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CONGRESS HEARS PROTESTS AGAINST SALE OF ROCKETS TO UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC

WASHINGTON, July 10. (JTA) -- Protests against the Administration's decision to furnish rockets to the United Arab Republic were voiced today in both houses of Congress. The State Department's announcement that the UAR would be permitted to buy meteorological rockets here and that the export licenses for these rockets were being prepared, was made last Friday. Subsequently, Israeli sources disclosed that the United States had repeatedly refused Israeli requests for the projectiles.

Senator Kenneth Keating, New York Republican, told the Senate that what the Near East needed was not rocket shipments from the U.S. but moves to develop resources such as the Jordan River. He said that if Nasser found weather a problem, cooperation to develop regional irrigation would bear more immediate fruit and show more genuine Arab desire for progress than the purchase of rockets.

Senator Keating declared that prior to Arab agreement to regional water undertakings, the United States should withhold rocket shipments to the UAR which might increase tensions. He said the whole matter would be raised in the context of the Foreign Aid Bill now pending before Congress.

Rep. Seymour Halpern, New York Republican, said in the House that "the State Department is apparently attempting to woo Nassser, the Castro of the Nile, in an attempt to buy his favor as he craftily plays off East against West." Rep. Halpern raised an issue of application of the Battle Act, revealing that he has asked the Department of Commerce, charged under law with keeping strategic information and materiel out of Communist hands, to delay issuance of export permits pending reconsideration.

Rep. Halpern pointed out that the UAR, "a regime that has collaborated closely with the Sino-Soviet bloc," has attached to its army various technicians and instructors from Czechoslovakia and other Communist nations who would have access to any vital data.

Asserting that the State Department is rewarding the UAR which "discriminates against American citizens on a basis of religion," Rep. Halpern said this indicated "American weakness rather than strength." He warned that the rockets would "facilitate Nasser's propaganda and attempts to penetrate neighboring states...increase tensions in the Near East."

He asked the House "if we are embarking on a policy that seeks support from irresponsible nations that defy international law and insult our citizens by bribing such nations with rockets..." He asserted that "what the UAR really wants is rocketry know-how and looks to the day when it can obtain nuclear warheads through manufacture or diplomatic blackmail."

Rep. Lester Holtzman, New York Democrat, said the Administration action in providing rockets to Nasser would "surely be exploited by the UAR as a propaganda coup to enhance its prestige and further its designs and influence...among the new nations in Asia and Africa." He said "we may ask why our Government has deliberately strengthened a government which works to weaken us."

Rep. Holtzman told the House there was "not the slightest indication that the UAR is ready to negotiate a possible settlement with Israel." He asked: "Do we now intend to join the Soviet bloc in a cooperative effort to arm a regime which has been at war with the purposes and objectives of the United States."

EICHMANN ADMITS HE KNEW HITLER INTENDED TO ANNIHILATE JEWS

JERUSALEM, July 10. (JTA) -- Adolf Eichmann admitted here today, under relentless cross-examination, that he knew Adolf Hitler had proclaimed his intent to exterminate the Jews "regardless of who wins the war."

Pale but calm and unruffled at this afternoon's session of his trial, after the morning sitting was recessed because he claimed he had been ill and sleepless all night, the former Gestapo colonel also admitted that he came to Palestine in 1937 to confer with the anti-Jewish, former Grand Mufti. But, he insisted, reports that he had made derogatory remarks against Jews at the time were false.

When court opened this morning, Eichmann sent a note to his counsel, Dr. Robert Serfatius, asserting that he was too weak to stand cross-examination. Following a 15-minute conference in chambers between the three judges and counsel for both sides, the recess was

granted. Eichmann had said in his note that he had spent "a sleepless, depressive night." A police physician confirmed the fact that the prisoner had not slept all night.

But when the court reconvened in the afternoon, Eichmann sparred lustily with Attorney General Gideon Hausner, making admissions now and then but always explaining his own good intent coupled with his zeal to perform faithfully the orders of his superiors.

Explaining his awareness of Hitler's promise, early in World War II, that Jews would be exterminated, Eichmann said that, at that time, "extermination did not mean physical liquidation." In France and in England, he maintained, "we tried to reduce to zero our enemies' resistance, so that they would fade into oblivion--but not physical oblivion."

Eichmann pursued his main line of defense, claiming that he had been "pro-Zionist." He said proof of his attitude was the fact that when he returned to Vienna from Palestine in 1937, he recommended the reopening of the Austrian offices of Keren Kayemeth and Keren Hayesod.

Says Incriminating Document was 'Forgery'

He dismissed as a "forgery" a document establishing that at Budapest, he had ordered his deputy to protest to the Nazi Foreign Ministry against permitting Hungarian Jews to emigrate to Palestine. The document, he explained, was false, since it bore no reference number or initials. Laughter broke out among the spectators crowding the courtroom at this exhibition of a bureaucrat's meticulous concern for details, and presiding Justice Moshe Landau warned the public he would clear the premises if there were further demonstrations.

There were laughter, and gasps among the spectators several times during the dramatic afternoon when Eichmann sparred with Mr. Hausner, alternating what seemed like damaging admissions with sure, firm expressions of innocence of real guilt.

Eichmann, at one point, admitted that he had worked hard to get the German and Austrian Jews to emigrate, but he denied staunchly that the purpose was the enrichment of the Reich, which would benefit from confiscation of Jewish property. "I regret," he declared, "that I did not press even harder so that more Jews would have emigrated."

At one point, Dr. Hausner asked the prisoner whether all the witnesses who had testified earlier had lied, while he alone told the truth. "No," he answered calmly, "the documents before us tell the truth and substantiate what I say."

Returning to his claim that he had pressed hard for Jewish emigration, Mr. Hausner asked Eichmann about a letter he had written, asserting that he holds "the Jewish leaders in my hands, and they do not dare to do a thing without my approval." Eichmann explained this away as "only typical soldiers' language," and insisted he forced rich Jews to surrender property only as an aid toward financing of emigration of poor Jews.

He admitted he had confiscated remittances sent by Jews abroad but said that the money was used "to the last cent" to finance Jewish emigration.

Denies 'Crystal Night' Involvement; Concedes Slapping Jewish Leader

Eichmann denied he had any part in the infamous "Crystal Night" occurrences of November, 1938. When Mr. Hausner quoted a report from Dr. Josef Loewenhertz, head of the Vienna Jewish community, that Eichmann had threatened a repetition of "Crystal Night," the defendant at first denied this report flatly, but retracted his denial when confronted with a statement he had made to the Israeli police. In that statement, he had said his conversation with Dr. Loewenhertz was "part of negotiation tactics, such as are employed everywhere."

Mr. Hausner asked, then, when it was part of "negotiations" for Eichmann to slap Dr. Loewenhertz, as the latter reported. "That was a slap," the prisoner replied, "for which the slapper later apologized, and is a private matter between the two men concerned."

He denied another reported threat in which he had promised to send someone to the Buchenwald concentration camp. Pressed further on the report from Dr. Loewenhertz, Eichmann said he simply refused to read it because it "seemed a fabrication made after 1945."

At the opening of the afternoon session, Dr. Servatius requested that the court subpoena, as defense witnesses, two Israelis who had purportedly been involved in the abduction of Eichmann from Argentina in May, 1960. The men are Zvi Tohar, pilot of an El Al plane, and Gad Shimoni, at that time El Al's representative in Argentina. The court took that request under advisement promising a ruling tomorrow morning.

HACOHEN HEADS ISRAEL PORT AUTHORITY; LASKOV BECOMES EXECUTIVE HEAD

JERUSALEM, July 10. (JTA) -- Israel's Port Authority, the first public corporation here, which will take over the operation and development of port facilities of all of Israel's principal harbors, held its first meeting here last night. The Authority's executive council, headed by David Hachohen, diplomat and member of Parliament, elected the former Chief of Staff, Brigadier Haim Laskow, as director-general.

Addressing the session, Minister of Transport and Communications Yitzhak Ben-Aharon announced that the Government will invest 100,000,000 Israeli pounds (\$56,000,000) in Israeli harbor developments. Large investments in these projects were previously announced by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and by a syndicate of private investors.

FAMED JURIST SAYS WORLD MUST BE REMINDED OF EVILS OF ANTI-SEMITISM

LONDON, July 10. (JTA) -- Lord Birkett, one of the Judges at the Nuremberg war crimes trials, warned here today that the world must be reminded "from time to time" about the evils of anti-Semitism and racial prejudice.

In a message to the opening of an exhibit scheduled to be dedicated Wednesday, of materials depicting the tragic story of the Warsaw Ghetto under the Nazi regime, the famous barrister and jurist stated: "While the records of the Nuremberg trials are in most of the world's libraries, the public at large must be reminded, from time to time, of the fearful fate that befalls a nation and people when justice is cast out, and when evil things such as anti-Semitism and racial prejudice are allowed to pervade the State and are actively encouraged."

The exhibit is made up chiefly of photographs, paintings and mementoes of the Warsaw Ghetto collected by a former native of Warsaw, Dr. Alexander Bernfes. The exhibit is being sponsored by the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the World Jewish Congress, the Polish-Jewish Ex-Servicemen's Association and a special memorial Committee.

TEN MOROCCAN JEWS ARE ARRESTED IN REPORTED ATTEMPT TO LEAVE COUNTRY

PARIS, July 10. (JTA) -- Moroccan police arrested a party of ten Jews near Meknes, it was reported here today. One of them, Jacob Bouzagle, of Casablanca, was accused of conducting Zionist activities. The nine others, including five-year-old children, were accused of seeking to leave Morocco illegally. All were detained in jail. Bouzagle was also accused of having previously aided three other parties of Jews to leave the country illegally.

CAMPAIGN POSTERS OF RHODESIAN JEWISH CANDIDATE ARE DEFACED

SALISBURY, So. Rhodesia, July 10. (JTA) -- Campaign posters of Dr. Aharon Pally, who is seeking re-election to the South Rhodesian Parliament from the Borrowdale constituency, were defaced today by anti-Semites. The word "Jew" was smeared in black paint over posters calling for his re-election.

Dr. Pally, a well-known member of the Jewish community, is a leader of the Rhodesian Dominion Party.

WORLD CONFERENCE OF JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS TO MEET IN GENEVA AUGUST 16

NEW YORK, July 10. (JTA) -- Representatives of Jewish organizations on five continents will assemble in Geneva on August 16-17 in a world conference of Jewish organizations to consider major problems confronting the Jewish people.

The provisional agenda of the conference, disclosed here today, includes a report on preparations for holding a world conference on Jewish education in the Summer of 1962; a study of the impact of the Eichmann trial on public opinion in various countries; the position of Jews in Soviet Russia; the situation of the Jews in North Africa; problems of Jewish concern that will arise in the 16th General Assembly of the United Nations this autumn, and recent developments around the Arab refugee problem.

Speakers at the opening session of the conference will be Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Israel and of the World Jewish Congress; Label A. Katz, president of B'nai B'rith, and Sir Barnett Janner, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Organizations comprising the conference include the American Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith, Board of Deputies of British Jews, Canadian Jewish Congress, Conseil Représentatif des Juifs de France (CRIF), DAIA, the Argentine Jewish representative organization, Executive Council of Australian Jewry, Jewish Labor Committee, South African Jewish Board of Deputies and the World Jewish Congress.

The Jewish Agency will be represented at the conference by observers.

LATIN-AMERICAN COMMUNITIES MEET TO FURTHER JEWISH EDUCATION

BUENOS AIRES, July 10. (JTA) -- Representatives from four Latin American countries--Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay and Chile--meeting here in a two-day conference on Jewish education, sought establishment of a central organ for the development of Jewish cultural and educational work, based on local efforts in the four countries.

Zalman Shazar, head of the Jewish Agency's cultural and education department in Jerusalem, reported to the conference that he had established a new, central executive for the integration of fund-raising for overseas needs and for the development of new activities in Brazil and Uruguay.

The conference here was scheduled to consider, among other plans, the integration of Jewish adult education courses, as well as the establishment of refresher courses for teachers.

HESSIAN YOUTH TO HELP BUILD HOME FOR JEWISH AGED IN COLOGNE

BONN, July 10. (JTA) -- The Hessian section of the Youth Construction Movement announced its decision to assist in the construction of a Jewish home for the aged in Cologne. The association is made up of young Germans pledged to reconstruction for the victims of the Nazi era. It has operated seven work camps in various European countries.

CANADIAN CIVIL SERVICE CODE AMENDED TO BAR DISCRIMINATION

OTTAWA, July 10. (JTA) -- A special Parliamentary committee recommended today amendment of the Civil Service Act that would limit the right of the Civil Service Commission to fix qualifications for government jobs so as to prevent establishment of racial or religious qualifications.

The section setting out the Commission's authority to fix qualifications will be amended according to the committee recommendation, to include the proviso that "in so doing, the Commission shall not discriminate against any person by reason of race, national origin, color or religion."

The amendment, proposed to the committee by the Canadian Jewish Congress, was made necessary by the fact that the Federal Fair Employment Practices Act was not binding on the Crown.

ORT TO SURVEY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL NEEDS IN AFRICAN LANDS FOR U.S. GOVT.

NEWYORK, July 10. (JTA) -- The American ORT Federation has been awarded a contract by the United States Government, through the International Cooperation Administration, to survey vocational education needs in eight African countries. ORT will study existing technical and vocational school facilities and make recommendations for their expansion and development. The ORT teams will operate in Mali, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Togo, Cameroon, the Ivory Coast and Ethiopia.

SEEKS FEDERAL AID FOR SECULAR DEPARTMENTS OF HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS

FERNDALE, New York, July 10. (JTA) -- Rabbi Hersh Ginsberg, president of the National Conference of Yeshiva Principals, said tonight that any Federal program of aid to schools should include the secular departments of Hebrew day schools "since these departments have essentially no religious content at all and are literally private day schools."

Addressing the fourth annual convention of the National Conference of Yeshiva Principals, which opened here today, Rabbi Ginsberg said that the Hebrew day school has a "sharp delineation between its secular department and its Hebrew department." He pointed out that the secular departments had their own principals, followed the local Board of Education curricula and used standard public school textbooks. Furthermore, Rabbi Ginsberg said, teachers are licensed by the local Boards and abide by all rules and directives of these Boards.

Rabbi Ginsberg, who is also principal of the Rabbi Jacob Joseph School in New York, said that teacher recruitment for the secular department was on the basis of qualification without regard to race, creed or color. "In fact," he added, "day school officials would be quite happy to permit the Board of Education to directly recruit teachers for these departments and assume the entire budget and supervision of these departments..." For these reasons, he said, any Federal aid to public schools should include the secular departments of Hebrew day schools.

ABOUT 2,000 TEENAGERS ATTENDING REFORM LEADERSHIP SUMMER PROGRAMS

NEW YORK, July 10. (JTA) -- About 2,000 teenagers active in the youth program of Reform Jewish congregations, are participating this summer in leadership institutes, study seminars and regional meetings, conducted by the National Federation of Temple Youth. The program, for those in the 15-19 age group, is financed by a grant from the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods.

JOEL DAVID WOLFSOHN, WASHINGTON COMMUNITY LEADER, DEAD AT 60

WASHINGTON, July 10. (JTA) -- Word was received here today of the death of Joel David Wolfsohn, president of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, and a former U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Wolfsohn, 60, died of a heart attack while attending a family reunion in Gary, Ind.

Mr. Wolfsohn, a native of Chicago and newspaperman there in his youth, became an attorney. In 1934, he came to Washington and assumed duties as executive secretary of the National Power Commission, forerunner of the present Federal Power Commission.

During the Hitler era in Europe, Mr. Wolfsohn left the Government to serve in London as European director of the American Jewish Committee. He directed that organization's work in aiding Jewish refugees in post-war Europe and was the Committee's Washington representative in 1949 and 1950.

He later became Assistant Secretary of Interior and served in that capacity until 1953. Former Secretary of Interior Oscar Chapman, under whom Mr. Wolfsohn served, said today that "he was one of the most conscientious public servants and most loyal men I ever knew."

Mr. Wolfsohn is survived by his wife and a daughter.

DR. BERNARD FLOCH, RETIRED YESHIVA UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR, DEAD AT 73

NEW YORK, July 10. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Dr. Bernard Floch, professor of Latin and Greek at Yeshiva University. He was 73 years old. A graduate of the University of Vienna, he was assistant professor of classical languages at that institution for 26 years prior to coming to this country in 1940 to join the Yeshiva faculty, from which he retired in 1956.