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TALKS ON FORMATION OF ISRAEL'S CABINET REACH THEIR CLIMAX TODAY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Disintegration was seen here today of the Club of Four--composed of the Liberal Party, the National Religious Party, the Mapam and Achdut Avodah--which is negotiating as a united front with the Mapai party of Premier David Ben-Gurion on the formation of a new Israeli Cabinet.

The break-up in the four-party united action was indicated by an ultimatum given to the Mapam and Achdut Avodah by the National Religious Party suggesting that the two left-wing groups should agree on the formation of a coalition Cabinet which would include the Herut, if they were really not eager to see a coalition Cabinet dominated by Mapai.

The leaders of the religious bloc made it clear to the two left-wing groups that should they not agree to a coalition either with Herut--which would mean a Cabinet without Mapai--or with Mapai, then the National Religious Party would seek to persuade the Liberal Party to form a "small coalition Cabinet" composed of Mapai, Liberals and the religious bloc.

Meanwhile, the interest of the people in Israel was centered today on the possible outcome of the last talks which Levi Eshkol, Finance Minister and Mapai leader, will hold tomorrow with the leaders of the Club of Four. Depending on the outcome of tomorrow's talks will be whether a Cabinet could be formed by Mr. Eshkol on the mandate from President Izhak Ben-Zvi, or whether Mr. Eshkol would return his mandate to the President with a statement that he failed in the entrusted mission.

Should Mr. Eshkol report to the President that he was unable to reach an agreement on the formation of a Cabinet and was therefore returning his mandate, the President will then have to call upon the Herut Party to form the Cabinet. The Herut was second to the Mapai in the number of votes received in the Parliamentary elections last August 15.

TUNISIAN DELEGATE WHO SNUBBED GOLDA MEIR FAILS TO BECOME U.N. CHIEF

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Tunisian delegate Mongi Slim who, as president of the United Nations General Assembly snubbed Israel's Foreign Minister Golda Meir at a reception by President Kennedy, was reported here today as having lost all chances of becoming the successor of the late Dag Hammarskjold as Acting Secretary General of the United Nations--a post to which he aspired.

Instead, it was indicated that this post would go to U Thant, permanent representative of Burma at the UN. The Burmese delegate was reported to have been assured by both the Arab bloc and the Russians that they would not oppose him personally for the top UN Secretariat job despite his government's known friendliness toward Israel and the West.

Under the plans as they stand now, there would be six undersecretaries but none of them is to have a veto over final decisions by the Secretary General. The six would include: an American, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche; a Russian, Georgy P. Arkadev; an African, preferably from the sub-Saharan region, as yet unnamed; a Latin American, not yet definitely decided upon although Dr. Francisco Urrutia, of Colombia, has been mentioned; a West European, Pier Pasquale Spinelli, an Italian; and one other as yet unidentified.

Mr. Slim is said to have been offered some of the undersecretaryships but, reportedly, he has refused to accept anything but the top job. Israel has objected strenuously to Mr. Slim because both he and his Government are out-and-out pro-Arab and anti-Israel. The Arab and the Soviet blocs, unhappy about the Burmese Government's close relations with Israel, are nevertheless willing to place faith in U Thant personally when he should have to deal with Arab-Israeli or East-West disputes.

ISRAELI AND FRENCH DEFENSE OFFICIALS COMPLETE TALKS IN PARIS

PARIS, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Shimon Peres, Israel's Deputy Defense Minister, completed a week of consultations and negotiations with French defense and army officials today and said he was "most satisfied" with results of the talks.

The Israeli defense official, who was accompanied in his talks by Iser Penn, head of the Israel Purchasing Mission in Europe, also met French Cabinet Ministers and such opposition leaders as Guy Mollet and Bourges Manoury. He left for Rome and was to return to Israel today.

ISRAEL ENJOYING FULL EMPLOYMENT; GOVT. REPORTS SLIGHT LABOR SHORTAGE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Despite a substantial increase in immigration during the first six months of this year, Israel is enjoying virtually full employment and even a slight labor shortage, the Government reported today. The total employed persons grew by four percent in the January-June period which was marked by an increased immigration. There was also a seven percent decline in the number of jobless.

All but the chronically unemployable or persons hard to place in employment have jobs, the report indicated. Since the start of the year, government employment agencies have been called on to fill an average of 1,500 jobs a month, including jobs for semi-skilled and unskilled workers and placements continue to lag behind demand for workers.

Income tax receipts rose by 17 percent during the first six months of this year despite lower rates which have been in effect since 1960, the Israel State Bank reported today.

More efficient collection methods were credited for the increase. Although salaries have increased by 12 percent in Israel since 1960, not all of the increase was taxable income. The bank pointed out that part of the increase was linked to the cost of living index and that increases based on higher indexes are exempt from income taxes.

KNESSET COMMITTEE APPROVES GOVERNMENT CREDIT FOR BUILDING OF SHIPS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- The Finance Committee of the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, approved today a grant of government credit for the construction of three freighters for the Zim Shipping Company.

The ships, which will be of large tonnage, will be built in French shipyards. The committee was informed that at the end of 1960, Israel's shipping investments totaled \$123,000,000. Some \$28,000,000 have been invested in passenger ships and combined cargo carriers, \$68,000,000 in freight carriers and some \$27,000,000 in tankers.

More than 70,000 passengers were carried to and from the country in Israeli ships during 1960, constituting almost two-thirds of all sea traffic during the year.

FOUR ARAB YOUTHS SENTENCED IN ISRAEL FOR ATTEMPTING TO CROSS BORDER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Four Arab youths were sentenced today to prison terms of 15 to 21 months for leaving a restricted area without permission and trying to cross into the Egyptian-held Gaza Strip.

The youths, residents of Taiyiba, one of the richest Arab villages in central Israel, were detained at a crossroad only a few hundred yards from the border and were unable to explain what they were doing in that area.

A military court in Kfar Saba, a special tribunal for offenses against military administration, rejected their claim they could not find work in Israel and that they were looking for a "better life" in Gaza. The court noted that Taiyiba was blessed with the most fertile land in central Israel and that many of its settlers were graduates of Israeli high schools and universities.

TANGANYIKAN REPORTS ON TECHNICAL AND CULTURAL AID FROM ISRAEL

DAR ES SALAAM, Tanganyika, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- Israel has agreed to send a staff of five experts to Tanganyika to help establish a youth training center based on the kibbutz system, Rashidi Kawawa, Minister without Portfolio, announced today on his return from an eight-day visit to Israel.

The Tanganyika official, who was a guest of the Israel Government, said the experts were due at the end of October for preliminary talks. The center, where about 30 African youths will be trained in cooperative and farming project methods, will be opened on Tanganyika's independence day, December 9. The experts will also teach trade union procedures.

The official also reported that Israel has offered 40 scholarships to Tanganyika trade union leaders, farm organization officials and cooperative societies members to visit Israel for three weeks to study aspects of Israeli cooperative and farming techniques as well as trade union methods. The scholarship holders will leave for Israel October 21.

Other Israeli assistance included 12 scholarships for four months of study starting January 1962 in Israel for leadership training and an unlimited number of scholarships, for use starting in 1962, in such subjects as irrigation, agriculture, engineering and medicine. The entire cost of the scholarships is being covered by the Israel Government, the official said.

DR. GINSBURG, NEW YORK-BORN SCIENTIST, BECOMES HEAD OF HAIFA TECHNION

HAIFA, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Dr. David Ginsburg, a 41-year-old native of New York City, today assumed his new duties as acting head of the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology. A professor of chemistry at the Technion, Dr. Ginsburg temporarily replaces General Yaacov Dori, who has taken a year's leave of absence for health reasons. Dr. Ginsburg recently returned from a year's stay in the United States.

LABOR PARTY VOTES OPPOSITION TO TRAINING GERMAN TROOPS IN BRITAIN

BLACKPOOL, England, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- The Labor Party conference approved today a resolution condemning the decision to permit West German troops to train in Britain as "a betrayal of all those who fought and died during the last war."

The resolution was presented by the National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers and was seconded by Dr. S.A. Miller, a delegate of the Labor Zionists of Great Britain. It was adopted by delegates representing a majority of 750,000 votes; Opposing the resolution was the Labor Party leader Hugh Gaitskell.

Dr. Miller said he was aware that West Germany was different from Hitler's Reich but, he added, the new West German recruits were being officered and trained by men who served in Hitler's army "which had set out to enslave the world" and had created death factories for the slaughter of millions.

He said Britain was the only country in Europe from whose shores the Nazi hordes had been kept at a tremendous cost in "blood, tears, toil and sweat." To bring West German soldiers militarily equipped under the command of men with "a notorious past" was a "desecration," Dr. Miller asserted.

Mr. Gaitskell said he fully appreciated the sentiments "so ably expressed" by Dr. Miller but that he felt the conference should reject the resolution. He argued that all members of NATO must be treated on an equal basis.

ORT REPORTS HIGHEST STUDENT ENROLMENT IN ITS SCHOOLS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 5; (JTA) -- The vocational schools of ORT in Israel will record the highest student enrolment in their history during the school year now commencing, according to a report issued here today by the American ORT Federation. The report likewise notes that Israel ORT schools will admit their largest freshman class.

The report cites a jump of 1,000 pupils in the three and four-year vocational high schools alone, an increase of 25 percent since last year. An enrolment of almost 5,000 is anticipated in such schools. Apprenticeship, a relatively recent development for Israel, is expected to double this coming year to reach a figure of 3,000 young people who will be assigned to on-the-job learning, supplemented by classroom and workshop study at special centers established in Jaffa, Jerusalem and Ramat Gan.

These projects, plus evening classes for adults, instruction provided to immigrant youth in the upper levels of primary schools and training given in yeshivas, are expected to bring the total overall enrolment in all ORT training facilities in Israel to between 12,000 and 13,000 during the coming year. The nationwide ORT system maintains educational installations in 20 cities and towns throughout the country.

The trend among Israeli youth toward technical studies which these figures indicate is regarded as particularly significant at this time in the light of the large and growing need in Israel for persons with training and skill. Government officials have expressed concern lest the shortage of skilled workmen and technicians become a bottleneck handicapping plans for industrialization.

The report calls attention to a number of new schools just opened. These include a school in hotel trades at Natanya to be conducted jointly with the Government Tourist Corporation, a secretarial school at Ramat Gan, and a school for general mechanics at Kfar Ata in the Haifa industrial zone. New departments just installed in existing ORT vocational centers include technical drawing and electronics at the ORT school in Natanya, a department for telephone technicians in conjunction with the postal authorities at the large Syngalowski ORT Center at Tel Aviv, and one in interior decorating at the Ramat Gan center.

GOLDA MEIR TENDERS LUNCHEON TO 50 WOMEN DELEGATES TO THE U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 5; (JTA) -- Fifty women delegates from 28 countries, many of them new African nations, were the guests of Israel's Foreign Minister Golda Meir yesterday at Mrs. Meir's annual luncheon for the distaff side of the United Nations diplomatic corps.

Israel's role in extending aid to many new nations was highlighted by a number of the delegates present. Mrs. Meir extended a particular welcome to women representing their governments here for the first time. These included representatives of Cyprus, Nigeria, Senegal, Guinea, Togo, Nepal and Burma.

Representing the guests, Miss Angie Brooks, Assistant Secretary of State of Liberia, delivered the toast in response to a welcoming speech by Mrs. Meir. Mrs. Nonny Wright, of Denmark, one of the guests present, noted the advances made by women in diplomacy when she pointed out that, as a guest at Mrs. Meir's luncheon of this type four years ago, only about a half dozen women diplomats were present.

FIRE DESTROYS TEMPLE BETH ZION IN BUFFALO; \$1, 000, 000 DAMAGE REPORTED

BUFFALO, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- The Buffalo Fire Department began an investigation today of a blaze that destroyed Temple Beth Zion and its school last night. Damage was estimated at about \$1, 000, 000.

The fire apparently began among painters' supplies stored in the synagogue basement. The structure, which seated 1, 400 persons, was remodeled this summer at a cost of \$50, 000. A total of 35 pieces of apparatus and 125 firemen fought the spectacular blaze;

Dr. Joseph L. Fink, rabbi emeritus, had voiced hope, as he watched the blaze, that the synagogue's sacred articles could be saved but most of them were lost in the fire. Swastikas were painted on the walls of the temple in April 1960 and at that time, the rabbi, Dr. Martin L. Goldberg, received a threatening letter.

PENNSYLVANIA LISTS JEWISH HOLIDAYS FOR EXCUSING PUPILS FROM SCHOOLS

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 5 (JTA) -- The Department of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania has issued a special bulletin on excusing pupils from public schools to observe religious holidays.

The bulletin, which will be issued each year, lists the dates of all Jewish, Protestant, Roman Catholic and Eastern and Greek Orthodox holidays. Jewish holidays listed are the first and second days of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, the first, second and eighth days of Succot, the first, second, seventh and eighth days of Passover and Shevuot.

The bulletin points out that children involved in such holidays may be excused on written request from their parents. Another point made by the publication is that students should not be deprived of an award or the opportunity to compete for an award, or the opportunity to take alternate examinations because of holiday absences.

BOSTON JEWISH HOSPITAL GETS \$250, 000 GIFT FOR DEVELOPMENT FUND

BOSTON, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- A gift of \$250, 000 from the Slosberg family of Boston and a foundation set up by the family was announced today by the Beth Israel Hospital Development Fund.

The hospital is seeking \$7, 500, 000 to expand facilities for patient care teaching and research. The Green Shoe-Stride Rite Charitable Foundation of the Green Shoe Manufacturing Company, owned by the Slosberg family, participated in the gift.

The main floor of the hospital's outpatient department, which is to be completely renovated, will be named the Charles Slosberg Floor. The family made a \$100, 000 grant to the hospital in 1951 for research in diabetes.

B'NAI B'RITH DEDICATES BUILDINGS FOR MALADJUSTED CHILDREN IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- Three new buildings of the Home for Maladjusted Children in a Jerusalem suburb, were dedicated here today by Mrs. Moe Kudler, president of the B'nai B'rith Women of the United States and Canada, which sponsored the project. The new facilities include a school, a dormitory and living quarters for the staff. Mrs. Kudler said that her organization would now "step up its efforts in helping the school and its 74 wards."

TWO JEWISH PERIODICALS, IN SPANISH AND HEBREW, APPEAR IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- Two separate periodicals, both bearing the title La Voz de Jerusalem (Voice of Jerusalem), made their appearance here today. One of the periodicals is printed in Spanish, the other in Hebrew. They are being edited by Rabbi M. Hirschberg, formerly of Chicago, now spiritual leader of the Polanco Synagogue and organizer of Orim, a new, Jewish youth organization. The magazine, said Rabbi Hirschberg, will appear every month.

DR. MOISES GOLDMAN, ARGENTINE JEWISH LEADER, ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- Dr. Moises Goldman, chairman of the South American executive of the World Jewish Congress, arrived in New York today for talks with the officers of the World Jewish Congress' North American executive on matters of mutual concern.

MAX WEBER, WELL-KNOWN AMERICAN-JEWISH MODERN PAINTER, DEAD; WAS 80

NEW YORK, Oct. 5. (JTA) -- Max Weber, a Russian-born Jewish painter who became one of the pioneers of modern art in the United States, died yesterday at his home in Great Neck, N. Y. at the age of 80.

His paintings on Hebraic themes, landscapes and abstractions have been exhibited in art galleries and museums throughout the world and won him numerous art awards. His early work was criticized severely and it was not until he was 60 that he was able to support himself and his family from his painting.

Born in Bialystok in 1881, the son of a tailor, he was brought to the United States by his family when he was ten. He studied art at Pratt Institute and later taught in schools in Virginia and Minnesota before sailing for Paris at the age of 24 for several years of study under Matisse and other modernists.