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LAVON SATISFIED SHARRETT 'CLEARED' HIM; POLITICAL FIGHT GOES ON

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Pinhas Lavon, who resigned his post as Defense Minister in 1955, said today he was satisfied with a statement made by Moshe Sharett, then Prime Minister, which Lavon said cleared him of responsibility for the "unfortunate affair" that brought about his resignation.

The fight surrounding the entire Lavon affair continues, however, on various levels--in Israel's Parliament, among the opposition parties that are partners in the coalition Government, and even inside Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's own, dominant Mapai Party.

The report on the "affair" by the special commission headed by Supreme Court Justice Haim Cohn, and Attorney General Gideon Hausner's comments on that report, have been published here. (Transmittal of the contents of those documents by foreign correspondents was, however, still forbidden today by the Government censorship).

Mr. Lavon, commenting that the Attorney General's report included a statement of clearance from Sharett, said he was "contented and satisfied."

The issue was by no means dead, however, a fact Lavon indicated in saying that, while the "Affaire Lavon" had ceased to exist, the still greater and more secret "unfortunate affair" was still unresolved, and the investigation as to who would conduct the investigation was still open.

Mr. Ben-Gurion intervened in the Knesset debate on his state of the nation address to declare that he would not, in his reply, deal with the "unfortunate affair." He argued that the "affair" had no place in the debate, since he did not refer to it in his report.

There have been widespread demands among all political parties in the coalition Government that the Prime Minister submit a full report on the inquiry.

GERMAN GOVERNMENT DENIES PAYING FOR EICHMANN DEFENSE

BONN, Oct. 26. (JTA) - The West German Foreign Ministry insisted today that the Government is not paying the costs of defending Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi specialist in the mass murder of Jews under the Hitler regime, who is to face trial soon in Israel.

The statement was made in response to widely publicized speculations throughout Germany and Israel as to how the impoverished Eichmann family was meeting the heavy costs of defending Eichmann. It had been pointed out that the Eichmann family said it had to borrow money for the relatively small expenses involved in conferring at Cologne with Dr. Robert Servatius, the attorney - who is acting as counsel for Eichmann.

Intimations that the defense bills were being met by the Foreign Ministry's legal department have been printed in Der Spiegel, of Hamburg, Germany's leading illustrated magazine.

According to Der Spiegel, Robert Eichmann, Adolf's brother, said at his home in Linz, Austria, that he had not hired Dr. Servatius. Instead, Robert Eichmann is quoted as saying, Servatius "offered" his legal services. Servatius' fee has been estimated at 100,000 deutschemarks (about \$24,000). Der Spiegel says that Servatius enjoys "close relations" with the Foreign Ministry's legal department, and that the money is "probably" coming from that source.

Persons interested in defending Eichmann, according to the magazine, "could be" officials who served in Hitler's ministries, as well as industrialists who collaborated with SS officers in countries "once occupied by the German Army and today allied with the Federal Republic through NATO." It was recalled that Servatius had been one of the defenders of the Nazi war criminals convicted by the Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal.

In Cologne, Dr. Servatius told reporters today that, during his recent visit to Israel, he had found Eichmann "confident of a good outcome of his trial." The attorney said he would try to base his defense mainly on evidence that Eichmann had acted under orders. He said he had been received in Israel "with much more skepticism but without animosity. A wall of alert coolness surrounded me." (Continued on page 4.)

GOLDMANN SEES RISING ISRAEL IMMIGRATION; PINPOINTS W. Z. O. PROBLEMS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, predicted today that immigration to Israel would total nearly 30,000 persons during the current year, with a minimum of 40,000 next year.

At a press conference here today, Dr. Goldmann repeated earlier reports that nearly all organized Jewries would be represented in the forthcoming 25th World Zionist Congress. The Congress is to convene here December 27. Non-Zionist organizations will send fraternal delegates and associate members or observers without the right to vote.

According to Dr. Goldmann, the keynote of the Congress will be an analysis of Zionism and the Jewish people today. In discussing the principal purpose of the Congress, he said the basic question was what the function of the Zionist movement was now that the Jewish State has been established. Recalling Herzl's statement that the task of Zionism was to solve the Jewish question, Dr. Goldmann said the 25th Congress will have to answer the question: "Is there a Jewish problem?"

In a report on Jewish Agency executive deliberations on the agenda for the Congress, he said the executive agreed to devote the bulk of deliberations to the functions of the Zionist movement outside Israel, and the duties of the individual Zionist to Israel.

ORT TO OFFER FACILITIES TO AFRICANS; I. L. O. CHIEF PRAISES ORGANIZATION

LONDON, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Several resolutions were passed at the 80th anniversary congress of ORT yesterday which would offer ORT's facilities to non-Jews from some of the underdeveloped countries.

The decisions are to make ORT's technicians and specialists available for technical assistance projects sponsored by the United Nations or by individual countries. Facilities would be provided at the ORT technical school in Israel for the training of 40 Africans. ORT's technical training center for teenagers in Switzerland would be expanded to provide courses for students at the junior college level. Some of the students would be non-Jews.

The expansion of the facilities for the Israeli school in Nahaania will be accomplished with the cooperation of the Israeli government. The African students who will study there, will be offered courses in electro-mechanics, metal machining, carpentry and agricultural mechanics.

At the congress banquet, David Morse, director general of the International Labor Organization, said that what "ORT fosters is now accepted as one of the essential methods through which newly emerging countries can help find the basis for true independence, sovereignty and self respect."

Mr. Morse stressed the "community of aims" between the ILO and ORT. He said that 80 years ago ORT "lit the torch of training and technical assistance to our fellowmen, to help them find a new and better life." Praising ORT's program, Mr. Morse said that man can overcome the "dramatic deadlock" of peace or war through technical education and general enlightenment."

ISRAEL PLANS TO LIFT CONTROLS IN DIRECTION OF 'FREER ECONOMY'

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Pinhas Sapir, Israel's Minister of Trade and Industry, promised today he would propose to the Israel Cabinet relaxation of controls affecting half of the goods now imported into Israel.

Speaking at a meeting of the Israel Industry Advisory Council, he made the promise in response to demands for liberalization in Israel's economy and abolition of Government controls.

He said his proposal, details of which he did not spell out, would be submitted to the Cabinet as a step toward a "freer economy." He also reiterated the Government's determination to sell its interest in all firms except those which "by the nature of their activities" must remain nationalized.

JORDAN, LIKE ISRAEL, WANTS UNESCO TO MOVE REGIONAL CENTER OUT OF CAIRO

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Jordan has followed Israel in demanding that the Middle East regional center for elementary education, conducted at Cairo by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, be transferred to "a neutral Middle East country," according to reports in the Jordanian press today.

Israel has been protesting for years against the Cairo location of the UNESCO center, which Israelis, of course, cannot visit. Now the Jordanian press reports that the Amman Government accuses the United Arab Republic of "misusing" the UNESCO center "in the UAR's battle for subversion against other Arab countries." Jordan informed UNESCO that Jordanians have been barred from the UNESCO center, and that some Jordanian teachers attending the center have been beaten in Cairo.

REPORT SHOWS MOST JEWS IN MEMPHIS, MIAMI EXPERIENCE NO ANTI-SEMITISM

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Attitude polls of the Jewish communities of Memphis and Miami over a two-year period indicate that desegregation tensions in the South have had "no serious adverse affect" on Jewish-non-Jewish relationships in those cities, it was reported here today.

The report was made by Morris Abram of Atlanta, a member of the executive board of the American Jewish Committee, and southeast area consultant to the AJC. He made the report at the committee's executive board meeting here.

He said the findings were that there was a "large flow" of social contacts between Jews and non-Jews in those cities. Memphis has a Jewish population of 8,000 in a total population of 500,000. Miami has a Jewish population of 90,000 out of 900,000 total population.

Another finding was that, in Memphis, 71 percent of the Jews reported they had heard of no anti-Semitic incidents in that city, but 15 percent reported experiencing such incidents. In Miami, 20 percent of the Jews said they or their families had experienced such incidents, while 60 percent said they had heard of no such incidents in Dade County in recent years.

Mr. Abram said that both the desegregation tensions and the "growing tendency" toward religious sectarianism and increased activities under religious auspices, had not affected the social contacts between Jews and non-Jews. More than 75 percent of those interviewed in Memphis said there had been extensive socializing between Jews and non-Jews. Two-thirds of Miami Jews reported similarly on social contacts with non-Jews.

ANTI-BIGOTRY CRUSADE LAUNCHED WITH AID OF NIXON, KENNEDY

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Racial and religious bigotry and persecution were denounced today by Presidential candidates Richard M. Nixon and John F. Kennedy. Both candidates addressed their messages to a luncheon here sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Morris Morgenstern Foundation.

A total of 75 national organizations, representing more than 60,000,000 Americans, were announced at the luncheon as having joined in inaugurating a crusade against such bigotry. Mr. Nixon, in his message, termed such prejudice "a ruinous disease." Senator Kennedy, in a message read by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, urged a "moral commitment" by the President and all Americans for the encouragement of tolerance and the condemnation of oppression and persecution.

The luncheon marked the 170th anniversary of the letter written by George Washington to the Touro Synagogue in Newport, R.I., in which the first President declared that the Government of the United States would give "to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance."

Dr. Lewis Webster Jones, president of the NCCJ, warned that the "flood of hate literature" being circulated against Senator Kennedy's Catholicism "comes from the same bigoted sources which, at other times, have attacked the Negro and the Jew."

SEMINARY ACQUIRES HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO BENE ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Two historical documents relating to geneology and religious rites of the 2,000-year-old Bene Israel community in India, have been donated to the library of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America by Shalome Haem Rajpurker, the Kazi or spiritual head of the community, it was announced here today.

The documents, one dated 1799 and the other 1808, confirmed the rights and privileges of the Kazi and those of other community leaders.

FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES PUBLICATION OF COMPLETE HERZL DIARIES

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- "The Complete Diaries of Theodor Herzl," a five-volume annotated edition, edited by Dr. Raphael Patai, heads a list of 15 new titles being issued by Herzl Press, it was announced here today by Dr. Patai and Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the Theodor Herzl Foundation. The Foundation is a department of the American Zionist Council.

The complete list includes three additional works on Dr. Herzl. These are: "Herzl's Life in Pictures"; his "Old New Land," with an introduction by Dr. Neumann; and a centennial volume of the "Herzl Year Book." In addition, Herzl Press is issuing a phonograph record and an accompanying film strip illustrating Herzl's life.

UNIVERSITY IN DETROIT BANS FRATERNITY LIMITED TO 'WHITE CHRISTIANS'

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 26. (JTA) -- A membership rule of Delta Theta Phi, national legal fraternity, accepting only "white Christians," today brought a ban on the fraternity at Wayne State University here. Withdrawal of official recognition means the fraternity cannot use campus facilities.

(Continued from page 1.) The Cologne attorney said that, since assuming Eichmann's defense, he had received numerous threatening letters. He said he had refused a request to defend Ludwig Zind, a German teacher convicted of anti-Semitism, and now awaiting an extradition ruling in a prison at Naples, Italy. The request had been made by Zind's son, Dr. Servatius said.

German Prosecutor, War Crimes Unit to Send Observers to Eichmann Trial

FRANKFURT, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- An official of the Frankfurt prosecution office will attend the trial of Adolf Eichmann in Israel, Hessian State Attorney General Fritz Bauer announced here today. Since 1956, the Frankfurt prosecution office has been in charge of investigations concerning Eichmann, Auschwitz, the deportation of Hungarian Jews and executions carried out by the SS-Einsatz-Commandoes.

Another legal observer will also be sent to the Eichmann trial by the Central War Crimes Investigation Commission, in Stuttgart-Ludwigsburg. This commission was created two years ago to coordinate and accelerate war crimes investigations.

Israel Bar Won't Name Lawyer to Help Servatius; Trial Plans Revealed

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The Israel Bar Association disclosed today that it "does not object" to any of its members advising Dr. Robert Servatius, who will direct the defense of Nazi extermination specialist Adolf Eichmann, on matters of Israel criminal law procedures and laws of evidence.

The Association said, however, that it would not appoint any member to help the Cologne attorney, and said he should make a private agreement with an Israel attorney.

The trial, to open in Jerusalem in the spring, is expected by some Israeli officials to last at least eight months, possibly one year. It will be held in the new Jerusalem community center, the Beth Ha'Am, which is being rushed to completion for this purpose.

While Israeli officials do not want a "show trial" of the proceedings, they have pointed out that they must have enough room to accommodate at least 350 Israeli and foreign correspondents who have already applied for accreditation to cover the trial. In addition, about 400 seats, they said, must be set aside for Government officials, and foreign jurists and lawyers who have indicated their wish to attend the proceedings. There will probably be very few seats for the accommodation of the general public.

The trial will be conducted in Hebrew. But there will be simultaneous interpretations, in German for the defense, and in English and French for the foreign press and for observers from abroad. The Government information office will assign a photo unit for still pictures and films, and these will be made available to all news media.

WEST GERMAN YARDS BUILD MORE SHIPS FOR ISRAELI MERCHANT FLEET

COLOGNE, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Additional ships to be built in West German yards under the West German-Israeli reparations agreement will be added to the Israel merchant fleet, the Israel Purchasing Mission here disclosed today. The Hamburg-Stuelcken-Werft recently delivered a freighter, the Alon, to the Zim Israel company in Haifa. A sister ship, the Eshel, has been launched, and a third freighter is now under construction.

Two cargo ships, the Ei Yam and the Topaz were launched recently at the Deutsche Werft in Hamburg-Pinken-Werder. The Eshel and the Topaz are slated for delivery this year.

NEO-NAZI PARTY SCORES BIG GAIN IN WEST GERMAN CITY ELECTIONS

BONN, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The neo-Nazi Reichspartei quadrupled its seats in municipal district parliaments in the Rhineland-Pfalz province in the election Sunday, according to figures released today.

The party, which campaigned on an openly anti-Semitic platform in the final weeks of the election, won 16 seats as compared with the four it won in the 1956 election. The party garnered 19,474 votes Sunday or 1.1 percent of the total votes, compared with 5,484 votes or .3 percent in 1956.

ISRAEL ARMY LISTS VAST BOOTY TAKEN DURING SINAI CAMPAIGN

TEL AVIV, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- An Israeli Army bulletin revealed today that, during the Sinai campaign in 1956, the army captured 110 medium tanks. The bulletin also disclosed that the army captured 350 Bren carriers and half-tracks, 600 bazookas, 2,700 vehicles, more than 6,000 units of semi-automatic rifles and machineguns, 139,000 mortar shells, 270,000 artillery shells, and 40,000,000 rounds of rifle ammunition.

WEST GERMANS CONTRIBUTE \$20,000 TO ANNE FRANK SOCIETY

BONN, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- Contributions totaling 85,000 deutschmarks (\$20,000) have been raised among West German citizens for the Anne Frank Society which was founded earlier this year, it was reported here today. The Society announced that the fund would be used primarily to finance exchanges of visits between Israeli and West German youths.