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JEWISH LEADERS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN FRANCO-MOROCCAN PEACE TALKS

CASABLANCA, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Two representatives of Moroccan Jewry were invited by the French Government to participate in the talks between French and Moroccan leaders which started today at Aix-les-Bains for the purpose of putting an end to the bloody disturbances in Morocco, during which Jews were killed and Jewish homes and stores looted and burned by Arab mobs as part of their insurrection against the French administration.

The two Jewish leaders who were summoned to the Aix-les-Bains negotiations are Jacques Dahan, Secretary General of the Council of Jewish Communities of Morocco, and Dr. Leon Ben Zaquen, member of the Casablanca Jewish Community. While they were on their way today to France, other Jewish leaders here were seeking detailed data on the damage suffered by Jews in the riots in Mazagan and Safi, where hundreds of Jewish families had their homes burned by Arab mobs.

A complete picture of the losses of Jewish lives and property in the various towns in Morocco where the riots took place during the last few days is still not available here. However, it is known that while many of the Jewish houses and stores in Mazagan and Safi were stormed, looted and destroyed by fire, no Jew was killed there. In Que Zane seven Jewish stores were looted and burned down.

Casablanca papers today published a statement issued this week by the World Jewish Congress taking note of the assurance given in New York by Moroccan Nationalist leaders that Jews need not fear that in an independent Morocco they will suffer from discrimination in any form, and that "Jewish Moroccans will be citizens equal both in law and in fact with Moslems." The press also published a statement by the Central Moroccan Committee of the World Jewish Congress emphasizing the fact that similar assurances have been issued by a number of Nationalist Party leaders in Morocco.

(In Washington, a delegation of Moroccan Nationalist leaders arrived today from New York to stimulate diplomatic missions of Asian and African countries to appeal on their behalf to the U.S. Government. Representations on behalf of the Moroccans have been made to the State Department by envoys of the Arab League countries).

Demonstration in Israel Demands Rescue of No. African Jews

JERUSALEM, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- A demonstration by immigrants from North Africa before the offices of the Jewish Agency here today demanded the speediest possible immigration of all Jews facing danger in the current tense situation in North Africa. Agency members met with a delegation of the demonstrators and promised to do their utmost to comply with their request.

Prime Minister-designate David Ben Gurion declared that "Despite all obstacles we will bring in Jews from North Africa and then those of the other countries of the Diaspora." He made the statement at a ceremony at Moshav Gilat during which a monument to the Jews of North Africa who fell in the War of Liberation was dedicated.

Mr. Ben Gurion also told the ceremony that the spirit of brotherhood has been manifested in Israel's defense forces in life and in death. He urged the integration of all the "tribes," stressing that so long as they were not united there would be no one people of Israel.

Zionist Actions Committee Opens; Will Discuss No. African Immigration

JERUSALEM, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- The session of the Zionist Actions Committee opened here tonight, in the presence of President Itzhak Ben Zvi, Prime Minister Moshe Sharett, Prime Minister-designate David Ben Gurion, members of the Cabinet, and members of the Jewish Agency.

Principal problems facing the Actions Committee are immigration from North Africa to Israel and Zionist organizational questions. The session will discuss the proposal adopted by the plenum of the Jewish Agency to bring 45,000 immigrants from North Africa and an additional 5,000 from other countries. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Jewish Agency chairman, will again submit a proposal on the organizational structure of the World Zionist Organization.

EGYPTIAN PLANES FLY OVER ISRAEL TERRITORY; NO NEW CLASHES REPORTED

TEL AVIV, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Egyptian planes were observed today flying over Israeli territory near the Gaza strip. Israel authorities made no effort to intercept them, since no further clashes were reported from the Egyptian-Israeli border in the Gaza area. During yesterday's clashes four Israeli soldiers were wounded, it was revealed today.

United Nations officials here said they had received information that Major General E. L. M. Burns, UN truce chief, met this morning in Cairo with Egyptian Deputy Foreign Minister Khairat who assured him that Egypt will man the Gaza frontier with only regular troops from now on.

Use of regulars on the demarcation line is one of Gen. Burns' proposals for relieving tension. The others are a local commanders' agreement, joint Israel-Egyptian patrols, and barbed wire on sections of the frontier. At his meeting in Cairo today, Gen. Burns did not discuss an Egyptian proposal for a demilitarized buffer zone along the frontier. The General also met with Col. Salah Gohar, chief of the Palestine Department of the Egyptian War Ministry, according to information received here by UN truce officials.

BEN GURION REPORTS TO ISRAEL PRESIDENT ON CABINET FORMATION TALKS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Prime Minister-designate David Ben Gurion today called on President Itzhak Ben Zvi to report on the progress of his negotiations for the formation of a Cabinet, after having completed the first round of talks with the parties concerned. Mr. Ben Gurion submitted the program which he presented to the parties, to the President.

The last stage of the first round of consultations took place earlier this morning when Mr. Ben Gurion met with representatives of Agudah and Poale Agudah. The Agudists submitted a number of demands to the Mapai leader. Included in their program was a law against the raising and sale of pigs; a Sabbath law--which would not permit the Ministry of Labor to permit Saturday work at its own discretion, as it now does; the maintenance of religious influence in the colonization of new immigrants--particularly those arriving from North Africa; and measures which would "not destroy the middle class."

Mr. Ben Gurion promised to consider the demands. At the same time he expressed a strong desire to complete all negotiations by the week-end. The second round of negotiations for the formation of a Government will open tomorrow.

ENGINE FAILURE CAUSES CRASH OF ISRAELI PLANE; TEST PILOT KILLED

TEL AVIV, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- An Israeli plane crashed near Lydda airport during a test flight and the test pilot, Aryeh Ostrov, was killed. Cause of the crash, according to reports here, was engine failure. Ostrov warned the Lydda control tower of the engine failure and said he was going to bail out of the stricken plane.

A few seconds after his message, however, the plane crossed the main runway at Lydda at an altitude of several hundred feet and finally crashed about two miles from the airport. Farm workers who witnessed the crash said that Ostrov signalled them just before the plane hit the earth to run away and take shelter.

AMERICAN THEOLOGY STUDENTS RELEASED IN SYRIA; WERE MISTAKEN FOR JEWS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- State Department sources said today four American theology students who were detained by Syrian troops were reported freed in Damascus. The Arabs released the Americans when it was discovered they were American Christians of German descent and not Jews.

The four were identified as naturalized Americans born in Canada of German extraction. It is expected that a member of the United Nations truce team will drive the car the Americans left behind in Israel to Damascus so that the group can continue its tour.

TURKEY DETAINS SIX ISRAELI FISHERMEN; RELEASES THEM ON BAIL

ISTANBUL, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Six Israeli fishermen who were arrested at Iskenderun (Alexandretta) two weeks ago for alleged illegal fishing in Turkish waters were released on bail here, following their initial hearing on the charge. The incident occurred when two Israel fishing vessels were intercepted by Turkish coast guards. The Turks ordered both vessels to stop. One of them hurried away, but the other was stopped and the six sailors aboard were taken into custody.

Meanwhile, 24 students of the Hebrew University's Faculty of Geography arrived here for a ten-day tour of the country, arranged by the Turkish Federation of University Students. The arrival of the students marked the first cultural interchange between the two countries in many months.

LEBANON RELEASES THREE ABDUCTED ISRAELIS; WERE HELD SINCE APRIL

JERUSALEM, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Three young Israelis from Kibbutz Gonen in Upper Galilee, who were abducted by Lebanese soldiers on the Lebanese border while on a hiking trip last April, have been released. Their release today followed intervention by the Israel Foreign Ministry and Maj. Gen. E. L. M. Burns, chief of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization in Palestine.

EISENHOWER OUTLINES BASIC PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JORDAN WATERS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- The proposals involved in the American plan for the development of the Jordan River valley which Ambassador Eric Johnston is now carrying with him to Israel and the Arab countries were outlined by President Eisenhower in a report to Congress on the U.S. activities at the United Nations released by the State Department yesterday. Mr. Johnston, who is President Eisenhower's special envoy for the Middle East, left the United States last Friday and is expected to arrive in Jordan at the end of this week, following a short stop-over in Europe.

During his three-week visit in the Middle East, Ambassador Johnston will confer with the governments of Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Israel on the American regional development plan for the Jordan waters. He will be assisted by a number of officials of the State Department. His proposals, according to President Eisenhower, involve acceptance by the Arabs and by Israel of the following principles:

1. The limited waters of the Jordan River system should be shared equitably by the four states in which they rise and flow.
2. A neutral, impartial authority should be created to supervise withdrawals of water from the river system in accordance with the division ultimately accepted by all parties.
3. Amelioration of the condition of the Arab refugees in the Palestine area should be a principal objective of the irrigation program for the Jordan Valley.
4. Broad lines of understanding on the total program should be reached at the earliest possible time, not only in the interest of the refugees but in the interests of economic progress and stability in the area.
5. Storage of irrigation waters for the lower Jordan Valley in Lake Tiberias (the Sea of Galilee) should be considered by the parties when the necessity is indicated for using the lake as a principal reservoir.

In his report to Congress, President Eisenhower emphasized that the plan for regional development and full utilization of the waters of the Jordan River and its tributaries was originally prepared for the U. N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees by the Tennessee Valley Authority, together with proposals from an Arab technical committee and from Israel. "As a result of cordial discussions, Ambassador Johnston was able to report that the governments directly concerned had accepted the principle of international sharing of the hitherto contested waters of the Jordan River and were prepared to cooperate with the United States in working out details of a mutually acceptable program for developing the irrigation and power potentials of the river system," the President indicated.

President Eisenhower also pointed out in his report that the development of the Jordan Valley is considered by the U. S. Government as part of a program for developing large-scale rehabilitation and resettlement of the Palestine Arab refugees, who are now being aided by the UN Relief and Works Agency. He revealed that preliminary work progressed in connection with the proposed developments in the Jordan-Yarmuk Basin and on the Sinai Peninsula.

"Surveys on both these large projects were pushed to completion, and many problems standing in the way of their fulfillment were, if not completely solved, at least more clearly defined and placed on the road to eventual solution," the President reported. He expressed hope that the efforts of Ambassador Johnston with regard to developing the Jordan waters would soon culminate in an agreement on the part of the countries involved.

GERMAN NEO-NAZI PAPER SAYS "ONLY" 365,000 JEWS WERE KILLED BY NAZIS

FRANKFURT, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Under the heading "The Lie of the Six Million Killed Jews," the Wiesbaden neo-Nazi monthly "Die Europaische Nationale" arrives at the conclusion, after a sleight-of-hand computation job based on juggled figures, that "only" 365,000 Jews were killed during the Nazi regime.

"Die Europaische Nationale" is the organ of the "German Social Movement," a branch of the fascist international. Editor and publisher is Karl Heinz Priester, a neo-Nazi organizer.

ANCIENT SYNAGOGUE IN TURKEY DESTROYED BY FIRE; TORAHS PERISHED

ISTANBUL, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- One of the oldest synagogues in Turkey was completely destroyed by fire, it was reported here today. The structure was located in the small town of Mustafakemalpasha. All torahs and religious articles were destroyed in the blaze, together with a seminary located in the synagogue and eight other buildings.

JEWISH CEMETERY DESECRATED IN GERMAN TOWN; FIVE YOUTHS APPREHENDED

MUNICH, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- The police at Lisberg, near Bamberg in Northern Bavaria, have apprehended five children who recently desecrated the local Jewish cemetery. Since the youthful perpetrators are under-age, no prosecution will be initiated, although German law would permit the parents to be called to account.

ASSOCIATION OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL CONDEMNS REBIRTH OF KU KLUX KLAN

COLUMBIA, S. C., Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Rebirth of the Ku Klux Klan in any form was condemned yesterday by the Southern Association of Attorneys General, following a Klan meeting in Horry County, S. C., which had been the scene of floggings by night raiders until a number of Klansmen were sent to jail three years ago.

The Klan meeting heard E. L. Edwards, of Atlanta, Ga., say that the Klan had to become stronger in order to fight various "evils" threatening white supremacy--among them the activities of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League.

The anti-Klan statement was endorsed by ten of the fourteen members of the attorneys general's group, according to T. C. Callison, attorney general of South Carolina and chairman of the organization. He said replies were expected from the other four later this week. The resolution originated with John Ben Butler, attorney general of Texas.

SOUTHERN DEMOCRATS OPPOSE RE-NOMINATION OF SOBELOFF AS FEDERAL JUDGE

NEW YORK, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower faces renewed opposition from Southern Democratic Senators if he again appoints Solicitor General Simon Sobeloff as a federal judge, the New York Post reported today from Washington.

The President appointed Sobeloff before Congress adjourned, but Sens. Eastland (D. Miss.) and Johnston (D-S. C.) were able to block action by the Judiciary Committee and the nomination died. The Southerners object to Sobeloff on the ground that he advocated desegregating the public schools.

ATLANTA JEWISH COUNCIL JOINS N. C. R. A. C. ; IS 34TH COMMUNITY MEMBER

NEW YORK, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- The Atlanta Jewish Community has become the 34th community agency member of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, it was announced today by Bernard H. Trager, NCRAC chairman.

In Atlanta, Barney Medintz, president of the Jewish Community Council, said: "We are glad to join the 33 other local communities and the six national agencies associated in this cooperative endeavor to promote good community relations. Ours is the joint task, along with others, of helping to strengthen the forces for democracy in our land. We must help build understanding among all groups and work together for the fulfillment of our free way of life."

WISCONSIN TERCENTENARY COMMITTEE REORGANIZED AS PERMANENT GROUP

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- The Wisconsin Jewish Tercentenary Committee has voted to continue as a permanent organization under the name, Wisconsin Society for Jewish Learning. The Society will continue to foster the chair at the university, its work with the Wisconsin Jewish Archives and the research and history project about the Jews in the state of Wisconsin.

The group, along with the Milwaukee chapter of the American Jewish Committee, last year founded the chair of Hebrew studies at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. The first accredited course in Hebrew will be offered this fall by the new department under the leadership of Professor Monsoor whose appointment has just been announced by the U. of W. Board of Regents.

JOSEPH MILBAUER, WELL-KNOWN JEWISH POET, ARRIVES IN UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- Joseph Milbauer, well-known poet and for the past 11 years director of the department for French publications of the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem, arrived in the United States on a visit. Mr. Milbauer recently toured North Africa in behalf of Keren Hayesod, the Palestine Foundation Fund.

Mr. Milbauer was born in Poland and lived in Paris for many years, where he published seven volumes of his own poetry in French and an anthology of famous Jewish poets whose works he translated into that language. For 13 years he edited the French-Jewish weekly, L'Univers. He was imprisoned by the Nazis during World War II but escaped. He settled in Israel in 1944.

ZIONIST CONVENTION IN BRAZIL BREAKS UP OVER FACTIONAL DISPUTE

RIO DE JANEIRO, Aug. 23. (JTA) -- A sharp dispute between the Poale-Zion-Hitachd and General Zionist factions of the United Zionist Organization of Brazil has broken up the national convention of the Zionist group, which was in progress here this week. Some 150 delegates from all parts of Brazil had come here for the parley, about one-third of them members of the Poale Zion group. The General Zionists were the second largest faction here.

The two opposing factions had clashed at last year's convention over the question of the organization of the Jewish schools in this country. This year, their dispute was sharpened when the General Zionists proposed that the United Israel campaign here be separated organizationally from the United Zionist Organization. The Poale Zion group opposed this move, as did all of the other smaller parties represented here. The actual break-up of the convention came after a 12-hour debate at a plenary session, which lasted through the night.