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JEWS ATTACKED IN SOVIET LITHUANIAN TOWN; SEVERAL SERIOUSLY HURT

VIENNA, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- A pogrom-like attack on Jews in the Soviet Lithuanian town of Plungian, in the Kovno district, was reported here today by well informed sources. An uncounted number of Jews were savagely beaten, and some were seriously hurt, the report said.

According to the report, a mob of Latvians stormed the homes of 18 Jewish families in the town on the eve of Rosh Hashanah. The reason for the attack was the classical slander that the Jews had done away with a missing Christian child. Apparently the local Lithuanians believed the ancient libel that Jews drink the blood of Christians on their Holy Days.

The next day, according to the account, the Secretary General of the Lithuanian Communist Party and the Deputy Premier of Lithuania descended on Plungian and led raids by the secret police on suspected members of the mob. It was stated that 100 persons believed to have participated in the attack on the Jews have been arrested.

ISRAEL WANTS BRITAIN NOT TO LEAVE MILITARY EQUIPMENT IN JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Israel intends to remind Britain, when the evacuation of British troops from Jordan begins on October 20, of a British promise not to leave any heavy military equipment in the Hashemite Kingdom, informed sources said today. The British promise was made, it was understood, when Israel granted Britain permission to fly over paratroopers during the Jordanian crisis. It was considered here as possible that Britain would again ask for overflight permission to facilitate troop withdrawals from Jordan.

The British Embassy in Amman reportedly was advising London to delay withdrawal as long as possible not only because of the Jordanian situation but also, it was understood, because Embassy officials believe that the British presence in Jordan is important for the internal situation in Iraq where the revolutionary leader, Gen. Kassem, was purging elements favoring President Nasser of the United Arab Republic.

Israel officials abstained from comment on United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld's interim report yesterday to the General Assembly on his latest mission to the Middle East. They were apparently in agreement with Mr. Hammarskjöld's strategy of leaving Israel out of the discussion.

Israel newspapers, however, were critical. They pointed out that the Secretary General apparently had failed to achieve anything during his most recent Middle East pacification mission except a tentative date for withdrawal of British troops from Jordan and American troops from Lebanon. Both newspapers and political observers here indicated considerable skepticism about the ability of the UN envoys to prevent new Nasser subversions in Jordan and Lebanon or to avert Jordan's disintegration.

Some newspapers argued that the only effective factor against a Nasser thrust at Jordan after British withdrawal will be Israel's presence in the area. Some observers added, however, that if the presence of UN envoys resulted in a gradual rather than a sudden takeover of Jordan by Nasser, Israel would be in a difficult position if a decision was taken for action to protect herself against a Nasser encirclement.

ARAB DELEGATE PROPOSES FIVE-POINT ANTI-ISRAEL "PLAN" AT U.N. ASSEMBLY

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 1. (JTA) -- A suggestion that the United Nations "reverse the course adopted by the United Nations" in regard to Palestine by wiping out Israel, was made to the General Assembly here today by Ahmad Shukairy, Saudi Arabian Minister of State for United Nations Affairs. Mr. Shukairy addressed the Assembly as chairman of his country's delegation and delivered the first bitter anti-Israel speech heard by the delegates thus far this year.

Calling his proposal "a new approach," Mr. Shukairy outlined a five-point program which would follow a United Nations vote wiping off the books all previous resolutions

regarding Palestine including the 1947 partition resolution. The program would include:

- "1. The restoration of the geographic unity of Palestine as part and parcel of the Arab homeland.
- "2. The repatriation of Arabs and Jews--the Arab refugees to their homes in Palestine and the Jewish newcomers to their former countries.
- "3. The constitution of Palestine as a democratic state where all the inhabitants will have equal rights and duties--Moslems, Christians and Jews alike.
- "4. The disarmament and demobilization of all troops, the demilitarization of the whole country and its neutralization, all guaranteed by the Security Council.
- "5. The appointment of a United Nations representative to report to the General Assembly on matters pertaining to the status quo of religious shrines and the free access to the Holy Places."

Mr. Shukairsty told the Assembly that "recognition of Israel by the Arab states has not come and it is not forthcoming--now or for all time to come, even should Israel survive for all time to come." He attacked as an "empty slogan" the contention that "Israel is there to stay," and declared: "Israel is there not to stay and is not going to stay."

IMMIGRATION TO ISRAEL IS RISING AGAIN; 5,000 ANTICIPATED IN OCTOBER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Immigration to Israel is rising again and will reach 5,000 in October, S. M. Shragai, head of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department, reported today. He described the new immigrants as "good material" for agricultural settlement.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, who was chairman of the meeting at which Shragai made his report, discussed his South African tour during which the current United Jewish Appeal was successfully launched. He also reported on preparations for the international convention of World Jewish organizations scheduled for mid-October in London.

He said that after the London conference he would leave for the United States to attend the national conventions of Hadassah and the Zionist Organization of America.

COUNTERFEIT ISRAELI CURRENCY MADE IN EGYPT REACHES ITALIAN BANKS

MILAN, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Counterfeit Israeli currency given to Egyptian Jews expelled in late 1956 and early 1957 by the Nasser regime in return for confiscated property has resulted in the arrest here of an Egyptian Jewish refugee.

The refugee, Moise Choueka, 40-year-old Cairo-born Jew, was picked up by the local police when he tried to turn in the counterfeit bills to several Milan banks. He was found to possess a considerable quantity of currency which he said had been given him in Cairo in exchange for property he was forced to sell before leaving Egypt. He said he had no idea that the money was counterfeit.

Meanwhile, the Italian police have reported the case to Interpol, the international police agency, and the United Arab Republic authorities have been asked to cooperate in tracking down the counterfeiters. Observers here believe that Israel economy might suffer if large sums of counterfeit Israeli currency make their way into the international market.

ESHKOL LEAVES FOR INDIA FOR INTERNATIONAL MONETARY CONFERENCES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, who left today for New Delhi to attend the forthcoming meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, will not meet with Prime Minister Nehru, it was learned here today.

Mr. Eshkol, who will confer with various Indian Government officials, feels there is no reason to talk with Mr. Nehru since it is believed that the Indian statesman is not inclined at this time to discuss the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Israel. David Horowitz, governor of the Israel State Bank, will also attend the fiscal parleys.

ISRAEL PRESENTS VIEW TO U. N. ON PROJECTED \$100,000,000 ECONOMIC FUND

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Israel today proposed before the United Nations that the projected \$100,000,000 special fund for economic development projects, which was initially proposed by the United States last year, be established in such a way that relatively inexpensive projects be encompassed under the new program.

The proposal was made in the General Assembly's Economic and Financial Committee by Miss Hava Hareli, a new member of Israel's permanent mission here. In her first address before an Assembly group, Miss Hareli told the committee on behalf of the Israel Government that "the size of a project need not necessarily reflect the degree of its essentiality."

BOARD OF VIRGINIA SYNAGOGUE IGNORES THREAT OF SEGREGATIONISTS

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Oct. 1. (JTA) -- The executive board of Temple Beth El today cancelled plans for a meeting to discuss an anti-segregation Yom Kippur sermon by Rabbi Emmet A. Frank as important non-Jewish elements rallied to defend the Rabbi, Virginia's most powerful segregationist organization had voiced a virtual ultimatum to Northern Virginia Jewry to "move quickly to refute and condemn Rabbi Frank."

Mayor Leroy Bendheim of the city of Alexandria is president of Temple Beth El's board of trustees. The Mayor had previously indicated that a special meeting was being called to discuss the sermon. As the situation developed, however, the board cancelled plans for such a meeting and said "no meeting for the purpose of discussing the Rabbi's sermon is contemplated."

Mayor Benheim said today: "The executive board of the Temple is an administrative body. Any religious or spiritual matters are solely the province of the Rabbi." Rabbi Frank said he was pleased by the board's decision. He served notice "I intend to continue my sermons on this issue of equality for all people."

Informed sources reported that while displeasure still exists among elements on the Temple's board, a firm determination developed to avoid any action against the Rabbi that might give an impression of capitulation to the segregationist attack on the Jewish community. The segregationists turned on the Rabbi after he told his congregation that Sen. Byrd, Gov. Almond of Virginia, and Gov. Faubus of Arkansas have wrought more disunity to the nation in the last few years than Communists have done in years of organized effort.

The "Defenders of State Sovereignty" demanded that Jews of Northern Virginia repudiate the Rabbi. They said that if he had purposely contrived to destroy relations between Christians and Jews "he could not have been more effective." It was then that the board of Temple Beth El scheduled the meeting, plans for which have now been abandoned.

Today the Washington Post devoted a special editorial to support the Rabbi whom it described as a "courageous clergyman." The Post said that "as part of the community conscience members of the clergy ought to feel free to discuss segregation and other public issues... many Virginia ministers have defied ostracism to do what they felt was their duty. Most members of Rabbi Frank's congregation must find satisfaction, whether or not they agree with him, in this indication that their rabbi is as courageous as he is conscious of his obligations as a good citizen."

GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON SUSPENDS OFFICIAL FOR ANTI-JEWISH SLUR

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- The Embassy of West Germany today made known that an employee of the German Consulate General in New York City has been suspended because of a "strong indication" that the employee voiced anti-Semitic statements. (A consulate spokesman in New York said that the suspended official, Dr. Hans von Saucken, has been summoned to Bonn and is on his way.)

Press attache Robert Borchardt of the German Embassy said "the principle of racial and religious tolerance is set down rigidly in the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Germany. The policy of strict compliance with this fundamental principle has been stressed to all civil servants."

"When it was recently brought to the attention of the Government that an employee of the German Consulate General in New York had made an allegedly anti-Semitic remark the Government felt obliged to send a member of the legal division of the Foreign Office to conduct an on-the-spot investigation. As a result of this investigation there is a strong indication that the employee has made the alleged remark, even though he himself denies it."

"The Foreign Office therefore has ordered the immediate suspension of the employee. This step has been taken in order to maintain the standards of the Foreign Service and to prevent any misunderstanding of the Government's policy and position in this respect."

The incident developed when von Saucken allegedly called Max Beer, a United Nations correspondent for Swiss and German newspapers, "a dirty Jew." The remark was made to several reporters, but not in the presence of Mr. Beer who was later informed of the slur.

Mr. Beer, an American citizen, a former president of the United Nations Correspondents Association and a veteran of 49 years in the newspaper field, cabled a protest to Bonn President Theodor Heuss and Ambassador Georg von Bruch-Opfert, one-time German observer at the UN and currently head of the personnel bureau of the Bonn Foreign Office. Mr. Beer lost many relatives in the Nazi Auschwitz concentration camp.

After receiving no reply for five days from von Bruch-Opfert, von Saucken's superior, Mr. Beer returned a decoration received last year from the German envoy for his UN reportage. Mr. Beer is equally prominent in this country and throughout Europe. Last week, the German Government sent Dr. Meyer Lindenberg, an official of the legal department of the Foreign Office, to investigate. The von Saucken recall followed.

A. J. C. LEADERS REPORT TO STATE DEPT. ON THEIR SURVEY IN SO. AMERICA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Leaders of the American Jewish Committee today reported to the State Department their observations on conditions in Argentina, Brazil and other South American countries from where they returned recently following a three-week study tour.

The delegation urged that the United States "greatly expand its economic, financial and technical aid programs" to the countries of South America in order to prevent the possible eruption of "demagoguery and extremism" in the present atmosphere of "serious economic difficulties coupled with profound political instability" prevailing in some of these countries.

The delegation reported that in a number of Latin American countries which they visited individual Jews are participating fully in the political and intellectual life and are making definite contributions in these areas. "In Argentina, six Jews were recently elected as members of Parliament," he emphasized. "A Jew is a governor of a province, and others occupy important positions in the executive branch of the government. A relatively substantial number of Jews serve on the faculties of the University of Buenos Aires; the number of Jewish university students in Argentina is estimated at 15,000."

Immigration facilities for refugees of all faiths, explored by the delegation, show that some governments "still maintain restrictive policies in practice," the AJC leaders said. They hailed the Brazilian Government and expressed appreciation for the important role played by the Catholic Church of Brazil in bringing about "the liberalization of immigration policies to provide havens for refugees." More than 5,000 Jews from Hungary and Egypt, in recent months, have found homes and livelihood in Brazil.

Meeting here today with Roy R. Rubottom, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State, were: Irving M. Engel, AJC president, and Jacob Blaustein, honorary president, leaders of the eight-member mission to South America, and Dr. John S. Lawson, executive vice-president, and Dr. Simon Segal, director of the AJC foreign affairs department.

PRESIDENT OF BRAZIL RECEIVES DR. NEUMANN; HAILS STATE OF ISRAEL

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Brazilian President Juscelino Kubitschek received Dr. Emanuel Neumann, president of the Zionist Organization of America, in a half-hour audience today.

During the conversation, the President of Brazil said he considers the State of Israel a valuable member of the free world community and asserted that Brazil favors international policies calculated to assure Israel's independence, integrity and security.

U. J. A. SENDS SURVEY MISSION OF WOMEN TO ISRAEL TO STUDY IMMIGRATION

NEWYORK, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- A group of 21 women leaders of community campaigns affiliated with the United Jewish Appeal left here by air today as members of the Fourth UJA Women's Division Overseas Survey Mission.

During the three-week tour, the women leaders will visit the international headquarters in Geneva of the Joint Distribution Committee, and survey UJA-financed immigration, settlement and welfare programs in Europe and Israel. Mrs. Jack A. Goodman of Indianapolis, national chairman of the division, is heading the mission.

JEWISH-SPONSORED AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE GETS U. S. LOAN FOR EXPANSION

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 1. (JTA) -- The National Agricultural College, a Jewish-sponsored non-sectarian farm school, announced today it had received a Federal loan of \$456,000 for the construction of two dormitories to house 124 students and a faculty group, to which two single faculty homes will be added.

The school, the only privately-owned, four-year, degree-granting agricultural college in the United States was founded in 1896 by Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf. Starting as a 100-acre farm with six students, the school has grown to 850 acres of farm land with a 27-acre campus, 60 buildings and more than 300 students.

MANILOW CHAIR FOR STUDY OF COMMUNITY PLANNING ENDOWED AT BRANDEIS U.

WALTHAM, Mass., Oct. 1. (JTA) -- Brandeis University announced today the endowment of a chair for the study of community and regional planning by the founders of Park Forest, Illinois. The chair was established in honor of Nathan Manilow, an associate of the founders.

Philip M. Klutznick, president of B'nai B'rith and a University fellow, Sam Beber, Jerome Loeb and Mr. Manilow endowed the chair. They are executives of the American Community Builders, headed by Manilow, which founded the Park Forest community.