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NUMEROUS SENATORS CONDEMN RUSSIA IN SENATE ON MISTREATMENT OF JEWS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- Numerous Senators today took the floor of the United States Senate, joining Senator Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, in condemnation of the mistreatment of Jews in the Soviet Union.

Among the Senators who associated themselves with the call for a "world scale protest against anti-Jewish persecutions in the Soviet Union" suggested by Sen. Javits, were Senators George Aiken of Vermont, Thruston Morton of Kentucky, Thomas Kuchel of California and others. Senate minority leader Everett Dirksen, of Illinois, who was absent from today's session, sent a letter for insertion into the Congressional Record, in which he described the Javits report on the discriminations against Jews in Soviet Russia as an "excellent document" that has rendered "excellent service to the Congress."

Senator Javits told the Senate that the existence of the Jewish people "as a people" in the Soviet Union "is in deadly peril." The Soviet Union's long-range purpose with regard to the Jews, he stated, is "the liquidation of Judaism and Jewish consciousness in the USSR." He listed the latest anti-Jewish actions in the Soviet Union, especially in the field of persecuting Jewish religion, and related his personal impressions of the visit which he paid to the USSR recently.

Soviet Government Implicated at U.N. on Anti-Jewish Charges

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Jan. 25; (JTA) -- The Soviet Government was implicated today on charges of discriminating against Jews in an address made by a spokesman for major Jewish organizations before the United Nations Subcommittee on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, now in session here.

Speaking on behalf of the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations--the coordinating body of B'nai B'rith, Board of Deputies of British Jews and the South African Board of Jewish Deputies--Dr. William Korey indicated in his address at the subcommittee that Jews in the Soviet Union are denied the right of migration to other countries despite the fact that many of them seek to be united with their families abroad. He said they are virtual captives behind "walls figuratively and literally."

The CBJO representative also implied criticism against the Soviet Union for failing to report on its emigration and immigration policies, as requested to do by the United Nations. He pointed out that only 53 governments had replied to that request. The Soviet Union is not among those 53 members.

Adhering to the subcommittee's rules, which forbid adverse criticisms of any UN member-state, Dr. Korey did not mention the USSR by name in his criticisms. However, he pointed out that, "in certain areas: There are discriminations against nationals wishing to leave the country; that religious groups are affected by general prohibitions against travel abroad; and that the moral and humanitarian principle of reunion of families" are denied--referring obviously to Russia's forbidding of its Jews to travel to Israel.

Making it clear he was referring to the Jews in the Soviet Union, Dr. Korey told the UN that, among those denied the right of family reunification are "the victims of the Genocide policies of the Nazis," including "persons who have a natural desire to leave in order to join with the few in their families who had survived the Hitlerian holocaust."

STRIKE OF ISRAELI ENGINEERS MAY END TODAY; ESHKOL OFFERS COMPROMISE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- Hopes that the three-week-long strike of 6,000 members of the Engineers' Union may end tomorrow were seen here today, when it seemed that a compromise formula had been accepted. Under the compromise, worked out by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol, the strikers would accept only a seven percent increase, but would get additional benefits from job upgrading. The strikers have demanded a 16 percent increase.

BEN-GURION WILLING TO EASE MILITARY RULE IN ARAB AREAS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- The Israel Government is prepared to ease some of the restrictions embodied in the military government in border areas inhabited by Israeli Arabs, but will not countenance complete abolition of the military rule in those areas, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion reportedly asserted here today.

Mr. Ben-Gurion met today with representatives of the parties that are members of his coalition government, as well as with members of the Opposition parties--except the Communists--in an apparent effort to head off five bills on the issue of military government scheduled to come up before the Knesset (Parliament) next week.

The Premier was accompanied to the meeting by Gen. Zvi Tsur, chief of staff of Israel's defense forces; Deputy Defense Minister Shimon Peres; and his personal adviser on Arab affairs, Uri Lubami. Details of the discussion were considered secret security affairs, but it was known that the experts spelled out to the meeting participants the reasons for the need to continue the military government in force.

It was understood that Mr. Ben-Gurion's appeal for a non-partisan stand on the issue made no impact on some of the party leaders attending the meeting. It was feared that, unless the Government agrees to more far-reaching modifications than it has proposed, the dispute may lead to a Cabinet crisis.

Achdut Avoda, one of the parties represented in the coalition, reserved its right, when it entered the Government, to drop its "collective responsibility" agreement when and if this problem of the military rule in Arab zones should come up for discussion. Under the "collective responsibility" principle agreed to by the coalition partners, all members of the coalition must abide by Cabinet decisions--unless they are given permission to oppose a Government decision.

JE WISH AGENCY SESSION DISCUSSES SITUATION OF JEWS IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- Prospects of immigration from various countries to Israel and the conditions of Jewish communities in a number of countries were discussed at today's plenary session of the Jewish Agency executive.

Moshe Sharett, chairman of the executive, opened the deliberations with a comprehensive review of the situation in several countries following economic changes and their impact on the Jewish communities. Also dealt with at the session were the problems of pioneer training at 18 centers in eight countries where several hundred youths receive instructions each year.

CELEBRATION OF HADASSAH'S GOLDEN JUBILEE INAUGURATED IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- At a gala event attended by President Yizhak Ben-Zvi, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, and other luminaries, Hadassah inaugurated here tonight the celebration of its Golden Jubilee. Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, was founded in New York, by the late Henrietta Szold, in 1912.

Jerusalem's Convention Hall was gaily decorated as leaders of the Israel Government, the Zionist movement, and the City of Jerusalem, mounted the platform to open the Golden Jubilee ceremonies. A large delegation of Hadassah leaders from the United States had seats of honor. The leaders included national officers and board members of Hadassah as well as presidents of Hadassah regions and prominent chapters.

Earlier today, Jerusalem's Mayor Mordecai Ish-Shalom tendered an official reception to the Hadassah visitors. Then the members of the American delegation were given a three-hour tour of the recently opened Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center. After a tour of Israel, the members of the Hadassah mission will participate in the highlight of their visit, the dedication of the 12 stained windows, created by Marc Chagall, in the synagogue of the Medical Center, on February 8. The celebrated artist is coming to Israel to supervise the installation of the modern masterpieces, and to attend the dedication ceremonies.

INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY JEWISH HISTORY DEDICATED AT HEBREW U.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- An Institute of Contemporary Jewish History, and a new dormitory at the Hebrew University, both bearing the name of the late Yosef Sprinzak, first Speaker in Israel's Knesset (Parliament), were dedicated here today.

Among those who paid tribute to the late Speaker were Welfare Minister Yosef Burg; Knesset Speaker Kaddish Luz; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization; and Dr. Moshe Davis, director of the Institute. Earlier, members of the Knesset and Government officials, who participated in the dedication, had visited Mr. Sprinzak's grave on Mount Herzl.

NEW YORK UNITED JEWISH APPEAL REPORTS RAISING \$28,000,000 IN 1961

NEW YORK, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- The United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York has raised more than \$28,000,000 during its 1961 fiscal year, it was reported today by president Monroe Goldwater to the annual meeting of New York UJA's board of directors.

The directors reelected Samuel Hausman as board chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, Inc., the membership corporation sponsoring the annual UJA drives in this area; Mr. Goldwater was renamed president of the corporation. Edwin Rosenberg was reelected chairman of the executive committee. All other officers were also reelected.

"Funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York are used for relief and other welfare activities for Jews in 27 countries overseas, for resettlement and rehabilitation aid for refugee newcomers to Israel, the United States and other havens in the free world, and for morale and welfare programs for American Jewish youth in the armed forces and home communities," Mr. Goldwater emphasized in his report.

FIVE YOUTHS SENTENCED IN SAN FRANCISCO TO JAIL FOR ANTI-SEMITISM

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- Five young men were sent today to jail for anti-Semitic terrorism by Superior Court Judge Harry Neubarth. He imposed terms ranging from one to five months on the youths for the year-long harassment of a local Jewish resident and his wife, William and Elizabeth Bowman. The other defendants escaped jail terms but were fined \$500 each and were placed on probation, while an eighth youth, absent from court today, will be sentenced to six months, the judge announced.

Judge Neubarth said he spent a sleepless night considering his decision, pointing out that organized anti-Semitic terrorism was something new in the history of San Francisco. He noted that several other anti-Jewish manifestations had emerged here since the Bowman case and added that "this case seems to have started something that did not exist before, and it should be stopped."

Two of the youths who were given jail terms, Steve Van Otten, 22, and his brother Barry, 19, are the sons of a police officer. A condition of restitution for all the defendants, was the requirement that they reimburse the Bowman family for an estimated \$2,000 in damages suffered by them during the period of anti-Semitic attacks.

Over a period of a year, the eight defendants together with four other youths, several of them from prosperous families, harassed the Bowmans by telephoning insults and obscenities after midnight, set fire to their car, slashed tires, smashed windows in their home and otherwise tormented the couple. Two of the four youths who were not tried today had pleaded innocent and will be tried next month. The remaining two, one of them the son of the chief of the Fire Department Arson Squad, had been placed on probation by juvenile authorities.

CANADIAN CHURCH REJECTS LEGACY PROVIDING HOME FOR 'GENTILES ONLY'

MONTREAL, Jan. 25: (JTA) -- A bequest involving a house donated in a will to the Anglican Church was rejected here by the Church Wardens today because the legacy provided that the house must be used only as "a home for Gentile ladies."

The wardens ruled that such a provision is "discriminatory and contrary to public policy" as well as a violation of the Fair Accommodations Practices Act of the Province of Ontario. The house is located at Bowmanville, Ontario. According to the wardens, the wording of the legacy would have established a home "for ladies of every race, whether white or colored, except those of the Jewish race."

MAMARONECK JEWISH PAROCHIAL SCHOOL WINS REVOCATION OF ZONING LAW

MAMARONECK, N.Y., Jan. 25: (JTA) -- The Westchester Day School, an Orthodox Jewish parochial school here, today won a victory after a hearing before the Village Board of Trustees, when a zoning law, which prohibited expansion of the school, was revoked by the board.

The school, widely considered as one of the outstanding institutions of its kind in the country, was established in 1948 on a large plot of land at Orienta Point, an area embracing some of the finest residences in this county. Since the establishment of the school, the village passed a zoning ordinance forbidding the use of land in the highly restricted area by schools, churches and synagogues.

Mayor Joseph Dalfonso, presiding at the meeting of the Village Board of Trustees, agreed with Sol Feinberg, president of the school, that the village zoning ordinance is illegal, since New York State's highest courts have ruled that the type of restrictions in the village law are unconstitutional. The board then amended its ordinance.

MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE URGED TO ACT ON ARAB BOYCOTT OF U.S. CITIZENS

BOSTON, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- A petition to both houses of the Massachusetts Legislature, the Senate and House of Representatives, requesting the Legislature to recommend to the United States Department of State that it resist Arab interference in the affairs of American citizens, and to end Arab boycotts affecting Americans, was presented to the State's legislature here by Allan R. Zenowitz, of Great Barrington.

The petition would have the State of Massachusetts recommend that the State Department take a firm position "against any Arab interference in the conduct of the affairs of American citizens and businessmen." It would request that the U.S. Government: Abstain from any accommodation to Arab League boycott activities and policies, whether passive or overt; to resist any efforts by any Arab nations to maintain or widen its boycott activities in the United States; and to exert all possible efforts and utilize its resources to the fulfillment of the spirit and purpose of these resolutions."

The petition was considered here by the Legislature's Joint Committee on Constitutional Law, which heard testimony on the subject from Herbert H. Ehrmann, chairman of the executive board of the American Jewish Committee. Criticizing the State Department sharply, Mr. Ehrmann told the committee: "The passport of our country, the flag of our nation, the uniform of our military forces, have been debased and degraded by the unwillingness of the State Department to do what the Congress has repeatedly requested." He urged the committee to vote its approval of the Zenowitz petition. Six other states have already adopted resolutions similar to the one sought in the Zenowitz petition.

HAIFA ARAB REPORTS IN NEW YORK ON BENEFITS ENJOYED BY ARABS IN ISRAEL

NEWYORK, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- The vast improvement in living conditions of Israel's 240,000 Arab citizens was described here today by Salim Joubran, head of the Arab Department of the Histadrut, the Israel Federation of Labor, who arrived here this week for a two-month tour of the United States.

Mr. Joubran, who was one of the 3,000 Arabs of Haifa who remained in that city during the 1948 War of Liberation while thousands of others fled on instructions of Arab leaders, told a press conference that while many Israeli Arabs were still waiting for their brothers in the neighboring states to "liberate" Israel, others had been successfully integrated into Israeli economic, social and political life.

Describing the benefits which Israel's Arab population have enjoyed since 1948, Mr. Joubran noted that about 52,000 Arab children attend Government schools today as compared with only 25,000 out of an Arab population in 1948, which was four times as large.

Mr. Joubran, who is a member of Israel's Christian Arab community, said that while most Arab villages were virtually without electricity in 1948, more than half were now supplied with electric power and radios were to be found in most of the homes in these villages. He said many public cafes in Arab villages in Israel even had television sets to view broadcasts from neighboring countries.

Referring to the issue of military rule in border areas, he said that this was more of a psychological problem than any real source of actual irritation to Israeli Arabs. He noted that regulations requiring permits to travel in border areas applied to Jews as well as Arabs but that Arabs might be requested more frequently to show such permits since border police were constantly on the vigil for Arab infiltrators. Otherwise, he said, Israeli Arabs were not deprived of any rights.

'ISRAEL WEEK' OPENS IN GUATEMALA; FIRST OF ITS KIND IN CENTRAL AMERICA

GUATEMALA, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- Guatemalan Cabinet Ministers, senior Government officials, members of the diplomatic corps and leaders of the Jewish community were among the guests at a reception given here today by Israel Ambassador Joshua N. Shai, in connection with Israel Week, a week-long series of events dedicated to Israel. This is the first program of its kind ever held in Central America.

Among the guests at the reception were Foreign Minister Jesus Unda Murillo, Agriculture Minister Pedro Mombiola, Education Minister Juan Anchisi, Defense Minister Enrique Peralta Azurda and Public Health Minister Mariano Lopez Herrarte.

LUCY LANG, AMERICAN JEWISH AUTHOR, DIES IN LOS ANGELES; FUNERAL SUNDAY

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 25; (JTA) -- Lucy Lang, American Jewish author long active in the labor movement, died here today after a prolonged illness. She was the author of "Tomorrow Is Beautiful" and "Lost Shadows," two novels which attracted wide attention in this country. She is survived by her husband, Harry Lang, a member of the editorial staff of the Jewish Daily Forward. Funeral services will be held Sunday.