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## U.N. ENVOY LEAVES TODAY ON SPECIAL MISSION TO ISRAEL AND ARAB COUNTRIES

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Edward E. Johnson, who was appointed as special envoy of the U.N. Palestine Conciliation Commission last week, will leave tomorrow or Friday for Israel and the Arab countries to carry out his mission of "exploring" the progress made toward a solution of the Arab refugee problem. He will remain in the Middle East for a month, during which he will confer with leaders of the Israel and Arab governments on the tangled refugee issue.

In the course of this week, Dr. Johnson, who is president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, met several times with the members of the Palestine Conciliation Commission here. He also conferred separately with Ambassador Michael S. Comay, head of the Israel delegation to the United Nations, and with the heads of the delegations of the Arab states. His talks with the diplomats took place during two separate luncheons given by Francis T. P. Plimpton, Deputy U.S. permanent representative at the United Nations. The Palestine Conciliation Commission is composed of representatives of the United States, France and Turkey.

Dr. Johnson will make his first stop in London, where he will finalize his Middle East itinerary. From there he will proceed to Beirut, capital of Lebanon, where the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees has its headquarters. UNRWA is the body in charge of the United Nations relief program for the refugees. During his stay in Beirut, Dr. Johnson will also confer with the Lebanese Government on the refugee issue.

From Lebanon, Dr. Johnson is expected to proceed to Jerusalem to discuss the refugee problem with the Israel Government, which has already informed the United Nations of its readiness to give Dr. Johnson full cooperation. He will then continue his discussion with the governments of the United Arab Republic and Jordan. He will also visit some of the refugee camps in Lebanon, Jordan and the Gaza Strip.

Dr. Johnson will return to New York about October 1, in time to submit a report on his findings to the Palestine Conciliation Commission. The PCC is under instructions of the United Nations to submit a report, not later than October 15, on what progress, if any, it has made in regard to the Arab refugee situation.

### Will Study Chances for 'Small Start' on Solution of Refugee Problem

Dr. Johnson's mission is actually aimed at establishing whether at least a small start cannot be made toward repatriating, resettling, or compensating some of the Arab refugees who left Palestine of their own will in 1948, on the eve of the establishment of the State of Israel, because they did not want to live under an Israeli Government.

If at least a start cannot be made toward a solution of the refugee problem, after Dr. Johnson's talks with the governments of Israel and the Arab countries, there is serious doubt that the United States Congress will continue appropriating funds to support the work of UNRWA. The United States has contributed about 70 percent of the UNRWA budget. Hints that this support might be withdrawn have been made, but never mentioned openly, and have drawn protests from the Arab states.

A United States resolution inferentially suggesting the possibility of some solution other than repatriation was beaten down by the Arabs at the last session of the UN Assembly. Israel has already re-admitted 70,000 Arab refugees. Some 35,000 of them were re-admitted under a "re-union of families" plan; 17,000 re-entered Israel by illegal infiltration later countenanced; and 18,000 came from a group which, though refugees and uprooted, had never left Israeli territory.

The good will gestures which Israel had made, through the "family reunion" scheme and by releasing of certain blocked bank accounts of Arab refugees, have not been reciprocated by the Arabs. Informed circles here are, therefore, doubting whether Israel would be prepared to make any further good will moves of this nature, since the Arab rulers have not been appeased by the previous gestures and are still going strong on their call for the "destruction" of Israel.

Depending on Dr. Johnson's report will be whether President Kennedy's ambition to see the refugee problem solved can be realized. President Kennedy had recently indicated in individual letters to rulers of the Arab countries his deep interest in the matter. However, it was reported that each of the Arab rulers was negative in his reply to Mr. Kennedy's appeal, while Iraq refused to answer it.

## ISRAEL PRESIDENT TO ASK BEN-GURION ON MONDAY TO FORM NEW CABINET

JERUSALEM, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion will be requested by President Ben-Zvi to undertake the task of forming a new Government after the convening of the newly elected Knesset, Israel's Parliament, on Monday, it was learned here today.

The Prime Minister has refrained from indicating any preferences among the possible partners for his Mapai party in his next coalition, but there have been considerable informal contacts among the various parties in anticipation of the formal negotiations to come.

Mapai feelers among prospective coalition partners were reported today to have indicated a demand for a coalition much wider than that required simply for a merely comfortable majority of the 120 Knesset seats.

Neither the three religious parties, nor the two leftist parties--Mapam and Achdut Avodah--who together with Mapai could muster 64 and 63 of the 120 seats, would feel comfortable in a narrow coalition with Mapai, their leaders have indicated. Those leaders have said openly that the "national interest" demands a government with the widest possible base.

The new Liberal party, which netted 17 seats--three more than the total of seats held by the Progressives and General Zionists which joined to create the new party--figured actively in the inter-party soundings. The new party was expected to have a leading role if a wide coalition is established. In addition to the traditional Justice Ministry, the Liberal party might be wooed with an offer of the Ministry of Education or even of Foreign Affairs, it was reported.

However, there is strong pressure within Mapai against any yielding on the principle of an absolute Mapai majority in any new government. One school of thought was reported to favor a strategy of courting the leftists and Liberal party at the expense of the religious groups who would be left out of the projected coalition, while another Mapai group favors dropping the Liberal party. The latter Mapai group has recommended that the much-disputed Ministry for Religious Affairs should go to a non-party neutral personality.

## HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE MEMBERS DIFFER ON CLAUSE AGAINST ARAB BIAS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Bitter differences were voiced here today by Representatives and Senators arguing a clause in the Mutual Security Bill, dealing with bias as manifested in the Arab boycott against Israel and discrimination against American Jews. However, hopes were expressed that House-Senate conferees, attempting to hammer out a clause acceptable to both branches of Congress, may be able to reach a compromise by midnight tonight.

The House clause aims at indicating to the Arabs that their anti-Israel boycott and blockade of the Suez Canal are "repugnant" to American principles. It also authorizes the President of the United States to decide whether American aid should be given to countries discriminating against American Jewish citizens because of their religion. The Senate clause is very much weaker.

Chairman J. W. Fulbright, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, a conferee, has insisted strongly that the House anti-bias measure might offend Arab nations, because it calls for severance of aid to countries using discriminatory boycott and blockade tactics. It was his contention that severance of aid to the Arab states because they discriminate against American Jews would amount to an undue interference in Arab domestic affairs. He attributed other Arab blockade practices to the Arab-Israeli disputes, and held that America should remain neutral.

Chairman Thomas E. Morgan, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, also a conferee, differed with Senator Fulbright. Rep. Morgan, a Pennsylvania Democrat, maintained that a weakening of the anti-bias provisions of previous years would encourage new Arab abuses. He maintained that the House merely sought to hold the line on this matter, rather than retreat from the Congressional stand taken in past Mutual Security legislation. He felt that nations receiving American aid should respect the rights of American citizens regardless of the religion of individuals.

## SENATE VOTE CLEARS WAY FOR TWO-YEAR EXTENSION OF CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Senate leaders today won a preliminary test that cleared the way for a two-year extension of the Federal Civil Rights Commission.

The Senate voted by 72-21, in excess of the two-thirds majority required, to suspend rules on an extension rider so that it could be attached to a pending State, Justice, judiciary appropriation bill. The test indicated the necessary strength to extend the controversial commission for two years.

## SHORTCOMINGS IN EDUCATION BLAMED FOR JOINING AMERICAN NAZI PARTY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Chairman Thomas J. Dodd, of the Senate Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee, said today in a report on the continued rise in delinquency and violence that youths joined the American Nazi Party and similar groups because of shortcomings in the nation's educational system.

## Z.O.A. CONVENTION OPENS TCDA; WILL REVIEW NEW PLANS FOR ACTIVITY

NEW YORK, Aug. 30; (JTA) -- Issues facing the Zionist movement and American Jewish communal life will be discussed at the 64th annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America which opens here tomorrow. The convention, which will last four days, will be attended by some 1,200 delegates and alternates representing chapters in 44 states.

The convention will be asked to review and approve new plans in the various fields of Zionist activity in this country and to mobilize manpower and financial means to make implementation possible. In a report submitted today to the delegates by Dr. Sidney Marks, ZCA executive director, it was emphasized that "modest gains" have been made by the organization in the field of Aliyah and tourism, Jewish education, in a program of housing for American Aliyah and in leadership training.

The report emphasized that during the past year, there had been "a period of crises and change in ZOA scene, requiring frequent evaluation of the needs and opportunities confronting the organization and the Zionist movement." However, the organization adapted itself to the new circumstances and has been able to expand the range of its activities and to develop improved methods of working toward its goal, the report said.

"Although circumstances in the American Jewish Community and in our internal economy were less favorable than expected, the year was one of achievement in techniques, activities and management vital to meeting the ZOA challenges in the years ahead," Dr. Marks reported.

The convention will open tomorrow at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel with major addresses by Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman and Max Bressler, ZOA president. Mayor Robert F. Wagner will extend greetings to the delegates in behalf of the City of New York. Principal speakers will also include Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver who recently returned from a visit to the Soviet Union and Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council.

Among the prominent guest speakers will also be Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller, Andrew Cordier, United Nations Undersecretary for General Assembly Affairs; Ambassador Charles Yost, Deputy U.S. Representative on the U.N. Security Council; Ambassador Michael Comay, head of the Israeli delegation to the United Nations, and others.

## CONVENTION OF U.S. ORTHODOX JEWISH SCIENTISTS TO DISCUSS ATOMIC SURVIVAL

NEW YORK, Aug. 30; (JTA) -- Two nuclear physicists, both Orthodox Jews, will lead a panel discussion on Jewish Law and Atomic survival at the annual convention of the Association of Orthodox Jewish Scientists which will be held September 1-4 in Woodridge, N.Y.

The scientists are Dr. Alvin Radkowsky, a staff member of the Atomic Energy Commission and technical advisor on naval nuclear reactors to Vice Admiral Hyman G. Rickover, and Dr. Fierbert Goldstein, professor of nuclear engineering science at Columbia University. Dr. Radkowsky is chairman of the association's Washington chapter. Dr. Goldstein is Association treasurer.

Founded in 1948, the Association is a national organization composed of members in every professional and academic discipline. It is the Association's goal to effect the orientation of contemporary civilization within the framework of traditional Judaism. To this end, its members throughout the country conduct seminars, high-level discussion groups, religious-scientific research investigations and maintain national publications and meetings for the purposes of communication.

## INTERNATIONAL TAX CONGRESS OPENED IN JERUSALEM; 40 COUNTRIES REPRESENTED

JERUSALEM, Aug. 30; (JTA) -- The 15th Congress of the International Fiscal Association opened today at the Wise auditorium of the Hebrew University with more than 500 delegates from 40 lands. Dr. E. W. Kalinowsky, of Israel, was chosen president of the parity which will last four days. The opening session was addressed by Levi Eshkol, Israel's Finance Minister.

The congress will devote itself primarily to the discussion of two main topics. The first is the tax relationship between developed, capital-exporting countries and developing, capital-importing countries. This relationship raises the complex problem of how to eliminate double taxation of the foreign investor--that is, the taxation of the same income in the country where it is earned and in the country where the owner resides. The second topic is the taxation of inter-connected companies.

## MAPAI PARTY OF ISRAEL PARTICIPATES IN LIBERAL INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

BRUSSELS, Aug. 30; (JTA) -- Mapai, Israel's Labor Party, was represented today when the tenth congress of the Liberal International opened here, with 200 delegates present from nine countries. Other countries represented are Belgium, Britain, Canada, West Germany, The Netherlands, Italy, Denmark and Sweden.

The opening session heard a report on "The Liberal Initiative in the World of Today and Tomorrow," compiled by a working committee headed by Giovanni Malagodi, secretary-general of the Italian Liberal Party.

### SCHOOLS IN SAN FRANCISCO OPEN ON ROSH HASHANAH; NO CHANGES POSSIBLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- The Jewish Community Relations Council informed Jewish parents today that school officials in the Peninsula school area had uniformly expressed regret that the opening day of the fall semester would coincide with the first day of Rosh Hashanah this year in many school districts.

Declaring also that the school officials had said that it was "not administratively feasible for them to change their dates this year," the JCRC added that "steps will be taken to assure that administrators in this area are at least aware of dates on which numbers of children are likely to be absent." The JCRC pointed out that Rosh Hashanah next year will fall on a Saturday "which will present no opening day problem for that year."

The organization made it plain that it had not intervened to seek changes that would require that school calendars conform with religious Holy Days because this "might itself be a violation of the principles of church-state separation."

It was explained that the question was not the operation of schools on Rosh Hashanah, "which they do every year," but rather "that the opening and registration day of school is of special significance to children and it would seem administratively sound and courteous to avoid scheduling such a special occasion for a day on which a number of students will be unable to attend, for whatever legitimate reasons."

In Oakland, across the Bay from San Francisco, rabbis urged parents to keep their children out of school on the opening day after negotiations with the Oakland school board for a change in the opening date failed. In other sections of the East Bay area, changes were made at the requests of Jewish spokesmen. In San Leandro, the school opening was postponed.

### LOS ANGELES JEWISH COUPLE GIVES \$100,000 FOR HAIFA HOME FOR AGED

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Harry and Katie Melrose, elderly Jewish residents of this city, have contributed a \$100,000 living legacy for the erection of a Melrose Wing of a new, six-story old age home now being built at Haifa, Israel, it was announced here today by the Histadrut Development Foundation. The home will be conducted by Mishan, the social welfare agency of Histadrut.

The entire complex of buildings for the Haifa old age home, according to Dr. Israel I. Blumenfeld, West Coast director for Histadrut, will cost about \$500,000, and will house 250 residents. The Melrose Wing is expected to be completed in the fall. Mr. and Mrs. Melrose said here they will go to Haifa to attend the dedication of the wing bearing their name, then will take up residence in the home.

### HARTFORD FOUNDATION GIVES \$52,000 TO LOS ANGELES JEWISH HOSPITAL

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- A grant of \$52,346 was given to the Mount Sinai Division, Cedars of Lebanon-Mount Sinai Hospitals, today, by the John A. Hartford Foundation, Inc. The grant will support three years of research into a study directed at the eventual development of constancy of the sugar level in the blood of diabetics identical with the non-diabetic.

The Hartford Foundation is the fourth largest in the country. It was originally established by the late John A. Hartford president of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company who left the bulk of his estate to the Foundation.

### U.S. SINGER OF YIDDISH, HEBREW SONGS INVITED BY POLAND FOR CONCERTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Emma Shaver, well-known American lyric soprano who specializes in Yiddish and Hebrew folk songs as well as in Israeli melodies, has been invited by the Government of Poland to stage a series of recitals in Poland, it was announced here today.

The invitation was extended by the Polish Ministry of Culture. Miss Shaver is scheduled to give her recitals in Warsaw, Lodz and other large cities in Poland. She is leaving this week, with her husband, Moshe Leib Shaver, first for Israel, then for Poland.

### BALTIMORE ATHLETE WINS FIRST VICTORY FOR U.S. AT MACCABIAH IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Adrienne Ayares of Baltimore scored the first victory of the Sixth Maccabiah Games for the Americans yesterday by defeating Tova Epstein, the Israeli women's tennis champion, 6-3, 6-1. The competition among the 1,000 athletes in 18 sports categories got underway officially today. The tennis group began the games a day earlier.

### DR. F. L. SCHAPIRO, PROFESSOR OF HEBREW AT MOSCOW UNIVERSITY, DEAD

PARIS, Aug. 30. (JTA) -- Dr. F. L. Schapiro, professor of Hebrew philology at Moscow University, died in the Soviet Union a week ago, according to reports reaching here today. He was 70.

Dr. Schapiro was about to put the final work on a Hebrew dictionary, scheduled for early Soviet publication, when he died, according to the information reaching here.