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BEN GURION CLASHES WITH "DISSIDENT" MINISTER IN KNESSET ON ARMS DEAL

JERUSALEM, July 28. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion returned today from his vacation and participated in a general debate in Knesset, Israel's Parliament, on the merit of Kol Isroel, the national broadcasting services. He spoke for more than an hour defending the service against charges that Kol Isroel was "subjective" to the pro-government Mapai Party. The Knesset voted to refer the issue to a special committee.

Premier Ben Gurion indicated his continued dissatisfaction at the presence of the four left-wing members of the Mapam and Achdut Avodah in his Cabinet by taking his seat in Knesset not at the Government table, but among the Mapai deputies. During his speech he did not miss the opportunity to lash out against the dissident left-wing members of his Cabinet for voting against Israel's sale of arms to West Germany.

Transportation Minister Moshe Carmel, one of the four dissident Cabinet members, took the floor in Knesset to reply to the Premier's charges. He said that when his party entered the coalition Cabinet, it made it a condition that while participating in the government, its members in the Cabinet were to maintain a free hand regarding questions concerning Germany.

Mr. Carmel rejected the Premier's charges that the Mapam and Achdut Avodah members of the Cabinet had violated the collective responsibility pledge by their vote against the arms deal with West Germany. He asserted that they acted in good faith according to a resolution adopted unanimously in Knesset in November 1954 against Germany's rearmament, and pointed out that this resolution was still valid and binding on the House.

Israel's Arms Deal with Germany Discussed in U.S. Congress

WASHINGTON, July 28. (JTA) -- A recommendation that Israel be dropped from United States foreign aid because it sold arms to West Germany was made today in a foreign aid debate in the House of Representatives.

Rep. H. R. Gross, Iowa Republican, said that if Israel now had a capacity to manufacture munitions and sell them to industrially-advanced countries and extend foreign aid in Africa and Asia, the United States should terminate aid to Israel. He added that the Israel-West German arms transaction demonstrated that Israel had no real need for development loans and other aid funds.

NASSER'S VIOLENT ANTI-ISRAEL SPEECH STIFFENS ISRAEL'S STAND ON SUEZ

JERUSALEM, July 28. (JTA) -- United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld has sought to influence Israel to accept the "conditions" demanded by President Nasser of the United Arab Republic for transit of Israel cargoes through the Suez Canal, it was reported here today. In the light of Nasser's latest violent anti-Israel speech, Israel is even less inclined to accept those conditions, authoritative sources here asserted.

The Nasser conditions, it was reported, were that Israel cargo would be permitted to pass through the Canal if all Israel exports were carried FOB Haifa, meaning the goods would already belong to the buyer, while imports would be CIF Haifa, meaning goods on board would belong to the exporter to Israel until arrival at Haifa. Israel officials had been cool to the conditions even before Nasser declared Sunday that "next time" the UAR would "exterminate" Israel.

It was reported here that when Mr. Hammarskjöld met Saturday with Joseph Tekoah, permanent Israel delegate to the United Nations, the Secretary General failed to report any progress in his renewed efforts to induce Nasser to obey UN Security Council decisions on free passage for all peaceful shipping.

Israel officials reportedly considered Nasser's Sunday speech the most violent since the 1956 Sinai campaign and as further proof of the complete worthlessness of any agreement with the UAR president. The officials reportedly considered that the violation at Nasser's will of any agreement was implicitly indicated in statements about ambitions to destroy Israel.

(In Cairo, Nasser today delivered another violent speech, threatening Israel with war. At the same time the Baghdad Radio in Iraq, poked fun at Nasser's boast he was awaiting a chance to meet Israel on the battlefield.)

ISRAEL MINISTER SEEKS TO EASE CONTROVERSY OVER "WHO IS A JEW" ISSUE

JERUSALEM, July 28. (JTA) -- A new effort to resolve the "who is a Jew" controversy in Israel was disclosed today in plans of Rabbi Jacob M. Toledano, Minister for Religions, to determine whether Christians have been registered as Jews under the regulations which sparked the controversy last year.

The controversy was started by regulations of the Ministry of the Interior permitting Israel residents to identify themselves as Jews on identity cards for national registration purposes without rabbinical investigation. The dispute led to the walk-out from the Israel coalition Government of the National Religious Party.

Rabbi Toledano said Christians registered as Jews will be given different identity cards. The decision followed a meeting between Rabbi Toledano and Sephardic Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim last week at which a year-long split between Rabbi Toledano and the Israel rabbinate was ended.

Minister Toledano said that to prevent further inaccurate registrations, he would ask for a tightening of the regulation which now permits an applicant to be registered as a Jew by a declaration he does not belong to any non-Jewish religion. Rabbi Toledano indicated he will ask the addition of a declaration by the applicant that he is of Jewish parentage.

The issue of registration of children of mixed parentage, he said, should be decided by Jewish religious law, that is, according to the mother's faith. He said he would recommend a change in registration rules to include this.

It was believed that Rabbi Toledano was sure of Cabinet support because the left-wing Ministers who initiated the controversial changes are currently in disfavor with Prime Minister David Ben Gurion for voting against the sale of Israel-made arms to West Germany, leading to the current Government crisis.

PLAN TO HAVE SINGLE CHIEF RABBI IN ISRAEL OPPOSED BY RELIGIOUS PARTY

JERUSALEM, July 28. (JTA) -- The National Religious Party and the right-wing Herut today criticized Mapai and General Zionist support for proposals that a single Chief Rabbi be established in place of existing separate Chief Rabbis for the Ashkenazi and Sephardi communities of Israel.

Discussion of the proposal developed soon after the passing last Saturday of Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog, who had been Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi. Proponents of the idea contended that the institution of a dual Chief Rabbinate in effect gave legal recognition to the division within the Israel community.

The Mapai and General Zionist approach was a plan under which Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, the Sephardic Chief Rabbi, would become the only Chief Rabbi. The Religious and Herut Parties challenged the sincerity of the suggestion and termed it "wooing the Sephardi vote," a reference to the November national elections. The independent daily, Haaretz, came out in support of the existing system of two Chief Rabbis on grounds that abolition of the system would not "bridge the gulf" between the two communities and would also create new problems.

An informal campaign for Rabbi S. Y. Zevvin, editor of the Talmudic Encyclopedia, as successor to the late Chief Rabbi led Rabbi Zevvin today to repudiate the unauthorized effort on his behalf. The move enhanced the prospects of Chief Chaplain Shlomo Goren and Tel Aviv's Chief Rabbi, Isar Yehudi Unterman.

Though Israel is now officially in mourning for Rabbi Herzog, partisans of Rabbi Goren and Unterman are discussing their qualifications for the post. Rabbi Goren's "liberalism" on interpretation of Jewish Religious Law was considered offset by his youth--he is 44--and Rabbi Unterman's scholarship by his age; he is 74.

Another facet of the discussion on Chief Rabbi Herzog's successor is consideration of establishing a minimum and maximum age for Chief Rabbis--50 years and 70 years. Friends of the two rabbis have been pointing out that neither has made any move to seek the post. Chaplain Goren is abroad on a United Jewish Appeal mission and Rabbi Unterman is maintaining a scrupulous policy of inaction.

GOLDA MEIR CONFERS IN SWITZERLAND WITH ISRAEL ENVOYS IN EUROPEAN LANDS

ZURICH, July 28. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, completed talks here today with Israel envoys from a number of European countries. They included Dr. Ariele Harell, the Israel Ambassador to the Soviet Union who called on Mrs. Meir during her stay here.

Mrs. Meir reportedly reviewed with the Israel diplomats current political developments. She also heard reports on the attitudes of the Governments about the United Arab Republic detention, since May 21, of the Danish freighter, Inge Toft, with its Israel cargo, at Port Said. Mrs. Meir, who is resting after her recent Latin American tour, will leave for Israel Friday.

ISRAELI AND ARAB DELEGATES TO YOUTH FESTIVAL CLASH IN VIENNA

VIENNA, July 28. (JTA) -- Israelis and Arabs attending the Communist-sponsored World Youth Festival here clashed in a battle with knives and bottles in a Vienna Restaurant brawl last night, police reported today.

Police squads moved in quickly to break up the battle before any of the combatants suffered serious injuries. Several of the young people suffered cuts and other minor injuries and some required medical attention. No arrests were made.

Police said that the exact circumstances of the clash were not clear. The fighting erupted during a closed meeting of Festival participants at the restaurant. No one could be found, however, who could give any account of what happened before the police arrived. There was one report that resentment on the part of the Arab delegations against Israel touched off the clash.

11 GERMANS TO FACE TRIAL FOR TERRORIZING FAMILY IN SMALL TOWN

FRANKFURT, July 28. (JTA) -- Trial against 11 persons charged with terrorizing a Jewish family in Koepfern early this year will start on October 8 before an extended Frankfurt jury court, the Frankfurt Office of Prosecution announced today.

The defendants will be tried on charges of libel, bodily injury, property damage, misdemeanor and coercion and disturbing the peace. One of the defendants also may be tried on a charge of public condonation of Nazi crimes.

The indictment was based on a systematic boycott and terrorization of Kurt Sumpf, an Israel citizen, by youthful hooligans after he opened a cafe last year in Koepfern, a small town in the Taunus Mountains. Mr. Sumpf had charged that Koepfern police had not only failed to protect him from his tormentors but had stood by approvingly as three of the defendants assaulted him.

Recently he closed his cafe and moved to Frankfurt. He said he had done so because his eight-year-old son had come home from school one day and asked his father: "Is it a crime to be a Jew?" The father said he feared his son might be injured by schoolmates.

JEWISH LEADERS IN TURKEY CONFER WITH GOVERNOR ON SYNAGOGUE ELECTIONS

ISTANBUL, July 28. (JTA) -- A Jewish delegation led by Chief Rabbi Raphael Saban and Dr. Aaron Chiprut, president of the Jewish community here, today conferred with the Governor of Istanbul on the forthcoming elections for nine synagogue councils which will group various synagogues scattered throughout the city. Permission must be obtained from the Governor in advance of such elections.

The elections, which are expected to be held shortly after the next High Holy Days, will involve a possible change from present communal arrangements under which synagogues in a district have one Synagogue Council providing supervision of such activities as fund-raising and maintenance for all synagogues in its district.

A ruling was issued that all synagogues and Jewish institutions should have separate councils. The Jewish communal delegation sought to explain to the Governor that the proposed decentralization would cause many difficulties arising from the shortages of candidates for nine individual councils and problems of separate fund-raising campaigns. The Governor was understood to have shown understanding of the difficulties.

TURKISH AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE DESECRATION OF JEWISH CEMETERY

ISTANBUL, July 28. (JTA) -- Dardanelles authorities ordered an investigation today into vandalism at the Jewish cemetery in Canakkale, where a number of tombstones were destroyed. The investigation was ordered after a Jewish communal delegation reported the desecrations to provincial authorities.

VANDALS DESECRATE SYNAGOGUE IN MONTREAL; DESTROY TORAHs, PRAYER BOOKS

MONTREAL, July 28. (JTA) -- Police reported today that vandals broke into an orthodox synagogue during the week-end and destroyed scrolls, prayer shawls and books and smashed silverware and other religious items. Police estimated the total damage at \$1,000.

CHICAGO JEWISH APPEAL MAY RAISE \$6,000,000; TOPS LAST YEAR'S DRIVE

CHICAGO, July 28. (JTA) -- The Chicago Combined Jewish Appeal today announced that it had already exceeded the amount of money raised in 1958 by the Combined Jewish Appeal. Morris Norian, campaign chairman, stated \$5,350,000 had been pledged for both the Regular and the Special Rescue Fund campaign as against \$5,340,000 in 1958.

The Regular CJA campaign has secured \$4,490,098, and the Special Rescue Fund \$859,902, with the Special Rescue Fund campaign showing an increase of 113 percent over last year. Outstanding 1958 contributors still to be accounted for represent approximately \$900,000. Mr. Noran estimated that the 1959 campaign would show between a 15 percent and 20 percent increase, and would reach at least the 1957 figure of \$6,117,000.

JEWISH AGENCY IN NEW YORK MOURNS DEATH OF ISRAEL'S CHIEF RABBI

NEW YORK, July 28. (JTA) -- A statement on behalf of the Jewish Agency here, expressing "deep sorrow" over the death of Israel's Chief Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog was issued today by Mrs. Rose Halprin, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency. The statement reads:

"The executive of the Jewish Agency records with deep sorrow the death of Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog, Chief Rabbi of Israel, whose passing is mourned by Jewish communities throughout the world.

"One of the outstanding spiritual leaders of his generation, he combined the erudition and piety of our Jewish sages with the incisive mind of the scholar and statesman. For more than two turbulent decades, he labored in the forefront of the builders of modern Israel and his guidance and counsel were sought by Jews and non-Jews from every part of the world.

"He was a man blessed not only with a brilliant intellect but also with the most precious of gifts: A wise and understanding heart. Those who knew him will never forget the personal warmth which radiated from this kindly man who bore the duties of his sacred office with singular humility. No voice was too small to be heard by him and peace and justice found in him their ardent and untiring champion."

CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY ORDERS STUDENT BODIES TO ABANDON DISCRIMINATION

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28. (JTA) -- Fraternities, sororities and other student groups on all University of California campuses were under orders today from the Board of Regents to abandon any discriminatory policies based on religion or race. The order was aimed at seven secret societies with a total membership of about 3,000 in all UC campuses. It gave them five years in which to comply or lose official university recognition without which they cannot function.

President Clark Kerr, in announcing the order, said most student groups had already dropped discriminatory policies as a basis of admission. He said the university has always followed a policy of non-discrimination on race or religion and had observed it closely in admission of students. The university has not given recognition to discriminating student groups since 1946, he said.

U.S. GRANTS FUNDS TO JEWISH MEDICAL CENTERS IN PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE

WASHINGTON, July 28. (JTA) -- The National Institute of Mental Health of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare has made a grant of \$211,000 to the Einstein Medical Center in Philadelphia to support an expanded teaching program for fellows in psychiatry during the next five years. The center is preparing a 40-bed psychiatry section.

The Sinai Hospital in Baltimore has been allotted grants totalling \$150,000 by the U.S. National Institute of Health for research in cancer and heart conditions. One grant, for \$80,000, is for installation of an electron microscope in the hospital's new research facilities for cancer work. Sinai Hospital already has a \$500,000 grant for a five-year program on the chemo-therapy of cancer.

JEWISH PROFESSOR NAMED HEAD OF FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY IN BELGIAN U.

BRUSSELS, July 28. (JTA) -- The election of Prof. Chaim Perelman, secretary general of the Friends of the Hebrew University, as president of the Faculty of Philosophy and Literature of the Free University of Belgium was announced today by University officials.

Prof. Perelman, who is also president of the United Jewish Appeal, was also named president of the Friends of Jewish Youth of Brussels. He will go to India to participate in the International Institute of Philosophy which will be held August 31 to September 5.

From India, he will go to the United States to take part in the Assembly of the International Council of Philosophy and Humanities, a department of UNESCO. He is also secretary general of the International Federation of Philosophical Societies.

U. J. A. FILM ON ISRAEL SELECTED AMONG TOP 50 TELEVISION DOCUMENTARIES

NEW YORK, July 28. (JTA) -- "Face of the Land," a half-hour television film produced by the national office of the United Jewish Appeal for use in the 1959 campaign, has been selected as among the top 50 documentaries shown on TV stations over the country during the past year. "Variety," the show business weekly, polled television program directors of major TV stations in all parts of the nation in making its survey. Selections were made from public service films produced by business, industry and community organizations.

The film, which was shot on location in Israel, is narrated by Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. Israel's population provides the cast for this moving portrayal of a growing nation.