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ZHUKOV TO VISIT SYRIA; ISRAEL STRESSES SOVIET SUPPLY OF ARMS TO SYRIA

TEL AVIV, Aug. II. (JTA) -- Marshal Georgi K, Zhukov, Soviet defense chief, will soon visit Syria, it was reported here today. It is understood that Syrian Defense Minister Khaled el-Azm had, during his recent visit in Moscow, negotiated with Marshal Zhukov an agreement to bring a top-ranking Soviet military team to Syria to help modernize the Syrian army.

In connection with Zhukov's impending visit to Syria, a spokesman of the Israeli Foreign Office today said that Syria has received \$120,000,000 worth of Soviet arms up to the end of July, and that these arms were given by Moscow to Syria at prices one-third less than the world market prices.

(The New York Times today reported from Cairo that "the Soviet drive to build up the armies of Egypt, Syria and Yemen was viewed by diplomats in the Middle East as a concerted effort to establish a powerful friendly force at the back door of the West's northern tier defenses. The Soviet Union is reported to be supplying some of the latest model MIG-19 jet fighter planes to Egypt and Syria and is sending two submarines to the Syrians as a Mediterranean supplement to the three already delivered to Egypt, "the Times reports said,"

The Israeli spokesman revealed that in 1955 the Israel Government extended an invitation to two top-ranking Soviet leaders. Dmitri Shepilov, the since-deposed Soviet Foreign Minister, and Anastasi Mikoyan, Soviet Deputy Premier. The two declined the invitation with the excuse they could not fit such a trip into their schedules.

The Israeli spokesman said that U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles was "very sympathetic and understanding" when Israel Ambassador Abba Eban brought to his attention the question of Soviet arms being supplied to Syria. He said that Israel has no confirmation as yet of the report that Syria has obtained two submarines from Russia. However, he warned that an accumulation of arms has a tendency to culminate in disturbance of peace. At the same time he made it clear that Israel does not think there is immediate danger of a "blowup," because time is required by Syria to learn to use the newly supplied Soviet arms.

U.S. AND ISRAEL EXCHANGE OPINIONS; EBAN LEAVES FOR JERUSALEM TALKS

WASHINGTON, Aug. II. (JTA) -- Neither the United States nor Israel seem to anticipate any unusual achievement in moving towards a settlement of the Arab-Israel dispute, it was indicated here today following a number of talks held during the last few days between high State Department officials and Israel Ambassador Abba Eban.

Ambassador Eban, who is scheduled to fly tomorrow to Jerusalem for consultations with the top leaders of the Israel Government prior to the opening of the United Nations General Assembly session next month, met during the last few days separately with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, Assistant Secretary of State on Near Eastern Affairs William A. Rountree, and Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs Francis Wilcox. These meetings served to make clear the Israel Government's views on Near Eastern developments and the interpretation of these trends and events by the U.S. Government.

In the talks at the State Department mention was made of the activities of the Arab boycott committee and its effective pressure on Shell and British petroleum companies in compelling them to withdraw from marketing activities in Israel. It was understood that Mr. Eban elaborated on Prime Minister David Ben Gurion's comment that it would be wise to expect neither Arab-Israel war nor peace in the wake of the relative tranquility that now prevails.

It was assumed that Mr. Eban drew the attention of the State Department officials to the influx of arms in both the pro-Western and anti-Western Arab countries. Ambassador Eban has long taken the position that emphasis should be shifted by the West from the extension of large scale military to the pro-Western Arab states to assistance which would make for solution of economic, social and political problems

EISENHOWER NAMES KLUTZNICK AS MEMBER OF U.S. DELEGATION TO U.N.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Philip M. Klutznick, president of B'nai B'rith, was named by President Eisenhower this week-end as one of ten Americans to represent the United States at the forthcoming United Nations General Assembly session which opens next month. Mr. Klutznick will be the only Jewish member of the delevation.

BEN GURION LAUDS U.S. JEWRY: HOPES FOR JEWISH EMIGRATION FROM RUSSIA

JERUSALEM, Aug. II. (JTA) -- The State of Israel, "to safeguard its security, requires the addition of at least two million more Jews" in the immediate future, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion today told delegates to the International Jewish Ideological Conference taking place at the Hebrew University.

"The decisive political problem of Israel is the problem of security and the solution of this problem does not lie in the organization of a first-class army," he said. "The survival and peace of the State of Israel will be safeguarded by one thing and one Thing alone -- large-scale immigration."

He called the catting-off of one-third of European Jewry by the Bolshevik Revolution and the extermination of most of the remaining two-thirds by Nazism "two appalling disasters," He contrasted these tragedies with the "second change, the beneficial one of the growth of the great Jewish center in the United States from one million to five million," He said the development of American Jewry was more than a gain of quantitative growth because "this Jewry became in our day the political, material and cultural metropolis of Disaporal Jewry,"

"Although the ideology of assimilation struck no roots in American Jewry, assimilation in practice has been growing constantly," he stated. He refrained from any critical comment on this point. After referring to the "growing division" of the Jewish people, the Premier said that "the State of Israel has become the central pillar on which the unity of Diaspora Jewry rests."

If the Soviet Government would permit emigration, at least half of Russia's Jews would come to Israel, Mr. Ben Gurion declared. He added that entire Jewish people "must prepare for this possibility." Asserting he had greater hopes of large scale immigration from Russia than from the United States, he said: "The Jewish problem in Russia is becoming more than troublesome even from the Russian viewpoint and it is not impossible that ultimately, perhaps in the next few years, the Russians may arrive at the only real solution: Opening the gates for Aliyah to Israel."

"Had it not been for the rise of Israel," he said, "Soviet Jewry would have been sooner or later condemned to disappear in the Jewish sense," He added that anti-Semitism, although legally forbidden in the Soviet Union, has neither ceased nor weakened. This fact, no less than the existence of Israel, encourages and strengthens Jewish feelings among Russian Jews, he asserted.

U.S. JEWISH LEADERS HONOR ISRAEL CONSUL GENERAL; RETURNS HOME

NEW YORK, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Leaders in all walks of Jewish life honored Israel Consul General Zemach Hyman here this week-end in connection with his return to Israel. Mr. Hyman is scheduled to leave his post in this country on August 22nd.

The Israel Cabinet today approved the appointment of Simha Pratt as Consul General in New York. Mr. Pratt, who served as Israel Consul in Chicago until recently, was originally scheduled for the post of Councellor in the Israel Embassy in Moscow. However because the Foreign Ministry could not find any suitable candidate to replace Mr. Hyman, it was decided to assign Mr. Pratt to the New York post.

At a farewell reception given in Mr. Hyman's honor at the Israeli Consulate, leaders of all major Jewish organizations paid tribute to the role which he played in linking the American Jewish community with the people of Israel. Present at the reception were all the top leaders of the various Zionist groups and institutions in this country, as well as leaders of the American Jewish Committee, the United Jewish Appeal, the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare funds and other non-Zionist bodies.

TEL AVIV ORTHODOX JEWS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST SABBATH BUS TRANSIT

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TEL AVIV, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Orthodox Jews demonstrated here yesterday against Sabbath bus transit. However, the demonstrators, gathering to halt bus travel, discovered that a last minute decision had halted all bus transit until the Sabbath was over. The demonstrators thereupon vented their emotions against passing private cars, stoning every automobile, and clashed with police trying to clear the roads. A number of the rioters were injured.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ASKS GOVERNMENTS TO PERMIT EMIGRATION GENEVA, Aug. 11. (1TA) -- A resolution calling on all governments to assist in the re-union of separated families by permitting emigration of relatives -- an issue of basic importance to Israel -- was adopted unanimously today at the Sixth International Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations on Migration currently meeting here.

The resolution addressed an "urgent appeal to the governments concerned," asking them to assist in the "reconstitution of such families in the country of their choice, thus removing a cause of many tragic situations."

The delegates heard a sharp criticism of the failure of the Rumanian Government to permit emigration in the interests of such family re-unions. Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig of the World Jewish Congress told the delegates that "thousands of Jews are vainly seeking permission to leave Rumania and join close relatives abroad." He said the Rumanian Government had halted all emigration "from political motives alone."

(In Tel Aviv, a demand that the Rumanian Government permit re-union of families by allowing emigration to Israel was presented today 1/2 a delegation of Rumanian Jews to Dr. Petro Manu, the new Rumanian Minister to Israel. Dr. Manu promised to transmit the request to his covernment.)

Tribute was paid at the conference to the International Red Cross for its management of the International Tracing Service at Arolsen. In his praise, Dr. Lev Zelmanowitz, executive director of the World Union of OSE, stressed the importance of the tracing service to migrants who are claimants for West German compensation benefits.

He urged all voluntary organizations to turn over to the tracing service all relevant documentation of the war and postwar years, commenting there was no point in withholding such material as "show pieces" for archives when victims of war and Nazi persecution might urgently need evidence they contained.

RUMANIAN DELEGATION IN U.S. EVASIVE ON PERMITTING JEWISH EMIGRATION

NEW YORK, Aug. II. (JTA) -- The Rumanian Legation in Washington is giving evasive replies to Jewish organizations appealing to the Rumanian Government to permit emigration of Jews from the country, it was revealed here today by the Jewish Labor Committee.

The JLC said that a delegation of its leaders, headed by Adolph Held, national chairman, and Nathan Chanin, chairman of the administrative committee, visited the Rumanian Legation and appealed for the re-establishment of free emigration from Rumania by Jews desiring to leave the country.

The delegation met with Josif Dolezal, First Secretary of the Rumanian Legation who was reminded that five years ago, without warning, emigration from Rumanian territory by Jews going to Israel and other nations was abruptly stopped by Rumanian authorities, causing many families to lose links with those family members of the family who had already emigrated,

The delegation informed Mr. Dolexal that, today, five years after the suspension of permissible emigration, many thousands of Rumanian families have their closest relatives in Israel, for example, with no apparent chance of joining them in the near future. Appealing to the Rumanian Government on humanitarian grounds, the JLC delegation pointed out that Poiand was permitting Jewish emigration.

NAZI PHYSICIAN WHO USED JEWISH WOMEN AS GUINEA PIGS DIES IN GERMANY

KIEL, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- "Professor" Carl Clauberg, Nazi medical fiend who performed painful sterilization experiments on thousands of Jewish women immates at Auschwitz concentration camp, died of a stroke Friday in a local hospital here without having faced trial for his crimes.

Originally a small town gynecologist, he prevailed upon S. S. Chief Heinrich Himmler to put Jewish women at his disposal as guinea pigs for mass testing of quick-acting methods of sterilization suitable for application by Nazi Germany to all women of "hostile nations." He was arrested in November 1955 when, following his release from a Soviet prisoner-of-war camp, he sought publicity with boasts about the "scientific merit" of his experiments.

Partly on the basis of depositions taken from his victims by judges in Israeli courts and forwarded here, he was indicted for aggravated physical assault in 170 specified cases and for "inflicting physical injury of such nature that death ensued as a consequence." No date had been set for his trial

CANADIAN OPINION ON RELIGION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS REMAINS UNCHANGED

MONTREAL, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- A new Gallup poll on the issue of religion in Ganadian public schools shows little change in public attitudes during the past 13 years with half of all Ganadians continuing to favor such teaching, it was reported today.

The National Joint Public Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and Briasi Briths aid public opinion on the issue had remained "strikingly static," despite long debate. Citing a similar poll made in 1944, the Joint Committee said that in addition to the 50 per cent in favor reported in both surveys, 42 per cent supported leaving such teaching to churches and eight per cent were undecided.

SYNAGOGUES IN CANADA WARNED ON THEIR HIGH HOLIDAY ADVERTISING

MONTREAL, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Synagogue presidents and rabbis in Toronto have been warned against advertising in general media for High Holy Day services "which would be more appropriate for a commercial entertainment project than for a house of worship," the national joint public relations committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'mai B'rith disclosed today.

The warning was made by the Central Region of the Joint Public Relations Committee in anticipation of renewed advertising by synagogues in local dailies, billboards and placards. Some of the advertising, the Central Region letter declared, "leaves a good deal to be desired from the point of view of good taste, proclaiming rather blatantly the vocal attainments of cantor and choir, listing seat prices and pointing out physical conveniences and accommodations."

The letter urged "simple and straightforward announcements which give the information details such as time, place, type of service and method of arranging for seating reservations, without garish display."

B'NAI B'RITH GIRLS CONVENTION CLOSES; TRAINING INSTITUTE OPENED

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Aug. Il. (JTA) -- The search for a definition of the Jew is "illusory" because he is "a member of a group which is sociologically unique and defies every attempt at definition," delegates to a B'nai B'rith Girls International Leadership Training Institute here were told.

The only "legitimate question" which the American Jew today can ask himself is "What Kind Of Jew Am I?" and "What Kind of a Jew Will I Be?" Dr. Samuel Berkowitz, Philadelphia area director of the Bhai B'rith Hillel Foundation, told the delegates. The Institute followed a four-day convention which ended with installation of new officers, including Elaine Gilner of Atlanta, Ga., international president,

ST. LOUIS SUBURB SEEKS TO APPEAL ON COURT RULING ON SYNAGOGUE

ST. LOUIS, Aug. II. (JTA) -- City officials of the suburb of Creve Coeur were weighing today the possibility of an appeal against the St. Louis County Circuit Court decision which ruled the community must permit Temple Israel to build a synagogue and religious school in Creve Coeur.

In a precedent-making decision, the first of its kind in Missouri history, Circuit Judge Raymond E, LaDriere last week held that two zoning ordinance amendments under which Creve Coeur denied a building permit to Temple Israel were invalid. He ruled the amendments violated the right of free exercise of religion guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments.

One of the zoning amendments invalidated by Judge LaDriere removed from the zoning act authority to permit construction of churches in residentially-zoned areas. The other provided that if 10 per cent of the property-owners within 1,000 feet of a proposed building site objected, a three-fourths vote of the aldermen would be required to grant a special permit. William H. Wyne Jr., city attorney of Creve Coeur, said a motion for a new trial will be filed to preserve the right of appeal to a higher court. Strong public sentiment against an appeal is likely to prevent such action, however, according to local observers,

Local Catholic and Protestant leaders, who joined Temple Israel in its suit against Creve Coeur, praised the court's decision in statements here.

PRESIDENT OF MACCABI WORLD UNION DIES IN ISRAEL; WAS 55

TEL AVIV, Aug. 11. (JTA) -- Aharon Nethanel, chairman of the board of directors of the General Tire and Rubber Co., Ltd., and president of the Maccabi World Union, died here over the weekend. He was 55 years old. During the past few months he had been engaged in preparations for the fifth Jewish World Olympics, to take place here next month.