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ISRAEL GOVERNMENT OFFICES INSTRUCTED TO EMPLOY ARABS, BEN GURION REPORTS

JERUSALEM, April 7. (JTA) -- All Government departments have been instructed to employ a suitable number of Arabs, and private cooperative enterprises should follow suit in order to absorb in employment a maximum number of members of minority groups, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion said today.

Mr. BenGurion made his statement in Parliament after a left-wing Arab deputy, Yissuf Khamis, told the House that the number of Arabs meeting higher educational qualifications is growing. He said that many of the Arab intelligentsia are unable to obtain public employment, and declared that putting more Arabs into public service would help speed peace between Israel and the Arab states.

The Prime Minister rejected the latter assertion, telling Parliament the Arab right to employment derives from his being a citizen of status equal to all other citizens of Israel.

Israel's first Arabic-language morning paper, "El Yom," appeared this week. It previously had been published as a small tabloid evening newspaper. There are also nine Arab weeklies in Israel and 14 other Arab periodicals.

NASSER DELAYS DEMARCATION OF ISRAEL-SYRIAN FRONTIER; AGREED EARLIER

JERUSALEM, April 7. (JTA) -- After preparations for the task had been under way for two weeks, Cairo today decided to postpone the actual, physical marking of the Israeli-Syrian border, United Nations circles here said today.

Demarcation of the border had been agreed to by both Israel and the United Arab Republic, after the plan had been proposed by UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold. The actual work was to be begun tomorrow. However, at the last moment, the UAR Government at Cairo requested a postponement.

ARAB INFILTRATORS KILLED ON ISRAEL-EGYPTIAN BORDER; ATTEMPTED SABOTAGE

TEL AVIV, April 7. (JTA) -- Two Arab infiltrators were killed last night by an Israeli Army border patrol on the Israeli side of the Gaza Strip border. According to the Army spokesman, the men were caught dismantling irrigation pipes and attempted to escape after warning shots were fired by the patrol.

Near the site of the incident, the members of the patrol found a camel apparently belonging to the Arabs, and a British rifle. Footprints were traced leading from the Egyptian side of the border to the site of the incident.

Three Lebanese fishermen were sentenced today to two-year prison terms for illegal fishing within Israeli territorial waters. The fishermen were captured while they were using explosives for fishing, a practice contrary to Israel law.

ISRAEL'S MILITARY OFFICERS HAIL FROM 50 LANDS; 37 PERCENT ARE "SABRAS"

TEL AVIV, April 7. (JTA) -- The officers' corps of the Israel Army includes commissioned officers who hail from 50 countries of five continents, Prime Minister David Ben Gurion declared today. Mr. Ben Gurion made that statement while addressing an officers' graduating class at a camp officially designated only as "somewhere in Israel."

Speaking as Minister of Defense, Mr. Ben Gurion revealed that 37 percent of the officers in Israel's defense forces are "Sabras," native-born, while the remainder were born in 23 European countries, 10 countries in Asia, eight in the Americas, seven in Africa, and some in Australia.

MOSCOW RADIO CONTINUES TO ATTACK ISRAEL; ASSAILS PREMIER BEN GURION

LONDON, April 7. (JTA) -- Stressing a theme that the present "Arab split increases Israeli menace," Radio Moscow tonight broadcast to the Arab world an attack against Israel Premier BenGurion. The Soviet propaganda broadcast alleged that Mr. Ben Gurion was seeking to widen the split in the Arab world between the United Arab Republic and Iraq. The purpose would be creation of an issue designed to bring about weakening of "the United Arab national front."

ISRAEL GOVERNMENT RECONSIDERS ITS INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT POLICY

JERUSALEM, April 7. (JTA) -- The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is reconsidering its industrial investment policy because of the recent financial difficulties of several enterprises receiving such investment aid, Michael Tsour, director general of the Ministry, declared today.

The Ministry supervises government loan grants to new and expanding industries from the national development budget, and its loan policies have been the target of sharp criticism from economic experts. They have contended that loans have been granted without adequate investigation of the economic justification of such investments, and that large sums consequently have been spent on mismanaged enterprises.

Mr. Tsour said that the Ministry has named a special committee to establish new criteria for Government investments. He said that, among the possible changes, will be a policy of Government investment only in limited liability companies. Another anticipated change will be a policy of providing loans against company stock--thus securing influence on company management instead of the present system of long-term loans.

He said that, to offset possible objections of government influence on company policies from such an arrangement, the value of the shares to be acquired by the Government would not be linked to the dollar. At present, development loan repayments are linked to the dollar.

ISRAEL STUDIES U.S. METHOD OF PRODUCING ELECTRICITY FROM ATOMIC POWER

WASHINGTON, April 7. (JTA) -- Significance for Israeli power development was seen today in the disclosure by atomic energy authorities that American scientists have found a way to produce electricity directly from atomic power. Israeli scientists are observing developments in this area.

Electric power sources have been an expensive problem to the State of Israel. The new method, tested at Los Alamos, N.M., does away with the necessity for generators, turbines, and boilers used in conventional and atomic electric plants. Electric power will be produced from a uranium carbide source.

Israel has offered the services of experts in the field of the peaceful uses of atomic energy to the International Atomic Energy Agency, according to an announcement here today. In addition, the announcement stated, Israel has also offered a number of free fellowships to scientists who would be sent by the UN Agency to work in Israel's atomic energy research centers. The UN agency, which has its headquarters in Vienna, is concerned solely with peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Science Can Solve Israel's Economic Problems, U. S. Scientist Says

WASHINGTON, April 7. (JTA) -- Science and technology "form the indispensable basis" for the solution of Israeli economic problems, according to a report published today by "Science," periodical of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Graham du Shane, editor of "Science," reported on conclusions drawn from his recent visit to Israel. He said that, "aside from its shortages in most of the minerals that provide the basis for industrial production, the country has two dominating needs: energy and water."

Dr. duShane pointed out that, because power is expensive in Israel, the Israeli factories are at a "competitive disadvantage." He described the attempts to solve the power problem, and predicted that "solar power may provide a partial solution to the power shortage." In Israel's water needs, "the great hope lies in the proposed diversion of the waters of the Jordan--an undertaking which at present is politically impossible," he said in his report.

The report in "Science" stressed that Israel's coordinated attack upon the water problem does not end with irrigation schemes. It said: "All feasible ways of desalting water are under study, but so far the product is relatively expensive; if the power requirements are low, the capital costs are high or the output rate is low. Among the schemes being investigated are steam distillation at nuclear power stations, solar distillation, compression distillation, freezing processes, direct filtration, and electrodialysis."

The report revealed that the water problem was being approached from other angles. "Plants that can tolerate brackish water are being sought and, in one unorthodox proposal, an attempt is being made to modify the salt balance of brackish water by the addition of supplemental salts, thus making it suitable for agriculture," the report stated.

Dr. du Shane said he was very favorably impressed with the quality of Israel's scientists and their work. He emphasized that he was most impressed by their idealism and devotion to their work and its role in the building of the state. He noted a growing utilization of scientific capacities by the State.

ACTION AGAINST HUNGARIAN ANTI-SEMITES IN BAVARIA ASKED IN PARLIAMENT

MUNICH, April 7. (JTA) -- Government action against the Hungarian Cross and Arrow, a fascist and anti-Semitic group, was demanded in the State Parliament here today by the Social Democratic Party. In their demand, the Socialists pointed out that the group, which it called a "very small but very active minority of Hungarian emigrants in Bavaria," has been active for a decade "in organized and well planned fascist and anti-Semitic agitation."

The Bavarian Ministry of Justice, which has received many complaints against the Cross and Arrow from the Jewish community, has been replying that there are no legal provisions for banning the hate literature disseminated by the Hungarian fascist group.

Meanwhile, today, the Hessian Ministry of Justice instructed the Frankfurt prosecutor to take "preventive measures" in regard to the Cross and Arrow. The group is suspected of having been connected with an explosion at an emigrant radio station near Frankfurt, last year.

AUTHOR'S CLAIM FOR INDEMNIFICATION REJECTED BY GERMAN SUPREME COURT

KARLSRUHE, Germany, April 7. (JTA) -- Destruction of an author's reputation during the Nazi regime does not constitute material damage, according to a ruling handed down here today by the Federal Supreme Court.

The suit was brought by the late Prof. Max Apt, author of works on jurisprudence and economics, whose books were among the many burned by the Nazis during the destruction of "non-Aryan" literature in 1933. Prof. Apt claimed he was entitled to compensation, under the Federal indemnification law, because the Nazis had wiped out his reputation during the tenure of their rule. As far as the late Prof. Apt himself was concerned, today's ruling is moot. He died last year.

JEWISH CLAIMS CONFERENCE SETS DEADLINE FOR FILING 1960 APPLICATIONS

NEW YORK, April 7. (JTA) -- The Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany announced today that the deadline date for the filing of applications to the Conference by organizations, institutions and communities seeking the allocation of funds for the year 1960, is June 30, 1959.

"Applications should be submitted in 20 copies to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, at New York, and should contain a detailed description of the activities for which funds are requested," the announcement said. "The organizations submitting applications should also include precise budgetary data and information on other sources of income which may be available to the applicants for the projects in question."

"The Claims Conference, by the terms of the agreement it had concluded with the Federal Republic of Germany, is able to allocate funds only for those activities which contribute to the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution, in accordance with the urgency of need," the announcement emphasized.

ZIONIST PRESIDENT IN FRANCE CALLS ATTACKS AGAINST HIM "POLITICAL"

PARIS, April 7. (JTA) -- Labor Zionist attacks against him are "just a pretext," Andre Blumel, president of the French Zionist Federation, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here today. He is being attacked for having attended a Communist-sponsored public celebration of the centenary of the birth of Sholem Aleichem, and not attending a similar celebration held by Zionist groups.

The Labor Zionist attacks, he stated, are "purely political." M. Blumel implied that the attacks are motivated by a Labor Zionist desire to take over the Federation presidency. "If the Federation adopts any kind of censure motion against me now," he stated, "I will, of course, resign." The Labor Zionist complaint against M. Blumel is to be debated at a meeting of the Federation scheduled for April 15.

RABBINICAL SCHOOL TO BE ESTABLISHED IN ALGIERS FOR NO. AFRICAN JEWRY

ALGIERS, April 7. (JTA) -- A rabbinical school will be opened here next October to fill the spiritual and cultural needs of the Jewish communities in North Africa.

The Federation of Algerian Jewish Communities, at a meeting here today, decided to establish such a school, and appropriated 45,000,000 francs for the purpose. The school will also serve as a high school, where instruction will be given in both Hebrew and French.

JEWISH DEPUTY RE-ELECTED TO RHODESIAN PARLIAMENT FOR SECOND TERM

SALISBURY, Northern Rhodesia, April 7. (JTA) -- Two Jews have been elected to public office, one of them for a second term. M.G. Rabb was re-elected to the Federation Parliament from Livingstone, the former capital of the State. In the municipal elections at Ndola, A. Lowenthal was elected to the municipal council.

JOINT DEFENSE APPEAL LAUNCHES \$6,100,000 CAMPAIGN FOR THIS YEAR

NEW YORK, April 7. (JTA) -- A campaign to raise \$6,100,000 this year for the work of the Joint Defense Appeal--fund-raising arm of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith--was inaugurated at a dinner here last night. Andrew Goodman, campaign chairman, pointed out that the quota represents a \$500,000 increase over last year's goal, to meet the expansion of the programs of the JDA agencies "in those areas where there are critical problems of anti-Semitism and group tensions."

United States Senator Jacob K. Javits, who delivered the principal address at the dinner, told the assemblage that the spread of hate literature in the South has multiplied fourfold since the school integration crisis arose, after the Supreme Court's desegregation ruling was handed down.

LOS ANGELES JEWISH FEDERATION AND JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MERGE

LOS ANGELES, April 7. (JTA) -- The first unified community organization in Los Angeles Jewish history was in effect today, following approval of the merger uniting the Jewish Welfare Federation and the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council.

Approval by a two-thirds majority of the Federation at its 48th annual dinner meeting was the final step combining the two largest social welfare and philanthropic organizations in the 400,000-member Los Angeles Jewish community, second largest in the United States. The Federation was founded in 1911, and the Council in 1934.

JEWISH CONGRESS AND ZIONIST GROUPS IN CALGARY MERGE IN FUND-RAISING

CALGARY, Manitoba, April 7. (JTA) -- The two major fund-raising efforts of the Calgary Jewish community, that of the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Zionist organizations, have been merged this year as the 1959 United Jewish Appeal of Calgary.

Jack Edelson, chairman of the Calgary branch of the Zionist Organization of Canada, and Newton Zemans, chairman of the Calgary branch of the Canadian Jewish Congress, in announcing the merger, said that the unified campaign would be Calgary Jewry's contribution toward the "great tasks for which world Jewry now marshals."

CONNECTICUT LEGISLATURE TO OUTLAW BIAS IN PRIVATELY-OWNED HOUSING

HARTFORD, Conn., April 7. (JTA) -- The present session of the State Legislature may adopt a civil rights bill which, for the first time, will outlaw discrimination in this State in privately-owned housing on grounds of "race, creed or color." Present statutes forbid such bias in public housing projects and in housing assisted by public funds.

State Representative Robert Satter, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee's subcommittee on civil rights, announced today that the full judiciary committee has approved the proposed measure. Chances for passage of the bill, he said, "look very good." Both the Republican and the Democratic parties in this state are on record as favoring civil rights legislation.

PROFESSOR LEO MAYER, NOTED ORIENTALIST, DIES IN JERUSALEM; WAS 64

JERUSALEM, April 7. (JTA) -- Prof. Leo A. Mayer, world noted orientalist, who was voted last week by the Hebrew University as this year's recipient of the coveted Bublik prize, died today. He was 64.

A distinguished authority on Near Eastern art and archaeology, Dr. Mayer was professor emeritus at the Hebrew University. The prize was voted specifically for his major life's work, a four-volume study of Moslem Artists Throughout the Ages. Three volumes of that work have been published, and the fourth volume was in preparation.

Other noted men who had been awarded the Bublik Prize previously included Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, the late Prof. E. L. Sukenik, former U.S. President Harry S. Truman, Prof. Giulio Racah, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Prof. Bernhard Zondek and former United States Senator Herbert H. Lehman.

DR. HERSHMAN, NOTED SCHOLAR AND RELIGIOUS LEADER, DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, April 7. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Dr. Abraham M. Hershman, one of the most distinguished religious leaders in America who died of a heart attack yesterday. He was 78 years old.

Born in Poland, he graduated from City College in New York and was ordained rabbi at the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1906. For more than 40 years he served as rabbi in Detroit, where he was the founder and the first president of the local chapter of the Zionist Organization of America. The Hapoel Hamizrachi established a library in Israel in his honor. He had also been honored by the Jewish National Fund, Israel Bond Organization and the ZOA.

He had written several books, notably a translation of the Book of Judges of Maimonides Code of Rabbinic Law in 1951, as part of the Yale Judaica Series. Other works were two collections of sermons, "Israel's Fate and Faith," and "Religion of the Age and of the Ages," and a historical study, "Rabbi Isaac Peretz and His Times."