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COMMON MARKET MINISTERS DECIDE NOT TO TAKE UP ISRAEL'S BID AT PRESENT

BRUSSELS, March 7; (JTA) -- The European Economic Community's Council of Ministers today decided not to take up at the current session Israel's request for the immediate opening of negotiations that would lead to a link between Israel and the European Common Market;

The delay was voted in spite of high hopes in Israeli circles who had received repeated pledges from statesmen representing the six-nation EEC that Israel's case would be taken up at the Council of Ministers session which opened here Monday.

The Council decided, instead, not to examine Israel's request, in view of the complex situation still prevailing as to the EEC's general philosophy. It is understood that the Council will not act on Israel's request until a final decision is taken on the admission of Britain to the Euromark. Only after the case of Britain has been disposed of will the Council examine cases of other countries such as Israel. It was hoped that Israel's case may be considered by the Council at its next session, scheduled for April.

Yesterday, Professor Walter Hallstein, of West Germany, president of the EEC executive committee, conferred with Levi Eshkol, Israel's Finance Minister. The latter has held a series of top-level conferences here and in Paris since last Friday. Mr. Eshkol returned to Israel last night.

(From Washington it was reported today that information reaching here from Cairo indicated that the Arab countries are determined to exercise maximum pressure on the European countries affiliated with the Common Market to prevent any EEC arrangement with Israel. The Cairo information said that Arab ambassadors to the European Economic Community countries have delivered notes to the governments of these countries in which the Arab rulers threatened to boycott any country which will support an arrangement linking Israel to the Common Market).

ELEVEN 'MORTGAGE MARCHERS' RELEASED IN ISRAEL; SEVERAL INJURED

TEL AVIV, March 7; (JTA) -- Eleven so-called "mortgage marchers," arrested by police here following a demonstration Monday were released today after interrogation.

The marchers, protesting against new regulations concerning holders of dollar-linked mortgages, are believed to have been inspired by Communists, police authorities said. Eleven of the demonstrators were arrested after a relatively quiet demonstration had turned into a stormy parade trying to penetrate some of the principal streets in the center of Tel Aviv. In a resulting clash, several persons were injured.

Police said that several of those arrested were proven to have no dollar-linked mortgages. According to the police, Communists are inciting Israelis to demonstrate against the Government's new economic policy, enacted since the devaluation of the pound nearly a month ago. There are reported to have been incitements among workers to demand immediate payment of higher cost-of-living allowances.

10 JEWS KILLED, SEVEN SERIOUSLY INJURED IN CLASHES IN ALGERIA

ALGIERS, March 7; (JTA) -- Six Jews were killed and seven seriously wounded this week in the mounting clashes between the European underground OAS and the Algerian Moslems, it was reported here today.

The list of Jewish dead included two each in Oran and Algiers and one each in Mascara and Constantine. As a French-Moslem cease-fire neared, the OAS stepped up its attacks and commandos of the Moslem rebel FLN responded with reprisals. Tension was particularly high in the Jewish quarter of Oran where Jews were under frequent attacks by FLN members.

Jews in Oran struggled to organize their own defense and to ward off attacks in the quarter which is adjacent to a Moslem section. Incidents and incitements between the two sections are frequent, police reported.

NIGHT CURFEW FOR 45,000 ARABS ON ISRAEL-JORDAN BORDER ABOLISHED

JERUSALEM, March 7; (JTA) -- The night curfew which has been in effect for 45,000 Israeli Arabs living near a section of the Jordan border since 1949 was abolished last night on orders of Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, acting as Defense Minister.

The curfew had been in effect on an 80-mile strip along the border since the signing of the Israel-Jordan armistice agreement. Recently the curfew had been relaxed to apply only between 11 p.m. and 3 a.m.

The abolition order was in compliance with a decision of the Cabinet recently to liberalize military government in Arab-populated areas. The curfew was originally set up to facilitate measures to prevent Arab infiltration from Jordan. Mr. Ben-Gurion's announcement was made on the eve of a feast marking the end of Ramadan, the Moslem month of fasting.

BILL TO BAN OFFICIAL WIRETAPPING IN ISRAEL DEFEATED IN KNESSET

JERUSALEM, March 7; (JTA) -- A private members' bill to ban official wiretapping was defeated in Parliament today after Justice Minister Dov Joseph assured the deputies that the Government was formulating legislation to prohibit unauthorized use of listening devices.

The bill, which was submitted by Zvi Zimmerman of the Liberal party, would have required Israeli courts to reject evidence obtained by wiretapping. It was defeated 37 to 29.

The Justice Minister called the bill "bad--good only for Communists." He cited many western countries in which official listening-in was permitted for state security reasons and for the prevention of serious crimes. He contended that there was no contradiction between the individual's civil rights and the right of the state to combat espionage, treason and grave crimes. He said the United States, Britain, France, Denmark, Sweden and Italy were among the "enlightened countries" where wiretapping was approved under certain conditions.

The Minister evoked a lively reaction when, in reply to a question from the floor, he expressed a personal opinion that telephones of Knesset members could be tapped. Heckled by a retort that this would conflict with the law of Parliamentary immunity, he replied that the law could be amended.

KNESSET VOTES TO DEBATE CASE OF BOY ABDUCTED BY GRANDFATHER

JERUSALEM, March 7; (JTA) -- The Israel Parliament decided today to hold a full-scale debate on the case of Yossele Shumacher, the boy who was abducted, allegedly by his grandfather and other relatives, because the elder member of the family feared the child would not receive an education of sufficient Orthodoxy.

The boy has been missing since he was nine years old, about a year and a half ago. Motions calling for a debate, and sharply criticizing Israeli police for alleged "lack of action" on the case, were presented by Emma Talmi, of the Mapam party, and Elimelech Rimalt, of the Liberal party. Both also deplored what they called the religious community's alleged "failure" to denounce the child's abduction.

While the Knesset agreed to debate the motions, it is likely that the issue will not come to Parliament's agenda until after the coming Passover recess.

BERLIN BUSINESSMAN SENTENCED FOR ANTI-SEMITIC REMARKS IN CAFE

BERLIN, March 7; (JTA) -- A West German businessman was given a three-month suspended jail sentence today after being found guilty of making anti-Semitic remarks during a chess tournament in a Berlin cafe in June 1960.

The businessman, Karl Doernte, 64, was convicted on charges of having told Viktor Winz, a Jew, "The air is polluted in here. Why don't you get back to the gas chamber?"

UNIVERSITIES IN AUSTRIA ASKED TO ACT AGAINST ANTI-SEMITIC STUDENTS

VIENNA, March 7; (JTA) -- The International Auschwitz Committee appealed today to rectors of Universities in Austria to speak out against anti-Semitic activities conducted by student members of neo-Nazi organizations. The Committee said that the horrors of Hitlerism made it the duty of the rectors to warn against the great danger "which any form of fascism and anti-Semitism represents."

The Committee reported that the Yugoslav Government had transmitted 5,000,000 dinars for the construction of a monument at Auschwitz, Poland, in memory of those who perished at the Nazi extermination camp. A number of other countries had pledged contributions for the project, the report said. Yugoslavia also will help supply materials for the monument.

CATHOLIC-JEWISH FRIENDSHIP IN SPAIN STRENGTHENS; PARLEY HELD IN MADRID

MADRID, March 7; (JTA) -- Dr. Solomon Gaon, Sephardic chief rabbi of the British Commonwealth, attended a meeting here last night, with dignitaries of the Catholic Church and leaders of the Madrid Jewish Community, to strengthen the Spanish Association for Jewish-Christian Friendship. The association, founded several weeks ago, owes its inspiration to the steps taken by Pope John XXIII to cement friendlier relations between Catholics and Jews, the founders said.

Last night's meeting was attended by the largest group of Catholic dignitaries to meet with Jewish leaders here since the Jews were expelled from Spain in 1492. Among those present, in addition to Dr. Gaon, were Dr. Perez Serrano, a director of Ecclesia, a weekly magazine published here by the Catholic Church; Father Vincento Serrano, a prominent priest known for his interest in furthering better Judeo-Catholic relations; and Dr. Max Mazin, president of the Madrid Jewish Community.

CHRISTIAN-JEWISH UNDERSTANDING FOSTERED IN BRITAIN; QUEEN IS PATRON

LONDON, March 7; (JTA) -- Mutual understanding between Christians and Jews in Britain is applied by the Council of Christians and Jews and its executive in the widest sense, the Rev. C. Witton-Davies, chairman of the executive, told the annual meeting of the organization today.

He said the Council fostered work between Jews and Christians in education and in social service activities. He reported that the next lecture in the annual Robert Waley-Cohen Memorial series would be given in 1962 by Dr. Michael Ramsay, the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Council ratified a decision of the executive to participate in a consultative body of organizations working for Jewish-Christian cooperation.

Queen Elizabeth is patron of the organization. New officials elected today were the Archbishop, Moderators of the Church of Scotland and the Free Church Assembly Council and Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie--presidents; Lord Cohen, Sir John Wolfender and MP Cyril Black--vice-presidents; Viscount Chandos and Edmond de Rothschild--honorary treasurers; and Percy Bartlett and A.G. Brotman, secretary of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, honorary secretaries.

U.S. GOVERNMENT URGED TO BAR FINANCIAL AID TO COLLEGES PRACTICING BIAS

CHICAGO, March 7; (JTA) -- The United States Government was urged yesterday by a national conference of college officials here to bar financial aid to colleges and universities which practice racial or religious discrimination.

A resolution to that effect was approved, 82 to 64, by delegates to the Seventeenth National Conference on Higher Education. Most of the 1,700 college officials attending the conference stayed away from the session which adopted the resolution.

A floor fight against the proposal was made by David H.B. Martin, assistant to the provost of Yale University. Emphasizing he was speaking only as an individual, he termed the resolution a "shotgun approach" which was "undesirable, vague and with a goal impossible to obtain."

The proposal would affect thousands of Federal research grants, fellowships, scholarships, agricultural extension aid, the Reserve Officers Training Program, the student loan program, and payments to land grant colleges.

NEW YORK STATE SETS PUBLIC HEARING ON SUNDAY LAW EXEMPTIONS

NEW YORK, March 7; (JTA) -- Hopes for Fair Sabbath legislation that would exempt Orthodox Jews and other Sabbatarians from New York State's compulsory Sunday closing law rose here today following a statement by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller to an American Jewish Congress delegation that he was trying to find a basis for passage of a measure this year that would permit storekeepers to remain open on Sunday if they observed another day as their Sabbath.

At the same time, chairman Julius Volker of the State Assembly Codes Committee informed the American Jewish Congress that a public hearing would be held in Albany next Wednesday, March 14, on fair Sabbath proposals. The hearing will be the first dealing with Sunday law exemption proposals to be held by a New York legislative committee since 1953. A delegation of supporters of such legislation is now being organized to go to Albany in time to attend the hearing.

Proposals to modify the Sunday Law have been before the legislature for more than ten years but have never passed either House. For several years it has had the support of the Protestant Council of Churches but has been opposed by the Catholic church. The last legislative action was in 1958 when the State Assembly rejected a home rule bill to permit Sunday store operation in New York City. Last January, the Rabbinical Council of America, an Orthodox group, called on the Governor to fulfil a campaign pledge to seek passage of a Fair Sabbath bill.

CANADIAN TRADE MINISTER SENDS OFFICIAL COMMERCIAL MISSION TO ISRAEL

OTTAWA, March 7; (JTA) -- George Hess, Canadian Minister of Trade and Commerce, announced today that an official Canadian trade mission will leave Ottawa for Israel on March 14 for a two-week visit; The 15-man mission is composed of representatives of outstanding Canadian industries and companies in the various fields, and of Canadian officials; The purpose of the mission is to undertake a basic study of Israeli economy with the view to the development of closer economic relations between Canada and Israel.

The 1961 trade increased between the two countries by some 40 percent on both sides compared with 1960; Over the past year, there has been a growing stream of Canadian capital invested in Israel; In November 1961, an official Israel trade mission visited Canada;

The Canadian mission includes representatives of companies in the following fields: metalworking and packaging equipment, producers of compressors and pumps for mining construction, producers of chemical plants, producers of sheet-metal construction products, producers of cement mixers and equipment for concrete products, producers of telecommunication and microwave equipment, lumber manufacturing, automotive parts manufacturing and road machinery producers;

Two leading companies of consulting engineers are on the mission, as well as a representative of the Canadian Labor Congress; Eatons, the largest department store in Canada and Steinberg's, one of the largest supermarkets are also on the mission; From the banking community, there is the assistant general manager of the Bank of Montreal;

NEW J. T. A. BULLETIN SUPPLEMENT WILL COVER AMERICAN COMMUNAL SCENE

NEW YORK, March 7; (JTA)-- Extension of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency's news coverage to provide a broader and deeper treatment of the American Jewish communal scene was announced today by Eleazar Lipsky, president of the JTA; The broadened coverage will be included in existing JTA press services and will be made available to direct JTA subscribers in a supplement; The Community News Reporter is to be included in the JTA Daily News Bulletin each Thursday; The first issue of this supplement will be mailed to subscribers with the Daily News Bulletin of Thursday, March 15;

Mr. Lipsky said that the new supplement would give the JTA staff facilities to handle a large body of important and interesting news dealing with the day-to-day activities of the American Jewish community and the people conducting them; In the past, he noted, much of this information had had to be subordinated, for space reasons, to coverage of immediate and pressing spot news developments at home and abroad; Publication of the Community News Reporter, he pointed out, would provide for this additional news coverage without in any way diminishing the flow and presentation of important world and national news;

"We will use this new supplement," he said, "to present a fuller and richer news report on the communal activities of the great American Jewish community, on its problems, its methods of dealing with these problems, the work of its local agencies for the welfare, health, educational and general well-being of its members and on its role within the greater community of which it is a part; We hope to be able to treat those problems and issues which are common to all communities constructively and in depth;"

AFRICAN AMBASSADORS PARTICIPATE IN B'NAI B'RITH DEBATE ON AFRICA

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y., March 7; (JTA) -- Ambassadors and other leading diplomats from eight countries, most of them from African countries, participated here tonight in a panel discussion on "Africa, Is It Ready for Democracy?" conducted by the Tom Paine Forum of the B'nai B'rith Lodge here; More than 400 guests attended;

Among the principal addresses delivered at the event was one by Label A. Katz, national president of B'nai B'rith; Michael S. Comay, Israel Ambassador to the United Nations, was among the panelists; Others in attendance included Mayor Stanley W. Church and Ogden Reid, former U.S. Ambassador to Israel, now chairman of the New York State Commission Against Discrimination;

SAMUEL HORELICK, PROMINENT PITTSBURGH JEWISH PHILANTHROPIST, DEAD

PITTSBURGH, March 7; (JTA) -- Samuel Horelick, prominent Jewish philanthropist, active for many years in national, overseas and local Jewish causes, died yesterday at his winter home in Florida; He was 75; Born in Russia, Mr. Horelick, who came to this country in 1906, graduated in 1912 with the first engineering class of the Carnegie Institute of Technology;

Mr. Horelick was a member of the executive committee of the American Jewish Committee, a director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and a trustee of Montefiore Hospital here; From 1953 to 1955, he headed the local drive for Israel bonds, which sold more than \$1,000,000 worth of these investments; He was responsible for the establishment of the Samuel Horelick library at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, at Haifa; He was a treasurer of the United Jewish Foundation here, a trustee of the Montefiore Hospital in Pittsburgh and president of the Hebrew Institute;