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HOUSE APPROVES \$3, 516, 667 FOR DISTRIBUTION TO ISRAELI INSTITUTIONS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The House of Representatives today approved overwhelmingly an appropriation bill releasing in Israel currency the sum equivalent to \$3, 516, 667 for distribution to many Israeli organizations and institutions. The money is an accumulation of Israeli pounds paid in to the United States embassy in Tel Aviv for the purchase of books, magazines and other cultural and educational materials from the United States for the past five years.

Under the leadership of Rep. John Rooney (Dem. -Brooklyn) the House beat down two attempts to drop the item from an appropriations bill by votes of 111-82 and 145-75. Congressman Rooney heads the Appropriations Subcommittee which looked into the proposal. Mr. Rooney was prepared for opposition from certain House members and made a strong case for the item. He was vigorously supported by the House Majority Leader, John W. McCormack of Boston, who told the House that the proposal would enable the U.S. Government to fulfill a commitment made by the Department of State early last year.

The Majority Leader told the House the funds would be used for the benefits of orphans and other underprivileged Israelis, for the establishment of a law library and many other purposes that would strengthen Israel as a stronghold of democracy. A small staff of three U.S. employees in Jerusalem will supervise the program for the American embassy. These three will work out detailed terms of the grants and assure proper use of the funds. For this administrative task, \$8, 333 is appropriated.

U. N. TRUCE CHIEF REPORTS DISAGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL; ISRAEL OBJECTS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Col. Byron Leary, acting chief of staff of the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organization, has reported to Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold that Israel has refused his request to establish a UN observation post at the new bridge spanning the neck of Lake Huleh on the Israel-Syrian frontier and has so far ignored his request to place a permanent UN mission at Mishmar Hayarden, a settlement on the Jordan River under recent attack from Syria.

Col. Leary obviously disagrees with Israel's position. His report, made at least a week ago, was circulated today by the Secretary General as a supplement to the report to the UN Security Council on June 27 during the debate on Syria's complaint over the building of the Huleh bridge.

The Israeli delegation, which was consulted on today's report before it was circulated today, was understood to have objected to it and was believed to have advised Mr. Hammarskjold not to issue it because of its on-sidedness.

Col. Leary reported that Israel stated that there was no need for an observation post near the Huleh bridge "since this area is visited twice a day by UN military observers." Col. Leary remarked: "It is apparent that the position of the Israeli Government in this matter is closely linked to her claims of sovereignty over the demilitarized zone." He recalled his previous report in which he discussed what he considered the right of the UNTSO to travel freely and to investigate fully without permission from Israel.

Syrians Attack Israeli Patrols in Lake Huleh Area

TEL AVIV, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The relatively quiet Syrian border, watched by United Nations observers at posts on the Israeli side, was today the scene of two Syrian gunfire attacks. No casualties were reported.

The Syrians opened heavy fire at noon on an Israeli patrol east of Lake Huleh near the Ashurah bridge and the Israelis returned the fire. Later in the day, a police unit was under Syrian gunfire for more than an hour while on a Lake Huleh patrol.

Israeli sources previously had reported that steps to prevent incursions by Syrian peasants in the Tel Azaziat area were taken after an initial test of the actions, the nature of which was not disclosed, had proved effective in another part of the area.

These sources said that Syrian soldiers had been observed encouraging the peasants to go into Israeli territory where they pick melons and vegetables. The UN posts have proved unhelpful because the observers cannot compel the Syrians to halt incursions.

ISRAEL COURT REJECTS PLEA TO RELEASE UNDERGROUND LEADER ON BAIL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The Tel Aviv District Court today rejected an appeal for release on bail of Yaacov Herouti, member of an underground group which was charged with plotting to bomb the Russian Embassy in Tel Aviv. The court said Mr. Herouti's release might constitute a danger "to the public and the State."

Dr. N. Barzakkai, court president, in rejecting the plea, declared he was accepting the statement of Israel's intelligence service chief, who testified for two days against the appeal. The intelligence chief, whose name was withheld, asserted that the underground group, "Sarafand," hoped to provoke Russian military intervention and American counter-intervention by the proposed bombing.

Mr. Herouti is awaiting trial on charges of complicity in the assassination last April of Dr. Rudolf Kastner, who had been the central figure in a hotly-debated charge of collaborating with the Nazis in Hungary. Mr. Herouti also was charged with distribution of a pamphlet containing an allegedly slanderous attack on the Jerusalem judge who presided in a trial involving the collaboration charges against Dr. Kastner.

Dr. Barzakkai, in denying the release on bail plea, said he could not ignore the possibility that Mr. Herouti, if released, might influence potential witnesses in his trial. The judge also noted the intelligence chief had testified that Mr. Herouti might carry out sabotage and other acts of violence, on order of the underground, even while awaiting trial. Mr. Herouti's attorney said he would appeal to a higher court.

ISRAEL AND GHANA TO DISCUSS JOINT EXPLOITATION OF DIAMOND DEPOSITS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The possibility of a joint exploitation of Ghana's diamond deposits by Israel is expected to be one of the principal subjects to be discussed here during the visit of a five-member delegation from the new African nation, which arrived today.

The possibility hinged on the fact that Ghana's raw diamond deposits are outside the international diamond syndicate framework and on the availability of facilities for diamond polishing in Israel. Another joint venture reported likely for discussion is a new shipping company with 51 percent Ghana and 49 percent Israeli ownership.

Delegation members also planned to visit various industries and agricultural settlements in search of projects which Israel might help to establish in Ghana which, as one of the world's largest sources of timber for plywood, wants plywood and insulating board factories. Ghana is also interested in establishing modern poultry farms similar to those in Israeli settlements. The new nation also needs geologists to search for mineral wealth and contractors to build major development projects.

ISRAEL AND RUMANIA TO START NEGOTIATIONS ON TRADE EXPANSION

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Negotiations to expand Israeli-Rumanian trade are expected to begin next month in a generally improved atmosphere of relations between the two countries, it was reliably reported today.

The talks are expected to result in an increase both of types of commodities traded and the present level of about \$2,500,000 annually in barter trade. Observers also expressed the hope that the trade talks would bring a further improvement in Israeli-Rumanian relations which currently reflect the general liberalization in that satellite.

Some observers here said that Rumania's attitude toward Israel started to improve after the recent ousting of the Jewish Communist leader Kishinevski from the Political Bureau of the Rumanian Communist Party. The full text of the deliberations leading to the ouster showed that Kishinevski had been accused of maintaining contacts with Anna Pauker, the Jewish former Foreign Minister of Rumania.

UNEMPLOYMENT RISING IN BEERSHEBA AREA; WORK PROJECT PLANNED

TEL AVIV, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Unemployment in Southern Israel, particularly in the Beersheba area, has jumped following completion of a major part of a project designed to lower costs of transportation of fuel from the area to the Haifa refineries. Several hundred workers were discharged.

Work on another part of the project, scheduled to speed fuel transportation from Ashdot Yam to Haifa, is scheduled to begin shortly, it was reported here today.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY CHAPEL OPENED; IS TRIBUTE TO DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- A chapel for Hebrew University students built in honor of Dr. Israel Goldstein, American Jewish leader, was opened here today. The chapel project was inaugurated in connection with Dr. Goldstein's 60th birthday. Among those attending the ceremonies were President Ben Zvi and members of the Israel Cabinet.

EISENHOWER EXPLAINS SIGNIFICANCE OF U.S. AID TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower underscored at his weekly news conference today the significance of the foreign aid program now pending in Congress. He said the welfare of the nation was deeply involved in the foreign aid measure and that it would prove a profitable long term investment in terms of the national security and the use of both public and private loan funds to ensure the freedom of participating countries.

In response to a question on immigration, he said he strongly supported bills to provide asylum for refugees from communism and other extremist ideologies. He called attention to his message to Congress last January urging action on immigration laws "to make them more representative of the humanitarian feelings of the American people." He noted that numerous Hungarian refugees were admitted this year and hold parole status as residents of the United States.

ANTI-SEMITISM REPORTED GAINING GROUND IN RUSSIA; KHRUSCHEV IS BLAMED

LONDON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, attributed to the Stalin regime, is now again raising its ugly head in Russia under Nikita Khrushchev, chief of the Communist Party, according to a report issued here by the Congress for Cultural Freedom.

The report says that the anti-Jewish insinuations made publicly by Khrushchev on various occasions since his coming to power in Moscow have stimulated the emergence of anti-Semitism among Communist officials. It emphasizes that Jews in the USSR, who watched with a feeling of relief the denunciation by Khrushchev of the "Doctors' Plot" which was aimed primarily against Jews, are now again perturbed following the anti-Jewish remarks made by Khrushchev.

The report reveals that the number of Jews in government service in the Soviet Union is constantly declining. No Jew can now be found in the Soviet diplomatic service, the report asserts.

HUNGARIAN JEWS IN U.S. MAY RECLAIM HOMES NATIONALIZED IN HUNGARY

NEW YORK, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Former Hungarians now living in the United States may reclaim homes and apartments nationalized by the Hungarian Government in 1950 and 1952, it was announced here today. The World Jewish Congress in New York has been informed that recently promulgated laws permit the return of nationalized dwellings up to six rooms.

According to the terms of the law, persons considered by Hungary as capitalists or who left the country illegally do not qualify. Applications for denationalization must be submitted by August 31, 1957, directly to the civic authorities in the town or district where the property is located.

The WJC office here also issued today a full translation of the new West German Federal Restitution Law, effective as of July 19, 1957. The \$360,000,000 law lays down the procedure by which victims of Nazism may file claims for homes, property and other holdings seized by the Nazis. The Bonn Government hopes to pay all accepted claims by the end of 1961. Thousands of claims will be made by Nazi victims now living in the United States.

A number of successor organizations are recognized and named by the law as having authority to file claims for heirless property. They include the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization whose headquarters are in New York, and the Jewish Trust Corporation for Germany which operated in the German area formerly occupied by the British.

TURKISH RADIO ASKED TO END PRACTICE OF POKING FUN OF JEWS

ISTANBUL, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- An appeal to the state-controlled radio network to end the practice of making Jews and other minorities in Turkey the butt of jokes in plays and other programs was published today in the newspaper "Gece Postasi." The newspaper charged that the programs were of low quality and "hurt the feelings" of national groups.

Comedians on the Turkish radio have had a field day with "Jewish accented" dialogue in Turkish. One popular comedian has built up a national reputation for a character known as "Salamon," who is portrayed as stingy and cowardly.

SWISS PAPER CONFIRMS REPORT ON EXPECTED GERMAN-ISRAEL RECOGNITION

GENEVA, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- "Journal de Geneve," a leading Swiss daily newspaper, today confirmed a report from Jerusalem that West Germany will extend diplomatic recognition to Israel despite Arab pressure and protest. The paper said that the German-Israel diplomatic relations will be established in November.

West German observers here said the missions to be exchanged would be a Charge d'Affaires level to eliminate "certain unpleasant protocol formalities," such as playing the German national anthem, "Deutschland Ueber Alles," at accreditation ceremonies.

J. D. C. AIDED 183,000 JEWS IN 1956; 14,000 FROM HUNGARY AND EGYPT

NEW YORK, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee provided in 1956 assistance to 183,075 needy Jews in Israel, Europe and the Moslem world, including thousands of refugees from totalitarianism and terror, it was reported today by the J. D. C. headquarters. More than 100,000 were Jews in the Moslem world, where one of every five Jews continued to receive JDC's help. These included Algeria, Iran, Morocco and Tunisia.

"In 1956, JDC not only had to continue its 'normal' program in 25 countries, but it also had to provide emergency aid to some 14,400 new refugees from Hungary and Egypt who arrived in Austria, France and Italy during November and December," Moses A. Leavitt, JDC executive vice-chairman stated. He indicated that 1956 activities called for appropriations of more than \$30,000,000. Funds for JDC's overseas relief, rescue and reconstruction programs are provided chiefly by American Jews through the nationwide campaigns of the United Jewish Appeal.

The report, prepared by the research department of the organization under the direction of Dr. Boris Sapir, also indicates the continued assistance provided by Malben, the JDC welfare program on behalf of aged, ill and handicapped newcomers to Israel. In 1956 the program aided 16,686 men, women and children in a network of old-age homes, hospitals, sanitarium, sheltered workshops and other institutions throughout the Jewish state, as well as through more than 780 reconstruction loans. Among those receiving aid were more than 8,800 receiving institutional care and 580 who were employed in sheltered workshops.

A total of 34,160 persons received aid in Israel, the report says, including more than 12,000 who were assisted through JDC's cultural and religious programs, and 5,467 who received vocational training in workshops of ORT. In all, JDC help provided vocational training through ORT to nearly 21,000 in a dozen countries. Other assistance included the distribution of U.S. Department of Agriculture surplus foods to 85,210 men, women and children. The distribution included a total of 4,779,675 pounds, valued at approximately \$915,114.

REVISIONISTS EXPELLED FROM SOUTH AFRICAN ZIONIST FEDERATIONS

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The South African Zionist Federation today announced expulsion of the Revisionist party for rejecting a compromise proposal in a fund-raising dispute and for proceeding with plans to operate its own fund campaign.

The Federation said the decision was made at a meeting of the South African Zionist Council and urged South African Jewry to reject support of the Revisionist campaign. The Revisionists meanwhile announced that Menachem Beigin and Chaim Landau, leaders of the right-wing Herut party in Israel, would arrive here August 11 to launch the campaign.

The expulsion had been forecast by I. Dunsky, Federation chairman, who said the Revisionist stand had left the Federation no alternative. Mr. Dunsky had described the Revisionist decision as a breach of fund-raising agreements which made the Israeli United Appeal the only Zionist fund campaign, alternating biennially with the United Communal Fund campaign for domestic Jewish institutions. He called the Revisionist decision "a grave disservice to South African Jewry."

WEEK-LONG WORLD JEWISH IDEOLOGICAL PARLEY OPENS IN JERUSALEM TODAY

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Thirty-five leaders of Jewish thought and culture from the United States, Canada, South America and Europe and forty from Israel will take part in a Jewish ideological conference to open at Jerusalem University campus tomorrow, Zalman Shazar, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, announced today.

The Americans comprise the largest delegation and will furnish about one-third of the foreign visitors. Professors Mordecai Kaplan, Salo Baron, Oscar Handlin and Marie Syrkin are included among the delegates. Premier David Ben Gurion, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Moshe Sharett and Abba Eban will address the week-long conference.

Mr. Shazar stated that four subjects will be discussed at the gathering: 1. Jewry in the struggle between East and West; 2. The Jewish people's relationship to Israel; 3. Free Jewish communities and the assimilation question; 4. The Jewish individual's duty to his community.

YOUNG ISRAEL ESTABLISHES NEW TRADE SCHOOL FOR 100 GIRLS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The National Council of Young Israel announced today the establishment of the Young Israel Home and Trade School in Jerusalem. The school, which will train about 100 girls in an atmosphere of traditional Judaism, is the first of such projects planned for Israel, Moses H. Hoenig, president, said.