

Mr. Sharett asked the Parliament for a vote of confidence in the new Cabinet, and he received this vote after a three-hour debate. The portfolios of the four ousted General Zionists were distributed by Premier Sharett as follows: Zalman Aranne, Minister Without Portfolio, was given the Ministry of Communications; Moshe Shapiro, who holds the post of Minister of Social Welfare, will also be Minister of Interior; Dov Joseph, Minister of Health, received also the Ministry of Development; and Peretz Naftali, Minister of Trade and Industry, will be also the Minister of Agriculture.

The new Cabinet will thus be a three-party instead of a four-party coalition, and will serve out the term until the July 26 national elections. It includes 12 members of the Mapai party, two Zionist Laborites, and one Progressive Zionist. The purge of the four General Zionists from the Cabinet was precipitated by the fact that they abstained from voting in Parliament on two motions of non-confidence in the government presented separately this week by the Communists and the right-wing Herut deputies.

## U. N. SECRETARY GENERAL SAYS ISRAEL-EGYPTIAN TALKS MUST SUCCEED

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., June 30. (JTA) -- The efforts of Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine, to ease Israel-Egypt tensions along the Gaza frontier through the talks begun at the Gaza border this week must not "end in failure," Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold declared today.

At his first press conference here following the U. N.'s tenth anniversary celebration in San Francisco, the United Nations chief discounted the possibility that Gen. Burns' pacification efforts might have to be transferred to the Security Council because no success has been achieved yet.

"I refuse to believe those talks will end in failure," Mr. Hammarskjold declared. "Success is necessary as a demonstration by the governments." Transfer of the talks to the Security Council is considered by Mr. Hammarskjold as an "alternative" which is "not envisaged at this point because amelioration is forthcoming."

The Secretary-General, for the first time, announced himself flatly in favor of retaining Gen. Burns in his present position. While Gen. Burns' tenure was theoretically to have terminated today, since officially the post became vacant on July 1, 1954, the contract with Burns had actually been signed August 17, according to the Secretary-General. "I still believe in rotation," he said. "But as things stand now, as they are shaping up, I hope we can continue his services."

## Egyptians Fire on Israel Military Plane in Negev Area

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- An Israel military plane flying over Israel territory was fired on today by Egyptian anti-aircraft guns from across the border opposite the Negev area. The plane was not hit.

EBAN APPEALS TO ARABS TO SIDE BY SAN FRANCISCO DECLARATION

LOS ANGELES, June 30. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba S. Eban today drew attention of the Arab countries to the fact that they were among the 60 member nations which, at the San Francisco meeting of the United Nations this week, subscribed the declaration pledging "to live in amity and in friendship with our neighbors."

"I hope that they know what they mean by that declaration," Mr. Eban said at a press conference here. "For the Arab states it would require a modification of their policy, because they have never agreed to live in friendship with the State of Israel. In deep faith, I express the hope that the Arab countries know what the declaration imposes upon them in their relations with Israel. As we look at the international scene, we become aware of the fact that the Arab nations have refused to make direct contact with Israel--with no parallel in the international relations in our time."

The Ambassador then pointed out that "every other dispute has been or is now being submitted to a process of direct settlement." He cited the cases of Italy and Yugoslavia, of the Asian countries which participated in the Korean conflict, of the participants in the Indo-China conflict, and of the London, Paris, and Austrian agreements.

"The principals have always met and tried to reach a settlement," he said. "Only Israel and the Arab states have not met to attempt to reach a settlement by means of direct litigation. We hope the Arab nations will become aware of the unusual policy they have adopted, and realize that any country that refuses to meet for a direct settlement places itself outside the entire stream of contemporary international experience."

Reviewing Israel's economic progress, Ambassador Eban told the press conference: "The main cause for this consolidation is the great assistance by the Government and people of the United States, which has left its imprint upon every aspect of Israel's growing strength. Without the massive infusion of aid from the Government and people of the United States, by grant and by loan, over the past two or three years, we should not have reached the state of stability and security in which we find ourselves now."

70 ISRAELI TECHNICIANS TO STUDY IN U.S. UNDER AMERICAN AID PLAN

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Seventy Israeli technicians, of whom 20 have already left for the United States, are to pursue advanced studies in the United States this year under America's Technical Assistance Program, it was announced here today by the American Embassy.

The studies will include training in latest techniques in the fields of agriculture, forestry, fire-fighting, atomic reactor work, water resources, industry, commerce, health and sanitation, education, housing, mass communications and public administration. The trainees will spend from three months to a year in the United States, receiving advanced technical instruction, some of it in some of the foremost American plants relevant to their studies.

Under the training program, directed here by the United States Operations Mission, 260 trainees have been sent to the United States since 1952. This phase of American aid is financed by a special \$750,000 appropriation by Washington.

EXPLOSION HALTS DRILLING OPERATIONS IN ISRAEL OIL FIELD

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Drilling apparatus used in the oil field at Gan Yavneh was badly damaged, and power lines to the field were disrupted, when natural gas exploded at the works today. It was the second gas explosion in a week. No one was injured.

The management overseeing the drilling operations immediately ordered all work suspended pending a survey of the operations and minute re-examination of all equipment and methods.

ISRAEL'S INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION VALUED AT \$1,000,000,000 A YEAR

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Israeli industry now employs 127,000 workers in manufacturing enterprises which, last year, turned out products valued at \$1,000,000,000, according to Arie L. Shenkar, president of the Israeli Manufacturers Association, who addressed the opening session of the association's annual convention here this morning.

According to the president of the IMA, the value of last year's products manufactured in this country compared with \$800,000,000 worth produced in 1953. Fifty percent of the country's manufactures are exported abroad under barter agreements, he reported. Other speakers at the opening session of the convention included Prime Minister Moshe Sharett, Minister of Finance Levi Eshkol, and Peretz Bernstein, chairman of the General Zionist Party and a noted economist.

Mr. Sharett, in his address, told the manufacturers that the government hopes to have ready for opening soon the Institute for Industrial Management, an organization being developed jointly by the government, the Manufacturers Association, and the United States Operations Mission, which administers American technical assistance here.

### 30,000 JEWS STILL RESIDING IN LVOV; FEW SYNAGOGUES FUNCTIONING

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- There are 30,000 Jews now in Lvov, and there are still a few synagogues there, it was reported here today by Isidore Bandel, of Lvov, one of seven Russian Jews who arrived this morning from the USSR.

The seven included one Jewish emigrant from Kishinev, and five from Kiev. Among the latter was a Mrs. Natalia Fishman, and her 11-year-old son. She was permitted to leave Russia to join her husband, who lives here. Bandel was allowed to emigrate because his wife is in Israel. There was a moving scene when the Bandels were reunited. They had not seen each other for 10 years.

### LAST JEWISH CABINET MEMBER IN WEST GERMANY DROPPED FROM OFFICE

HANOVER, June 30. (JTA) -- The only Jew among the more than 100 Cabinet Ministers and State Secretaries in West Germany, Dr. Walter Auerbach, has been removed as State Secretary in the Ministry of Social Welfare by the new Government of Lower Saxony.

A veteran trade union official, and an authority on social work as well as social insurance, he is a brother of the late Dr. Philip Auerbach, the postwar leader of German Jewry who was hounded to death three years ago. He maintains no ties with the Jewish community, however. Technically speaking, Dr. Walter Auerbach has been suspended with pay.

### NORWAY TO ADMIT MORE "HARD CORE" JEWISH DP'S FROM GERMANY

OSLO, June 30. (JTA) -- The Norwegian Parliament today approved legislation providing for the admission into this country of 78 more chronically ill DP's from Germany, all of them suffering from tuberculosis. Forty-one of those to be admitted are Jews, sponsored by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

In recognition of the work being done on behalf of tubercular DP's, and "in appreciation of this successful experiment," JDC has given \$50,000 to the government's Rehabilitation Center, it was announced after the bill was passed in Parliament by Dr. Galtung Hansen, director of the Center.

At a press conference at which Dr. Hansen announced the JDC gift, Dr. Gerling Steen, chairman of the Norwegian Refugee Council, who is also president of the Norwegian Red Cross, announced that the 78 tubercular DP's whose entry was approved today have already been selected. The first group of these ill refugees will arrive in August, Dr. Steen said. He added that the government has made provisions for admitting still other refugees during 1955-56.

### AUSTRIA CRITICIZED IN COMMONS FOR STALLING ON JEWISH CLAIMS

LONDON, June 30. (JTA) -- Austria was criticized severely in the House of Commons today by Barnett Janner who accused the Austrian government of stalling talks to compensate Jewish victims of Nazism while "every facility is given to those who participated in the Nazi barbarities."

Mr. Janner, a Labor member of Parliament, made his charges against Austria during debate on the third reading of a bill to ratify the Austrian State Treaty. Stressing the importance of providing adequate compensation to victims of Nazism, he complained against the Austrian government's "long delays," pointing out that "the latest reports from Vienna still speak of long delays and unpromising negotiations."

Harold MacMillan, Foreign Minister, replying to Mr. Janner's criticism, declared that the State Treaty has "provided a good set of principles to deal with these problems." Admitting the protracted character of the negotiations on compensation for Nazi victims, the Foreign Minister declared that "now a new start is being made." When the Treaty goes into effect, after all ratifications, Mr. MacMillan said, "I have every desire that the Austrian Government shall carry out the provisions in the Treaty in a fair and honorable manner, and I have every confidence that Austria will do so."

### JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE SETS DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- The Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany re-affirmed today the deadline date of September 15, 1955, for the submission of applications by organizations seeking Conference allocations for the year 1956, for activity in all countries outside Israel. Applications must be submitted in 10 copies.

The Conference pointed out that the applications should contain a detailed description of the activities for which Conference funds are requested. The applications should also include precise budgetary information, and information on other sources of income for the projects in question which may be available to the organization.

The Conference, by the terms of the agreement it concluded with the Federal Republic of Germany, can allocate funds only for those activities that contribute to the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution, in accordance with the urgency of need.

ORT WORLD CONGRESS CONCLUDES; DECIDES TO EXPAND WORK IN NO. AFRICA

GENEVA, June 30. (JTA) -- With decisions to expand the organization's work in North Africa, including Spanish Morocco, and in Iran, the World ORT Union today concluded its world congress celebrating its 75th anniversary.

The executive committee was instructed, in final resolutions, to set up more vocational training centers in North Africa and Iran, and to increase the scope of ORT's program in those areas by expanding school facilities. Another resolution called upon all Jewish communities to increase community ties with ORT facilities, and to provide greater financial help for ORT's work.

U. S. JEWISH CHAPLAINS HOLD FOUR-DAY PARLEY IN GOERING'S HOME

BERCHTESGADEN, June 30. (JTA) -- Fifteen Jewish U.S. Army, Air Force and Navy chaplains from all parts of Europe today concluded a four-day retreat here conducted by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, of New York, chairman of the Jewish Welfare Board's chaplaincy commission and professor of Jewish sociology at Yeshiva University.

The retreat is a period of study and contemplation, in the course of which the chaplains also take counsel about the problems facing them. It took place in the home which Field Marshal Goering built near Berchtesgaden, a town notorious to this day for the persistence among the population of Hitler worship and Nazi ideas.

PRESIDENT EISENHOWER GREET'S AMERICAN MIZRACHI LABORITE CONVENTION

HURLEYVILLE, N. Y., June 30. (JTA) -- President Dwight D. Eisenhower today congratulated Hapoel Hamizrachi "on its hoping to create and support the agricultural and economic and children's institutions necessary for the growth of a democratic life in Israel." In his message to the over 500 delegates attending the opening of the 32nd annual convention of Hapoel Hamizrachi of America at the King David Hotel here, the President also cited the religious laborites for "the devotion of its members to the religious traditions of their faith."

Rabbi Milton Furst, Brooklyn, convention chairman, announced that some of the important issues to be discussed at the convention will be strengthening American Israeli relations, stimulating aliyah from America, problems of absorption of Moroccan immigrants and methods of combatting anti-Zionist propaganda in this country. The vital organizational issues to be decided is the question of merger between Mizrachi and Hapoel Hamizrachi. Instructions to the delegates to the forthcoming World Conference of Mizrachi and Hapoel Hamizrachi in Israel will be given at the convention.

EDUCATORS TO CONDUCT SURVEY ON BIAS IN HISTORY TEXTBOOKS

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- Educators in more than 50 countries outside the Iron Curtain have been enlisted in an international survey of history textbooks, the first of its kind ever undertaken, it was announced yesterday by Dr. Howard E. Wilson, secretary of the Educational Policies Commission of the National Education Association. The survey is sponsored by the World Brotherhood organization which was formed in 1950 to lessen frictions created by national, religious and cultural differences.

"This study seeks to determine how well history textbooks, used in the elementary and secondary schools, are fostering wholesome intergroup relations," Dr. Wilson declared. "It is designed with the aim of ultimately improving the history textbooks used in the classrooms around the world. In scrutinizing and evaluating the content of their textbooks, the participants in the survey are asked to pay particular attention to such matters as the presentation and treatment of different religious, cultural, ethnic, and socio-economic groups in their countries," Dr. Wilson said.

A similar study of school textbooks used in American schools was compiled in 1949 by the American Council on Education under Dr. Wilson's direction. His report was based on an examination of 267 school texts, 49 college manuals and 100 of the most widely read children's library books. The findings of the American survey showed that: 1. Our textbooks fail to cope adequately with problems of group understanding; 2. That this failure has built up a distorted conception of the democratic way of life; 3. That much material essential to understanding of minority problems is not presented to young pupils; and 4. That too many of our textbooks are biased in their treatment of minorities.

The American survey resulted in setting up new guide posts for writing better textbooks used in this country.

DELEGATION OF ISRAELI BOY SCOUTS RECEIVED AT NEW YORK CITY HALL

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- New York's Acting Mayor Abe Stark officially received a delegation of nine Boy Scouts from Israel in his office at City Hall today. The Khaki-clad youths presented to Mr. Stark a volume tracing the 3,000-year history of the City of Jerusalem.

Included in the group were Naeem Hassan Abdullah Mansoor, a 15-year-old Moslem, and Farid Nasri Makhleh, a Nazareth-born Catholic Scout leader. The actual presentation was made by Moshe Ben Jacob, 17 years old, of Jerusalem. The boys range in age from 15 to 17 and most of them are native-born Israelis.