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## NEW ANTI-SEMITIC, ANTI-ISRAEL CAMPAIGNS LAUNCHED BY SOVIET PRESS

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) -- A new and stepped-up campaign of anti-Semitism and anti-Israeli propaganda has been launched in the Soviet Union, according to articles culled here today from the controlled Communist press. The articles have appeared in Pravda Ukrainy, organ of the Communist Party of the Ukraine; in Sovetskaya Ekonomicheskaya Gazetta, and in the leading Soviet newspapers in Moldavia, Latvia and White Russia.

Russian Jews are being attacked--by name and address--as being "parasitical and non-Socialist elements in the Soviet community." Letters are being printed from "readers," accusing Israel of using its security services of "espionage" and of "carrying out widespread reprisals against various peoples." The letters claim that the economic conditions are such that "the poor become poorer, while the rich get richer." Some of the purported letter writers ask the editors to delete their names for fear their identity "would endanger our families in Israel."

## ARAB LEAGUE THREATENS 'FORCE' AGAINST ISRAEL ON JORDAN WATERS ISSUE

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- The Arab League's Supreme Defense Council, which has just concluded a series of meetings at Cairo, has decided to "use force to prevent Israel's exploitation of the Jordan River for irrigation of the Negev Desert," according to the Arab press, received here today. The Supreme Defense Council decided to confer again in two months to pick a "supreme commander" for an Arab joint command.

Information reaching here from the Arab states indicates also that the Arab heads of state plan on giving U.S. President John F. Kennedy evasive answers in response to his recent letters to the Arab rulers. On the other hand, it is planned by the Arab rulers to pinpoint the Jordan River issue, accusing Israel of an "act of aggression" in connection with its Jordan River water project. Some of the Arab newspapers have proposed that President Kennedy be subjected to "a test in regard to his good will, to find out whether he respects Arab rights and Arab League resolutions."

(Dispatches received in London today reported that the Arab League Economic Council, which has just opened at Damascus, has on its agenda an item dealing with "the necessity of the creation of Arab economic unity prior to establishment of political unity.)

(The Times of London reported today that Tass, the Soviet Government news agency, has reported an article in Pravda, organ of the Communist Party of the USSR, emphasizing that the Soviet Union "values its friendship with the United Arab Republic and wants to develop that friendship and strengthen it further.")

## Conservative Attacks Israel on Issue, Janner Says 'No Violation' Is Involved

LONDON, June 19. (JTA) -- A Conservative member of Parliament, William Yates, today accused Israel, on the floor of the House of Commons, of perpetrating "a threat" to violate the Israeli-Arab armistice agreement by allegedly planning to divert the waters of the Jordan River for its own use. Mr. Yates voiced his accusation in the form of a question to the Lord Privy Seal, Edward Heath, asking what the Government intended to do to prevent such a "violation."

While Mr. Heath replied that the Government was not aware of such "a threat," Sir Barnett Janner, Laborite Member, advised Mr. Yates: "The constant bullying by Nasser and his people is something that might be attended to, rather than the asking of such questions." Sir Barnett suggested that the best way for solution of the Jordan River problem was "for both parties to provide sufficient waters for themselves." He added "there is no violation whatsoever by Israel on this matter."

## NEW UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR MEETS BEN-GURION TO GET ACQUAINTED

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- Walworth Barbour, the new United States Ambassador to Israel, called on Premier David Ben-Gurion today for an "acquaintance meeting." Ambassador Barbour, who presented his letters of credence to President Izhak Ben-Zvi last week, lauded Israel's achievements during the past 13 years.

# EICHMANN TRIAL RESUMES TODAY; PRISONER PRIMED TO TAKE WITNESS STAND

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- After a week's recess, providing a period of preparation for the defense, the Adolf Eichmann trial was ready to resume here tomorrow morning, with the accused himself scheduled for the witness chair. Only one item remains officially on the prosecution's agenda--the presentation of a part of the tape-recorded memoirs dictated by Eichmann at Buenos Aires, in 1957, to a Dutch Nazi journalist, Willem Sassen. When that matter is done, Eichmann's glass-enclosed, bullet-proof enclosure, from which he has been watching the trial since it opened April 11, will become the witness stand.

The three-member court ruled 2-1, before the recess a week ago, that only that part of the memoirs approved and annotated by Eichmann is admissible as evidence. Thus about 90 percent of the memoirs had to be deleted by Attorney General Gideon Hausner, chief Israeli prosecutor in the Eichmann case. Unless Mr. Hausner makes some surprise move to prolong the prosecution's case, Eichmann will be the next witness.

There was a possibility that Mr. Hausner may attempt further to bolster his case. He was reported today to have a "trump card" to disprove Eichmann's claim that, as chief of the Gestapo's bureau for the "final solution" of the Jewish problem under the Nazi rule, he was only carrying out orders from higher-ups. Mr. Hausner reportedly has proof to show that Eichmann secured the release from a concentration camp of a Jewish woman, whom he permitted to leave for Switzerland. The woman, presumably, was Eichmann's second cousin. If that testimony stands up, Mr. Hausner intends to use it to show that Eichmann could disobey orders from superiors when he chose to do so.

Dr. Robert Servatius, chief of Eichmann's defense, has had about a week for final consultation with his client and for preparation of the prisoner for his ordeal of direct examination, which is to be followed by cross-examination. In accordance with an agreed schedule, the court will hold only one session each day, while the defense is under way. That session, however, is expected to last five hours. Dr. Servatius is to have free time, after each day's session, to confer with Eichmann about the next day's schedule.

During the pre-defense recess, it was reported, Eichmann has undergone a complete check-up. Some of the foreign correspondents who have returned to Israel to cover the defense portion of the trial expressed their belief today that Eichmann may not be able to stand up to the grilling of direct and cross-examination. Several weeks ago, reports that Eichmann had suffered several heart attacks since the trial opened were denied here. However, it was officially confirmed that he had shown nervous strains.

The defense portion of the case is certain to last at least a week. After presentation of the defense and the prosecution's cross examination will come introduction to the court of interrogations conducted by courts in West Germany and Austria of former Nazis whom Israel has denied immunity. These witnesses have been questioned by the courts in Germany and Austria, and were cross examined by representatives of both the prosecution and the defense.

The last phase of the trial is expected to be reached sometime in July, when both sides will deliver their summations to the court. Then the case will be in the hands of the three Israeli judges--Presiding Justice Moshe Landau and Justices Binyamin Halevi and Yitzhak Raveh. With a court record including testimony by 112 prosecution witnesses and more than 1,400 documents to study--comprising about 2,000,000 words--it is anybody's guess as to how long it may be before the court is ready for a verdict.

## Christian Clergymen in Israel Divided on Punishment for Eichmann

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Six of Israel's leading Christian clergymen have expressed unanimous approval of the way Israel is handling the trial of Adolf Eichmann, but are divided on the means of punishment if the Nazi war criminal is found guilty, according to the results of a survey conducted by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, released here today.

While all six clergymen agreed with Israel's handling of the case, their answers to the question concerning Eichmann's punishment, if found guilty, ranged from the suggestion that he be executed to the opinion that he be turned over to Germany for retrial, after being given a life sentence here.

The Rev. William L. Hull, Pentecostal clergyman, said that "nothing short of a death sentence could be justified in view of the law of the Western world." The Rev. Dr. Robert J. Lindsey, chairman of the Baptist Convention of Israel, declared that "there is nothing that can be done to Eichmann except to bring him to the kind of justice the Israel law provides." The Rev. Tom Gibson, of St. Andrews Memorial Presbyterian Church, said it was a difficult problem for Israel. If mercy is shown Eichmann, he asserted, this will "prevent anyone from charging the Jewish people with being vengeful. On the other hand this may bring a charge of weakness against them."

Canon Hugh Jones, an Anglican clergyman, and Abbot Leo Rudloff, of the Roman Catholic Dormition Church on Mount Zion, both thought Eichmann deserved the most severe penalty, but sought some other solution. Archbishop George Hakim, Greek Catholic Bishop of Northern Israel, suggested that Eichmann be given a life sentence and then sent back to Germany "where he ought to be put on trial and there punished."

## RIFT BETWEEN ISRAELI RABBINATE, INDIAN JEWS, SEEMS NEAR SETTLEMENT

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- The recent rift between the Indian Bnei Israel Jewish community here and the Chief Rabbinate, over limitations placed on marriages between members of that community and other Israeli Jews, appeared to be nearing settlement today, with the decision to send an Orthodox rabbi to India to provide needed religious instruction to the ancient Indian Jewish community.

While marriages between Bnei Israel Jews and other Israeli Jews are not banned, the Chief Rabbinate announced that it would be up to local rabbinic authorities to decide on performing such marriages. The advisability of allowing such marriages was open to question because the religious marriage code practiced by the Bnei Israel community had been different from that practiced generally by Orthodox Jews elsewhere, the Chief Rabbinate said.

The decision to send an Orthodox rabbi to India, resulted from mediation efforts by Dr. Arien Tartakower, Israeli chairman of the World Jewish Congress, prompted by concern over the issue by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, WJC president. Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim was reported to have indicated during a meeting with New Delhi Jewish leader B. Benjamin, that he would reconsider the marriage limitations if the Orthodox rabbi were sent to India. Rabbi Nissim said that the rabbi would be able to rectify a situation where the Bnei Israel community was in need of religious instruction.

## ARCHAEOLOGISTS FIND FIRST EVIDENCE OF EXISTENCE OF PONTIUS PILATE

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- The engraved name of the Roman Procurator of Judea, Pontius Pilate, was found on a stone 10 miles south of Haifa, it was revealed here today. This is the first time that archaeological evidence has been discovered of the Roman who ordered the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The only previous evidence of Pilate's existence was known through the Christian Gospels and the writings of the Jewish historian, Josephus Flavius.

The stone, 31 by 29 inches, was found near Caesara, the Roman capital of Judea, in the ruins of a Roman amphitheater, by a University of Milan archaeological expedition.

## EAST NIGERIAN LEADER TOURS ISRAEL; COUNTRIES COOPERATE ON VITAL PROJECTS

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- East Nigerian Premier Bolto Michel Okpara began a tour of Israel today, including visits to agricultural settlements, vocational schools and development projects. Premier Okpara's visit here, part of a tour of several countries, including West Germany and India, is aimed at increasing Israel-East Nigerian cooperation.

A joint construction firm has already been established by Israel's Solel Boneh building company and the East Nigerian Government. The firm, which employs more than 2,000 workers, including scores of Israeli technicians, has been building hotels, roads and public buildings throughout the West African country. Israel has also aided East Nigeria in water development projects.

## ISRAELI NEWS BRIEFS

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- President Izhak Ben-Zvi today commuted the life sentence of Dan Shemer, one of the three Israelis previously given sentences of life imprisonment for the assassination of Israel Kastner, formerly a leader of the Hungarian Jewish Community. Mr. Ben-Zvi cut Shemer's sentence to 15 years. Two others convicted of that murder, Zeev Eckstein and Joseph Menkes, are serving life sentences.

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- The American Embassy in Israel has donated 50,000 Israeli pounds (\$28,000) to Tel Aviv University, for the establishment of a chair in American literature, it was announced here today. The chair will later become part of a department of English language and literature.

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- The West German prosecution office has asked the Israeli police to help secure evidence from Israeli Jews against Heinz Beckerle, former Nazi Minister to Bulgaria, who was arrested in West Germany recently on charges of having caused the death of 11,500 Jews in Thrace and Macedonia. Those parts of Greece had been annexed to Bulgaria during World War II.

## MOTHER OF DR. JOSEPH J. SCHWARTZ, WIDOW OF RABBI, DEAD IN BALTIMORE

BALTIMORE, June 19. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Mrs. Goldie Miriam Schwartz, the mother of Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-president of the Israel Bond Organization. Mrs. Schwartz died yesterday at the age of 90. Interment will be in Jerusalem, Israel.

Mrs. Schwartz was active in the Mizrahi Women's Organization. Together with her husband, the late Rabbi Abram N. Schwartz, she founded the first Jewish day school in the United States outside of New York--the Yeshiva Chofetz Chaim, in Baltimore.

## DELEGATES AT NCRAC CONVENTION TO ANALYZE MAJOR FUNCTIONS, PROGRAMS

WASHINGTON, June 19. (JTA) -- A proposed program projecting activity priorities in five major operational areas for 60 American Jewish organizations, for the coming year, will be discussed by 200 delegates from these organizations, who are expected to attend the annual plenary session of the National Community Relations Advisory Council, opening here Thursday. The session will last four days.

The program, to be presented by Isaiah M. Minkoff, executive director of the NCRAC, is purely advisory in character, according to Mr. Minkoff. However, judgments and recommendations of the NCRAC are frequently used by the Council's affiliates, as well as by other Jewish organizations in the United States, as guides to programs and activities.

The five areas covered by the proposed program deal with: 1. Overt anti-Semitism in the United States; 2. Community relations implications of developments in the Middle East; 3. Inter-religious relations and Church-State issues; 4. Civil Rights; and 5. The results and effects of the Adolf Eichmann trial.

Prominent among the topics slated for discussion are right-wing political and economic movements, including the John Birch Society; the population explosion in the metropolitan areas, with its implications for equal opportunity and for interracial and other intergroup relations; school desegregation in the North and in the South; and trends in relationships among Catholics, Jews and Protestants, including an analysis of some of the issues on which they are most divided.

The NCRAC has been, since 1914, the joint planning and coordinating body for Jewish community relations in the United States. Its member groups pursue programs aimed at combating anti-Semitism and all other forms of bigotry and discrimination, and the promotion of American principles of equality and freedom.

Among its constituent organizations are: The American Jewish Congress, Jewish Labor Committee, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, United Synagogue of America.

Also state, county and local Jewish community relations councils in Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Minnesota, Camden County, N. J., Eastern Union County, N. J., Essex County, N. J., Akron, Albany, Atlanta, Atlantic City, Baltimore, Boston, Bridgeport, Brooklyn, Canton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Easton, Flint, Fort Worth, Hartford, Indianapolis, Jacksonville, Kansas City, Kingston, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Nashville, New Britain, New Haven, Norfolk, Oakland, Paterson, Peoria, Perth Amboy, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Richmond, Rochester, St. Louis, San Diego, San Francisco, Schenectady, Toledo; Washington, D. C., Youngstown.

## CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS CONVENES TODAY; ISRAEL ON AGENDA

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Church-State relations in the United States, and Reform Judaism's relations with the State of Israel will be among the topics on the agenda of the 72nd annual convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, to be opened here tomorrow. The Conference is the rabbinical organization of Reform Judaism, and is the oldest national rabbinical body in the Western Hemisphere, with a current membership of more than 800 spiritual leaders of congregations in the United States and Canada. The convention will close Saturday.

The convention's keynote address will be delivered tomorrow night by Dr. Bernard J. Bamberger, Conference president, who is the rabbi of Congregation Shaaray Tefila, in New York. One of the featured speakers at the convention will be Eliahu Elath, Israel's first Ambassador to the United States, who will discuss Israel's relations with the newly created states in Asia and Africa. The Conference's committees on Church and State and on justice and peace are scheduled to report during the five-day session.

### Eleven Reform Rabbis Ordained by HUC-JIR; Six Given Honorary Degrees

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Eleven Reform rabbis were ordained here yesterday at commencement exercises of the New York school of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, held at Temple Emanu-El. Among the newly ordained rabbis was Henry Bamberger, son of Dr. Bernard J. Bamberger, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. The latter was the baccalaureate speaker at the services, while the ordination was conducted by the president of the HUC-JIR, Dr. Nelson Glueck.

In addition to awarding the degrees to the rabbinical graduates, the HUC-JIR conferred honorary degrees on John D. Rockefeller, 3rd; Jacob S. Potofsky, president of the Almagamat Clothing Workers of America; Howard Mumford Jones, professor of humanities at Harvard; Rabbi Samuel M. Segal, of Congregation Mt. Nebo, New York; Rabbi Meyer Miller of Durban, South Africa; and Rabbi Samson A. Shain, of Lancaster, Pa.

## AHARON KLAUS, ISRAELI JOURNALIST, DIES AT TEL AVIV AT AGE OF 47

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- Aharon Klaus, news editor of Maariv, Tel Aviv afternoon daily, died here today. He was 47 years old. A native of Lithuania, he came to Israel as a youth and joined Maariv after a period on the staff of Hamashkif. He was news editor of Maariv since 1949 and was a member of the executive of the Israel Journalists Association and editor of the association's directory.