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U. S. RIGHTS BODY FINDS PATTERN OF ANTI-JEWISH HOUSING BIAS IN COUNTRY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- The United States Commission on Civil Rights reported today to President Eisenhower that discrimination in housing in America is based not only on color but that a pattern of anti-Jewish prejudice exists in practically the entire country.

"That the universal human phenomenon of ancient, unreasoning prejudice is involved, and not necessarily prejudice based on color, is shown by the continuing discrimination against Jews," said the commission.

The report said that today Jews can, in most cases, get housing that is "equivalent in quality" to that of other whites. But testimony was presented to the commission that "in practically every large city in the United States and in its suburbs there is discrimination against Jews in housing."

In New York City, over a third of the 200 cooperative apartment houses were said to exclude Jews. The Westchester suburb of Bronxville was described as having achieved the status that "Hitler called 'Judenrein'--free of Jews." In the nation's capital, there are said to be 14 areas in the District of Columbia and its environs from which Jews are excluded.

It was clear from the report that the worst victim of housing bias was the citizen of the Negro race. Jews were unable to buy or rent in some neighborhoods but were able to find comfortable and reasonably-priced housing elsewhere. The report termed housing "the one commodity in the American market that is not freely available on equal terms to everyone who can afford to pay."

Jewish Rights Affected only in Housing Field

The report declared that "through its studies of three particular aspects of civil rights--voting, education, and housing--the commission has come to see the organic nature of the problem as a whole. The problem is one of securing the full rights of citizenship to those Americans who are being denied in any degree that vital recognition of human dignity, the equal protection of the laws.

It pointed out that "to a large extent this is now a racial problem. In the past there was widespread denial of equal opportunity and equal justice by reason of religion or national origin. Some discrimination against Jews remains, particularly in housing, and some recent immigrants undoubtedly still have to overcome prejudice. But with a single exception the only denials of the right to vote that have come to the attention of the commission are by reason of race or color. This is also clearly the issue in public education. In housing, too, it is primarily non-whites who lack equal opportunity."

SENATE BODY PUTS MORSE ANTI-BIAS AMENDMENT INTO MUTUAL SECURITY BILL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- An amendment branding as "repugnant" discrimination such as is practiced by Saudi Arabia against American Jews was incorporated today into a new Mutual Security appropriations bill by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

The amendment was originally proposed by Sen. Wayne Morse, Oregon Democrat. Its adoption by the Appropriations Committee indicated great likelihood it will be passed by the full Senate as part of the basic bill and subsequently retained by the joint House-Senate conference.

When the Appropriations Committee acted on the anti-bias measure, little opposition emerged from committee members despite previous evidence of State Department reluctance. Some modification was made in Sen. Morse's proposed stronger wording. But the adopted measure nevertheless expressed the sense of Congress against foreign religious or racial discrimination against Americans and provided for White House discretion in dealing with bias in instances when nations are receiving United States funds.

Sen. Morse introduced his amendment earlier this session as part of a Mutual Security authorization bill. The amendment was defeated by a narrow margin. Sen. Morse expressed the view that it would have passed had more Senators been familiar with details of the issue involving discrimination by Saudi Arabia against Americans of Jewish faith.

In August, Senator Morse offered the amendment anew to the Appropriations Committee when that body took up the new Mutual Security appropriations bill. He obtained bi-partisan support.

The wording in the bill reported out today by the Appropriations Committee would declare it "the sense of Congress that any attempt by foreign nations to create distinctions based on their religion or race among American citizens in the granting of personal or commercial access or any other rights otherwise available to United States citizens generally is repugnant to our principles and in all negotiations between the United States and any foreign state, arising as a result of funds appropriated under this act, these principles shall be applied as the President may determine."

GENERAL GRANT RETRACTS LIBEL HE DISTRIBUTED ON CIVIL WAR JEWS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- General U.S. Grant, 3rd, chairman of the U.S. Civil War Centennial Commission, acknowledged today a change of mind about statements he disseminated defaming Jews in connection with the Civil War.

The controversial material was published by Gen. Grant in the bulletin of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, a patriotic group of which he is Commander-in-Chief. It caused considerable reaction among American Jews.

Today Gen. Grant wrote Joseph F. Barr, national executive director of the Jewish War Veterans, that he had learned the material had been "contradicted." He said "Intent as I am upon ascertaining the truth, I have made such research as has been possible into the statements contained in the article and find that it contains several allegations and implications that are unsupported by sound historical authorities and so are probably false. You may be sure that, had I suspected this, I would not have distributed copies of the article to our membership."

General Grant also made known that he would question the integrity of the article in his formal report as Commander-in-Chief at the annual meeting of his group on October 8.

Mr. Barr praised the General's "courage" in changing his mind and urged that the incident be closed. It was Mr. Barr's hope that the incident would not minimize the participation of American Jewry in the coming Civil War centennial.

HUSSEIN PLANNING TO RENAME HASHEMITE KINGDOM 'PALESTINE'

JERUSALEM, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Experts in Arab affairs here voiced belief today that King Hussein intended to change the name of his kingdom to Palestine and establish his capital in the Jordan-held Old City of Jerusalem. The present capital of the Hashemite Kingdom is at Amman, a small desert city.

The name "Palestine" would strengthen Hussein's claim to the non-Israeli portions of mandated Palestine now held by Jordan, and would also give him some claim to the Gaza Strip, the narrow southern coastal area held by Egypt.

(Reports from Casablanca, where the Arab League conference of foreign ministers ended yesterday, indicated that they had failed to reach any real agreement on the major proposals dealing with Israel, including the creation of an Arab force to guard the Arab-Israel borders and establishment of a "Palestine Government." Decision on these issues was left to a subsequent meeting of the council next January.)

The Jordanians were believed to be concerned over various Egyptian-backed plans for formation of an Arab force to operate under Egyptian control to "protect" the Arab borders with Israel, and for formation of some kind of "Palestine Government."

To prove that such a force was not necessary, it was indicated that the Jordanian Government was concentrating its troops along the Israeli borders.

ELATH TAKES LEAVE OF MACMILLAN IN 45-MINUTE DOWNING STREET MEETING

LONDON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan received Israel Ambassador Eliahu Elath last night in a 45-minute talk. While current Middle Eastern and British-Israel matters were reportedly reviewed, the meeting, which was the envoy's official farewell to the Prime Minister, was devoted largely to an exchange of goodwishes. Mr. Macmillan reportedly showed keen interest in Mr. Elath's plans and invited him and Mrs. Elath to revisit Britain at some future date.

AMBASSADOR HARMAN TO PRESENT CREDENTIALS TO PRESIDENT ON MONDAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- President Eisenhower will receive Israel Ambassador-designate Avraham Harman at the White House on Monday to formally accept Mr. Harman's letters of credence and greet him as new Ambassador.

SECRETARY OF LABOR MITCHELL GIVES LUNCHEON FOR HISTADRUT OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell tendered a luncheon today at Anderson House in honor of Pinchas Lavon, secretary-general of Histadrut, the Israel Labor Federation. Guests included officials of the State and Labor Departments, Israel's diplomatic representatives and prominent American trade union leaders.

GOLDSTEIN SEES ISRAEL WINNING FRIENDS IN ASIA AND AFRICA

NEW YORK, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Dr. Israel Goldstein, co-chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists, asserted today, in a report on an eight-month world tour, that President Nasser of the United Arab Republic was "doomed to failure" in his "attempt to build up a solid Afro-Asian front against Israel."

Dr. Goldstein, who visited many of the newly-established Asian and African nations, explained that this attempt ran "counter to the realistic interests of the people concerned." He noted that in countries "such as Burma, Ghana and Liberia, Israelis have established economic enterprises jointly with the local governments."

Declaring that Israel's practical help and advice "are the more acceptable because they come from a small country," the Zionist leader added that "such practical cooperation built on mutual benefits is a sound basis for good relations between Israel and Afro-Asian countries."

Referring to "remote outposts of Jewish life" which he had visited, he reported that "the largest common denominator between all of these Jewish communities is Judaism and Israel. The State of Israel has brought new verve, pride and spiritual content into their lives as Jews." He added, however, that "in the small communities the struggle for Jewish survival is difficult. The number one need is for Jewish teachers."

Dr. Goldstein said he had found in talks with Prince Mikasa of Japan, U Nu of Burma, Prime Minister Nehru of India and the Shah of Persia, "an appreciation of Judaism and a deep respect for Israel." He said that Nehru "hopes some day to be helpful in bringing about peaceful relations between Israel and its Arab neighbors."

TWENTY-SIX POLITICAL GROUPS SEEK PLACE ON BALLOT IN ISRAEL ELECTIONS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- A total of 26 lists were presented today to the Central Elections Committee--14 more than are represented in the outgoing third Knesset, Israel's Parliament--for the national elections November 3.

Included were six minorities lists--three affiliated with Mapai, one with the left-wing Ahdut Avodah, one independent Arab list and one Druse list. There were six community lists, two North African, two Sephardi, one Yemenite and one of new immigrants from Central Europe. A United Agudah list was included.

The elections committee will act on approval of the lists in the next ten days and there is additional time during which lists denied a place on the ballot can seek a court reversal. The successful lists will contest the 120 seats in the Knesset, appealing for votes of 1,179,329 eligible electors.

ISRAELI HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS IN TWO-DAY WARNING STRIKE ON PAY DEMANDS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- A two-day warning strike of high school teachers throughout the country kept 30,000 students home today with the possibility of an extended walk-out next week if the teachers' salary demands are not met.

The Ministry of Education has not recognized the High School Teachers Association since it broke away from the General Teachers Federation. The Government refuses to discuss the salary demands since any increase in high school teachers' salaries would automatically call for a raise in the salaries of grade school teachers.

WORLD-FAMED CANCER SPECIALISTS IN CONFERENCE AT WEIZMANN INSTITUTE

TEL AVIV, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Over 20 world-famous cancer experts gathered at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot today for the opening session of a week-long symposium on the causes of cancer.

The meeting, under the joint auspices of the International Commission for Cancer and the Weizmann Institute, was called to enable a select number of invited specialists to exchange views on cancer causation. Israel's delegation is headed by Professor Yitzhak Berenblum, director of Biological Research at the Weizmann Institute.

ISRAELI OFFICER KILLED IN INCIDENT NEAR EGYPTIAN BORDER

TEL AVIV, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- An Israel army officer was shot dead and robbed near the Egyptian border in the first serious incident in the area in several months, the Army spokesman disclosed today.

The officer was with a training group in a hilly region near the southern border when he lost contact with his unit and disappeared. An extensive search operation found his body in a wadi several hours later.

An Arab infiltrator who escaped from Shatta Prison in northern Israel two years ago has been captured along with another infiltrator by Israel forces near the Gaza Strip, the police reported today.

DR. PRINZ URGES SOVIET UNION TO INVITE JEWISH STUDY MISSION

NEW YORK, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Dr. Joachim Prinz, national president of the American Jewish Congress, urged the Soviet Government today to invite a representative committee of American Jewish leaders to visit the Soviet Union for a study of Jewish life in that country. The AJC leader told a press conference here that he hoped the idea of such a study mission might be agreed on at a meeting with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev which U.S. Jewish organizations are attempting to arrange. Dr. Prinz expressed doubt, however, about the chances of scheduling such a meeting.

The purpose of the study mission would be to ascertain facts and figures concerning facilities in the Soviet Union for religious worship and to inaugurate friendly relationships between American Jews and Soviet Jewish personalities. They would also recommend ways and means of enhancing Jewish religious and cultural life in the Soviet Union.

"We seek for Russia's Jews only those cultural facilities which other nationality groups in the USSR have been granted and only those opportunities for religious life which other religious groups are permitted under the Soviet Constitution," Dr. Prinz declared.

HALF OF MOROCCO'S REMAINING JEWS WOULD EMIGRATE IF THEY COULD

JERUSALEM, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Despite powerful barriers against emigration, at least half of Morocco's 200,000 Jews want to come to Israel to join families here, it was learned reliably today. Since the establishment of Israel, about 120,000 Moroccan Jews have come here.

Official Moroccan declarations concerning free immigration actually do not apply to Jews. Since Jewish applicants for travel visas are suspect, many bona fide businessmen are refused such facilities because of Government fears they will go to Israel once they leave Morocco.

Reports have reached here of cases in which Jews have not been allowed to return to Morocco if they visited Israel during an overseas trip.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL LAUNCHES \$35 MILLION CASH COLLECTION CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- The United Jewish Appeal urgently requires an additional \$35,000,000 before the end of the year, Morris W. Berinstein, its general chairman, said today, announcing the opening of a nation-wide cash drive.

Melvin Dubinsky, of St. Louis, and a committee of 50 will direct the drive which will wind up on December 12 with presentations at the UJA national conference in New York. Communities are being urged, Mr. Berinstein said, to have at least half their quotas ready by November 2 for presentation to the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem by the UJA study mission.

The \$35,000,000 nation-wide UJA cash goal is sought to maintain programs affecting some 600,000 men, women and children in Israel and 25 other countries. Almost 400,000 of this number are immigrants of recent years to Israel, where some 30,000 immigrants of the past few months need initial absorption help and where more than 350,000 immigrants of previous years need decent housing, farm settlement aid and continuance of programs of help for the aged, handicapped, chronically ill and youth.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA OPENS CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON TODAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- Governor G. Mennen Williams of Michigan and Israel's Minister to Washington, Yaacov Herzog, will be among the speakers at the 62nd annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America which opens here tomorrow.

The convention, dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the birth of Theodor Herzl, will also hear addresses by New York Senator Kenneth B. Keating, former Governor Theodore R. McKeldin and Senator Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania. Over 1,000 delegates are expected to attend.

The four-day convention will be devoted to full discussions and action on problems confronting Israel and the Zionist movement today.

J. D. A. HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD TO BE PRESENTED TO GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER

NEW YORK, Sept. 9. (JTA) -- The sixth annual presentation of the Joint Defense Appeal's Human Rights Award will be made to Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York at a dinner on September 22 launching the final phase of the Appeal's 1959 campaign to raise \$6,100,000 to support the programs of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The Award is presented each year by the two Joint Defense Appeal agencies to that individual who has done the most to advance the principles of Americanism and the cause of human rights.