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BEN GURION STILL IN HOSPITAL, BEGINS WORK ON STATE PAPERS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7, (JTA) -- Premier David Ben-Gurion, still confined to his room in Hadassah Hospital here, began handling office details today from his bed. With his leg in a plaster cast after the removal of a grenade splinter from last week's bombing of the Knesset, the Premier worked on state papers and received members of the Cabinet and leading officials of several ministries.

Hospital authorities ventured a guess today that the Premier would leave within the next four or five days. Moshe Carmel, Minister of Transport, who suffered a broken arm in the bomb attack, was slated to depart today. Minister of Religion Moshe Shapiro, the most seriously injured of five ministers, continued to make progress today.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister, was confined to bed today and will be indisposed somewhat longer than previously anticipated as a result of the wounds she sustained in the bombing. She returned to the hospital yesterday for a check-up where she was ordered home and instructed to remain in bed. She was described as weakened.

ARAB DELEGATIONS AT U.N. MARK UNEF ANNIVERSARY BY ASSAILING ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 7, (JTA) -- The Arab governments and their United Nations delegations marked the anniversary of the founding of the United Nations Emergency Force today by a series of steps which, directly or indirectly, were aimed at Israel.

The Saudi Arabian delegation this morning sent a letter to Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld and Hashim Jawad, of Iraq, this month's president of the Security Council, again accusing Israel of violating Saudi Arabian sovereignty in the Gulf of Akaba area. In this letter--the sixth in the last few months--Saudi Arabia alleged that Israeli military aircraft "repeatedly circulated" at low altitude, on the evening of October 28, over Saudi Arabian military positions, and attempted to land on an air strip near Jabal Al Hinati.

The letter stated that the "Saudi Arabian Government in bringing this provocative incident to the attention of the United Nations stresses the gravity of such provocative acts, and the dangers of the consequences inherent in them and in the repeated violations by the Israeli authorities of Saudi Arabia's territorial integrity."

As in previous letters, Saudi Arabia threatened once more that it would "undertake the necessary measures to safeguard the security and safety of its interests."

Jordan, meanwhile, was pressing Mr. Jawad, who is not unfriendly to the Amman government, to act "urgently" and call a meeting of the Security Council which would again take up the Jordanian complaint alleging that an Israeli afforestation project in no-man's land, south of Jerusalem, constituted a military threat. One meeting on this issue was held by the Council two months ago, and a report was received from Col. Byron V. Leary, acting chief of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, who had looked into the situation on behalf of the Council.

Anticipate Security Council Meeting on Jordan Complaint

Mr. Jawad was expected here to call the Council into session on the Jordanian grievance next week. Col. Leary is in this country now, on personal business, but United Nations sources were not certain that he would be asked to stay on to attend the scheduled Council meeting. There were reports here today that Israel had halted the afforestation project in deference to Security Council feelings against it as expressed here two months ago.

Meanwhile, Syria was accusing Israel, along with Turkey, of launching "new aggressions." According to a statement issued in Damascus, and reported here, Syria claimed that its armed forces fought a 40-minute "battle" against Israeli troops yesterday after an alleged Israeli attack near the fortified border village of Al Tawfik.

At the same time, Egypt was making difficulties for UNEF on the anniversary of the creation of that Force. The Cairo government is once more insisting, as it has in the past, that the UN pay rent on land occupied along the Gaza Strip frontier by UNEF border patrols. One authoritative source here commented on that demand: "It is strange that Egypt wants UNEF to pay for protecting the very Arabs along the border for whom UNEF has been acting as a shield against possible Israel attacks."

LARGEST ISRAELI FREIGHTER BUILT IN GERMAN SHIPYARDS LAUNCHED IN BREMEN

BREMEN, Germany, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- A new 14,500 ton freighter, built by a German shipyard here for the Zim Navigation Company of Israel under the terms of the Bonn-Lebanon reparations pact was launched here today after being named 'AMPAL' by Mrs. Frieda Dickinson, wife of Abraham Dickinson, president of AMPAL-America Israel Corporation.

The vessel, the largest freighter yet built in Germany as Israel reparations goods, was designed to carry general cargo. The 485 foot ship is equipped with modern technical facilities including radar, an automatic pilot and an echo sounding device. It carries a crew of 50, most of whom will bunk in air conditioned comfort. It will also have a swimming pool.

When the AMPAL is fully equipped and furnished, probably by January, it will be assigned to the Haifa-New York run by Zim, Israel's largest shipper. When the St. Lawrence Seaway is completed, the vessel will be sent from New York on to midwestern ports.

ISRAEL'S CITRUS EXPORTS WILL EQUAL LAST YEAR'S SALES

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Israel's export of citrus products this year will equal last year's mark of eight million cases, it was indicated here today on the basis of reports sent back from Europe by a citrus marketing mission which is touring the Continent taking orders.

Britain, which this year again will be Israel's leading customer, will receive its first shipment of 40,000 cases of grapefruit and lemons any day now. The Soviet Union, which unilaterally breached an oil-for citrus contract last fall after the Sinai operation, has again indicated it will not purchase Israeli citrus fruit.

The fruit yield is expected to be somewhat lower in quantity this year, but higher in quality. The result, it is anticipated, will mean as large a quantity of good quality fruit this season as last year.

BRITISH DEPARTMENT STORE MAGNATE MAY OPEN FACTORY IN ISRAEL

LONDON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Isaac Wolfson, department store magnate who is currently in Israel, was reported today to be seeking permission from the British Treasury to set up a one million pound factory in Jerusalem. A dispatch from the Israeli capital said Mr. Wolfson sought to build a plant to manufacture phonographs, tape recorders and other light industrial products.

NO DECISION TAKEN ON 1958 U. S. J. A. GOAL, JEWISH AGENCY SAYS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- No decision on the nature or the target of the 1958 United Jewish Appeal has yet been taken, a Jewish Agency spokesman declared here tonight.

Contrary to previously published reports, the spokesman stated, Agency treasurer Dr. Joseph had not reported to the Agency executive any decision relating to the UJA campaign. It was pointed out that Dr. Joseph could not have made such a report as any such decision was a matter for the UJA in the United States which is the only body to act on its 1958 goals.

INTELLECTUALS AMONG JEWS REPATRIATED FROM USSR ARE PROBLEM IN POLAND

LONDON, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- The Jews repatriated to Poland from the Soviet Union include not only unskilled and semi-skilled workers but also judges, teachers, engineers, technicians and other intellectuals. Furthermore, many of the Jewish repatriates are young people ranging from children to teen-age youths.

These facts emerged from a report in the latest issue, received here today, of Die Folkstimme, Yiddish-language daily newspaper published in Warsaw. While no numbers were indicated either as to totals of Jews repatriated, or in a breakdown by professions, the type of Russian-Jewish immigration into Poland was spelled out clearly in a report of an important meeting held recently in Wroclaw.

The Wroclaw meeting was an enlarged plenum of the district section of the executive of the Association of Jewish Cultural Organizations in Poland. Hersch Smoliar, national chairman of the association and leader of the Jewish section of the Polish Communist Party, presided.

Three main subjects occupied the plenum. These were: 1. Finding more work for the repatriates, and vocational retraining for most of them; 2. Creating more cultural activities for the repatriates; 3. Special activities for youth, and improvement of the Yiddish schools.

Some of the participants at the meeting insisted that the Jewish intellectuals among the repatriates must be integrated into Poland's economy, while others held that the majority should be retrained as workers and be given places in workers' cooperatives.

ORTHODOX EUROPEAN RABBIS DENOUNCE REFORM DOCTRINE AS 'DANGEROUS'

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 7, (JTA) -- Liberal and Reform approaches to Judaism were denounced yesterday as dangerous to the integrity and continuity of the Jewish community at closing sessions of the European Conference of Orthodox Rabbis.

Chief Rabbi Aron Schuster of Amsterdam said that Reform rabbis often accepted non-Jewish women for conversion after Orthodox rabbis refused to accept them. He added he would never acknowledge such proselytes implying that Holland's Orthodox rabbis would follow his lead.

Rabbi Israel Brodie, Chief Rabbi of Great Britain, in his warning of the alleged dangers of Liberal forms of Judaism, told a press conference that Orthodox rabbis considered Liberal Judaism a deviation from the traditional interpretation.

Chief Rabbi Milchior Marcus of Copenhagen reported that there was a 'remarkable interest' in conversions to Judaism in Denmark and a similar interest was reported by Rabbi A. Holzer of Dortmund as existing in West Germany.

The delegates approved a resolution declaration that the restoration of the Jewish State in the Holy Land was a 'clear token of the grace of God towards the Jewish people,' and that religion was the only lasting link between Jews in Israel and Jews outside of Israel.

It was announced that Chief Rabbi Jehuda Levin of Moscow, who had indicated he planned to attend the conference, had been unable to do so because of 'indisposition.'

The delegates discussed the serious shortage of rabbis and religious teachers affecting all European Jewry. Prayers were recited for the Dutch royal family and for the memory of the victims of Nazism.

The delegates were received by Queen Juliana at Soestdyk Palace. The closing session was held in the 300-year-old sephardic synagogue. Delegates voted to hold future conferences in Amsterdam.

LEADING JEWS NAMED TO BRITISH TRUST FOR NAZI VICTIMS' RELIEF

LONDON, Nov. 7, (JTA) -- Three prominent British Jews were today named to the five-member board of trustees of the 'Nazi Victims Relief Trust' established by the British Government to distribute funds to certain categories of needy victims of Nazi religious or racial persecution.

The three are: Barnett Janner, MP and president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews and of the Zionist Federation of Britain; Leonard Montefiore, a leader of the Central British Fund, a relief agency, and Harry Sacher, Zionist personality.

When the British Government announced a year ago the establishment of the trust fund, it also set aside 250,000 pounds (\$700,000) for its use. The funds come from Nazi assets seized in Britain when World War II broke out.

AUSTRIA CANNOT GAG EX-NAZI GENERALS PROPAGANDA, MINISTER CONCEDES

VIENNA, Nov. 7, (JTA) -- The Austrian Government can do nothing to prevent former German generals from visiting this country to attend meetings of veterans of the Nazi army, nor can it prevent them from making ultra-nationalistic speeches, Minister of Interior Oskar Helmer conceded today in Parliament.

Herr Helmer told the deputies that he had advised visiting Nazi ex-generals against making German nationalistic speeches, but his advice was disregarded. The most recent such case, he said, had occurred when a former high Nazi officer had harangued a veterans' meeting in Graz.

W. J. C. URGES U. N. TO ADOPT CODE OUTLAWING CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 7, (JTA) -- The need for United Nations' action on international legal steps to prevent crimes against humanity was stressed today by the World Jewish Congress in a 29-page memorandum submitted to the United Nations Legal Committee.

For a long time, the World Jewish Congress pointed out, the General Assembly has postponed consideration of both a draft Code of Offenses Against the Peace and Security of Mankind and of proposals for the establishment of an international criminal court.

"Meanwhile," the WJC stated, "crimes against humanity continue to be committed in some places, and although they are not being committed on such a grand scale and not with Nazi cruelty, they nevertheless endanger the life and freedom of their victims." Among these crimes the WJC lists "forced deportations of 'unwanted' groups of population, confinement of opponents in prisons and concentration camps, persecutions on racial and religious grounds, confiscation of property of so-called 'enemy elements,' deprivation of the means of existence, forced labor."

MUSICOLOGISTS MEET IN FIRST INTERNATIONAL PARLEY ON HEBREW MUSIC

PARIS, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Leading musicologists from this country, Israel, the United States and other lands gathered here for the first International Institute of Hebrew Musicology. The institute is sponsored by the World Jewish Congress.

Among the participants are the famous French composers, Georges Milhaud and Alexandre Tansman; and Cantor Maurice Granchoff, Carl Sachs and Eric Werner, from the United States. An orchestral concert that will mark the conclusion of the conference will be given next week featuring world premieres of Hebrew music by Arnold Schoenberg, Ernest Bloch, Milhaud, Lazare Saminsky and Paul Ben-Haim.

MAYOR OF TEL AVIV ARRIVES IN U.S. TO REPAY VISITS SEEK LOAN

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Mayor Chaim Levanon of Tel Aviv arrived here today for a six-day visit to the city. Mayor Levanon, who is repaying the visit of Mayor Robert F. Wagner to Tel Aviv, and will go on to visit Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and possibly West Coast centers.

During his stay in the United States, Mayor Levanon will study various municipal service set-ups and educational programs. He will also contact private banking circles to negotiate a \$5,000,000 loan for the development of educational, sewage and water supply programs for his city.

Upon his arrival, the Tel Aviv chief executive was met by Deputy Commissioner James J. O'Brien and later was honored at a luncheon tendered by Mayor Wagner.

OBSERVANT JEWS IN NEW YORK RECEIVE SUMMONSES FOR SUNDAY BUSINESS

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Two summonses against four Brooklyn Jewish merchants charged with doing business on Sunday in violation of the Sabbath law were dismissed yesterday and two were put over in the latest clash in a long-running dispute involving Jewish business operations on Sundays in New York.

Three of the defendants, Henek Blisko, Baruch Gerstenblit and Herman Minzer, operate coin-box automatic laundering shops. The fourth, Jacob Weiz, has a grocery. In each case, the defendants told Magistrate Michael Potter that they close their business on Fridays before sundown and remain closed all day Saturdays during which they attend synagogue services.

Moses M. Zeilig, their attorney, cited Section 2144 of the Penal Law which permits work on Sunday for those who observe another day as the Sabbath. Dismissals of the summonses were based on the magistrate's acceptance of Zeilig's argument.

Summonses against Blisko and Weiz were held over because the policeman was not in court in each case.

Police at the station from which radio patrol police served the summonses said that there was no special drive against Sunday violations. Magistrate Potter said the police were only doing their duty.

The dismissal for Blisko involved the ninth such summons. The summons dismissed for Minzer was his third.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY PUBLISHES BOOKLET TO EXPLAIN HEBREW PRAYERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- A new booklet designed to aid the Jewish worshipper in understanding the Hebrew prayers he recites was published today by the adult education department of Yeshiva University. Its author is Rabbi Menachem Raab, of Beth Joseph Center, Rochester, N. Y.

The booklet was designed as a text in adult studies and provides an outline of the different services in the Jewish liturgy. It is entitled "Understanding the Siddur."

B'NAI B'RITH AIDE NAMED TO NEW YORK INTER-GROUP RELATIONS UNIT

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- David H. Litter, national commissioner of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, was sworn in today at City Hall by Mayor Robert F. Wagner as a member of the New York City Commission on Inter-group Relations. Mr. Litter has devoted many years to the field of human relations.

CHIEF RABBI NAMED TO BOARD OF BRAZILIAN BOY SCOUTS

RIO DE JANEIRO, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Dr. Henrique Leme, grand rabbi of the Association of Religious Jews of this city, today was appointed Jewish assistant to the National Directorate of the Boy Scouts of Brazil, as well as regional Jewish assistant for the Rio de Janeiro district. There is another Jewish official among the Boy Scouts in this country. He is Wilhelm S. J. Speyer, who is regional Jewish assistant for the Sao Paulo district.