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CHIEF RABBI OF ORAN FLEES WITH TORAH TO FRANCE; COMMUNAL LIFE DISRUPTED

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) -- Algerian Jews are continuing to flee from Algeria, despite the recent cease-fire understanding with OAS, the European underground movement fighting Algerian independence, officials here reported today.

In recent days, a large number of Algerian Jewish notables have arrived in France, including the Chief Rabbi of Oran, who brought with him his congregation's Torah Scroll, and officials of the Algerian Jewish consistory.

No accurate figures are available on the number of fleeing Jews, partly because French authorities do not maintain migration statistics by religion and partly because not many Jews ask French Jewish welfare organizations for help immediately on arrival.

However, officials of the Fonds Social Juif Unifié, the principal Jewish welfare agency, indicated that some 20,000 Algerian Jews have reached France since the cease-fire, and that the stream will continue unabated.

All Jewish communal life in Algeria has been disrupted by the Jewish departures, and international Jewish organizations no longer have representatives there. A World Jewish Congress representative who went to France for a meeting of the Fonds Social two months ago did not return to Algeria. Top officials of the Federation of Jewish Communities also remained in France. The Jewish Agency, which is keeping a skeleton staff in Algeria, closed its office in Oran.

TEN SENATORS ASK STATE DEPT. TO ACT ON ARAB BIAS AGAINST U.S. JEWS

WASHINGTON, June 19. (JTA) -- Ten Senators, including members of both the Foreign Relations and Appropriations Committees, today revealed a joint letter to Secretary of State Dean Rusk, citing continued Arab discrimination against American Jews and demanding implementation of anti-bias declarations.

The move by the ten Senators was bi-partisan. It came at a time when the Foreign Aid Bill is nearing final consideration. Noting that they were members of either the Foreign Relations or Appropriations committees, the Senators wrote Mr. Rusk to "emphasize our conviction" that the State Department must give effect to the numerous declarations by Congress on this subject.

They cited a series of amendments and resolutions dating from 1956, which called in for the State Department to ask the President to use his discretion in withholding aid from Arab nations that discriminate against Americans. Signatories included Senators Hubert Humphrey, Minnesota Democrat; Alan Bible, Nevada Democrat; Clifford P. Case, New Jersey Republican; Dennis Chavez, New Mexico Democrat; Thomas J. Dodd, Connecticut Democrat; Thomas H. Kuchel, California Republican; Warren G. Magnuson, Washington Democrat; Gale W. McGee, Wyoming Democrat; Leverett Saltonstall, Massachusetts Republican; and Margaret Chase Smith, Maine Republican.

S. TECHNICAL AID TO ISRAEL ENDS THIS MONTH; WAS GIVEN FOR 10 YEARS

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- United States technical assistance to Israel will end June 30, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's office announced here tonight. The assistance, given over a period of ten-and-a-half years by the U.S. Operations Mission, indicates that, in the American view, Israel is no longer regarded as an underdeveloped country needing such aid.

The U.S. technical aid, on some 150 projects, has amounted to about \$17,000,000, has included demonstrations, equipment, the services of 350 American experts in various fields who came there to help Israel, as well as 640 fellowships to Israelis who went abroad to learn "know-how" in a variety of fields.

At a news conference today on the eve of USOM's termination, the American director of operations, Henry Chalfant, said Israel "repaid" some of the American aid by receiving here trainees sent to Israel by the USOM. He stated that Israel and the United States agreed that Israel no longer requires direct technical assistance. An official farewell was tendered by the Government here tonight, at the Hebrew University, to Mr. Chalfant and his staff.

MOSCOW CHARGES PHILADELPHIAN WITH KILLING JEWS IN KAUNAS UNDER NAZIS

LONDON, June 19. (JTA) -- The Soviet Union has accused a former Lithuanian army officer, now living in Philadelphia, of directing the shooting of several thousand Jews during World War II and has demanded his extradition, Tass, the Soviet news agency, reported yesterday.

The extradition of Antanas L. Impulavichus was asked in a note handed to the United States Embassy in Moscow. The note said that an investigation had established that in the 1941-43 period, Impulavichus had supervised mass shootings of Soviet citizens, including the Jews who were shot in the former Kaunas fortress in Lithuania.

(In Philadelphia, a daughter, asked about the charges, said that all she knew about her father's past was that he had been a major in the Lithuanian army. He was not available at his home for comment.)

GERMANY MAY EXTRADITE KILLER OF SLOVAKIAN JEWS TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA

MUNICH, June 19. (JTA) -- The Czechoslovakian Government has initiated steps for possible extradition of Franz Kamarsin, State Secretary of the Slovakian Government during the Hitler regime, who is held responsible for the murder of 50,000 Jews, Gypsies and Hungarians during World War II, it was revealed here today by the prosecutor's office. Kamarsin lives here.

To make sure that Kamarsin does not claim expiration of the German statute of limitations in regard to war crimes, it was announced that steps toward shutting off such an escape avenue have already been taken by the Ludwigsburg Central Office for the investigation of Nazi Crimes. Kamarsin was the leader of the German minority group in Slovakia. He was tried in absentia in Czechoslovakia in 1947, and sentenced to death by a Czech court which found him guilty of war crimes.

BUNDESTAG RATIFIES PACT GIVING \$80,000,000 TO AUSTRIA FOR NAZI VICTIMS

BOEN, June 19. (JTA) -- The Bundestag, lower House of Parliament, passed finally today legislation ratifying the German-Austrian agreement of last spring, under which West Germany is pledged to provide \$80,000,000 to help finance Austrian compensation to various categories of former Austrian nationals who had suffered persecutions under the Nazi occupation of Austria. The bill was passed without debate.

The Austrian portion of the total compensation has not yet been determined by the Government in Vienna. The Austrian Parliament has adopted a number of bills, each dealing with a specific part of the overall indemnification program. It is certain that Jews will be among the beneficiaries of the overall program, but the number of Jews to benefit has not yet been determined.

GERMAN TEACHERS GIVE 'SOBER' ACCOUNTING ON NAZI ERA, EDUCATOR CLAIMS

BONN, June 19. (JTA) -- Professor George Eckert, director of the International School Book Institute, at Brunswick, rejected here today foreign criticism of German textbooks, accused of being "easy" on the Nazi past. He refuted particularly such criticisms in the United States. Modern German teachers, he said, can look without bias at Nazi atrocities and anti-Semitic tendencies, and give youth "a sober" accounting.

Speaking at the United States Embassy, here, on the invitation of Embassy officials, Professor Eckert declared that the younger generation of German teachers are familiar with the Nazi era and teach it in their schools. He said that, in addition to 20 basic history books supplied to German schools, there are "hundreds" of supplementary textbooks available.

Professor Eckert's institute examines all textbooks for German schools. To make sure that the books handle the subject of Nazism thoroughly, he said, advance copies of all such books are sent to the United States, France and Britain for scrutiny by scholars. He invited American critics of German education to come here and "see for themselves."

AUSTRALIA STARTS SEARCH FOR NAZI WHO MAILED RAZOR BLADE TO EICHMANN

SYDNEY, June 19. (JTA) -- A search was started today by authorities in Australia for a former Nazi who tried to smuggle a piece of razor blade from this country to Adolf Eichmann, while the latter was awaiting execution in an Israeli prison. The piece of blade was sent to Eichmann under a postage stamp affixed to a letter which was intercepted by the Israeli authorities. The person being sought was not identified.

JEWISH CEMETERY IN SAARLAND DESECRATED; GERMAN POLICE SEEK VANDALS

BONN, June 19. (JTA) -- Saarland police pushed a hunt today for vandals who desecrated a Jewish cemetery at Blieskastel, east of Saarbrücken.

CONVENTION OF REFORM RABBIS OPENS; HEARS PLEA AGAINST NUCLEAR WAR

MINNEAPOLIS, June 19. (JTA) -- The Central Conference of American Rabbis was urged here tonight to take the lead in marshaling the world religions for "the observance of a universal Yom Kippur" whose worldwide prayers would demonstrate humanity's overwhelming determination "to avert the man-made evil decree" of nuclear war. Dr. Albert G. Minda, president of the Central Conference, made the proposal in a keynote address which opened the CCAR's 73rd annual convention.

The Central Conference of American Rabbis is the rabbinical organization of the Reform branch of Judaism with a membership of over 800 spiritual leaders in the United States and Canada. Its convention here, the first in Minneapolis since 1911, will lay down guidelines for the coming year on a host of religious, social, economic, cultural, international and Jewish communal issues and problems.

"The threat of nuclear explosion hangs over all mankind," the CCAR president stressed. "It is an evil corresponding to that set forth in the liturgy of the Day of Atonement. In our context, however, it is a decree not ordained by God but by the madness of men." He pointed out that "the ancient Yom Kippur prayer raises the questions: 'Who shall live and who shall die? Who shall die by fire?'"

Rabbi Minda called on the Central Conference of American Rabbis to "inspire all religious groups to join with us in the observance of a Universal Yom Kippur, a day of atonement and reconciliation, a day of prayer, penitence, and of seeking the path leading to the blessing that shall make for the life of all and the death of none."

Cultural Progress of American Jews Stressed by C.C.A.R. President

Rabbi Minda recalled that "there were those who, not many years back, declaimed that American Judaism could not develop a momentum of its own; those who insisted that it was entirely dependent on the heritage bequeathed to us by the 'shtetl' and the richly endowed centers of Jewish life in pre-war Europe. Sooner or later, they predicted, it would come to a dead end. These dire prophecies have not been fulfilled."

Rabbi Minda told the convention that the Reform Judaism in America has produced "numerous Jewish scholars, indigenous to the American scene," and is developing a literature that bears the stamp of Jewish and American creativity. "We have reared a generation of youth to whom their Judaism is not a hostile block in their life's program but who have found it an inspiration and guidance," he asserted.

The CCAR president also put before the convention the following recommendations for strengthening the synagogue, the Rabbinate, and the national and international bodies of Reform Judaism:

1. That the CCAR conduct a study of the "Changing role of the Rabbi and his program of labors." In proposing this study, Rabbi Minda pointed out that a national survey conducted this year among clergymen showed that 63 percent of the ministers questioned said that administration takes too much of their time, while nearly half of the ministers said they did not get enough time for study and prayer. "No such survey has been made in the American Rabbinate," Dr. Minda declared, adding that "if it were done, I am confident that it would result in similar findings so far as study, teaching, praying and other opportunities to build up resources of the mind and spirit are concerned."
2. That the CCAR open its membership on an associate basis to outstanding Jewish laymen engaged in the humanities, sciences, law, medicine, industry and other disciplines, so that, from time to time, the Reform Rabbinate might co-opt the skills, capacities and experience of these laymen in the development of various CCAR projects and programs.

Catering in Synagogues Sharply Criticized in Keynote Address

3. That the CCAR establish a Committee on Consultation that would afford rabbinical counseling to any rabbis who felt the need of it. Rabbi Minda pointed out that "just as the doctor himself may become a patient requiring the ministrations of a colleague, so too with the rabbi. He who gives so much of himself to his congregants in various situations and circumstances, finds on occasion in his rabbinic and personal life the need of counsel and communication which can only be provided by a colleague."
4. That the CCAR draw up a guide setting forth acceptable practices to be followed in the synagogue. Rabbi Minda, in making this proposal, was sharply critical of catering in the synagogue, types of entertainment to be found there and the type of refreshments served on various occasions, the operation of Judaica shops, and other practices.

Rabbi Minda paid special tribute in his address to Rabbi Nelson Gueck of Cincinnati, resident of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion on the 15th anniversary of his accession to the rabbinical seminary's presidency. He also lauded Rabbi Sidney L. Eger of New York, the CCAR's executive vice-president, extolling his "valiant service on our behalf."

U. S. JEWISH ORGANIZATION TO LAUNCH 'INDIGNATION WEEK' AGAINST RUSSIA

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Workmen's Circle branches in 31 states are ready to launch "National Indignation Week," with a series of massive protests against anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, Jacob T. Zukerman, president of the Workmen's Circle, large Jewish fraternal and cultural organization, announced here today. A decision to organize a country-wide campaign of protest against Soviet anti-Jewish measures was voted at the convention of the Workmen's Circle last month.

Branches of the Jewish organization, and many individuals enrolled in the campaign, will circulate information on Soviet anti-Semitism to leaders in their communities, and stage mass meetings, Mr. Zukerman said. Protest letters will be sent to members of Congress as well as to the members of the American delegation to the United Nations, requesting that the Soviet Union be forced to halt official anti-Semitism.

"Vigorous protests against Soviet anti-Semitism," said Mr. Zukerman, "constitute now a solemn obligation for all of us. The memory of Hitler's concentration camps and gas chambers is still alive in the minds of many millions of Americans of all faiths. There is a real horror at the prospect that Russia may follow the Hitler example."

MONUMENT FOR JEWISH MARTYRS IN EUROPE TO BE ERECTED AT GRATZ COLLEGE

PHILADELPHIA, June 19. (JTA) -- Gratz College has approved an offer from the Association of Jewish New Americans, an organization of survivors of the Hitler holocaust, to place in the new Gratz College Building a sculpture in memory of the Jewish victims of World War II.

Dean Eleazar Goelman of the College notified the Association that the proposal had been approved by the college building committee. The monument will be done by the internationally renowned Jewish sculptor Nathan Rapoport who was chosen from among many sculptors in all parts of the world to make the memorial in Warsaw of the Ghetto martyrs. He also made a similar monument in Israel honoring Mordecai Anielewicz, the leader of the revolt in the Warsaw Ghetto against the Nazi armed forces.

Dean Goelman said that college officials hoped that the proposed monument "will become the central focal point around which a memorial service may be held for the victims in whose behalf this entire project is being conceived and implemented."

The Association also announced approval by Gratz college of another proposal, establishment of a course in the history of the Jews during the Nazi tyranny. "It is incumbent upon us survivors to keep alive this tragic chapter in the history of our people," a statement by the Association said. "We fortunate living witnesses are duty-bound to commemorate the chronicles of our brethren who bore the brunt of the ruthless, savage Nazi hordes."

JEWISH PHILANTHROPIST GRANTS \$500,000 TO NEW YORK U. MEDICAL CENTER

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- A grant of \$500,000 by David Schwartz, prominent Jewish industrialist, to finance the construction of an internal medicine pavillion at the New York University Medical Center, was announced here today by Samuel D. Leidesdorf, chairman of the center. The pavillion, which will have 34 beds in 18 rooms, will be named for David and Irene Schwartz.

The grant will be made by the David Schwartz Foundation. The foundation also announced today a gift of \$100,000 to Tufts University in Boston.

ARNOLD K. ISREELI, NOTED JEWISH JOURNALIST, DEAD; SERVED IN JEWISH LEGION

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Arnold K. Isreeli, a Russian-born journalist who was active in the Zionist movement for many years, died today in a Brooklyn hospital at the age of 79.

Born in Berdichev, he attended the St. Petersburg Law School before coming to the United States in 1912. He was Director of Information for the American Zionist Council during World War II. In 1912 he visited South Africa on missions for the World Zionist Actions Committee and was a sergeant in the Jewish Legion in World War I.

His journalistic career included service as an editor of Russian and Yiddish newspapers in New York from 1914 to 1918. He was managing editor of Die Zeit, a daily newspaper published in New York by the Labor Zionist movement. He also had an advertising career, starting with advertising work for General Motors. He was a member of the Zionist Organization of America, B'nai Zion, Farband and the Yiddish Writers Association.

MENACHEM RUBIN, WELL-KNOWN JEWISH ACTOR, DIES IN NEW YORK; WAS 76

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Menachem Rubin, well-known Yiddish actor, died here yesterday at the age of 76. Born in Poland, Mr. Rubin started his acting career on the Russian stage, then joined the Yiddish stage in Russia. He came to the United States in the '30's, and performed all over the country, enjoying particular fame in his dramatizations of works by Sholem Aleichem.