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### U.N. DEBATE ON ARAB REFUGEES NEARING END; VOTE ON RESOLUTIONS TODAY

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Dec. 18: (JTA) -- The General Assembly's Special Political Committee, which has thus far debated the Arab refugee issue here for 17 sessions, decided today to bring the issue to a vote tomorrow. An evening session previously scheduled for tonight was called off by the group's chairman, Yordan Tchobanov, of Bulgaria.

Two resolutions, plus an amendment to one of the drafts, are before the committee. The first resolution, presented by the United States, requests the Palestine Conciliation Commission to "intensify" its efforts toward possible implementations of a single paragraph in a long 1948 Assembly resolution.

Contrary to Arab insistence, that only one sub-clause of that 1948 document be implemented, calling for "repatriation" of the refugees to Israel and their compensation by Israel, the U.S. draft mentions also the alternatives of resettlement of the refugees and their possible integration into the general Middle East economy.

An amendment to the American resolution, introduced by Pakistan, Indonesia and Afghanistan, would "reconstitute" the Palestine Conciliation Commission by enlarging it to five members. The PCC consists now of three members--the United States, France and Africa.

The second resolution scheduled for a ballot was introduced by eight African states, six from Latin America and The Netherlands representing other West Europeans, calling upon the Arab states and Israel to open direct negotiations toward possible solution of all their disputes, including the refugee problem.

In the debate this morning, Muhammad Ngileruma, of Nigeria, whose government is not among the 15 sponsors of that resolution, called upon the Arab states and Israel to implement "all" UN resolutions dealing with their conflicts, thus implying that he favors the 15-power draft.

Another speaker today was Dr. Izzat Tannous, perpetual representative here of the Arab refugees, on whose behalf he has assailed Israel here every session for many years. His long address followed the usual Arab policy of attacking Israel and Zionism.

### NAZI VICTIMS IN ISRAEL APPROVE OF DEATH SENTENCE AGAINST EICHMANN

TEL AVIV, Dec. 18: (ITA) -- Jews in Israel who were held by the Nazis in concentration camps, and who fought in the ghettos against the Nazis, today issued a call to the world, emphasizing that they find the death sentence of Adolf Eichmann fully justified. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the group, which is known as the Organization of Ghetto Fighters, Concentration Camp Victims and Fighters against Nazi Germany in the Allied Armies.

The resolution was read at a press conference called by the organization. The resolution also called upon all governments to root out, bring to trial and extradite all other former Nazis and "those carrying and spreading the Nazi ideology." As to the justice of the Eichmann conviction and sentence, the resolution stated: "This is the historic sentence of the Jewish nation against its exterminators in the past and against the neo-Nazis who contemplate their murderous plans for tomorrow."

### Library of Congress Gets Tape Recordings of Complete Eichmann Trial

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18: (JTA) -- Tape recordings of the complete testimony of the Eichmann trial, along with English translations, were presented as a gift today to the Library of Congress.

The presentation was made by radio station WIP, Philadelphia, an affiliate of the Metropolitan Broadcasting Company. The tapes will become part of the audio collection of the Library, preserved for the use of future history and law scholars. WIP is believed to be the only radio station in the United States to have broadcast the complete testimony of the four-month trial.

### AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT VOTES APPROVAL OF COMPENSATION TO NAZI VICTIMS

VIENNA, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- The Austrian Parliament today voted unanimous approval of an amendment to the indemnification law which will enable the government here to pay compensation to former Austrian victims of Nazism.

Adoption of the amendment was the last remaining Austrian prerequisite to the approval of a treaty entered recently between Austria and West Germany, under which Germany will pay approximately half the cost of the new indemnification program. The German Parliament, however, has yet to ratify the treaty.

Although West Germany's contributions to the new program cannot be paid until the treaty is ratified, it was believed possible that Austria may start this week to pay some of the funds, at least to the aged and needy, as a Christmas gesture.

### ISRAEL GOVT. APPROVES MEASURES TO FINANCE EXPANSION OF MERCHANT FLEET

JERUSALEM, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- The Cabinet today approved a recommendation to set up a special banking institution to finance the construction and purchase of new vessels for the future expansion of Israel's merchant marine.

The country's merchant fleet, which now totals 640,000 tons and includes 70 active vessels, is expected to reach a total of 1,000,000 tons by the middle of 1964.

### JORDAN RETURNS KIDNAPED ISRAELI POLICEMAN; THREE INFILTRATORS KILLED

JERUSALEM, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- Israeli police constable Amram Amor of Eilat, who was kidnaped last month by a Jordanian patrol, was returned to Israel today after three weeks of detention in an Amman prison. Amor, who seemed well and in good spirits when he passed the border check point today, wore the uniform in which he was captured but with the insignia removed.

Three Arab infiltrators were killed and a fourth was wounded and hospitalized yesterday when the group of Arab marauders clashed with an Israel patrol in the central Negev, the Israel Army spokesman announced today.

The incident occurred when the Israeli patrol challenged the infiltrators and asked them to identify themselves. The Arabs replied by firing on the patrol and three of them were killed in the ensuing exchange of fire. The clash was the first to occur after a relatively lengthy period of quiet on Israel's southern borders.

### HARVARD STUDENTS CANCEL AID PROJECT FOR JORDAN; RESENT BAN ON JEWS

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 18; (JTA) -- A Harvard University student organization decided today to withdraw from participation in a project sponsored by CARE in Jordan because that country would have barred Jewish students from taking part.

The project, known as "Operation Jarba," had been adopted by Phillips Brooks House, a Harvard student social service organization, which was planning to send a group of 20 or 30 students to Jordan to help resettle displaced Bedouins. Recent discussions with CARE officials, however, warned representatives of Phillips Brooks House that there would be no chance of including Jewish students in the project.

The decision to withdraw from the project was made by the service organization after consultation with the Faculty Committee which declined to approve the plans for participation by Harvard students. Student applicants were notified by mail of the cancellation of the project.

Harvard Dean John Monro, who is a member of the Faculty Committee, told the service organization: "I don't want Phillips Brooks House, representing Harvard, to be involved in a project where you ask questions about religious belief and make a decision on this basis."

### GERMANY SEEKS WITNESSES ON NAZI CRIMES AGAINST JEWS IN LATVIA

NEW YORK, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- West German authorities investigating Nazi crimes in Latvia today asked the World Jewish Congress in New York for help in finding witnesses to crimes committed in Dvinsk and the Dvinsk region of that country during the following three separate periods:

1. Prior to July 31, 1941, by members of the Einsatzkommando (Special Commando) 1b of Einsatzgruppe A; 2. In August-September 1941, by members of the staff of the Security Police (SIPO) and Security Service (SD) Commander in Riga; 3. From September 1941, by members of the Special Unit (Aussenstelle) Dvinsk established by the Security Police and Security Service in Riga.

Separate criminal investigations are being conducted for each of these three periods. Persons who witnessed or had any other knowledge of crimes committed against Jews by Nazis in these three periods in the Dvinsk region, or know of others who could give evidence, should contact the World Jewish Congress.

## MOSCOW IGNORES APPEAL OF BRITISH JEWS ON SENTENCED SYNAGOGUE LEADERS

LONDON, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- The Soviet Government has, thus far, failed to reply to a statement made a month ago by the Board of Deputies of British Jews, regarding the reports of the sentencing of Soviet Jewish religious leaders, Sir Barnett Janner, president of the Board, told the organization's monthly council meeting here today.

Sir Barnett announced that he has received a reply from the West German Ambassador here to an inquiry as to whether the new coalition Government at Bonn had agreed to ease the status of former Nazis and former members of the Nazi SS. According to the German Ambassador, those reports are not true and were based "on incorrect" information.

## FRENCH STUDENTS HAIL SOVIET POET FOR DENOUNCING ANTI-SEMITISM

PARIS, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- The World Union of French Students, following a mass meeting held here with the co-sponsorship of the Union of French Jewish Students, sent a cable today to the Soviet poet, Yevgeny Yevtushenko, extending "admiration and friendly greetings" for his recent poem; "Babi Yar."

Many non-Jewish intellectuals and students, some of them known for their pro-Soviet sentiments, attended the rally here in praise of Yevtushenko. In his poem, Yevtushenko denounced anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and memorialized the victims of a massacre at Babi Yar, near Kiev, where tens of thousands of Jews were murdered and buried in a mass grave in 1944.

The message to Yevtushenko was formulated while a dispatch was received here from Moscow, reporting that the Russian has written another poem, replying to Soviet critics who had assailed him for writing "Babi Yar." In his second poem, Yevtushenko declared "posterity will burn with shame" because the present generation had called him courageous for expressing "common honesty."

## CANADA ASKED TO PROTEST TO U.N. ON TREATMENT OF JEWS IN RUSSIA

MONTREAL, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- A commemorative rally held here last night under the auspices of Jewish labor and Socialist circles called on the Canadian Government to protest to the United Nations against Russian violation of human rights principles, by denying equal religious and cultural rights to the Jews in the Soviet Union.

The meeting was held to mark the 20th anniversary of the executions, in the Soviet Union, of Henryk Erlich and Victor Alter, leaders of the Jewish Socialist Bund who fled from Nazi-occupied Poland to Russia.

All Canadians were urged by one of the speakers at the meeting, T.C. Douglas, leader of the new Democratic Party, to "battle against all discrimination, in all its forms, at home and abroad;" There is only a difference "in degree," he said, "between open persecution of the Jews in countries such as Russia, segregation of black people in other countries, and the more refined forms of discrimination often practiced here."

## ROCKWELL IS REPORTED LOSING GROUND; STAUNCHEST SUPPORTERS LEAVE HIM

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- George Rockwell's American Nazi Party is "withering on the vine," the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith reported here today. "A steady program of legal prosecution and litigation in several cities in which he has demonstrated has resulted in keeping Rockwell off Washington streets and has caused a wave of defections by some of his closest aides," the ADL said.

Defection among rank and file members of the Rockwell organization has been a consistent pattern, the ADL reported, but morale has now reached such a low ebb "as a result of Rockwell's legal problems" that a number of his staunchest supporters have recently walked out on him. The ADL pointed out that the Rockwell group has failed to hold a single demonstration here in several weeks, ascribing the failure to "a virtual depletion of his ranks."

## ANTI-SEMITES FAIL IN LARGE BRIBE OFFER TO GUATEMALA PUBLICATION

GUATEMALA CITY, Dec. 18; (JTA) -- The owner of the Catholic weekly, "Ya," announced today that a large bribe has been offered the publication if it would publish an "evidently criminal" book which "is nothing but an incitement to kill" Jews; Miss Elly Rodriguez Gonzalez, owner of "Ya," resolutely rejected the offer, declaring "we cannot be anti-Semitic because we are Catholics, nor can we become advocates for criminals because we are humans."

According to Miss Gonzalez, the offer, involving "enough funds for us to become a daily," was made by a local "public official." The man, she said, wanted "Ya" to publish a book which was "obviously a Nazi legacy embracing more than 100 years of racial prejudices with the object of re-initiating hatreds and their consequences which, thank God, have been overcome after the most bloody war in the history of mankind;"

### \$500,000,000 GOAL IN ISRAEL BOND SALES SET FOR NEXT SEVEN YEARS

NEW YORK, Dec. 18: (JTA) -- A goal of \$500,000,000 in Israel bonds sales within the next seven years was announced here tonight by Abraham Feinberg, president of the Israel Bond Organization;

Mr. Feinberg addressed a capacity audience of 18,000 in Madison Square Garden attending the second performance of the Chanukah Festival for Israel, sponsored by the Greater New York Israel Bond Committee as the climax of its 1961 campaign to sell State of Israel Bonds. The Chanukah Festival will be presented for a third and final performance on Monday evening, January 1. Admission is free to those who purchase Israel bonds.

Describing the planners of the Israel bond campaign as "dreamers who were after all realists," Mr. Feinberg said that in the decade since the start of the drive "more than \$500,000,000 worth of Israel bonds have been purchased by more than one million investors in 28 countries of North and South America and western Europe." He then announced the \$500,000,000 goal for the next seven years;

### ELEVEN NEW JE WISH ALL-DAY SCHOOLS REPORTED OPENED IN SEVEN STATES

NEW YORK, Dec. 18: (JTA) -- Eleven new Jewish day schools were opened in seven different states at the start of the current academic year, raising to 274 the total number of such schools at all levels throughout the United States, it was announced here last night by Samuel C. Feuerstein, president of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools;

Mr. Feuerstein, speaking at the 18th annual dinner of the Society, reported that new day schools were opened in Dayton, Ohio; Portland, Oregon; Omaha, Nebraska; Peoria, Illinois; Tucson, Arizona; Newark, New Jersey; Cleveland, Ohio; the Bronx, New York; and three schools in Brooklyn, New York.

He told the 500 Jewish educators and lay education leaders attending the dinner that the 274 primary, junior and senior high schools were located in 102 communities in 27 states and that Torah Umesorah had had a major role in the founding of 140 of the schools in 70 communities since its formation in 1944.

### GOTTESMAN FOUNDATION BUILDS SANCTUARY FOR DEAD SEA SCROLLS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 18: (JTA) -- Construction has begun in Jerusalem of a sanctuary to house the famed Dead Sea Scrolls, it was announced here today by the D.S. and R.H. Gottesman Foundation, which is donating the funds for the construction of the new building. Four of the Dead Sea Scrolls were donated to the State of Israel in 1955 by the late D. Samuel Gottesman, prominent Jewish industrialist and philanthropist;

To be known as the "Shrine of the Book," the new structure, which is being built adjoining the new Israel National Museum near the Hebrew University campus, will house the D.S. and R.H. Gottesman Center for Rare Biblical Manuscripts and will include a permanent exhibit of the Dead Sea Scrolls and other Biblical and historical documents. Based on a novel architectural concept, the structure itself, except for its double-parabolic dome, is underground, an idea suggested originally by the fact that the Scrolls were found in a cave.

The Scrolls to be housed in the Shrine will include, among others, the two oldest manuscripts of the Book of Isaiah; the Manual of Discipline, containing the book of statutes and regulations of the Essenes sect; and the Commentary on Habbakuk. The Bar Kochba letters and documents, discovered in Israel last year, will also be on permanent display in the Shrine.

### MRS. HELLER, CHICAGO PHILANTHROPIST, GIVES \$1,000,000 TO BRANDEIS U.

WALTHAM, Mass., Dec. 18: (JTA) -- Mrs. Florence G. Heller, of Chicago, who had already contributed a gift that enabled Brandeis University here to establish the Florence Heller Graduate School for Advanced Studies in Social Welfare, today contributed a \$1,000,000 endowment to the university.

The new fund, according to Brandeis officials, will fully underwrite the administrative expenses of the Florence Heller school opened in 1959. Mrs. Heller, former vice-chairman of the women's division of the United Jewish Appeal, is president of the Jewish Community Centers Division of the National Jewish Welfare Board. She is also a trustee of Brandeis University and a vice-president of JWB's national board.

### AMERICAN, CANADIAN VETERANS OF JEWISH LEGION HONORED BY ISRAEL GOVT.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18: (JTA) -- The Israel Victory Medal was formally presented last night to more than 300 veterans of the Jewish Legion now residing in the United States and Canada who fought for the liberation of Palestine in the First World War. The presentation was made by Colonel Yehuda Prihar, Military, Air and Naval Attache at the Israel Embassy in Washington, at a dinner at the Park Sheraton Hotel here;

The Jewish Legion was conceived by Vladimir Jabotinsky and Josef Trumpeldor, and was organized by the British War Office during the early days of the First World War.