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ARAB DELEGATE CONDEMNED AT U.N. BY ISRAEL FOR 'VICIOUS SPEECH'

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 18: (JTA) -- The sharpest condemnation of an Arab leader probably ever heard at the United Nations was delivered in the General Assembly here today by Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, when she attacked Ahmad Shukairy of Saudi Arabia and his Government in reply to Mr. Shukairy's diatribe against Israel voiced yesterday.

Without mentioning Shukairy's name, but referring to him as "the gentleman from Saudi Arabia," Mrs. Meir accused him of having been a collaborator of a Hitler associate, of uttering outright lies and of representing a country which not only condoned but practiced slavery.

In her address, Mrs. Meir also took an open stand against Mongi Slim of Tunisia, President of the Assembly, who had permitted Mr. Shukairy to use the Assembly rostrum for a speech which Israel had already termed "vicious and obscene." Mr. Slim yesterday had failed to use his Presidential prerogative to halt Mr. Shukairy. Assembly presidents have in the past stopped delegates--including Mr. Shukairy himself and even Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev--when they had gone beyond bounds.

Opening her remarks, Mrs. Meir told the Assembly: "It is with a feeling of abhorrence at the statement made here yesterday by the delegates of Saudi Arabia, and surprise that this vicious speech, with its racial incitement, its direct personal offense, and its outright falsehoods, was allowed to continue unchecked, that I come to this rostrum to make some comments."

Pointing out that Mr. Shukairy had equated Israel with Nazism, Mrs. Meir said: "Such an equation can be made only by someone who is either totally ignorant of what Nazism was or by someone who is indifferent to it." She cited the fact that Mr. Shukairy as a member of the Arab Higher Committee during the Second World War was "a close associate of the Committee's leader, the notorious ex-Mufti of Jerusalem." The ex-Mufti, she said, had "spent the war years in Germany and collaborated with the Nazi leaders in connection with their extermination program of the Jews."

Mrs. Meir challenged Mr. Shukairy to point to any statement ever made by him in condemnation of Hitler during the war: "When did the delegate from Saudi Arabia," she asked, "begin to denounce Hitler and Nazism--when they were occupying one European country after another? Or only after Hitler was defeated?"

Arab Benefits in Israel Cited; Enjoy More Freedom than in Arab Lands

Mrs. Meir quoted from Arab newspapers in Jordan, Damascus and Beirut, published within the last year, writing in praise of Eichmann and regretting that Eichmann had been unable to "finish the job of exterminating the rest of the Jews in the world." The Arab leaders, she said, "in their blind hatred toward Israel and the entire Jewish people, do not stop feeding this poison to their own people, including the youngest."

The Israel Foreign Minister clearly made an effort to straighten the record in regard to the major Israel-Arab disputes for the benefit of 40 new African and Asian states whose representatives here have been much too busy fighting for their own freedom in recent years to keep track of the Israel-Arab developments.

Mrs. Meir went briefly into the history of Israeli-Arab disputes and warfare from the time the Assembly voted Palestine partition in November 1947 to the attacks against Israel launched by seven Arab states within minutes after Israel had proclaimed its independence in 1948. She recalled that it was the Arabs themselves who created the refugee problem by telling the Arabs in Palestine to leave, promising them they would be able to return "after total victory against Jews within a few weeks."

The Israel Foreign Minister once again challenged the Arab leaders to refute Israel's assertions that the 235,000 Arabs in Israel enjoy more freedoms and greater economic and social advantages than the Arabs in the Arab states. Since Mr. Shukairy had proposed yesterday that the United Nations establish a commission to investigate the situation of the Arab population of Israel, Mrs. Meir told the Assembly: "I believe that a rather more

urgent investigation would be appropriate in regard to the question of slavery in Saudi Arabia."

Mrs. Meir pointed to a General Assembly protocol adopted in 1953 outlawing slavery and to another, supplementary convention on slavery adopted in 1956 by a conference convened by the United Nations Economic and Social Council. To this day, she pointed out, Saudi Arabia has not signed either the 1953 or the 1956 instruments.

On the other hand she called attention to the fact that to this very day there is a law in Saudi Arabia for "regulating" slavery and quoted a clause from this law reading "it is not permitted to engage in the traffic of slaves as an agent or broker except with an official license issued by the competent authority."

Mrs. Meir called Shukairy's assertions that Israel seeks to expand its territory at the expense of the Arabs as totally "baseless." She also termed as "baseless" the story of "an alleged attempt to assassinate Dag Hammarskjold during a visit to Jerusalem." She concluded by saying that, in spite of the "venom and hatred" evident in the speech of the delegate from Saudi Arabia, Israel would continue to call for peace with its neighbors.

ISRAEL CAN DOUBLE ITS POPULATION IN 'FORESEEABLE FUTURE,' SHARETT SAYS

LONDON, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- Israel can double its present population of 2,000,000 "in the foreseeable future" but a great effort will be required to do this while maintaining the present standard of living and the services of the welfare state, Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, declared here last night.

Jewish positions, he said, are being demolished in many countries, though the upheaval which demolishes them is not necessarily designed to be anti-Jewish, Jews suffer nevertheless and move on when conditions become hazardous, he stated. He spoke at a reception given in his honor.

In the case of Russia, Mr. Sharett said, the Soviet regime was not intrinsically anti-Jewish, yet Soviet Jews were threatened in their existence as Jews because they were denied means for a spiritual life. Without any spiritual life as Jews, Jewish survival was impossible, he stressed. That, he said, was why many of the Soviet Jews were trying to get out, although economically, they were neither starving nor unemployed.

"For all those Jews who must move on or want to move on, the question of 'whether' does not arise any more--that question has been removed from the stage of Jewish history," he said. "They go to Israel, and Israel must care for them and absorb them. We can double the population of Israel in the foreseeable future, but it requires a gigantic effort to enlarge and expand the basis of our economy."

The former Prime Minister of Israel said that he had been pondering the question of what kind of a society "are we going to share in Israel? What do Israelis think? How do they see the world and themselves?" He said that what Israelis think today will influence future generations as well as newcomers to the country.

The problem, he said, was that the Government was always absorbed in immediate tasks and members of the Government "seem to have no time to pause in their continuous harassing movement from problem to problem, and devote time and attention to this perhaps most important issue." However, he stressed, "we cannot shirk it and we must go very carefully about solving it because any harm done now will be terribly difficult to undo in the future."

VISIT OF GERMAN TEACHER TO ISRAEL SCHOOL EVOKES PROTESTS IN KNESSET

JERUSALEM, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- The visit of a West German teacher to a Jerusalem elementary classroom, which had been approved by the Israel Ministry of Education, evoked sharp exchanges today in a question and answer period in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament. It will be the subject of a full Knesset debate.

Mrs. Esther Naor, a Herut deputy, criticized the Education Ministry for approving the visit which, like other manifestations of Israel-West German cultural exchanges, she said contradicted efforts to increase awareness of Israeli youth of the Nazi holocaust which befell the Jewish people.

Education Minister Abba Eban replied that his Ministry acted on the matter of the visit within the general policy lines of the Israel Government regarding relations with West Germany. He suggested that any debate should be directed to this wider question. He added that the West German teacher had a known anti-Nazi past and that there was no reason to reject his request to visit the classrooms.

Mr. Eban's reply was interrupted by Herut and Communist deputies who in turn were shouted down by deputies from the Mapai bench. The proposal for a full debate was approved by a 28 to 22 vote.

RED CROSS TO STUDY COMPENSATION CLAIMS BY NAZI VICTIMS IN HUNGARY

LONDON, Oct. 18. (JTA) -- The International Red Cross has sent delegations to Hungary and Poland to investigate claims against West Germany for compensation by war victims in those countries who were victims of Nazi medical experiments. The visits were reported today by the Agudas Israel executive.

"The Red Cross intervention was necessary because the West German Government has no diplomatic relations with the Soviet bloc countries. A commission of experts subsequently met in Geneva. The commission will consider a number of Hungarian and Polish claims and decide on the amount of financial assistance to be allocated to the claimants."

TWO NAZIS WITHDRAW CHARGES THAT ANNE FRANK DIARY WAS A FORGERY

LUBECK, West Germany, Oct. 18. (JTA) -- The trial of two members of the neo-Nazi German Reichspartei on charges of slandering the memory of Anne Frank ended yesterday in an agreed settlement. The defendants withdrew their claim that the diary of Anne Frank was a forgery and the prosecution dropped the charges.

Otto Frank, father of the girl who died in a Nazi concentration camp and whose diary became an international best seller, filed the charges against high school teacher Lothar Stielau and Heinrich Buddeberg. The two men had declared that "certain circles" had enriched themselves on the "tragic fate" of Anne Frank while "hatemongering against the German people."

Following five hours of deliberation in court yesterday, the slander charges were withdrawn when the defendants declared that legal investigation had convinced them of the fallacy of their charge and that the authenticity of the diary was "beyond doubt."

The prosecution then declared that investigation of the two neo-Nazis had not revealed any anti-Semitic motive behind their claim that the diary was a forgery. It was disclosed that Stileau was suspended from his teaching post two years ago because the Ministry of Education regarded his teaching as detrimental to the "democratic education" of German youth.

JEWISH CANDIDATES IN TURKISH ELECTIONS FAIL TO WIN PARLIAMENTARY SEATS

ISTANBUL, Oct. 18. (JTA) -- None of the five Jewish candidates for Parliament in the general elections in Turkey on Sunday won election. Two of the Jewish candidates were nominees of the Republican People's party. They were Sami Cohen, Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent in Turkey, and Dr. Isaac D. Taranto.

The newly established Justice party had two Jewish candidates, Leon Alauf, a businessman, and Isaac Chiprut, an attorney. The fifth Jewish candidate was attorney Eliya Bahar of the New Turkey party.

FORMER FRENCH MINISTER LAUDS U.S. JEWRY FOR AID TO EUROPEAN JEWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 18. (JTA) -- Daniel Mayer, French political leader and chairman of the World ORT Union executive committee, said here tonight that the solidarity of American Jewry, patterned on a kind of "communal Marshall Plan" was the decisive factor in the reconstruction of the surviving Jewish communities of Western Europe. Mr. Mayer spoke at a dinner-reception in his honor given by the American ORT Federation.

The French leader, who was Minister of Labor in seven successive postwar French governments, said one of the most heartening developments for European Jewish communities was the coming of age of a new generation which was helping to replenish Jewish communities which had been decimated by the Hitler holocaust. He said the education of this youth was one of the most serious challenges to Jewish life today, asserting that the number of Jewish students in the 14-18 age bracket had doubled during the past decade.

AMERICAN ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED FOR ISRAEL BANK IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 18. (JTA) -- An advisory board of prominent American bankers and businessmen has been established here to guide the policies of the New York branch of the Bank Leumi le-Israel and its representative office in Los Angeles which was opened last week, it was announced here today by Dr. Y. Foerder, chairman of Bank Leumi.

Dr. Foerder said that the members of the American board would aid in the development of the bank's international business. The Israeli bank executive also announced the expansion of Bank Leumi's quarters in New York's financial district by an additional 6,000 square feet of office space to accommodate the rapid growth of the bank's operations since it was granted branch status last August.

Dr. Foerder also reported that the Industrial Development Bank of Israel, established three-and-a-half years ago to provide long-term financing for Israeli development projects, has raised about \$4,500,000 of a projected \$10,000,000 issue of six percent preferred shares first issued in the United States nine months ago.

JEWISH VOCATIONAL SERVICE CONFERENCE DISCUSSES USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS

DETROIT, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- The use of public funds by Jewish Vocational Service agencies in developing and demonstrating new methods in job rehabilitation was one of the key topics at the three-day annual conference sponsored by the Jewish Occupation Council; Benjamin S. Loewenstein, vice-president of the Council, a national coordinating agency for Jewish Vocational Service agencies, led the discussion.

The delegates from 24 Jewish Vocational Services throughout the United States and Canada also were told by Dr. Martin Hamburger, professor of education at New York University, that efforts to guide youth and rehabilitate the unskilled and the handicapped would have to be supplemented with legislation to provide job opportunities, workshops and retraining on a large scale. Leonard H. Cohn was elected chairman of the Council and Samuel S. Greenberg president.

20,000 JEWISH CHILDREN ATTEND OZAR HATORAH SCHOOLS IN MOSLEM LANDS

NEW YORK, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- A record total of 20,000 Jewish children are attending schools of Ozar Hatorah, the society for Jewish youth education in the Middle East and Africa, the headquarters of the society in New York reported today. The present total is 1,500 more than were in attendance at the start of the prior school year.

The report said that 27 classrooms had been added to schools in Morocco and that 60 additional classrooms for 3,000 more pupils were planned for the new school year. Three high schools were opened in Morocco. The society's health and feeding program in schools in Morocco is aided by the Joint Distribution Committee and OSE.

The report said negotiations were underway to provide an elementary and high school program for Jewish children in Tetuan, Spanish Morocco. Three new school buildings in Iran, two in Teheran and one in Shiraz, will replace obsolete facilities at a cost of \$200,000 for an additional 1,000 pupils; the society reported. Ozar Hatorah schools in Aleppo and Damascus in Syria and in Beirut, Lebanon continued to provide education for Jewish children "with considerable success," the report said.

EX-COMMANDER OF ARAB LEGION PESSIMISTIC ON ARAB-ISRAEL RAPPROCHEMENT

DETROIT, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- Sir John Baggott Glubb, one-time commander of Jordan's Arab Legion, told the Detroit Economic Club that there was little reason to hope for a "political settlement" of problems in the Middle East.

The British general, speaking on the Middle East, made no mention of Israel but did give some comments on the Israel-Arab situation in reply to questions. He said, in reply to one of the questions, that firing on the Israel-Jordan border, which had been frequent a few years ago, had practically stopped because "people are cooling off. I think it means that people are saying 'let's get this settled;'"

He attributed Israel's success in solving its problems to the high level of education of Israelis, compared with that of the Arab neighbors. He said the Arabs also were suffering because they were jealous of each other and not united. He was asked his opinion as to the basic cause of Arab hostility toward Israel and replied that after World War I, the Jews represented seven percent of Palestine's population and the Arabs "thought it was their country. Now one million who lost their homes keep their hatred alive."

MENDEL FISHER RETIRES AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

NEW YORK, Oct. 18; (JTA) -- The retirement of Mendel N. Fisher as executive director of the Jewish National Fund of America, a post he has held for 27 years, was announced today by Albert Schiff, JNF president. Mr. Schiff said that the JNF board had accepted Mr. Fisher's resignation with reluctance, yielding on his insistence that he wanted to retire after serving for more than a quarter of a century. He will continue to serve the JNF as a consultant and secretary.

In paying tribute to Mr. Fisher, the JNF president recalled his role as "architect of the Jewish National Fund of America," raising the Fund from lowly beginnings to one of Israel's leading fund-raising institutions in the United States. "It was due to Mr. Fisher's dynamic personality and leadership that close to \$200,000,000 have been raised in the U.S. through the Jewish National Fund," said Mr. Schiff. Mr. Fisher's contributions to the establishment and upbuilding of the State of Israel through the mobilization of large resources for the land redemption and land reclamation program of the JNF, place him among the foremost builders of the Jewish Homeland."

NEW HOME FOR JEWISH AGED DEDICATED IN PARIS; BUILT WITH J.D.C. AID

PARIS, Oct. 17; (JTA) -- A new home for the aged, which will help alleviate the housing shortage currently hitting elderly Jews, was dedicated here today in the presence of Charles Jordan, overseas director of the Joint Distribution Committee and Saul Kagan, secretary of the Conference for Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. The home was built with the assistance of the JDC, the Fonds Social Juifs Unific, the Solidarity Association and the Claims Conference.