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GOLDA MEIR SPEAKS AT U.N.; URGES ARABS TO AGREE TO FULL DISARMAMENT

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 9. (JTA) - A call upon the United Nations to consider a temporary "freeze" of all "explosive international issues which might erupt into war" was issued here before a plenary session of the UN General Assembly today by Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister.

Addressing the 109-member body in her first major address of this year's session, and asserting that disarmament is the "keynote" of the Assembly's current general debate, the Israeli foreign policy chief told the delegates that such a "freeze" would enable the world to direct all its efforts "toward achieving that most vital and most cherished goal of disarmament."

Meanwhile, however, she told the Assembly firmly, "as long as Arab belligerency continues, Israel will take all necessary measures to be capable of protecting itself."

"My Government," she told the Assembly, "rejects war as a means of settling disputes. From the day that the State of Israel was established, my Government has called for settling all outstanding differences by direct negotiations. We do not rest content with calling upon the Great Powers to find a way to disarmament and to settle outstanding problems by negotiation and conciliation."

"We are prepared to put this into practice in the dispute in which we are involved with our neighbors," Mrs. Meir stressed. "As we have done in the past, we call upon the Arab states to agree to complete disarmament with mutual inspection, covering all types of weapons, and to accept the method of direct negotiations as the only means for solving all differences between them and Israel."

Stresses Israel's Wish for Peace Talks with the Arabs

As far as Arab-Israel disputes are concerned, she emphasized, the Assembly must see the "basic problem" as "the denial by the Arab states of Israel's right to exist." If his attitude were to change, she affirmed, "and if the Arab states and Israel were to discuss their differences at the conference table, in a frank and open manner, I am positive that solutions could be found on all the specific issues."

"Year after year," she recalled, "Israel has come to this rostrum with one demand--peace between it and its Arab neighbors. The policy of the Israel Government has been and continues to be peace. It is peace not only for the world, but also between us and our neighbors. We believe in co-existence and cooperation everywhere, and we shall do everything in our power to achieve that end."

But Israel will, in the absence of peace, take the necessary steps to protect itself, she asserted. Referring indirectly to the recently announced decision by the United States to permit the sale of defensive, ground-to-air missiles to Israel, she rejected the Arab objections to that U.S.-Israeli arrangement. "Thus," she pointed out, "it is ironical that when Egypt amasses a fleet of heavy bombers, and when President Nasser proclaims that its rockets will be able to 'hit any place south of Beirut'--that is, Israel, an Egyptian spokesman should complain loudly from this rostrum when Israel is acquiring missiles which can be used solely for protection against attacks from the air."

Says Israel Willing to Discuss Solution of Arab Refugee Problem

Touching upon the Arab refugee problem, which is the most explosive Arab-Israeli issue on the agenda of this year's Assembly, Mrs. Meir stated: "The Arab denial of Israel's right to existence has a direct bearing on the distressing refugee problem. We are willing, and always have been willing, to discuss with the Arab governments what can best be done to secure the future of the refugees in the light of the political and economic realities in the region. But a natural solution to the problem is frustrated by the Arab dream of destroying Israel and openly proclaimed Arab intention of using the refugees for this purpose. This design has been openly propagated even from the rostrum of this Assembly."

Emphasizing the "love and devotion" with which Israel has received the thousands of Jewish refugees who were forced to leave other countries, Mrs. Meir said: "Had the Arab nations put their minds and energies into developing their lands, the refugees who dwell in their midst could have been drawn into productive life and become a real asset for the

development of their countries. This is what happened in Israel with the more than a million refugees, of whom over 600,000 came from Arab lands.

"We are happy to note that, despite frustrations and set-backs, there is a growing consciousness in some of the Arab countries, that the direction of their energies and talents towards constructive endeavour is more vital to the welfare of their peoples than to perpetuate sterile rancor. These tendencies should be encouraged by the international community.

"Despite all the speeches which we have heard from Arab representatives we are convinced that for us and for our neighbors the day must come when we shall live in amity and cooperation. Then will the entire Middle East become a region where the tens of millions of people will dwell in peace, and only then will its economic potentialities and rich cultural heritage achieve fulfillment. This Israel believes, and towards this end we shall devote all our efforts."

ALGERIAN PREMIER BACKS PALESTINE ARABS IN FIRST SPEECH AT U. N.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Ahmed Ben Bella, in his first address as Prime Minister of Algeria before the United Nations, told the General Assembly today that "our brother Arab people of Palestine must have their legitimate rights re-established." He called for "implementation of all United Nations resolutions supporting this right."

(Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, reiterated in her address at the UN Assembly today the statement she made before the Israel Parliament last June, to the effect that Israel "shall be glad to establish with independent Algeria the same beneficial relationship as exists between us and other new states.")

SUPREME COURT TO CLARIFY ITS STAND ON PRAYERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Clarification of the Supreme Court's stand on the public school prayer issue is expected in the wake of the court's agreement yesterday to take a further look at religious practices in public education. The court announced that it will hear arguments, probably later this year, on Maryland's practice of opening the school day with prayers and on the Pennsylvania schools' Bible reading system.

The ultimate decision by the court may settle the bitter debate over what the court meant last June when it held unconstitutional a New York regulation promulgating a specific prayer for classroom use each day. Since the Court's ruling, school boards and educators throughout the country have sought clarification of what religious practices in the schools are unconstitutional. Observers said the Maryland and Pennsylvania cases may help clear the atmosphere.

The practice in Maryland was held constitutional by the Maryland Court of Appeals by a vote of 4 to 3 last April. But a three-judge Federal court decided unanimously in February that the Pennsylvania Bible-reading practice was unconstitutional.

The Maryland regulation required that the school day should open with a reading, without comment, of a chapter in the Bible and/or the use of the Lord's Prayer. The Pennsylvania law required reading of ten verses from the Bible, without comment, at the opening of each school day. In both states, after protests, the law was revised to permit children to be excused from participation at the written request of their parents.

Harvard Organ Opposes Federal Loans for Science in Parochial Schools

The U. S. Supreme Court yesterday refused to review an Oregon Supreme Court ruling against state grants of textbooks to parochial schools, a ruling based on the Oregon State Constitution. The Oregon Supreme Court ban was taken to the U. S. Supreme Court on the argument that the ruling denied children in parochial schools and their families equal protection of the law and the right to free exercise of their religion.

Notice was taken here today of an article just published by the Harvard Educational Review attacking as unconstitutional the idea of Federal loans supporting science, mathematics, and foreign language study in such parochial schools as Catholic academies or Jewish Day Schools. Despite assumptions that such loans aid "secular" subjects, the Harvard educational review said "sectarian material has been integrated into the teaching of sciences, mathematics, and languages in parochial schools."

A detailed attack was made on the National Defense Education Act section which authorizes loans to parochial schools for equipment connected with these subjects. It was charged that into "undeniably scientific" subjects, "parochial schools inject a considerable amount of religious interpretation and even some sectarian doctrine.

GERMAN JUDGE SUSPENDED FROM POST; CHARGED WITH KILLING SMOLENSK JEWS

KIEL, West Germany, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Kiel officials said today that Ernest Ehlers, a former SS officer, had been suspended from his post as a judge at the administrative court at Schleswig after he was charged with participation in wartime mass executions in the occupied city of Smolensk.

10,000 JEWS ATTENDED YOM KIPPUR SERVICES IN MOSCOW SYNAGOGUE

LCNDON, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- An estimated 10,000 Jews jammed the 2,000-seat central synagogue in Moscow and overflowed into the streets for Yom Kippur services, according to reports received here today from Moscow. The synagogue had been reported as having been the target of a stone-throwing attack on the first day of Rosh Hashanah.

Thousands of Jews were reported also to have filled the synagogue in Kiev to recite a prayer for the more than 100,000 Jews slain by the Nazis in Kiev on Yom Kippur in 1941.

Those attending Yom Kippur services in Moscow were reported to have lacked prayerbooks and prayershaws. The choir for the services consisted of five middle-aged men, in contrast to the choir which years ago filled a loft above the women's balcony and which had made the synagogue known throughout Europe as "the choral synagogue" for its highly trained choir.

JEWC IN ITALY LAUD MOVE BANNING DEFAMATION OF RELIGIOUS GROUPS

RCME, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- The Council of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities expressed gratification today over amendments to the Italian criminal code, soon to be presented to Parliament, which would make it a criminal offense to commit any action violating the principle of equality of all citizens without regard to religious, ethnic or political considerations.

The amendments also would ban defamation or insults against ethnic and religious groups in Italy. Absence of such restrictions has led to repeated incidents involving Italian Jews, one of the more damaging ones being the incident last year involving a Turin judge, Giovanni Durando, who is also editor of a periodical, the Voice of Justice.

The periodical in its May 6, 1961 issue published an article fiercely attacking the trial in Jerusalem of Adolf Eichmann which included many defamations, including the charge that Jews were "totally deprived of any sense of morality." The magistrate was accused of militant anti-Semitism but he was acquitted.

The amendments also would establish complete parity of all religious groups in Italy concerning the severity of sanctions for acts of contempt, abuse or invectives directed against the divinity of other religious groups, religious symbols and related matters. Under present law, the penal code makes distinctions between: the "state" religion, Catholicism, and "other confessions of faith." Similar acts against the memory of the dead also would be punishable under the amendments.

TRIAL OF NAZI OFFICIAL CHARGED WITH KILLING JEWS OPENS IN GERMANY

BCNN, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- The trial of a 45-year-old former police inspector, Wilhelm Doerig, in the wartime murder of Polish Jews, which opened before a jury court here yesterday, will last at least until the end of this month, court officials said today. Thirty-two witnesses will be called.

Doerig, who has been under arrest since May 1961, was accused of the murder of more than 700 Polish Jews, including some children deemed insane by the Nazis.

Twenty Israelis will come to West Germany next month to testify in the war crimes trial of Oscar Waltke, a former Gestapo officer who was in charge of the Lvov ghetto during the German occupation.

Waltke specialized in uncovering Jews with Gentile names and papers. Few of his victims survived his interrogation and tortures. One eyewitness is the Gentile wife of a Jew who was abused by Waltke and saved only because she gave the Gestapo officer a large bribe.

NEO-NAZI ANTI-SEMITIC GROUPS OPERATE IN 22 COUNTRIES, STUDY SHOWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Neo-Nazi groups and individuals, spouting Fascism and anti-Semitism, have staged more than 20 international conferences and sessions in recent years to discuss and coordinate their activities, according to a report issued today by the World Jewish Congress in New York. The figure may be much higher because "neo-Nazi and neo-Fascist movements keep their international contacts frequently secret," the report said.

The report was submitted to the global executive of the World Jewish Congress by Dr. Nehemia Robinson, director of the WJC's Institute of Jewish Affairs. It named 22 countries as having Fascist groups or individuals active in or connected with the "Nazi International": Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Britain, Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Hungary (exiles), Ireland, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, South Africa, Syria, Turkey, U.S.A., West Germany. The WJC report states that the Ku Klux Klan "has also branched out in foreign countries."

Not all the planned international gatherings of Nazis have been successes, the report said. Some have been banned, as was a Mosleyite conference of 'Friends of Europe' slated for London in December 1961. Some failed because of insufficient response as

happened to a planned meeting of 600 lesser Nazi groups called off when the sponsors found they could not get enough support for a conference in Wiesbaden in 1961.

But, the report emphasized, "In toto, the international Nazi organizations have representatives in practically every European country, as well as in the U. S. A., Australia, South Africa, some Latin American and Arab lands." The report offered no estimate of the number of persons involved in the Nazi groups all over the world but notes that "the European Social Movement and the Bureau of European Liaison claimed some time ago to have 4,000,000 supporters organized in some 10,000 sections and cells. "It is impossible to establish how exaggerated this claim is, because none of the organizations publishes membership figures," the report stated.

The financial support for the Nazis is shrouded in mystery but there are reports that finances are derived at least in part from Nazi secreted loot, "but no proof for this contention exists," the WJC study said, adding that while the source of funds poses a problem, the publication pattern of the Nazis is wide open. "There is a flow of anti-Semitic and pro-Nazi and Fascist literature between various countries," the report pointed out. "There exists a 'Nationalist Information Bureau' which publishes an anti-Semitic, anti-Israel, pro-Nazi press service. It is reported that the neo-Nazi and neo-Fascist internationals are publishing over 50 periodicals and have bulletins in German, Italian, French, English, Swedish and Arabic."

GERMAN PASTOR CALLS UPON ALL CHURCHES TO FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Dean Heinrich Gruber, anti-Nazi German Evangelical pastor, today called upon churches and all Christians to wage a battle against anti-Semitism. In an address before the American Christian Association for Israel at a luncheon at the Inter-Church Center, the clergyman urged that Christians set aside a special day of atonement "for the nightmare that anti-Semitism has brought to the Jewish people, over the ages," suggesting "Kristallnacht" on November 9 as an appropriate occasion. On this day in 1938 the Nazis in Germany launched their attack upon the synagogues.

Dean Gruber, who was thrown into concentration camps for aiding Jews, proposed also that Christians support Israel, a nation which he said was "born out of the recent holocaust and out of the sufferings of past centuries."

"What would have happened to the victimized Jews of our day--in Europe, the Middle East and North Africa--had there not been Israel's open doors of compassion?" he asked. He said that many Christians do not understand Israel's vital role in the world but at the same time concern for Israel should not "diminish our compassion for the needs of the Arab peoples, who fortunately have nations and lands and resources with which to work out their salvation."

Dean Gruber urged that West Germany establish diplomatic relations with Israel immediately, adding that "consideration for Arab countries should not prevent us from doing that which we recognize as a moral responsibility." He disclosed that he would lead a group of German Christians to Israel next month "so that they may come to dedicate themselves to aid the Jewish people and the people of Israel."

MAJOR LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES AFFIRM POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- Seven major life insurance companies have reaffirmed, in letters to the New York State Attorney General's office, a policy of non-discrimination in executive training programs.

Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz, in reporting the action, said it resulted from talks during the last year between his office and chief executives of the insurance firms. He said the executives had also told him that their officers, department heads and personnel bureaus had been reminded of the policy and that college placement officials had been so reminded.

The Attorney General said the talks had been opened after an investigation into recruiting and promotion of executives at the home offices of some of the companies. Jewish communal agencies had accused the insurance firms of following a policy of declining to place or promote Jews in higher echelon posts.

The seven companies were listed as the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States, the New York Life Insurance Company, the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, the Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, the Home Life Insurance Company and the Manhattan Life Insurance Company.

ARABS BAN SINATRA'S MOVIES AND RECORDS FOR HELPING ISRAEL BOND DRIVE

LONDON, Oct. 9. (JTA) -- The Arab League office of anti-Israel boycott regulations today announced a ban on all movies and phonograph records made by Frank Sinatra.

The League said it had definitely established that the Hollywood actor-singer "participates in the distribution of Israel bonds and that he exerts efforts for the collection of funds to be sent to Israel."