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FORMATION OF NEW ISRAEL CABINET FACES DIFFICULTIES; ALL PARTIES STUBBORN

JERUSALEM, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- Slow progress was being made today in the efforts to form a new Cabinet. The situation was aggravated by the fact that the Mapai party insists that David Ben-Gurion should be the only person to be invited by President Izhak Ben-Zvi to form the new Government; while three of the other coalition parties--the Progressives, Mapam and Achdut Avodah--have made it known that they will not join a Cabinet headed by Mr. Ben-Gurion.

As the situation stands, it was predicted today that Mapai will seek the formation of a "small coalition" without Mapam and Achdut Avodah. At the same time, Mapai leaders were still hopeful today on the outcome of their negotiations with the Progressive party. The General Zionist party and Herut are in favor of new general elections.

At a press conference today, Menachem Beigin, Herut leader, said that his party favors early elections "not because of the government crisis but because of the moral crisis in the nation which resulted from the revelations of the Lavon affair and the handling of the Lavon issue."

Newspapers supporting Ben-Gurion today said that there are good chances for a "narrow coalition government" under Ben-Gurion's premiership. Such a coalition, they stated, would be composed of Mapai, the National Religious party, Agudah Laborites and Arab minority parties. It would command a total of 67 votes of the 120 votes in Israel's Parliament.

Observers here pointed out that even if Mr. Ben-Gurion succeeds in the formation of such a narrow coalition, his majority would be so slim--and practically dependent on the Arab votes--that it would make almost certain the necessity of new elections soon.

Meanwhile it was reported today that Mr. Ben-Gurion, if called on to form a Cabinet by President Ben-Zvi after the latter completes his round of talks with leaders of all political parties on Tuesday, will set himself a time limit until next Sunday. If he fails by that time to form a new coalition government, he would advise the President to entrust the formation of the Cabinet to another person.

Mapai leaders asserted today that separation of administrative and judicial authority was the goal Ben-Gurion sought to uphold in his rejection of a report by a Ministerial Committee last December 25 which exonerated Pinhas Lavon from responsibility for a 1954 security failure.

The leaders said it was not the findings of the Ministerial Committee to which Mr. Ben-Gurion objected but rather to the principle allegedly violated in the report. They argued that just as the Ministerial Committee actually acquitted a person--Mr. Lavon--so it could actually have condemned one and that this constituted a danger to democracy, which Mr. Ben-Gurion cherished. They added that Mr. Lavon's dismissal had been carried out in "a most democratic way."

EICHMANN'S GERMAN LAWYER CHOOSES ISRAELI ATTORNEY AS ASSISTANT

JERUSALEM, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- Israeli attorney Mendel Scharf has been chosen by Robert Servatius to assist him in his defense of Adolf Eichmann, the Nazi war criminal who directed the murder of 6,000,000 Jews in Europe during the Second World War. Mr. Scharf, who will advise the West German attorney on Israeli court procedure, was chosen by Dr. Servatius from a list furnished him by Attorney General Gideon Hausner, containing the names of lawyers who indicated their readiness to assist him.

Dr. Servatius must decide by Wednesday, whether he wants an inquiry before an examining magistrate as a preliminary to the trial scheduled for March 15. At such preliminary hearings, the prosecution is merely required to establish a prima facie case against the defendant. In view of the weight of the evidence against Eichmann, it is expected that Dr. Servatius will waive the preliminary hearing.

BRITISH CENTURION TANKS ARRIVE IN ISRAEL; UNLOADED IN SECRECY

TEL AVIV, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- Fourteen Centurion tanks purchased from Britain have arrived in Israel aboard the SS Kineret after a stormy passage through the Mediterranean, it was disclosed today. Unloading of the tanks proceeded immediately after the vessel was anchored at an undisclosed point off Israel's coast.

MOROCCAN RADIO ATTACKS OPPONENTS AS 'CONNIVING WITH ZIONISTS'

PARIS, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- The Moroccan National Radio today again accused the opposition and "left-wing elements" in Morocco of "conniving with the Zionists" in the controversy over recent repressive treatment of Moroccan Jews.

The charge was made in the journal of the radio which asserted that "attacks" on the issue against the Moroccan Government by the opposition had only one purpose: To give the Zionists grounds for organizing a press campaign against Morocco.

The journal noted that one of the opposition members, Abdallah Ibrahim, former president of the Moroccan Council, recently gave an interview to "a Zionist organ" in Algiers which the journal asserted had been republished in Tel Aviv.

The caretaker of the Jewish cemetery in Casablanca, M. Khalfon, and another Jew who was with him, were arrested while traveling between Tangiers and Rabat; it was reported here today. The caretaker's home in Casablanca was thoroughly searched by police who refused to give any information.

A report from Casablanca said today that unknown persons have distributed a tract throughout the Jewish quarter of the city appealing to the Moroccan Jewish community to "remain firm and have courage" in the face of the current deterioration of Moslem-Jewish relations.

The pamphlet appealed to Moroccan Jews to commemorate the memory of the 43 Moroccan Jewish men, women and children who drowned off the Moroccan coast on January 11 when their overloaded boat, the Price, capsized in a raging storm.

"While we know anti-Semitism contradicts the principles of Islam," the pamphlet declared, "there exist elements who are secretly bent on pursuing and humiliating us." In urging firmness and courage, the leaflet said, "the fight for your rights and liberties continues."

MOSCOW REPORTED PERMITTING PUBLICATION OF YIDDISH MAGAZINE

LONDON, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- A new Yiddish magazine will soon be published in the Soviet Union, it was reported here today from Moscow. The publication, to be known as "Soviet Homeland," will feature both art and articles. Aaron Wergelis, a Yiddish writer, will be editor of the magazine, which is expected to reach a circulation of 25,000, according to the report.

The new periodical will be the first Yiddish paper to be published in the Soviet Union since the late 1940's, when the Stalin regime banned Yiddish papers and the Yiddish theater was closed.

It was also reported here from Moscow that Ilya Ehrenburg, Soviet Jewish writer, for the first time indicated publicly that Osip Mandelstam, the Russian Jewish poet who disappeared during the Soviet purges in the 1930's, was actually banished to Siberia, where he died in a concentration camp for political prisoners.

PRESIDENT KENNEDY ASKS FOR A REPORT ON SITUATION OF ARAB REFUGEES

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- President John F. Kennedy this weekend indicated interest in the Arab refugee situation and asked the Right Rev. Francis B. Sayre, dean of the Washington Cathedral, who returned recently from the Near East, to send the White House a written report.

Rev. Sayre called at the White House, at Mr. Kennedy's invitation, to report on an "exploratory trip" to the Near East specifically to survey the Arab refugee issue. A leader of a group of clergymen and others concerned about the fate of the Arabs who once lived in Palestine, Rev. Sayre said he could not divulge exactly what Mr. Kennedy said, but made known that the President wanted a written report to augment today's discussion.

Seeking to evaluate chances for a solution of the Arab refugee issue, Rev. Sayre visited the United Arab Republic, Jordan, Lebanon, and Israel. He commented that sometimes he found the situation rather discouraging and thought "the human problem" had become enmeshed in "politics and economics." He indicated that it might have been his special role to attempt to learn what was behind the impasse on Arab refugees.

KLUTZNICK SWORN IN AS U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO U.N.; LAUDED BY RUSK

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- Philip M. Klutznick, American Jewish leader, this weekend was sworn in as United States Representative to the United Nations Economic and Social Council at an impressive ceremony in the Department of State.

Associate Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark administered the oath in the presence of Secretary of State Dean Rusk. Comments were made on the importance of the job and the attendant serious responsibilities. Mr. Rusk congratulated Mr. Klutznick and said the nation was fortunate to have such a capable man for the position.

HADASSAH CONFERENCE URGES STRENGTHENING OF ZIONIST MOVEMENT IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- A call for a dynamic effort to strengthen the Zionist movement in the United States, as a means of fortifying Jewish life and assisting in the development of the State of Israel, was issued here today by Mrs. Siegfried Kramarsky, national president of Hadassah, at the opening session of the annual three-day Mid-Winter Conference of the organization. The conference is attended by more than 150 top leaders from all parts of the country representing 318,000 members.

Mrs. Kramarsky asserted that now that Israel is marking the 13th anniversary of its birth, it becomes all the more imperative for the Zionist movement to deal vigorously with the new problems of the Jewish communities outside of Israel. These problems, she said, included the maintenance of Jewish identity, the enrichment of Jewish life in all its forms, and the fostering of Zionist ideals. Mrs. Kramarsky urged the various Zionist groups to unite in implementing the kind of Zionist programs that will benefit "all Jewry."

The Hadassah president scored those "prophets of doom," who misinterpreted Premier David Ben-Gurion's position at the recent World Zionist Congress as an excuse for challenging the need for a Zionist movement. "The establishment of the State of Israel does not constitute a total fulfillment of Zionist objectives," Mrs. Kramarsky stated. "Rather, it has thrust upon the Zionist movement added and far-reaching responsibilities."

These responsibilities, she said, included seeking practical means for making the relationship between Israel and the Jews outside of Israel "significant and creative"; assisting Jewish youth in the Diaspora to understand their heritage; intensify Jewish education; and helping Jewish youth who wish to settle in Israel to achieve this objective.

Mrs. Halprin Discusses 'Aliyah' from U.S. to Israel

Mrs. Rose Halprin, in discussing the question of "aliyah," pointed out that "aliyah" has always been a major part of the Zionist program and the concept of a Jewish national home. "In fact, the Jewish national home could not have been conceived and brought into being were it not recognized that the basis of Zionist work was immigration to Israel," she said.

She declared that while mass immigration was not envisaged from America, there would be stimulation of an immigration, freely undertaken for positive reasons. "The sum total of American aliyah is not expected to be very large," Mrs. Halprin said. "But the caliber of the contribution this aliyah can make can be very great indeed."

"Today's world is being built upon movement of men, capital and skills," she stated. "Unless American know-how is shared with the newly emerging nations, their march to freedom would be delayed. The President of the United States has recognized this as a basic principle in our foreign policy. Within the framework of this concept, it is natural and desirable that American Jews bring to the Near East--particularly through Israel's upbuilding--the concepts of freedom, and the American skills which secure that freedom and make for a better life."

"In connection with aliyah, I believe that the basis of all immigration to Israel will have within it an idealistic motivation and that American youth has shown in recent years that they are not afraid of the concept of idealism. And, I believe that with the expanding horizons of American help to the world--and of the world itself--that more and more American idealism will contribute to what American youth does and that Jewish youth will be a part of this."

Mrs. Halprin said that the Jewish Agency for Israel has the facilities for helping young American professionals and technical experts to emigrate to Israel and for placing them in contact with potential employers in Israel who need their services. Middle-class immigrants with modest capital can be assisted in finding "proper areas in Israel for establishing their own businesses," she said. Through Zionist youth organizations, she noted, summer institutes as well as year-round courses have been set up in Israel for American youngsters to enable American Jewish and Israeli youth to know one another and to understand one another better.

Program of American Zionist Council Outlined at Conference

Dr. Miriam Freund, Hadassah leader and chairman of the American Zionist Council, outlined the Council's program to stimulate Zionist activity throughout the United States and to foster a better understanding of Zionism on the part of all the American people. She said that the American Zionist Council "must serve an ever-increasingly important function in the United States with the objectives of the perpetuation of the unity of the Jewish people and the establishment of the spiritual and cultural centrality of Israel in Jewish life."

"We must help set in motion a sense of mutual responsibility on the part of the Jews of Israel and of the Jews in America. In order to achieve this, there must be the existence of a united front and a common platform. Through the various departments of the American

Zionist Council--information, education, culture, and youth--we must seek to rally all those interested in Jewish unity, Jewish identification and Jewish creativity. "

Mrs. Herman Shulman reported on the meaning and implications of the recent World Zionist Congress. She told the conference that "what we do as Zionists in the next ten years will set the pattern for Jewish life outside of Israel for the next century. "

\$1, 000, 000 IN CASH RAISED AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR LABOR ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- A million dollars in cash and \$1,500,000 in long-term commitments were brought by delegates to the mid-winter conference of the National Committee for Labor Israel today at the Hotel Commodore. The funds will be utilized to maintain and expand a network of medical, vocational training, cultural and rehabilitation services among Israel's pioneering forces and new immigrants.

The conference, attended by a thousand delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada, heard Mrs. Agnes Meyer, publisher of the Washington Post and Times Herald, who hailed Israel's achievements while "enduring a long drawn-out war of independence, incredible hardships and poverty, and the constant threat by far more powerful enemy countries that wish to destroy it." Israel's survival, she stated, "stands before the world as proof that democratic ideals genuinely lived are invincible even when menaced on every side by totalitarianism. "

Dr. Sol Stein, executive director of the National Committee for Labor Israel, which is conducting its 37th annual Israel Histadrut Campaign, announced the formation of a new fiscal agent of the organization that would administer its funds in Israel. The new agency, known as the "Histadrut Assistance Fund, " would deal exclusively with the educational, medical and welfare activities supported by philanthropic contributions raised by the committee in this country.

The \$1,500,000 in long-term commitments, channeled through the American Histadrut Development Foundation consists of wills, bequests and insurance policies, which will enable the committee to plan its capital investment program for the coming decade.

Secretary of Labor Arthur J. Goldberg, first general chairman of the foundation, announced his formal withdrawal from this office upon his becoming a member of President Kennedy's cabinet. At the same time, he expressed continuing interest in its efforts on behalf of the Israel labor federation. Isaiah Avrech, special representative of the Histadrut executive, and Yehuda Yudin, a leader of Mapam and member of the Histadrut executive, were among the principal speakers at the conference.

PROGRESS OF HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS IN U.S. REPORTED AT NATIONAL PARLEY

ROCKAWAY PARK, N. Y., Feb. 12. (JTA) -- The 13th annual convention of the National Association of Hebrew Day School Parent-Teacher Associations opened here last night with 400 delegates from 150 Hebrew all-day schools, representing 20,000 members in PTA groups.

Rabbi Benjamin Kamenetzky reported there were 35,000 students in 97 Hebrew day schools in New York City, 18 such schools on Long Island and in 27 high schools. He compared these 35,000 students coming from a total Jewish population in the area of 3,000,000, with the 112 students in a four-grade Jewish day school in Charleston, which has a total Jewish population of 700 families. "In Charleston, as in Newport News and Augusta, and other small communities, the majority of all Jewish children attend day schools, " he said.

Rabbi Meir S. Eisemann, secretary of the midwest region of the National Conference of Day School Principals, reported on the midwest area which includes Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Missouri and Kentucky. He said that most Jewish day schools in the midwest had six days of Hebrew instruction; that summer learning programs were in wide operation and that there was considerable experimentation with Hebrew classes at the pre-first grade.

Rabbi Chaim Feuerman, educational director of the Hillel Hebrew Academy of Beverly Hills, California, discussed Hebrew day school developments in the west coast area. He reported that in 1960, Los Angeles founded three new day schools. He also said that new schools were being planned in San Diego, and Portland, Oregon. Rabbi Theodore Garner reported on the increase of schools in Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Texas, Tennessee and Virginia. He said that the "segregation issue" had nothing to do with the increasing growth of the day schools in the South.

NEW YORK JEWISH CENTER HONORS PRESIDENT OF U. N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

NEW YORK, Feb. 12. (JTA) -- Frederick H. Boland, president of the United Nations General Assembly, received a gavel and a Brotherhood Award last night at a ceremony at the Sutton Place Jewish Center here. The gavel was to replace the one he broke last year at a UN session.