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BEN-GURION EXTENDS HIS VACATION FOR A MONTH; WAS TO EXPIRE NEXT WEEK

JERUSALEM, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion will extend his vacation and will not return to his desk before the end of February, it was announced here today. Originally his vacation--set for six weeks--was to have ended next week.

Leaders of Mr. Ben-Gurion's Mapai party, upon learning of his intention to stay away from Jerusalem for another month, today indicated that Mapai will send a delegation to him, composed mostly of members of the "central fraction" of the party, with the view to persuading him to return to his office of Premiership without preliminary conditions.

It was reported that Mr. Ben-Gurion's vacation period had been extended because the Prime Minister actually began his rest period only last week. During the prior weeks, he was in Jerusalem or Tel Aviv, attending official duties as Prime Minister and Defense Minister, as well as being involved in Mapai policy meetings over his fight against Pinhas Lavon, Histadrut's Secretary-General.

The Prime Minister had announced his vacation in terms of an ultimatum to his Cabinet to reverse a vote of approval of a Ministerial Committee report clearing Mr. Lavon of responsibility as Minister of Defense in 1954 for a security mishap that year. The Prime Minister had threatened not to return from his vacation if the Cabinet stuck to its approval vote. He later agreed to give up his demand for a reversal of the Cabinet vote and thus ended a threatened Cabinet crisis.

The latest development in the interparty fight was an announcement today by three Mapai members of the Histadrut central committee that they had lost confidence in Mr. Lavon and had therefore resigned their positions in the Labor Federation. Mr. Lavon promptly charged that the resignations had been planned in advance to force him to resign as Secretary-General. He reiterated that he would not resign.

Those resigning were Mrs. Yehudit Simhonit, head of the Histadrut Foreign Relations department, Zev Onn, head of the Economic department, and Yitzhak Haskin, former Histadrut treasurer and now head of its Membership and Dues department. The three resignations were delivered to the Mapai secretariat meeting in Jerusalem last night, the announcement said.

EICHMANN'S AIDE, ARRESTED IN VIENNA, MAY BE SENT TO ISRAEL AS WITNESS

VIENNA, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Officials of the Austrian Justice Ministry indicated today that despite the absence of an Austrian-Israeli extradition agreement, former SS Captain Franz Nowak could be sent to Israel to testify in the forthcoming trial of his wartime superior, Adolf Eichmann.

They said that Nowak, who was arrested here Friday, could be delivered to Israel in time for the trial of Eichmann, scheduled to begin March 15, on charges of responsibility for the extermination of 6,000,000 European Jews.

Nowak admitted on his arrest that he was a member of Eichmann's special staff at Budapest which organized the mass transport of Jews to Nazi murder factories but he denied he had any part in the exterminations. Nowak said he was in charge only of technical details of the transportations.

Before Nowak could be released to Israel, officials said, there would be an investigation to determine whether he would have to stand trial in Austria for war crimes.

MOROCCAN GOVERNMENT BLAMES 'ZIONIST ORGANIZATIONS' FOR SHIP DISASTER

PARIS, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- The Moroccan Government charged yesterday in Rabat that "Zionist organizations" were driving Moroccan Jews to Israel "under any conditions" and that the organizations were responsible for the January 11 sea disaster in which 43 Moroccan Jewish men, women and children fleeing to Israel perished off the coast of Morocco.

Information Minister Ahmed Aloui, in his Government's first official statement on the anti-Jewish developments in Morocco, said that the "criminal campaign by Zionist organizations" had created a Jewish problem in Morocco "by stirring up a flight psychosis."

Defending the Moroccan Government's refusal to permit emigration to Israel, he said Morocco could not allow its citizens to settle on lands that "rightfully belong to the Arabs

of Palestine." Denying charges of discrimination, he admitted that Moroccan Jews planning to travel abroad must undergo thorough investigation and that they are refused passports unless they prove they do not intend to go to Israel. He added that Jews traveling abroad for valid business reasons could get passports.

The Minister denied reports of wholesale arrests of Moroccan Jews during the recent visit to Casablanca of President Nasser of the United Arab Republic but he admitted that police had detained for identification checks "a number" of Jews "suspected of having prepared demonstrations against Nasser." Moroccan Jewish leaders have described this charge as nonsense.

SENATOR FULBRIGHT ATTACKS ISRAEL ON ATOMIC 'BOMB' ISSUE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Chairman J. W. Fulbright of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today attacked Israel on the atomic bomb issue in the course of a committee hearing on the qualifications of Murat W. Williams, former U.S. Embassy counselor in Tel Aviv, named by President Kennedy as new Ambassador to El Salvador.

Senator Fulbright asked Mr. Williams if he knew of atomic bomb manufacture in Israel being kept secret from the United States. Mr. Williams replied that, last summer, the Embassy was aware of some nuclear activities and pointed out that Israel, in verifying the existence of such research, had emphasized its peaceful purpose.

Senator Fulbright, however, inferentially attacked the Israel atomic program, the content of his remarks being hostile to Israel on the issue. The qualifications of Mr. Williams to serve as Ambassador to El Salvador were also questioned with remarks that State Department personnel were shifted too quickly from one post to another, and it was alleged that Mr. Williams lacked background in Latin American affairs.

MRS. HALPRIN OUTLINES HER VIEWS ON JEWISH EMIGRATION TO ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Mrs. Rose Halprin, acting chairman of the Jewish Agency executive in New York, today clarified her stand on emigration of American Jews to Israel in a statement issued through the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

Mrs. Halprin said that "it would be unthinkable that in the great historic process of the upbuilding of Israel--land and people--American Jews and particularly American Zionists should be found wanting." She indicated that American Aliyah would come from these sources:

1. From those Jews who want to live a full Jewish life and find that possible only in Israel
2. From Jews possessing specific skills and know-how who will want to make those available to Israel.
3. From middle class persons with modest capital but with business and managerial skills who will want to make their contribution to the speedier achievement of Israel's economic stability.
4. Young Jews unafraid to think in terms of idealism who will want to give working hands to Israel's upbuilding.

Thus, she said, it is clear that American Jews will come to Israel "from positive reasons or not at all." She added that the Israeli community itself would have to give consideration to the establishment of at least minimal conditions--especially minimal rental housing--for the absorption of such immigration.

Mrs. Halprin emphasized that at no time did she put the onus for lack of a minimum of American Jewish immigration on the shoulders of Israel's Premier David Ben-Gurion, as was attributed to her in reports of her address last night at the mass meeting of the American Zionist Council here at which she was one of the principal speakers.

SOVIET SEEKS TO PREVENT U.N. WORLDWIDE STUDY OF ANTI-SEMITISM

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 24. (JTA) -- A resolution condemning "manifestations of racial, national and religious hatred or discrimination" was introduced today by Soviet delegate Valentyn Sapozhnikov at the Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, now in session here.

The Soviet resolution does not mention the term "anti-Semitism" and was believed to be designed for the purpose of heading off an exhaustive, worldwide study of anti-Semitism demanded by other members of the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee's agenda calls for debate on an item entitled "Manifestations of Anti-Semitism and Other Forms of Racial Prejudice and Religious Intolerance of A Similar Nature."

ADLAI STEVENSON MEETS WITH KLUTZNICK; HIGH U.N. OFFICIAL JOINS TALK

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson, new chairman of the United States delegation to the United Nations, had lunch today with Philip M. Klutznick, prominent Jewish leader. Also attending the luncheon was Paul Hoffman, director of the United Nations Special Fund.

Mr. Klutznick, who is general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, served one term as a member of the U.S. delegation to the UN General Assembly. Although a Democrat, he was appointed to that post by President Eisenhower.

FRENCH JEWISH LEADER LEAVES FOR MOSCOW WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON JEWS

PARIS, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Andre Blumel, a French Zionist leader who is a controversial figure on issues of relations with the Soviet Union, left today on his second visit to Moscow to discuss the situation of Soviet Jews with Soviet officials.

M. Blumel was scheduled to meet with key officials, including Madame Y.A. Furtzeva, Minister of Culture, with whom he will try to intercede for improvement of the cultural situation of Soviet Jews. He planned particularly to try to obtain approval from Madame Furtzeva for publication and distribution of a weekly in Yiddish and establishment of a Yiddish theatrical troupe to tour the Soviet Union.

Renewed interest in the situation of Russian Jewry was spurred by a conference in Paris last September which was reported to have led various left-wing organizations in Western Europe to impress upon Soviet officials the need to alleviate the heavy discrimination barring the way to Jewish cultural and religious emancipation.

Daniel Mayer, president of the League for the Rights of Man, who served as chairman for the Paris conference, is scheduled to leave for Moscow sometime in March.

GERMANY AGREES 'IN PRINCIPLE' TO COMPENSATE NAZI VICTIMS IN AUSTRIA

VIENNA, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- While German and Austrian negotiators, discussing West Germany's contribution to Austria's compensation to be paid victims of nazism, have agreed "in principle" on the issue, there will be no Austrian payments to persecutees before next fall at the earliest, according to an authoritative statement made here today.

The negotiations, pending a long time, were concluded "in principle" yesterday. One of the clauses provides for payments to persons persecuted by the Nazis in Austria for racial or political reasons.

However, the amount of Germany's contribution to Austria's restitution program has not yet been determined. When that point is settled, probably in March, the treaty will have to be ratified by the parliaments here and at Bonn before it becomes effective.

LONDON SCHOOLS CHARGED WITH PRACTICING ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION

LONDON, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- The Council of Christians and Jews here named a special committee today to probe charges that many of England's leading "public" schools--private institutions--implement an unofficial numerus clausus, restricting or discouraging entirely the enrollment of Jews as students.

The charges were made public today by the Evening Standard which alleges that St. Paul's School, in London, restricts Jewish enrollment to 15 percent. This is done, the newspaper declares, in spite of the fact that some very prominent Jews are among the school's alumni. Among these are publisher Victor Gollancz, Lord Nathan and Sir Isaiah Berlin.

Two other well-known "public" schools, High Gate and Mill Hill, are accused of having set a quota of 10 percent for Jewish student enrollment. Other schools, says the Evening Standard, "effectively" discourage Jewish enrollment by making it clear that all students--must attend chapel services, participate in Christian prayers, and take lessons in Christian Scripture.

JEWISH CLERGYMEN TO ENJOY STATE BENEFITS IN ITALY; BILL INTRODUCED

ROME, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- A bill establishing special state benefits for all Italian clergymen, including Jews providing welfare fund and old-age insurance, was adopted here today by the Parliament's Labor and Interior committees, and sent to the House for possible early approval.

The draft of the measure, as at first drawn, was amended by the Government's representatives in the committees so that the bill specifically includes "non-Catholic ministers."

TURKEY LIFTS BAN ON SPORTS CONTACTS WITH ISRAEL; GAMES RESUMED

ISTANBUL, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Sports contacts between Turkey and Israel, which were suspended under the regime of Adnan Menderes, have been resumed, it was reported here today. Authorities here are now allowing Turkish teams to go to Israel and Israeli sports groups to visit this country.

Following the lifting of restrictions on play between the teams of both countries, Israel's Hapoel basketball team will meet the Galatasaray basketball squad for a game tomorrow. The game, to be played as part of the European Championship contests, will be followed by a meeting of the teams in Israel next month.

Permission was also granted by authorities here for the Galatasaray football team to visit Israel next month to play Hapoel and other Israeli teams.

BILLS TO EASE IMMIGRATION INTRODUCED IN BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Six Senators, representing both parties, introduced two bills in the Senate yesterday providing for the liberalization of the existing immigration laws by modernizing the discriminatory national origins quota system and admitting on non-quota visas refugees from Cuba, North African areas, the Middle East, communist countries, and other trouble spots.

One bill would authorize non-quota visas for up to 40,000 refugee-escapees from world trouble spots. A second bill would revise the 1924 national origins quota system to reflect the 1960 rather than 1920 census. It would also permit the pooling of unused quotas and their reallocation at the discretion of the President. Sponsors of the two bills to implement major reforms included Senators Jacob K. Javits, Rep., New York; Kenneth Keating, Rep., New York; Wayne Morse, Democrat, Oregon; Clifford P. Case, Rep., New Jersey; Leverett Saltonstall, Rep., Mass., and Hugh Scott, Rep., Pennsylvania.

Simultaneously, Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, introduced in the House of Representatives legislation identical to that entered in the Senate to issue non-quota visas for up to 40,000 refugees and broadly liberalize the national origins quota system.

The Halpern immigration bill contains a section barring Nazis and Fascists from the United States without the necessity of proving, as now required, that such individuals have actually advocated the establishment of a totalitarian dictatorship in the United States itself. This closes a loophole in the present immigration law permitting Nazis and other vicious anti-Semites to enter America and become naturalized under the excuse that they only advocated fascist policies abroad.

SCARSDALE CLUB ENDS TRADITION OF NON-ADMISSION OF JEWISH GUESTS

SCARSDALE, N. Y., Jan. 24. (JTA) -- The Scarsdale Golf Club, which was the center of controversy last week when it was disclosed that the club had barred a young man from a dance on the grounds that he was born Jewish, announced last night that, from now on any member is free to invite any guest to the club.

The announcement, issued in the form of a bulletin to all members over the signature of the club's president, Charles S. McAllister, followed an attack on the bias incident by the Rev. George F. Kempf, rector of the Episcopal Church of St. James the Less. The victim of the incident was Michael Herndstadt, son of a Jewish father and a Roman Catholic mother, who had intended to escort to the dance, the daughter of a member of the club.

AMERICA-ISRAEL FOUNDATION HONORS HUROK; RAISES \$250,000 AT DINNER

NEW YORK, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- More than 1,500 theatrical, diplomatic and cultural leaders paid \$150 a plate raising \$250,000 for the program of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation at a dinner held here tonight to honor the American Jewish impresario Sol Hurok.

Samuel Rubin, president of the Foundation, presented Mr. Hurok with a bronze plaque extolling him for his contributions in the field of cultural exchange. Abe Stark, president of the New York City Council, presented Mr. Hurok with the medal of the City of New York. Ambassador Michael Comay, Israel Permanent Representative to the United Nations, was among the speakers paying personal tribute to the impresario.

Mr. Rubin lauded Mr. Hurok's vision and foresight in utilizing cultural exchange "to break through barriers of prejudice, discrimination and misunderstanding." Artists who performed in the musical tribute to Mr. Hurok included Artur Rubinstein, Isaac Stern, Andres Segovia, Robert Merrill, Jan Peerce, Roberta Peters, Regina Resnick and William Steinberg conducting the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra.

The Foundation has a 1961 budget of \$1,510,000 for the support of 40 cultural institutions in Israel, including orchestras, theaters and museums, cultural exchange programs in this country, scholarships for talented young Israeli artists, a Middle East Fellowship program for study in Israel by young Afro-Asians and a building program in Israel for cultural institutions.

CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER RECEIVES 1960 CANADA-ISRAEL FRIENDSHIP AWARD

TORONTO, Jan. 24. (JTA) -- Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker lauded Israel today as the "industrial pacemaker for its region" and as "a spiritual center for new and varied forms of Jewish life and for the highest Western values." The Canadian Premier spoke at an Israel Ambassador's Ball at which he was the recipient of the 1960 "Canada-Israel Friendship Award."

Leading figures in the diplomatic, civic and cultural life of Canada attended the ball at which Israel's Ambassador to Canada Yaacov Herzog was host. The ball was sponsored by the Israel Bond Organization of Toronto.

Noting that Israel's progress was "heartening," Mr. Diefenbaker declared: "It has grown beyond the stage of gallant experiment. Soon it may be able to stand on its own feet economically. But there are still refugees to be admitted and cared for. Today, in rebuilding the land of their forefathers, the people of Israel also bear witness to these moral and religious truths that find supreme and imperishable expression in the Bible. It is only as a representative democracy with a high sense of social purpose that Israel can be true to its heritage."