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KHRUSHCHEV CHARGES GERMANS SEEK TO 'WHITEWASH' NAZI REGIME

LONDON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Soviet Premier Khrushchev charged today in a speech to the Soviet Parliament that "the tendency to whitewash and all but rehabilitate the bloody Nazi regime" in West Germany "is becoming increasingly pronounced of late."

He called the "recent Fascist and anti-Semitic outrages in West Germany a manifestation of reaction" and declared that the Soviet Union was "saddened" by the incidents. He said that Hitler had fanned anti-Semitism to start a war, and he accused Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of having "apparently drawn no conclusions from the lessons of the past."

Communist China also spoke out today about the "large scale anti-Semitic movement" which Peiping, in a radio broadcast, saw "swiftly spreading like a plague in the capitalist world." Blaming the United States for allegedly permitting "militarism and Nazism to return to West Germany," the Peiping radio charged that the West German "army, judiciary, foreign ministry and other government departments are ridden with former Hitlerites and all sorts of Nazis."

BRITISH LABOR GROUP CALLS FOR DIPLOMATIC BREAK WITH WEST GERMANY

LONDON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The British Labor party called last night for action to prevent the spread of anti-Semitic manifestations. The international sub-committee of the party's national executive committee declared that the appearance of swastikas and anti-Jewish slogans was "an ugly reminder that there is, even in this country, a small minority of people who support Fascism and all its beastly associations."

Simultaneously, South Wales party leaders, meeting in Cardiff, decided to ask the Labor Party leaders and the Trades Union Congress to urge the British Government to break off diplomatic relations with West Germany until anti-Semitism there was halted.

Two Swedish political groups issued statements today expressing their "repugnance" over the recent wave of anti-Semitic incidents in their country, and calling upon the government for "effective interventions against all kinds of persecutions directed against any ethnic group." The statements came from the parliamentary group of the Liberal Peoples Party and the executive committee of the Swedish Social Democratic Youth Federation.

At Munich, the Parliament of Bavaria today approved a resolution condemning anti-Semitism.

In Buenos Aires, the Argentine Chamber of Deputies adopted a resolution strongly condemning racist manifestations and calling upon all international bodies to adopt methods for world-wide compliance with the provisions of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The resolution repudiated every "expression of religious persecution or anti-Semitism," and urged the Argentine people to reject such actions.

In Paris, Minister Without Portfolio Jacques Soustelle told a meeting sponsored by the French Defense Committee for Democratic Action that "Anti-Semitism is playing the game of Communism and Nasser's pan-Arabism."

In Brussels, the central committee of the Liberal Party, a member of the coalition government, adopted a resolution today condemning the anti-Semitic acts and calling upon the government to "do its utmost to discover the culprits and punish them severely, so as to prevent a resurgence of the dangerous Nazi spirit."

BRITISH JEWISH FIRMS DENY 'REPRISALS' AGAINST GERMANS

LONDON, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Indignant denials of reprisals against German employees or West German-made products were made today by spokesmen of some of London's largest Jewish-owned firms. Statements by the West German Embassy that such reprisals had taken place were described as "nonsense" by a spokesman for the "600 Group," owned by George Cohen and Sons. The Great Universal stores, owned

by Isaac Wolfson, millionaire industrialist and philanthropist, Lyons and Company, and Marks and Spencer also officially denied any reprisal or boycott actions.

The West German Embassy asserted here last night that the three British firms had dismissed their German employes as a gesture of protest against the upsurge of anti-Semitic incidents in West Germany.

POLICE ACT AGAINST JEW-BAITERS IN GERMANY, OTHER COUNTRIES

BONN, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Formal charges were filed in Cologne today against Arnold Strunk and Paul Schoenen, the 25-year-old members of the right-wing Deutsche Reichs Party who were arrested as suspects in the Christmas Eve snaring of the Cologne synagogue which touched off the world-wide spurt of anti-Semitic manifestations.

The two defendants, who were expelled by the party immediately after their arrest, were charged with damaging a house of God and an anti-Nazi memorial, "with anti-constitutional intentions," with insulting a religious society, with committing a wrong against a memorial, and with using the emblems of a Nazi organization. Cologne court officials said the case would probably be heard early in February.

A spokesman for the Federal Ministry of the Interior said today that the Government had not yet decided to apply to the courts for a ban on the Deutsche Reichs Party because it did not yet have enough evidence.

A rash of swastika and slogan daubings, similar to those in West Germany, has occurred in East Germany, the Times of London reported today.

In Washington, the State Department said today that the Berlin Documents Center had not clamped down totally on information about ex-Nazis but was handling requests on a new, case-by-case basis. State Department spokesman Lincoln White said the Center's files of Nazi party records was "incomplete," and contained "unevaluated" information. "Uncontrolled use of such documents, therefore, in many cases may result in doing an injustice to persons now living," said White.

The Berlin Document Center contains the "Nazi Party's central membership file, a complete card index captured in Munich in 1945, Nazi correspondence, personnel files of the SS Elite Guard and records of the Nazi 'peoples' courts."

National security and local police officials reported arrests of suspects connected with recent incidents in Foggia and Genoa, Italy, and Oslo, Norway.

NEW YORK CITY ANTI-BIAS AGENCY CALLS PARLEY TO PLOT ACTION

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The New York City Commission on Inter-group Relations announced today that it had summoned leaders of every faith, and many scholars, to join a public symposium, next Monday on the origin, causes and possible ways of curbing the recent outbreaks of anti-Semitism. Mayor Robert F. Wagner will take part in the discussion.

Formation of a "continuing study" of the wave of anti-Semitism, as well as of any other signs of anti-religious or racist hatred directed against any group, was announced in Philadelphia today by Murray H. Shusterman, president of the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Philadelphia.

"While evidence at this time does not justify the conclusion that the spate of incidents is part of an organized plot or the result of organized planning," Mr. Shusterman stated, "the rapidity and range of their spread are cause for concern, and merit close and alert attention."

A call upon governments, civic and interfaith organizations to form a special commission to formulate and help implement "a definite program of action" to fight the outbreaks was issued in New York today by Dr. Miriam Freund, president of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization.

"The current outbreak of anti-Semitic vandals," said Dr. Freund, "is not primarily a Jewish problem. It is a problem for all men of good will, and they must act to stamp out this dangerous virus wherever it exists."

Swastikas Reach University of Colorado

Meanwhile, at Boulder, Colo., swastikas were found painted on the walls of Phi Sigma Delta and Alpha Epsilon Phi, Jewish fraternity house and sorority house, at the University of Colorado. University President Dr. Quigg Newton, and Dean Arthur Kendl issued statements condemning the incidents. They ordered immediate investigations to try to trace the defacers, declaring that "the strongest action possible" would be taken against the culprits. Campus and Boulder city police placed special guards around all buildings in the area occupied by Jewish organizations, in an effort to prevent any recurrence of such incidents.

At Nashville, Tenn, Rabbi Jerome Kestenbaum told police that a threat had been made to bomb his synagogue if former Berlin correspondent William L. Shirer were permitted to speak. The lecture was held as scheduled. There was no bombing.

BAGHDAD RADIO ADVISES ARABS TO FORGET EXTERMINATION WAR ON ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The Arab world was advised by Radio Baghdad, in a broadcast monitored here today, to forget the idea of a "war of extermination" against Israel.

The broadcast was made in support of Iraq Premier Kassem's plan for creation of a "Palestine Republic" under the leadership of the former Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin el Husseini, one-time Nazi collaborator. Renewed opposition of the plan, which would require Jordan to give up the territory west of the Jordan it absorbed during the attack on the new-born State of Israel in 1948, was expressed yesterday by Hazza Majali, Jordanian Prime Minister.

The Jordanian Prime Minister, said in Amman that the Jordan Government did not recognize the Arab Higher Committee or any other body as the legal representative of the Arab refugees. The refugees would, under Premier Kassem's proposals, become the citizens of the proposed new Arab state.

The Baghdad broadcast quoted approvingly from an article in the Sudanese newspaper, "Rissala," which declared that "Arabs must once and for all understand that there cannot be an all-out attack on Israel which is a member in good standing of the United Nations. Proclaiming war on Israel--as Arabs so often promise--is tantamount to slapping the face of the United Nations."

The newspaper also was quoted as warning that the Arab countries "must understand that if they continue war slogans against Israel, the result may be an outbreak of war in the entire Middle East in which the Great Powers inevitably will intervene."

"Arabs should therefore welcome the best possible Palestine solution proposed by Premier Kassem, namely the establishment of an Arab Republic in the western part of Palestine," the broadcast citation from "Rissala" continued. "Such a plan does not involve war since it is in accordance with United Nations resolutions."

The ex-Mufti long advocated establishment of a "Palestine Government" with headquarters in Gaza, but President Nasser refused to back him. The Egyptians have, from time to time, advocated formation of a Palestine Arab State in order to weaken the Kingdom of Jordan.

RABBI RACKMAN HITS DR. GOLDMANN FOR CRITICIZING ROLE OF SYNAGOGUE

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, asserted today Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, had made "an egregious error" in warning against the growing role of the synagogue in American Jewish life.

The Orthodox rabbinical leader, speaking at the 50th jubilee convention of the Religious Zionists of America, Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, said that "by becoming more synagogue-minded, Jews are giving expression to those precepts which constitute the very essence of Israel's reason for existence."

"Dr. Goldmann seems to make an egregious error when he fails to evaluate the historic role which the synagogue in the United States is playing in providing the overall guidance and support for the sustaining of the viability of the State of Israel," Rabbi Rackman told the 800 delegates. He said that while it was the duty of Jews everywhere to uphold "the tremendous importance of Israel as a democratic nation, we should not allow it to degenerate into another sovereign idol usually associated with pagan nationalism."

He also accused Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath, president of the Reform Union of American Hebrew Congregations, of making a "major blunder" in his recent denunciation of "Orthodoxy's so-called domination and control of the religious affairs of the State of Israel. In fact, Rabbi Eisendrath should recommend to the Government of Israel a long-needed return to and restoration of the fundamental beliefs, values and practices of traditional Judaism," he said, particularly since Reform Judaism in the United States "is currently recognizing the inherent dangers and fallacies of permitting radical departures from the historical and accepted patterns of strict Jewish observance."

He told the delegates that the World Bank should cancel its recent loan of \$56,500,000 to the United Arab Republic for widening the Suez Canal if UAR President Nasser "continues to carry on in his dictatorial fashion" in barring the Canal to Israel cargoes.

Israeli News Briefs

JERUSALEM, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- U.S. Ambassador Ogden R. Reid officially opened the Louis Marshall Library here in the new Lawyers House. The library is named for the late American Jewish leader.

TEL AVIV, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- The Canadian Ambassador, Miss Margaret Meagher, was hostess last night to the 50-man Canadian Jewish study mission now touring the country.

NEW YORK COMMISSION TO KEEP BIAS PROBE OF TENNIS CLUB OPEN

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Dr Alfred J. Marrow, chairman of the New York City Commission on Intergroup Relations, said today the commission's investigation of the admission policies of the West Side Tennis Club of Forest Hills was not closed.

The question of the suburban club's admission policies became a public issue when Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, United Nations Undersecretary for Special Political Affairs, disclosed last July that the club had refused membership to his son because it barred Negroes and Jews. The club board subsequently stated that there were no such restrictions on memberships.

Dr. Marrow told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that the commission planned to look into the tennis club's records "in about a year" to determine whether admission policies were free of bias. He said that the club's services and fees were so attractive that its membership rolls were usually full and resignations rare, requiring that the commission wait a substantial period for development of evidence on admission policies.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE TO DEDICATE INSTITUTE ON HUMAN RELATIONS

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- American Jewish Committee will dedicate its new Institute of Human Relations with a seven-day series of conferences and seminars on prejudice, discrimination and intergroup relations. The week-long program will begin Jan. 18 and continue through Jan. 23.

Among the major events will be a dinner addressed by Nobel Prize winner Philip Noel-Baker and R.S.S. Gunewardene, Chairman of the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations.

The eight-story Institute "dedicated to man's understanding of his fellow man," was established by the committee as a center for research and practical application in intergroup and human relations and serves as its permanent headquarters.

BOND DRIVE'S NATIONAL PLANNING CONFERENCE OPENS HERE TODAY

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- More than 450 business and communal leaders from various parts of the United States and Canada will attend the opening session of the three-day National Planning Conference of the Israel Bond drive, at the Biltmore Hotel tomorrow. The conference will plan for greater financial aid for Israel's economic development through Israel Bonds, which have provided more than \$400,000,000 since 1951.

Dr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel will present a report on Israel's economic achievements and development plans for the future. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, vice president of the Bond organization will report on the results of the 1959 Israel Bond drive and the prospects for the new year.

ISRAEL FACES CRISIS IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION, DR. HABER WARNS

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Dr. William Haber, president of the American ORT Federation warned today that Israel faced "a serious and growing crisis in the vocational education of its younger generation." Mr. Haber said that several thousand youngsters were being turned away each year from Israel's vocational high schools "simply because there was no room."

Ambassador Avraham Harman will be guest of honor at a dinner session of the organization's national conference on Sunday. The session will consider the problem of Israel's shortage of vocational education facilities. The 500 delegates will be asked to consider an ORT budget which would continue the large-scale programs for Jewish repatriates in Poland and economic rehabilitation activities among a half million depressed Jews in Moslem lands.

CLAIMS GROUP ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 1960-61

NEW YORK, Jan. 14. (JTA) -- Applications for scholarship and fellowship grants offered by the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany for the 1960-61 academic year will be accepted until March 31, 1960, the Claims Conference announced today. Under the program, which will begin its seventh year next fall, grants will be awarded to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution who qualify for Jewish teacher training scholarships, scholarships in Jewish studies and research fellowships for independent projects in Jewish arts, letters and social sciences.

Last year 178 successful candidates from 17 countries received scholarship and fellowship grants totaling more than \$115,000. The Conference obtains its funds for allocation under the terms of the West German-Israel Reparations Pact.

The scholarship and fellowship grants are part of a greater program for Jewish cultural and educational reconstruction carried out by the Conference.