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EICHMANN TRIAL OPENS TOMORROW; JUDGES MAKE FINAL INSPECTION OF COURT

JERUSALEM, April 9. (JTA) -- The three-judge tribunal that will hear the Adolf Eichmann case beginning Tuesday, when the accused Gestapo Colonel goes on trial, charged with directing the annihilation of 6,000,000 European Jews, made their final inspection of the court room in Beit Haam here this morning. All technical preparations were found to be in working order.

The bullet-proof, glass enclosure, which will form the prisoner's dock when the trial gets under way, was occupied by a uniformed, armed policeman. From that booth, Eichmann will face the bench, behind which there is a wreathed menorah, symbol of Israel and the Jewish people as far back as the days of the Holy Temple. The policeman is the first of a rotating, 24-hour guard to be on duty inside the booth, until the trial opens Tuesday, to make sure that no sabotage will be attempted in the enclosure.

Supreme Court Justice Moshe Landau, president of the special Eichmann court, took his place on the bench, flanked by the two other jurists who will comprise the judicial tribunal, Judges Yitzhak Raveh and Binyamin Halevi. The 447 seats in the courtroom, assigned to correspondents for the Israeli and world press, radio and television, were filled with the accredited journalists and experts. All had had their credentials checked carefully, establishing a routine to be followed throughout the trial. Their cameras, tape recorders, typewriters and other equipment had been checked carefully--and will remain, until the trial is over, inside the Beit Haam.

Three Cordons of Guards Stationed Inside and Outside Court House

Three cordons of guards were on duty, inside the court house and outside. Outside, one cordon guarded the Beit Haam, patrolled the surrounding area, while some guards were on rooftops of neighboring buildings. A second cordon, composed of policemen, was inside. These policemen will also act as ushers and will guard those who bring food to the prisoner. The food itself, and its serving, will be in the hands of Israeli Army forces. A third cordon of special guard is keeping watch over Eichmann himself. These guards came with him from the Jalameh jail fortress, near Haifa, where he had been in prison since he was brought to Israel last May.

In the basement of the Beit Haam, the large press room was ready for use. Here are located the desks of the correspondents, their typewriters, and the vast accumulation of special telecommunication equipment which will be used for sending the press reports to the world by special equipment capable of transmitting 30,000 words an hour.

Next door to the Beit Haam, but inside the court room compound, is an army welfare hall, now transformed into a huge restaurant for those attending the trial. The entire compound is surrounded by a high wire-mesh fence. At night, the entire area is flood-lighted for extra security.

Outside the fence, many residents of the city, augmented by hundreds of tourists, gathered today to see as much as they can of what goes on inside the compound. Special attention was paid by the crowds to a heavily barred window on the fourth floor of Beit Haam. That window is lighted brightly throughout the night. In a room beyond that window is the place where Eichmann will spend his days and nights, when he is not in the courtroom.

Former Eichmann Assistant to Testify Against Eichmann

JERUSALEM, April 9. (JTA) -- Kurt Becher, former Nazi Elite Guard officer who assisted Adolf Eichmann in the annihilation of Hungarian Jewry, will appear as a witness for the prosecution in the Eichmann trial, according to Yoel Brandt, a former leader of Hungarian Jewry, who returned here today from Germany. Becher was the head of the SS Economic Office at Budapest, capital of Hungary, during the time Hungarian Jews were being deported under Eichmann's orders to death camps.

A member of Israel's Parliament, Rabbi Shlomo Lorincz, representing the Orthodox Agudat Israel, today requested Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen to give a reason why the Nazi looting of Hungarian Jewish property had not been included in the Eichmann indictment. Moshe Sneh, Communist member of Parliament, made a similar inquiry of Mr. Rosen.

Three thousand men, some wearing the striped garb of the Nazi camps, marched through the crowded streets of Tel Aviv yesterday in a "death for Eichmann" demonstration. The march was organized prior to the opening of the Eichmann trial by the Communist-sponsored Anti-Nazi Fighters Organization. Every marcher wore the yellow Mogen David, inscribed with the word "Jude," which the Nazis forced Jews to wear in Europe.

EICHMANN CASE ATTRACTS WORLDWIDE ATTENTION; GIVEN WIDE COVERAGE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- Prepared for elaborate coverage of the proceedings of the Eichmann trial, which starts on Tuesday in Jerusalem, all major American television and radio stations devoted much of their time today to relating the background of the Eichmann trial as well as to debates on the purposes and legality of the trial. At the same time, the entire American press today carried in Sunday editions news and comments from Jerusalem on the last-minute preparations for the trial and the feeling prevailing in Israel with regard to the proceedings.

Day-to-day coverage of the trial will be given from the Jerusalem courtroom on television and over the radio in this country through video-tape and radio-tape recordings, made in the courtroom and rushed to New York by special plane arrangements. Interested in the proceedings of the trial are not only millions of average Americans, but also many members of the bar associations throughout the country who consider the Eichmann case as a precedent in international jurisprudence.

Cables from London, Paris and other world capitals received by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here from its correspondents today, reported that the press in those countries devoted considerable attention to the Eichmann case in special articles written by prominent writers sent to Israel to attend the trial.

In France, the press featured the Eichmann case today as the major news of the day, giving extensive accounts from Jerusalem of the last-minute preparations to the trial as well as dramatic descriptions of the Nazi atrocities against Jews. Articles on the Eichmann case were featured today in the Sunday newspapers in London. The British Broadcasting Corporation announced that it will cover the trial from Jerusalem on television and over the radio.

EICHMANN REPORTED KNOWING THE LOCATION OF \$750,000,000 HIDDEN BY NAZIS

PARIS, April 9. (JTA) -- Adolf Eichmann, whose trial for directing the mass-murder of 6,000,000 Jews in Nazi Europe will open in Jerusalem on Tuesday, may be the sole living man who knows the location of \$750,000,000 in cash and treasures hidden by the Nazi regime after robbing the Jewish victims, the French newspaper Paris Presse reported today.

Declaring that it received its information from Israeli sources, the newspaper stated that, in 1944, Eichmann, with the help of other Nazi agents, opened bank accounts in Switzerland. One account, No. 2279, was allegedly opened at the National Bank of Berne. Another account, No. 1854, was reportedly in the Swiss Banking Union. There was alleged to be a third secret account.

The first two were in the name of Hans Eichleermann, a pseudonym for Eichmann, while the third account was said to be in the name of Franz Leers, former Nazi expert on anti-Jewish persecutions, who is now a "Jewish expert" in Cairo, employed by the United Arab Republic. The three cash accounts reportedly aggregate \$1,250,000 in Swiss francs.

According to Paris Presse, Eichmann, entrusted in 1944 with the task of hiding various Jewish treasures, also took charge of many valuables buried in a forest near the Austrian village of Maria Enzeldorf. Those treasures were reportedly buried by Russian prisoners of war, commanded by a high Nazi, who ordered the Russians killed to hide their secret. Later, it is alleged, Eichmann had those treasures reburied, and he is now supposedly the only man alive who knows where the valuables are.

These valuables, the Paris Presse said, included a large ransom given to the Nazis by the Rothschild family in payment for the lives of some members of the the Rothschild family. Now, the paper added, Israel would like to recover at least some of the money and valuables looted from Jewish victims by the Nazi regime, and hopes to achieve this recovery by convicting Eichmann.

ADENAUER SAYS BEN-GURION HAS A 'STRONG SENSE OF JUSTICE'; LAUDS ISRAEL

ROME, April 9. (JTA) -- Israeli Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion "has a strong sense of justice" and is "an extraordinarily correct man," West Germany's Chancellor Konrad Adenauer declared here today. Dr. Adenauer made his statement here prior to returning to Bonn, after a vacation in Italy.

"Ties between Israeli and West German authorities," he said, "for the prosecution of war criminals, were established before the present situation. The Israeli authorities are correct. Relations between West Germany and Israel can be defined as friendly, just as Mr. Ben-Gurion has said."

AUSTRIA SAYS EICHMANN WAS NEVER CONSIDERED AN AUSTRIAN CITIZEN

VIENNA, April 9. (JTA) -- A spokesman for the Ministry of the Interior, eager to disassociate this country from any possible responsibility for Adolf Eichmann, said yesterday that while Eichmann's father had become a naturalized citizen, that act did not confer Austrian citizenship on Adolf Eichmann. The latter was too old at the time his father was naturalized to be covered by the father's citizenship papers, the spokesman said.

MOROCCAN GOVT. RADIO LAUDS ISRAEL; URGES MOROCCANS TO EMULATE ISRAELIS

CAS ABLANCA, April 9. (JTA) -- Israel's success in reviving the Hebrew language, and bringing it back to the status of a living tongue, was praised highly here today by the Moroccan National Radio.

The Moroccan official praise for Israel's linguistic achievements was broadcast in spite of the fact that the Moroccan Government not only follows the usual Arab policies in regard to Israel, but has even banned all postal contact between Jews here and their relatives in Israel.

Referring to the recent Congress on Arabization, held at Rabat, devoted to efforts to increase knowledge of Arabic, the radio declared: "It is no shame for us to learn from Israel. We may take a lesson in this sphere from Israel because she has succeeded in making Hebrew the official language in record time."

TURKISH STATESMAN URGES CAIRO TO START PEACE TALKS WITH ISRAEL

ISTANBUL, April 9. (JTA) -- A hint that it is time for the conclusion of peace between Israel and the Arab countries was made in a statement here today by Ismet Inonu, Turkey's foremost "elder statesman." Mr. Inonu, who is 76, is ex-President of Turkey and leader of the Republican People's Party, the largest political organization in the country.

In an interview given to a visiting journalist from Cairo, Mr. Inonu, who praised the United Arab Republic's efforts toward economic and social development, stated: "The next step after a struggle for independence should be to establish gradually friendly relations with the countries considered enemies during the struggle." His remark was interpreted as a call for peace talks between the UAR and Israel.

Developing Turkish friendship with Israel was highlighted today in a statement issued by five high-ranking Turkish military airmen who returned here after a visit to Israel, where they inspected Israel's aviation facilities. The five officers, who said they were "highly impressed" with Israeli aviation progress, are members of the Turkish Air Patrol Association. They visited Israel after a group representing Israel's Gadna Avir, a paramilitary air patrol, visited this country. This is the first time that Israeli and Turkish military delegations have exchanged visits.

ITALY'S HIGHEST COURT RULES AGAINST EXTRADITION OF ANTI-SEMITE

ROME, April 9. (JTA) -- Italy's highest court, the Court of Cassation, has this week-end denied extradition of an anti-Semitic West German teacher who fled a one-year jail term for publicly declaring that "not enough Jews were gassed."

Ludwig Zind fled from West Germany on a forged passport to Italy while an appeals court in Karlsruhe which upheld a lower court sentence, was pondering the case. He was spotted in Naples by some Israeli sailors who turned him in to police. A lower court in Italy ruled that his crime was a political one and that he was entitled to political asylum.

That ruling was upheld by the Court of Cassation. It appeared that Zind would not take advantage of the asylum and would carry out his original plan to resettle in South America.

ANTI-SEMITIC THREAT PROVOKES FIGHT BETWEEN JEWS AND NEO-FASCISTS IN ROME

ROME, April 9. (JTA) -- Three young Jews and four Italian neo-fascists are under arrest here today on charges of "aggravated rioting" after a fight Friday night when the Jews were badly beaten and mauled by a gang of right-wing Italians. Jewish circles here are criticizing the police for "indiscriminate" arrests, complaining that the Jews should not have been placed in the same category with the neo-fascist hoodlums.

The fight started when a group of Italians insulted a Jewish girl, 21-year-old Leda Afrati, as she passed the headquarters of the neo-fascist Movement of Avant Garde Juveniles, on her way home from a store where she works, near that headquarters. One of the Italian youths, she said, showed her a photograph of an Italian member of Hitler's Elite Guard, telling her: "This is my father. Soon all Jews will be deported and exterminated, and you too will end in a crematorium."

Miss Afrati telephoned police and her fiance, Sergio Sermoneta. The latter arrived with a policeman and with two Jewish friends to protect the girl. Subsequently, during a fight in a nearby cafe, Sermoneta and his friends were beaten by a mob of neo-fascists. The police then arrested Sermoneta, his two Jewish friends, and four of the neo-fascists.

Jewish circles here are demanding that the charges against the Jews be dropped, and that the police punish only those who are responsible for initiating the brawl.

EX-NAZI OFFICIAL CHARGED WITH KILLING JEWS COMMITS SUICIDE IN JAIL

BONN, April 9. (JTA) -- Heinrich Heimann, 58-year-old former officer of Hitler's Elite Guard, awaiting trial at Landsberg on charges of having shot "several thousand Jews and other civilian personnel" during the war, in Poland, hanged himself in his jail cell this weekend. German authorities say he is the fourth accused Nazi to have committed suicide since the capture of Adolf Eichmann last May.

CLAIMS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCES DEADLINE FOR FILING APPLICATION FOR 1962

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- The deadline for the filing of applications to the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany by organizations, institutions and communities seeking the allocation of funds for the year 1962 is June 30, 1961, the Conference announced today.

Applications should be submitted in 20 copies to the New York headquarters of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. They should contain a detailed description of the activities for which funds are requested. The organizations submitting applications should also include precise budgetary data and information on other sources of income which may be available to the applicants for the projects in question.

The Claims Conference, by the terms of the agreement it had concluded with the Federal Republic of Germany, is able to allocate funds only for those activities which contribute to the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of Jewish victims of Nazi persecution, in accordance with the urgency of need.

REFORM JEWS URGE KENNEDY TO PROPOSE REVISION OF IMMIGRATION LAWS

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- President John F. Kennedy was urged today to submit proposals to Congress for revising the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act as further proof of "our fervent desire to eliminate international tensions." The plea was made by Rabbi Edward E. Klein, of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, at an all-day Leadership Conference on Social Action sponsored by the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues, representing 93 temples in the New York area.

"The time has come for the President, who has frequently expressed the American tradition of humanity and compassion in pleading for a better immigration policy, to bring to the Congress specific proposals which will bring our immigration practices into harmony with our nation's democratic concepts of equality and mercy," Rabbi Klein declared.

Referring to President Kennedy's foreign policy, Rabbi Klein stated: "Agreements must now be reached to assure the neutrality of the new African states, guarantee the integrity of the borders of Israel and to bring the Arabs to the peace table with the Israelis."

J. N. F. HEAD RETURNS TO ISRAEL; LAUDS U. S. RESPONSE TO HIS PLAN

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- Jacob Tsur, world chairman of the Jewish National Fund and president of the General Council of the World Zionist Organization, flew back to Jerusalem today after a nationwide tour during which he introduced the new Twenty Year Plan of the Jewish National Fund to the Jews of America.

Before his departure Mr. Tsur, former Israel Ambassador to France and Argentina, expressed his gratification at the enthusiasm shown by Americans for this plan, which involves the raising of 250 million dollars to convert the remaining 60 percent of the territory of Israel from arid wastelands to blooming and fertile soil.

U. S. DONOR GIVES \$214,000 AND RARE COLLECTION TO HEBREW UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, April 9. (JTA) -- A collection of more than 1,000 ancient lamps from archaeological sites in the Mediterranean area, has been presented to the Hebrew University by Mrs. Miriam S. Schloessinger, widow of Dr. Max Schloessinger, orientalist and former deputy chancellor of the university.

The gift, which was accepted by Dr. Binyamin Mazar, former president of the university, was made along with a grant of \$214,000 for the establishment of a chair in Islamic studies in memory of Dr. Schloessinger. Included in the collection is a Jewish lamp dating back to the Fourth Century which has no known counterpart anywhere. Made of bronze, the lamp has a menorah decoration as a handle and bears other Hebrew symbols.

FIRST ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENT IN ONTARIO TOWN CAUSES \$10,000 DAMAGE

MONTREAL, April 9. (JTA) -- The first anti-Semitic incident in Oakville, an Ontario town, was reported here today. The vandals caused \$10,000 worth of damage to a record store owned by Julius Goflieb. They left inscriptions reading: "Go home, Jew Boy, Jews killed Christ."

VANDALS SMEAR SWASTIKAS ON SYNAGOGUE IN SO. AFRICA; POLICE START SEARCH

JOHANNESBURG, April 9. (JTA) -- Police sought today the vandals who daubed swastikas on a synagogue wall at Randfontein near Johannesburg this weekend. The vandals also pasted a sheet bearing a swastika. A similar sheet was sent to various Jewish organizations and individuals by mail.

GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER PROCLAIMS APRIL 19 AS 'WARSAW GHETTO DAY'

ALBANY, N. Y., April 9. (JTA) -- Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller today proclaimed Wednesday, April 19, as "Warsaw Ghetto Day" in commemoration of the Ghetto uprising in April 1943 and in memory of "the 6,000,000 innocent men, women and children who perished" and "have become symbols of true heroism."