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BEN GURION ASKS KHRUSHCHEV TO FOLLOW DISARMAMENT POLICY IN MIDE-EST

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet approved today Premier David Ben Gurion's reply to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's plea to Israel, among other nations, to support the Soviet call for an international ban on further nuclear bomb tests and the production of nuclear weapons.

Mr. Ben Gurion reportedly suggested that the principle of disarmament be applied to the Middle East region to diminish the possibility of an outbreak of war in the area. The gist of the reply is thought to be: Israel favors the banning of nuclear weapons tests but believes that this can only be put into effect by a decision among the Big Powers.

Meanwhile, in a repercussion of the Moscow-Belgrade rift, the Israeli Communist delegation which was to participate in the forthcoming national convention of the Yugoslav Communist Party today cancelled its flight plans at the last minute. The Israeli Communists informed the Yugoslav delegation in Israel that its action was in line with Moscow's boycott of the Belgrade meeting.

However, an Israeli Ma'am delegation left for the Yugoslav capital today to attend the parley. Ma'am political secretary N. Peled told a press conference that Israel has high hopes that Yugoslavia will contribute to neutralizing the Middle East and possibly will be able to help promote direct Arab-Israel peace talks.

Sharett Attacks the Soviet Premier for His Anti-Jewish Allegations

TEL AVIV, April 20. (JTA) -- The anti-Jewish sentiments expressed by Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in his recent statement to the Paris newspaper *Le Figaro* were sharply denounced here last night by Moshe Sharett, former Premier of Israel, in an address at a mass meeting of immigrants from Russia held here.

Speaking in Russian, Mr. Sharett expressed astonishment that such statements as those in the Khrushchev interview in *Le Figaro* could be made by people who claimed to be the most progressive. He added that the Khrushchev statement actually demonstrated five points which refuted all assertions made by former Soviet leaders with regard to Jews under Communism.

Enumerating the five points, Mr. Sharett said they were: 1. Mr. Khrushchev in effect acknowledged the existence of a Jewish nation; 2. He indicated that the Jewish nation remained unique in its communal appearance; 3. He admitted that a Jewish problem exists in the Soviet Union; 4. He also admitted that the problem was not solved; 5. He acknowledged that the only solution of the Jewish problem was territorial concentration and national independence.

Mr. Sharett said that the situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union continued to deteriorate and that the refusal of the Russian Jews to assimilate was a "quiet protest" against their fate but at the same time constituted a source of danger.

The meeting called upon the Soviet Government to permit Jews to emigrate from the Soviet Union. At the same time, it demanded that Jews in Russia be permitted to maintain their own cultural and communal life. The rally also sent a message of greetings to Jews in the Soviet Union.

JORDAN CONCENTRATES TANKS IN JERUSALEM TO COUNTER ISRAELI PARADE

JERUSALEM, April 20. (JTA) -- The Jordan-controlled Radio Ramallah announced tonight that Jordanian tanks and heavy equipment were being brought into the Old City of Jerusalem tomorrow to counter the arrival in new Jerusalem of Israeli troops and equipment to participate in an Independence Day parade.

The official communique read over Radio Ramallah said that Jordanian Premier Samir Rifai had informed United Nations truce chief Maj. Gen. Carl C. von Horn of the Jordanian decision and that the Jordan Government had registered with Dr. Francisco Urrutia during his last visit here a protest against the Israeli action.

This sudden turn on Jordan's part filled Israeli authorities with dismay, since they had given the UN truce set-up here ample advance notice of its intended actions and had not been told of any objections. Even the Jordanian communique today admitted that

Gen. von Horn had told the Jordanians, in reply to their last minute protest, that he understood the Israeli equipment was being brought to Jerusalem for decorative, not offensive, purposes. He was unable to intervene, he told the Arabs, because the Israeli action was standard practice which had hitherto not been contested.

Meanwhile, Israeli troops continued combing the dunes north of Migdal today for Arab marauders who seriously wounded an Israeli civilian, Itzhak Izack, a recent immigrant. Mr. Izack had been hired by a Migdal woman to bring hay from her field to a distant barn. She and her two children were in the wagon with Mr. Izack when two marauders sprang from the dunes and shot the immigrant, but spared the woman and children.

An Israeli patrol near Beit Naballah in the Lydda area captured one of four Jordanian soldiers who were found on Israel soil. The other three managed to escape. The captive was carrying a Jordanian Army rifle and ammunition.

ISRAEL STARTS 10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WITH HUGE PUBLIC MEETINGS

TEL AVIV, April 20. (JTA) -- The celebration of Israel's tenth anniversary of independence opened officially today with huge public meetings through the length and breadth of the land. Members of the Cabinet and other public officials addressed the gatherings.

The chief meeting was held here, with Foreign Minister Golda Meir as the featured speaker. Mrs. Meir took the occasion to reply to Soviet Premier Khrushchev, to whom she merely referred as an "important world statesman," characterizing as "sheer nonsense" his recent remarks that the Jewish people could not work together and could not make any contribution whether to industry or collective agriculture.

The achievements of Israel and of its working people, she said, was sufficient reply to these "timeworn canards." As for Mr. Khrushchev's charge of the "exaggerated intellectualism" of the Jews, Mrs. Meir said that if this were a sin she was prepared to plead guilty.

Similar meetings in Jaffa, Nahanya, Ramath Gan and other towns were addressed by Kadish Luz, Agriculture Minister, Behor Shitreet, Police Minister, Pinchas Saphir, Minister for Trade and Industry, and others. Meanwhile, preparations are proceeding throughout the Israeli city and countryside for month-long celebrations. In as far apart centers as Beersheba, in the Negev, to Ramat Gan, on the coast, streets were being decorated and floodlit.

10,000 American Zionists to Visit Israel During Anniversary Year

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- More than 10,000 American Zionists are expected to visit Israel during its current 10th Anniversary Year, it was announced here today at a session of several hundred members of the national executive council of the Zionist Organization of America, governing body of the organization, assembled from all parts of the country.

Addressing the session, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, ZOA president, accused the U.S. Government of attempting to whitewash President Nasser of Egypt with the purpose "to rehabilitate the Egyptian dictator in Free World opinion." In support of this charge, he cited "the presumed readiness of Washington to settle for considerably less than a clear-cut break with the Soviets and a new pro-Western orientation on Nasser's part." He warned that we may expect further upheavals in the Middle East because of Nasser's expansionist drive for power.

At the same time, in the face of the union of Arab states with their proclaimed hostility to Israel, Dr. Neumann made a strong plea for Jewish unity particularly among Zionists. In stressing the need for greater unity, he urged the avoidance of divisiveness which would weaken the united Zionist efforts for Israel so imperative at this hour.

The meeting unanimously endorsed a call addressed to all American Zionists urging them to participate in the anniversary celebrations to be held throughout the country and "to rededicate themselves anew with ever greater vigor and resolve to the task of helping to safeguard the security of Israel and to aid with all resources towards its economic development and stability."

Israel Confident on Second Decade, Says Eban; Honored by B'nai B'rith

WASHINGTON, April 20. (JTA) -- Israel is entering its second decade with perfect confidence, Ambassador Abba Eban said here tonight at a B'nai B'rith dinner honoring Israel's 10th anniversary at which he was presented with the President's Medal of the organization.

Philip M. Klutznick, national B'nai B'rith president, said "the quality of Israel's human resources is personified in the attributes of her Ambassador--youth, intellect, wit, gallantry, the effervescence of optimism and by all means, political sagacity." He called for accelerated U.S. aid as an instrument of peace and as a program that helps the domestic economy.

15,000 JEWS MARCH IN WARSAW ON 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF GHETTO REVOLT

VIENNA, April 20. (JTA) -- Jews from all parts of Poland and from 16 other nations paid honor yesterday to the memory of the Jews killed in battle in the revolt against crack Nazi infantry and Panzer units, Warsaw radio reported.

The ceremonies in the Polish capital, marking the 15th anniversary of the ghetto uprising, began with the formal renaming of a street in honor of Jozef Lewartowski, one of the leaders of the resistance. Later, 15,000 Jews marched to the marble monument in the ghetto area which was erected in memory of the Jewish heroes. They laid banks and banks of flowers on all sides of the monument.

Other wreaths were laid earlier in the day at a building which was once the Gestapo headquarters in Warsaw and the basement of which has been converted into a museum of the Hitler occupation. Prayers were recited at this site and before the memorial in the still shell pockmarked and razed ghetto district. Other ceremonies are scheduled here today and at the site of the Treblinka death camp tomorrow.

Thousands in Israel Attend Meetings Honoring Warsaw Ghetto Martyrs

TEL AVIV, April 20. (JTA) -- Mass meetings throughout Israel this week-end marked the 15th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Revolt against the elite of the Nazi SS corps and tank brigades.

In the Ghetto Fighters settlement north of Haifa, Mrs. Golda Meir, Foreign Minister, told 10,000 men and women that without the spirit of revolt and resistance the Jews would not have attained their homeland. Itzhak Zukerman, known in the Polish underground as Antek, recalled the last days of the rebellion in the ghetto.

At Yad Mordechai, named for revolt commander Mordechai Annilewitz, several thousand concentration camp survivors of the Warsaw resistance heard Minister of Health Israel Barzilai draw a parallel between the resistance fighters and the new generation of Israeli youth.

The Mapam Minister also hit out at Soviet Premier Khrushchev's allegations that the Jews could not succeed in collective efforts. He cited the example of Israel's people working with their hands, in collective agriculture and in industry to build their own land.

Meetings in New York Commemorate Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- More than 2,000 persons attended a memorial meeting here last night marking the 15th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. The meeting was arranged by the World Congress for Jewish Culture. Memorial meetings are also arranged by the American Jewish Congress, Club of Polish Jews in the United States and other organizations.

Messages were received at the WJC meeting from Lord Bertrand Russell, the British philosopher; Prof. Martin Buber, famed Jewish thinker now in the United States on a visit; and New York's Gov. Averill Harriman. Six candles were lit on the platform to commemorate the six million murdered Jews.

5,000 Jews in Buenos Aires Honor Memory of Warsaw Heroes

BUENOS AIRES, April 20. (JTA) -- More than 5,000 persons jammed a large hall here and overflowed into the streets in Argentine Jewry's memorial to the martyrs of the Warsaw Ghetto and the six million Jews who died during the Nazi regime and World War II.

Present at the meeting, organized by the DAIA, Argentine Jewry's central representative organization, were: Israel Ambassador A. Kubovi, Hirsch Triwaks, DAIA secretary, and Dr. Abraham Mibashan, DAIA co-chairman. The Ambassador, in an address, stressed the historic significance of the sufferings of Jewry under the Nazi heel.

Thousands Attend "Warsaw Ghetto" Memorial Meeting in Paris

PARIS, April 20. (JTA) -- Thousands of Paris Jews today attended a mass memorial meeting in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising. The meeting was sponsored by all Jewish organizations in France, including B'nai B'rith, the Zionist Federation, the Federation of Jewish Societies, the World Jewish Congress and the Jewish Ex-Servicemen's League.

Jews in So. Africa Hold Memorial Meetings for Warsaw Martyrs

JOHANNESBURG, April 20. (JTA) -- Memorial services in synagogues and in special meetings throughout the country marked South African Jewry's observance of the 15th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Battle. The services and secular meetings also honored the memory of the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis.

Jews in Holland Commemorate Anniversary of Warsaw Ghetto Revolt

AMSTERDAM, April 20. (JTA) -- The Association of East European Jews living in this country and the Netherlands Jewish Cultural Federation commemorated last night the 15th anniversary of the Jewish revolt in the Warsaw ghetto.

J. W. B. CONVENTION URGES JEWISH CENTERS TO HELP IN RACIAL INTEGRATION

WASHINGTON, April 20. (JTA) -- The National Jewish Welfare Board today concluded its biennial convention here with the adoption of a resolution empowering the 353 Jewish Community Centers affiliated with the JWB to carry forward programs to assist the implementation of the integration decision of the U. S. Supreme Court. Lloyd W. Dinkelspiel, well known San Francisco Jewish leader, was elected president of the organization.

The convention voted support of national program against juvenile delinquency and urged cooperation of affiliated Jewish community centers. The delegates also urged Congress to exempt YMHA's and Jewish centers from the payment of excise taxes and voted support of a pending house bill that would enable centers to have access to certain types of Federal surplus property being disposed of by the government.

The convention also resolved to greet Israel on its tenth anniversary and lauded the program of the Jerusalem YMHA and other JWB projects in Israel. The 1958 Frank L. Weil Awards of JWB were presented to Dr. Horace M. Kallen, Professor Emeritus of the New School for Social Research, Captain Joshua Goldberg, Naval chaplain, and Mrs. Irving M. Sands, member of the New York City Board of Education.

N. Y. EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES CHARGED WITH AIDING ANTI-JEWISH BIAS IN JOBS

NEW YORK, April 20. (JTA) -- Nearly three-fourths of the Manhattan commercial employment agencies that supply secretarial help are willing to accept job orders that illegally limit employment to "white Protestants," it was disclosed today in a new survey made by the American Jewish Congress.

The 1958 study reveals that of 162 employment agencies which were asked over the telephone to supply a "white Protestant stenographer," no less than 117 agencies--72.2 percent of the total--accepted the order. The remaining 45--27.8 percent--rejected it, many of them specifically referring to the New York State Law Against Discrimination.

The AJC survey, the fifth in a series of studies made every three years since 1946, shows that non-compliance with the anti-bias law in 1958 is higher than at any time since 1949. In 1946, one year after the law went into effect, 88.4 percent of Manhattan employment agencies were willing to accept a discriminatory order. The figure dropped to 64.2 percent in AJC 1949 survey but rose slightly to 65 percent and to 70.3 percent in the 1955 study.

In submitting the latest findings to Governor Averell Harriman, Shad Polier, chairman of AJC Commission on Law and Social Action, pointed out that "few would question that many substantial gains have been made under the Law Against Discrimination. We believe that the Law is presently being enforced imaginatively and vigorously by the State Commission Against Discrimination. Yet we cannot ignore the evidence, supplied by this and other studies, that much remains to be done to achieve the high goals established by the Legislature when it enacted the Law."

MARRIAGE OF JEWS BY PROTESTANT MINISTER STIRS ARGUMENTS AT HARVARD

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 20. (JTA) -- The disclosure that a Jewish couple had been married in Harvard University's controversial Memorial Church by a Protestant minister with a rabbi present, at the suggestion of University officials, sparked a new debate this week-end over whether the church should be used for services of faiths other than Christian.

The latest formal development in the dispute was a petition submitted Friday by a group of faculty members to Dr. Nathan M. Pusey, Harvard President, asking that he relax the traditional policy of permitting only Christian services. Previously the debate had been confined mainly to stories, editorials and letters in the Harvard Crimson, the undergraduate daily newspaper.

The incident of the Jewish couple, who had sought to be married in the church by a rabbi only, was first reported in an article in the Crimson by William W. Bartley 3rd, a graduate student in philosophy. A University spokesman said subsequently that the couple had not been denied use of the church but rather "encouraged" to have the marriage performed by a Protestant minister with a rabbi present. No names were revealed in the disclosures.

Memorial Church, which commemorates Harvard's war dead, was dedicated in 1932 after funds were solicited with the understanding that the building would be non-denominational and that it would be administered by a "board of preachers representing as far as possible all the Christian communions included in the undergraduate body." Leaflets circulated during the dedication period charged the church was "meaningless" because Harvard men of all faiths had died in military duty for the United States.