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RUMANIAN ENVOY CONFERS WITH GOLDA MEIR ON RESUMPTION OF EMIGRATION

JERUSALEM, April 16. (JTA) -- The Rumanian Minister here, Dr. Petru Manu, today visited the Foreign Ministry here and conferred with Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister. It is assumed that the conference dealt with resumption of Jewish emigration from Rumania to Israel to enable family reunions.

The Rumanian diplomat's visit took place at Mrs. Meir's request. No details of the talk were made public. There has been hope here during the last week that the Jewish emigration from Rumania, interrupted last month for unknown reasons, may be resumed under the humanitarian principle advanced by the Rumanian Government to reunite families.

SYRIA AND ISRAEL AGREE TO START BORDER DEMARCATION; MEET ON PLANS

JERUSALEM, April 16. (JTA) -- Demarcation of the border between Israel and Syria--a measure proposed by United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold for the purpose of lessening Syrian-Israel tensions--will start next week as a result of discussions held yesterday.

Syrian and Israeli surveyors met yesterday on the Bnot Yaacov bridge, under the auspices of UN observers, and agreed that border marking, with the aid of concrete white-painted poles, should start next week. The Bnot Yaacov bridge has been a trouble spot which figured often in debates at the UN Security Council on Israel-Syrian conflicts.

At the same time the Jordanian delegation to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission apologized to Israel yesterday for the murder of an Israeli night watchman, who was killed at dawn on Wednesday while on duty at the settlement of Ramat Rachel. The Jordanians promised to take energetic steps to apprehend the infiltrators responsible for the murder, and emphasized their desire for tranquility along the border.

United Nations investigators had traced footprints from the site of the murder to the Bethlehem highway on the Jordanian side of the border. In view of Jordan's apology and general attitude of condemnation against the killers, Israel's delegation on the Mixed Armistice Commission did not enter a formal request for a Commission hearing which, undoubtedly, would have resulted in formal condemnation of Jordan.

HAMMARSKJOLD PREPARES REPORT ON ARAB REFUGEE PROBLEM; FAVORS RELIEF

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 16. (JTA) -- Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold disclosed here today that, "for a couple of months," he has been working on a special report dealing with the Arab refugee problem, and that he will present that report next fall to the General Assembly.

At a general press conference today, Mr. Hammarskjold made that disclosure in connection with reports in the Arab press to the effect that the Arab League has circulated among its members a special memorandum urging joint Arab-Israeli talks on the refugee problem.

Declaring that he has "no word about this memorandum, if it exists," the UN Chief implied that his own report will call for continuance of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Arab Refugees. UNRWA's mandate is scheduled to expire July 1, 1960, and the next session of the Assembly must decide whether to continue UNRWA's operations, or substitute some other method for aiding the Arab refugees.

Mr. Hammarskjold said he has already discussed "some aspects" of his forthcoming refugee report "with host governments and other governments." The "host" governments are the Arab states in whose countries the refugees now live--Egypt as the power controlling the Gaza Strip, Jordan, Syria and Iraq.

Mr. Hammarskjold confirmed at his press conference the fact that Dr. Ralph J. Bunche Undersecretary of the UN, is going to the Middle East. Mr. Bunche departs tomorrow and will visit the United Nations Emergency Force troops at Gaza. He will also go to Cairo and Jerusalem, and probably to the Jordanian capital of Amman.

There are no specific problems of urgency for Dr. Bunche to discuss, the Secretary General said. He declared that the issue of Egyptian seizures of Israel-originated cargoes attempting passage of the Suez Canal is an issue on which he himself has been in contact with

Cairo. Asked whether Dr. Bunche will discuss that issue in Cairo, he stated: "There is no specific agenda for him to discuss. I would not include that subject, and I would exclude it."

ISRAEL FOREIGN MINISTER DISCUSSES AMERICAN GRANT AID WITH U.S. ENVOY

JERUSALEM, April 16. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, today paid high tribute to the retired American Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, expressing regret over his resignation and over the state of his health which motivated his quitting his post.

Mrs. Meir made her statement in a conference with William Baxter, American charge d'affaires here, with whom she reviewed the general situation in the Middle East. They discussed economic matters now the subject of talks between the two governments, with American grants-in-aid to Israel a central topic.

In her comments on Mr. Dulles, Mrs. Meir paid tribute to his "historic contribution toward international statesmanship, and his exceptional grasp of the problems affecting the Middle East and Israel."

EGYPT'S SEIZURE OF ISRAELI CARGOES DISCUSSED AT U. N. HEADQUARTERS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 16. (JTA) -- Joseph Tekoah, Israel's deputy permanent representative here, held a "lengthy conference" today with Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, Undersecretary, who is leaving for the Middle East tomorrow to visit Cairo and Jerusalem among other places.

The subject of their discussion, it was established definitely, was Israel's recent complaint to the Security Council against United Arab Republic interference with Suez Canal shipping carrying cargoes that had originated in Israel. Today's conference was one of a series of such talks held between Mr. Tekoah and Dr. Bunche during the last few days.

While there was no word from either of the conferees about the issue, it is known that the UAR has not yet replied to Israel's Security Council complaint nor, in fact, has the UAR sent any communication to the United Nations on the subject. All inquiries to the UAR representatives here, even from the top level of the Secretariat, have been referred to Cairo--while top UAR officials in Cairo, including Foreign Minister Mohammed Fawzi, have simply refused to discuss the matter.

Nasser Losing Leadership Among Nations, Tekoah Says

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser is no longer recognized by the world or by Arab states as the top leader of Arab nationalism, while Israel is achieving greater status in the eyes of the world, Joseph Tekoah, deputy permanent representative of Israel to the United Nations, declared here today. Mr. Tekoah addressed the women's division of the American Jewish Congress, which held a luncheon to raise funds for the United Jewish Appeal.

Arieh Ben Eliezer, Deputy Speaker of the Israel Parliament and leader of the Herut Party in Israel, told a press conference here today that "Nasser is still the chief Communist agent in the Middle East; his fight with Kassem of Iraq is merely a design to secure for himself the role of chief dispenser of Soviet favors in the Arab world."

PRESIDENT OF GERMANY TO CALL CONFERENCE ON FIGHTING OF ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- The President of the Federal Republic of Germany has given assurances to the American Jewish Committee that he will call a conference of Ministers of Education to take up the problem of anti-Semitism in Germany as "one of the chief subjects of its deliberations."

The German President, Theodor Heuss, declared: "As far as I can judge, the young people of Germany are but slightly interested in the events of recent decades which they have known only as children. It is our task to inculcate within them a spirit of equal respect for all men as fellow human beings regardless of race or religion."

The American Jewish Committee, concerned over recent outbreaks and incidents of anti-Semitism in Germany, delegated the head of its European office, Zachariah Shuster, to meet with President Heuss and other German officials and political leaders. Mr. Shuster, who arrived in this country yesterday, had an hour-long comprehensive interview with President Heuss on the problem of anti-Semitism.

ISRAEL AMBASSADOR IN LONDON STAYS IN WINDSOR CASTLE AS QUEEN'S GUEST

LONDON, April 16. (JTA) -- Eliahu Elath, Israel's Ambassador to the Court of St. James, and Mrs. Elath, returned to London last night from an overnight visit to Queen Elizabeth II at Windsor Castle. At the Castle, they had been the Queen's guests at dinner, where they were joined by members of the Queen's entourage and other friends of the Queen.

It was understood that in her conversations with Ambassador and Mrs. Elath, Her Majesty showed keen interest in Israel. Diplomats are rarely invited as guests to Windsor Castle, such invitations going usually to senior officials of the British Government or of members of Commonwealth nations and their formal representatives.

PROBLEMS OF U. S. JEWRY ANALYZED BY DR. SLAWSON AT A. J. C. PARLEY

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- The position of American Jewry in American life was analyzed here today by Dr. John Slawson, executive vice president of the American Jewish Committee, in a paper prepared for presentation to the annual meeting of the organization opening tomorrow. The three-day meeting, at the Commodore Hotel, will conclude with the laying of a cornerstone for the American Jewish Committee's Institute of Human Relations.

"American Jewry," Dr. Slawson said, "today carries with it a deeply American quality. It is predominantly native, it is American not only by citizenship but by upbringing, taste, outlook, even memories. Just as the Jew is primarily of a middle class group and urbanized, so is America generally becoming middle class and urbanized. America is catching up with its Jewish component." The middle class tastes and values are now characteristic of the entire American population rather than a segment of it.

Dr. Slawson emphasized that the concept that America is primarily of a Judeo-Christian tradition, rather than solely of Christian roots, is rapidly gaining ground in the United States. This, he said, should contribute toward the surefooted self-acceptance of the Jew in this pluralistic society of America.

"While the nationality hyphenations during the first two decades of the century (Irish-American, Italian-American, Swedish-American) have been eliminated long ago, there is a return to a new form of hyphenated American--Protestant-American, Catholic-American, Jewish-American," the American Jewish leader stated. "But there is a cultural lag between the deeply American quality of American Jewry today and the twin acceptance of healthy integration into America, and self-acceptance as Jews. While progress has been made, there is still a great lag, and that lag is being revealed not alone by general observation, but by studies that the AJC has been making in various communities of the country.

"There is a tendency for self-isolation;--there is an uneasy relation with non-Jews; there is fear of risk of the consequences of open participation, such as inter-marriage or group extinction; and there is great sensitivity in any form of self-criticism," Dr. Slawson pointed out. He also claimed that "we are not sufficiently taking care of the beam in our own eyes" with reference to the prejudices Jews feel toward others. "There are still vestigial remains of attitudes induced during the period of immigrant adjustment because of barriers of language, custom, and the melting-pot theory of America harbored at that time," he said.

Dr. Slawson recommended the following steps, all of them based on the desired purpose of giving the Jew a sense of sure-footedness in America: "1. Knowledge of the fundamentals of Judaism (while our studies show that 60 percent of Jews in certain communities wanted it, very few have it); 2. The true knowledge of America--its pluralistic nature; 3. Dissemination of information of the disparity between what we think the general situation to be and what it actually is--Jewish attitudes as we find them; changes in the non-Jewish attitude toward Jews as we see them.

"We must not inculcate fear nor must we accept indifference, but we must espouse a condition of thoughtfulness among American Jews--a thoughtfulness that is realistic with respect to history and pragmatic with respect to future outcomes. We must instill as much as possible in our Jewish population in America a sense of balance which is the true meaning of 'integration'," Dr. Slawson urged. "We find, for instance, in one of our studies, that those who are affirmative in their Jewishness and in their citizenship role, participate in both Jewish and community affairs in a balanced manner."

\$18,000,000 GOAL OF N. Y. JEWISH FEDERATION DRIVE NEARING ACHIEVEMENT

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- The appeal for \$18,000,000 by the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies is nearing achievement, it was reported today by Gustave L. Levy, president, at the annual meeting of the Federation. He said that \$17,725,257 has already been obtained in pledges and contributions and that "there is good reason to believe" that the Federation will make its goal.

Mr. Levy indicated that a total of 141,031 contributions had been received thus far, an increase of 15 percent over the number obtained at a comparable period a year ago. The organization expects to exceed 150,000 contributions before the end of the year. Both the number of gifts and the amount of money raised will represent new records in Federation history for maintenance and support of its member institutions.

JEWISH LEADERS FROM SIX LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES MEET IN URUGUAY

MONTEVIDEO, April 16. (JTA) -- For the first time, representatives of Jewry from six Latin American countries have held a conference here, working out common policies affecting all the communities. The delegates expressed hope that other Latin American Jewish groups will join to form a joint South American Council for Inter-Community Relations.

The two-day conference, which concluded last night drew representatives from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay. Held under the auspices of the World Jewish Congress, the conference was presided over by Dr. Gerhard Riegner, a member of the WJC executive committee.

SEN. GRUENING OF ALASKA CRITICIZED FOR STAYING AT "RESTRICTED" HOTEL

MIAMI, April 16. (JTA) -- Sharp criticism of Senator Ernest Gruening of Alaska, who is of Jewish origin and while visiting to address Jewish audiences in Jewish causes, stopped at a Miami hotel which is "restricted" and does not welcome Jewish guests, was published here in the Jewish Floridian under the signature of Leo Mindlin, executive editor of the paper.

Mr. Mindlin reported that he had called Sen. Gruening and told him that the Key Biscayne Hotel, at which he was stopping, "does not accept Jewish guests." He quoted the Senator as replying that "I don't care to get involved" and, subsequently, as denying that the hotel barred Jews and as arguing that Vice President Nixon and other important personalities stayed at the hotel.

The occasion for Sen. Gruening's visit to Miami was to address a testimonial dinner given by Temple Israel in honor of Sam C. Levenson, its president. Proceeds of the dinner, totalling \$136,500, went to the Mt. Sinai Hospital Fund.

WIFE OF PASTOR SEEKS COURT ACTION AGAINST RELIGION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

CLEVELAND, April 16. (JTA) -- Mrs. L. W. Hughes, of Ginghamburg, announced that she had filed suit against the school board of Tipp City, in Miami County, seeking to enjoin it from continuing the practice of conducting religious classes in the public schools. Mrs. Hughes is the wife of the pastor of the First Unitarian Church of Dayton and her child attends a Tipp City school in which religious classes are conducted.

The public prosecutor of Miami County, James H. De Weese, had formally advised the school board that there was no statute barring them from conducting religious classes in the schools. Mrs. Hughes, through her attorney, took the position that the courts have held that such teachings infringe on separation of Church and State and that their rulings prohibit religious teaching in the public schools.

HERMAN FINEBERG ELECTED PRESIDENT OF PITTSBURGH JEWISH FEDERATION

PITTSBURGH, April 16. (JTA) -- Herman Fineberg, one of Pittsburgh's foremost leaders in Jewish affairs, was unanimously elected today president of the United Jewish Federation.

In his speech of acceptance, Mr. Fineberg stressed the necessity of extraordinary giving to meet the critical needs of the Federation campaign at this time. He said that emergency philanthropic needs overseas, which have first call on funds being raised through Jewish Federations, must be met without sacrifice to Jewish community institutions at home.

"But," he said, "a policy of first things is self-defeating if it means the community meets its responsibilities abroad by ignoring the needs of its own internal expansion. Federations are representative of the entire community and of all points of view in it and as guardians of the general welfare of all Jews everywhere they must take care of both aspects of the total Jewish need."

HEBREW UNIVERSITY NAMES CHAIR OF NEUROLOGY FOR DR. ISRAEL WECHSLER

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- Dr. Israel S. Wechsler, noted American physician and Jewish leader, has been honored by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, which has named the Chair of Neurology at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, the Dr. Israel S. Wechsler Chair in tribute to him, it was reported here today in a cable from Dr. Benjamin Mazar, president of the Hebrew University.

Dr. Wechsler, who is honorary president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University and a Deputy Governor of the Jerusalem school, has long worked for the university and its medical school. He is one of the pioneers of the American Jewish Physicians Committee, founded in 1921, and of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. A former president of the latter organization, he is known as the "Father of the Hebrew University movement" in the United States.

TECHNION AWARDS HONORARY DEGREE TO NEW YORK UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

NEW YORK, April 16. (JTA) -- Dr. Carroll V. Newsom, president of New York University, was awarded today an honorary doctor of science degree by the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology at a special convocation of academic and scientific leaders at the Carnegie Endowment International Center.

The degree is being given Dr. Newsom "in recognition of his distinguished achievements in the field of higher education and mathematics and in appreciation of his friendship and fruitful assistance to the institutions of higher learning in Israel." Participants at the convocation included Dr. Abraham Tullin, board chairman of the American Technion Society; Dr. William Fondiller, society honorary president and David Rose, president.

In accepting the award Dr. Newsom paid tribute to Israel as a "young nation dedicated to the democratic concept." Israel's economic problems, he said, "require the most careful analysis by acknowledged experts" as well as "adequate supplies of power to turn the wheels of industry and to mechanize and irrigate farms."