

Jewish Telegraphic Agency DAILY NEWS BULLETIN

660 FIRST AVENUE

NEW YORK 16

Vol. XXIX - 44th year

Tuesday, May 29, 1962

Contents Copyright: Republicati

No. 104

KNESSET SUPPORTS NEW ECONOMIC POLICY; APPROVES COMPULSORY SAVINGS

JERUSALEM, May 28. (JTA) -- Israel's Knesset (Parliament) today voted support of the Government's new economic policy, including compulsory savings, worked out as the result of Israel's devaluation of the pound last February. The vote was 56-39.

A stormy debate preceded the adoption of the motion supporting the new policy, most of the fire being directed at the compulsory savings plan proposed by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol,

The latter staunchly defended the plan, insisting the funds derived from the forced savings will not be used for current expenditures, but will be impounded in the State bank to keep down money circulation and, thereby, prevent inflation. He told the Knesset that the savings will be refundable after three years.

DR. GOLDMANN SEES DANGER TO JEWISH SURVIVAL IN RUSSIA; REVIEWS SITUATION

JERUSALEM, May 28. (JTA) -- The situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union and in other countries where Jews may face danger to their survival was analyzed here last night by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, in his address before the Zionist Actions. Committee, the supreme ruling body of the world Zionist movement between Zionist Congresses.

"Viewed superficially and from the outside," Dr. Goldmann told the 120 top Zionist leaders assembled from 12 countries, "the position of the Jews seems better than ever before, with no serious threats of anti-Semitism, almost universal equality of rights, and prosperity for the bulk of Jewish people.

"However," he cautioned, "a deeper look into the forces which determine the future of people reveals dangers already threatening, as well as imminent threats to various sections of Jewry. One source of danger lies in the inherent character of the period which is one of the least stable and potentially more revolutionary in history. When such a situation erupts, the position of the Jewish community is threatened or ruined,

"A classic example" of such a situation, he continued, "is Castro's Cuba, where a flourishing Jewish community was ruined overnight--not because of anti-Semitism but due to a social revolution which destroyed the Cuban middle class and affected the Jewish community perhaps more totally than any other part of the Cuban population.

"Another element of potential and factual danger for the survival of Jewry is the growionnipotence of states, coupled with violent nationalism that does not deny equal human and civic rights to Jews, but is not ready to grant them rights and facilities to live their distinct lives as Jews. This is the real problem of the three million Jewish community in the Soviet Union.

"The undeniable existence of anti-Semitic feelings among part of the Soviet people would in itself not endanger the survival of the Jews or their position as equal citizens, although it could, if not stopped, develop into such a threat. But the real problem is the undeniable refusal of the Soviet Government to allow Jews to live their own life-religiously, culturally and nationally--and the tendency to impose on them enforced assimilation and disinterration."

"Similar dangers exist in other countries, although for quite different reasons," Dr. Goldmann continued. "This situation," he said, "justifies anew the fundamental Zionist analysis. This means the Zionist solution of the Jewish problem: concentration on more and more Jewish immigration into Israel, and the creation of a center for the people. This principle is as valid today as any other time until now. Therefore, the naive illusion that the Zionist concept has lost its meaning, that it has fulfilled its task and could leave the scene of Jewish history, proves from day to day to be less justified."

Abba Eban, Minister of Education, addressed the Actions Committee as the official representative of the Government of Israel. The task of the Zionist movement, he said, "is not yet completed." The very posing of the question about the movements reason for existence, "he said, "indicates a crisis; but it indicates in no way a negation of its importance and necessity. The Zionist movement ought to encourage immigration from prosperous countries, in order to assure an influx of human elements badly needed here."

DR. GOLDMANN'S VIEWS ON ROLE OF SYNAGOGUE IN U.S. EVOKE CRITICISM

NEW YORK, May 28. (JTA) -- Criticism against Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, was voiced here today by the Synagogue Council of America--representative body of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbinical and congregational organizations--for his remarks at the opening session of the Zionist Actions Committee in Jerusalem last night on the trend in the American Jewish community "to base the whole of Jewish life solely on the synagogue."

"Although it is obvious," Dr. Goldmann told the Actions Committee, "that the synagode has always played a cantral role in Jewish life and must continue to do so, and nobody will deny the great beneficial influence which the growing number of synagogues, congregations and community centers have on American Jewish life, yet, to try to organize the Jewish people exclusively on the synagogue, is a distortion of the character of the Jewish people which was never only a religion or a church but which has many other elements,"

"American Jewry," Dr. Goldmann continued, "must not try to become a purely religious domeniation among other religious groups in America, but must maintain the consciousness of being part of the Jewish people all over the world in its unique character, which is much more than a purely religious one and is becoming more and more tied up morally, emotionally and spiritually with Israel, based on the acceptance of the central position of Israel in Jewish life of today and tomorrow."

Dr. Julius Mark, president of the Synagogue Council of America, in a statement issued here today, took issue with Dr. Goldmann and called his remarks "a snide attack upon the synagogue." Declaring that "despite his unquestioned talents, Dr. Goldmann exhibited abysmal ignorance of American Jewish life," the Synagogue Council president said: "Whether Dr. Goldmann likes it or not, the synagogue has been and is the hallmark of the Jew in America and throughout the Western world."

"American Jaws," Dr. Mark declared, "are na'urally interested in and proud of the achievements of Israel. They have given generous financial support as well as their business know-how and acumen to this plucky little republic, the only bastion of democracy in the Middle East. On the other hand, they recognize that the Jew has survived for nearly two thousand years, when there was no Israel, because of his loyalty to his faith."

BEN-GURION ATTACKS ZIONISM AT PUBLIC MEETING; IS REFUTED BY SHARETT

TEL AVIV, May 28. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion delivered a strong attack on Zionism, reiterating his previous statements on the subject including the concept that non-Zionists had built Israel. Speaking in one of his more belligerent moods, Mr. Ben-Gurion asked: "How many Moroccan Jews bought shekels and now many of their delegates participated in Zionist Congresses? Yet it is they who built Dimona," he declared:

Speaking in Yiddish at an Ichud Olami meeting here devoted to the role and importance of the Zionist Organization, Mr. Ben-Gurion asserted that "today's challenge for world Jewry is aliya." He urged that every Jewish community, even the smallest of towns, should send at least one person to 'live here. He called for a new approach to have youth from the free world come to Israel.

The Premier's address was repeatedly interrupted by Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish *gency executive, who defended the Zionist movement. Fierce dialogues were exchanged by the two leaders. Mr. Sharett declared in his address that he "despaired" of convincing Mr. Ben-Gurion, who "never replies to arguments anyhow." that his anti-Zionist conception was wrong and that the State was built not only by those who came to Israel, but also through the aid of the Zionist movement.

"If it were not for the Zionist organization, those Jews from Morocco would not have one here," Mr. Sharett said. He noted that Zionist leaders like Herzl and others had not come to Israeblu were still great Zionists.

At the meeting of the Zionist Actions committee, in Jerusalem, Mr. Ben-Gurion was also challenged on this point by Dr. Nahum Goldmann. Speaking as president of the World Zionist Organization, Dr. Goldmann alluded to last week's letter sent by the Premier to the World Zionist Executive, seeking "clarification" on Goldmann's meeting with a United States official in Washington. Dr. Goldmann said:

"Perhaps the Zionist executive ought to write a letter to the Israel Government, inquiring whether it had authorized him (Mr. Ben-Gurion) to make his speeches about the Zionist movement. To the Diaspora, Ben-Gurion is not only the Premier but the personification of the State; and, when Ben-Gurion tells them there is no need for the Zionist movement, they are ready to believe."

ISRAEL AMBASSADOR CONFERS WITH SECRETARY OF STATE; DISCUSSION SECRET

WASHINGTON, May 28. (JTA) -- Israeli Ambassador Avraham Harman conferred for almost an hour today with Secreta ry of State Dean Rusk, but he told reporters waiting outside to question him that he was unable to discuss any specifics of the meeting. The Ambassador was accompanied by Minister Mordechai Gazit.

NEW YORK JEWISE FEDERATION REPORTS RAISING \$89,000,000 IN ONE YEAR

NEW YORK, May 28. (JTA) -- The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York today issued its 45th annual report showing unprecedented support by the Jews of New York for community health and welfare services and a record of expansion of community facilities. The highlights of the report are:

- For the first time, Federation raised in excess of \$20,000,000 for the maintenance
 of its 116 affiliated local medical and social service agencies. The final total, expected by
 June 30th when the organization's fiscal year ends, will be approximately \$20,5000,
- 2. The number of contributors to Federations 45th annual appeal, which began in September 1961, is also expected to reach a record level, in excess of 150,000. This is equivalent to one out of every four Jewish families in the Metropolitan area. Lawrence A.' Wien, president of the Federation, pointed out that this total does not fully represent the number of givers to the organization since many of the gifts although counted as a single contribution represent group giving.
- 3. Federation's Building Fund campaign, which was baunched last October with a record goal of \$104, 365, 000, has resulted in gifts and grants totaling \$69, 125, 000 to date. The Building Fund, largest single drive ever attempted by a voluntary health and welfare organization, seeks funds to provide essential new services, to replace obsolete facilities and to extend the range of services required to meet the demands of the future, particularly in the areas of medical and aged care and recreation.
- 4. During the past year, Federation agencies, which are located in the five boroughs a surrounding counties, served more than 800,000 persons of all races and faiths. While it is the greatest number of people ever served by these agencies, Mr. Wien said large numbers of people could not be served immediately, or at all, because of insufficient or overcrowded services. He cited the fields of the aged, family service, child care and camping as the most critical areas of shortages.

Among the gifts received for the Building Fund were nine gifts for one million dollars or more--including two in excess of \$2,000,000, the largest contributions ever received by Federation. Thousands of Building Fund gifts, in all amounts, have been received, indicating deep community involvement and rust in private philanthropy, the report states. Support of the Building Fund came from all segments of the community, including individuals, public corporations and private business firms.

CLEVELAND JEWISH APPEAL REPORTS RAISING \$5,828,487 IN 1962 DRIVE

CLEVELAND, May 28. (JTA) -- The 1962 Jewish Welfare Fund Appeal closed here last nith with an all-time high of \$5, 828, 487. The total pledged exceeded by almost \$400,000 the previous mark of \$5, 431,680 set in 1961.

The campaign was hailed by Leonard I. Abrams, general chairman, and Myron E. Glass, president of The Jewish Community Federation, which sponsors the campaign, as the greatest fund-raising achievement in 58 years of Federation history. Henry L. Zucker is executive. director of the Federation; campaign director is Gerald S. Soroker.

JEWISH APPEAL OF ESSEX COUNTY ANTICIPATES \$2,400,000 AT END OF DRIVE

NEWARK, N.J., May 28. (JTA) -- All indications are that the United Jewish Appeal of Essex County will close its 1962 campaign with a new 13-year high of \$2,400,000 if cards still outstanding come in as expected, it was announced at an end-of-campaign Spotlight Danner.

Alan Sagner, general chairman, called attention to this year's increased giving. 'We have shown,' Mr. Sagner said, 'that we are ready to meet our obligations. We ave shown that we have a viable Jewish community in Essex County. This is only the seginning.'

Herman M. Pekarsky, executive director of the Jewish'Community Council of Essex County, reported that "It is reasonable to expect a first total of \$2,400,000 if we get complete and vigorous coverage on all prospects who are still to be solicited, compared to he \$2,140,000 raised in 1961. If everybody does his job, we will have the highest total in uny campaign since 1949. "

BOSTON JEWISH APPEAL EXCEEDS LAST YEAR'S RESULTS; \$5,445,130 RAISED

BOSTON, May 28. (JTA) -- The Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston xpects to raise more than \$5,500,000 in its 1962 Appeal, David Kane, general chairman f the campaign told some 450 campaign leaders and workers at the Campaign Awards Diner at the Sidney Hill Country Club last right.

He announced that \$5, 445,130 has already been raised to date, compared to last year's stal of \$5, 179,000. "However, we still have hundreds of contributors who have not yet add their gifts and we are confident that these pledges will enable us to set the best camaign record since 1957," Mr. Kane said. He was presented with a silver Menorah in onor of his "outstanding leadership" by Louis P. Smith, president of the Combined Jewih Philanthropies of Greater Boston.

U.S. GOVERNMENT TO AID OCCUPATION ADJUSTMENT FOR BLIND IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, May 28. (JTA) -- The American ORT Federation reported today that a new program for occupational adjustment for blind persons is underway in Israel as a joint activity of a United States Federal agency, the Israel Ministry of Social Welfare and ORT.

The experiment, in which the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation of the Department of Health Education and Welfare, is participating, will be conducted at the ORT Textile Institute at Ramat Gan. The major costs are being defrayed out of United States Government counterpart funds in Israel.

American ORT officials said a training center for blind persons was being established at the institute to conduct research in means of teaching textile skills to blind workers and to conduct actual courses to prepare the blind to handle machinery and carry out normal work operations in textile plants,

Preliminary studies made by the Ministry of Social Welfare in 1961 established that blind persons can work effectively in certain jobs in textile mills if they are given appropriate training. Blind persons who are otherwise physically fit can be brought up to the level of skilled workers and foremen.

Operation of the training center is planned for at least three years. The Institute will serve at the same time as a training center for vocational teachers for the blind. The results of the program will be embodied in a training manual which will be made available for industries and organizations working with the blind in the United States.

PUBLIC SCHOOL IN MEXICO CITY TO CARRY THE NAME 'STATE OF ISRAEL'

MEXICO CITY, May 28. (JTA) -- A public school in this city was dedicated here officially carrying the name of "Estado de Israel"--State of Israel--while at Guadala-jara, one of the large provincial centers in this country, another public school was dedicated, bearing the name of Albert Einstein.

At the ceremonies in this city, officials of the Mexican Ministry of Education and representatives of the Israel Embassy here, joined in stressing the fact that the new Estado de Israel School illustrates the warm relations existing between the Republic of Mexico and the State of Israel. The Estado de Israel School will have an enrollment of about 2,000 students, most of them from middle-class and worker families.

At the Guadalajara ceremonies, President Adolfo Lopez led the dedication of the Albert attraction School, and warmly thanked the Jewish community in this country for its contribution. Construction of the school had been financed by the Mexican Jewish community. Others who participated in the ceremonies included Minister of Education Jaimer Torres Bodet; Gill Preciado, Governor of the State of which Guadalajara is the capital; Sigmund Bibring, chairman of the Mexican Jewish Community's central committee; and leaders of the Socal Jewish community.

SOL SATINSKY RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF JEWISH PUBLICATION SOCIETY

PHILADELPHIA, May 28. (JTA) -- Sol Satinsky, who holds important offices in a number of national organizations, was elected to serve a third term as president of The Jewish Publication Society of America at the Society's 74th annual meeting held here.

Elected to serve with him were Judge Louis E, Levinthal and Jack Solis-Cohen, Jr., as honorary presidents; Justice Horace Stern, Dr. Jacob R. Marcus, Bernard L. Frækel and Bernard G. Segal as vice-presidents; Edwin Wolf., 2nd as chairman of the publication committee; Meyer Feinstein as treasurer; Jerome J. Shestack as secretary; Dr. Solomon Grayzel as editor; and Lesser Zussman as executive director.

Reports by the officers indicated that the J.P.S. had distributed more than 160,000 volumes in 1961 and that it had enrolled 10,905 members during the year. Incoms of \$462,843 was received against expenditures of \$468,254 so that a deficit of \$5,411 was incurred. The budget for 1962 was set at \$475,000.

DR. JOSEPH SHATKAI, VICE-PRESIDENT OF WORLD OSE, DIES IN ISRAEL; WAS 71

TEL AVIV, May 28. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph Shatksi, the director of Bellinson Hospital here, vice-president of the World OSE and founder of OSE in Israel, died here last night at the age of 71. He was also a Mapai member of the Tel Aviv Municipal Council,

Born in Tarnopol, Poland, Dr. Shatkai came to Palestine in 1942 where he became active in the field of public health. He was a member of the certral committee of Kupat Holim, the workers health fund and honorary treasurer of the Israel Hospital Directors Association.