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## MOTION TO ABOLISH MILITARY RULE IN ARAB AREAS DEFEATED IN KNESSET

JERUSALEM, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- A motion to abolish military government in Arab populated areas of Israel was defeated by the hairline margin of one vote in a tense Parliament today. The vote was 57 to 56. Five bills calling for radical changes in or abolition of military rule were introduced in the Knesset by deputies of the Liberal, Herut, Mapam, Achdut Avoda and Communist parties.

The parties mustered every possible deputy for the vote which sparked demonstrations yesterday by both university students and Israeli Arabs. One deputy arrived from a sick bed and another hastened back by plane from an overseas trip. There were five abstentions, four from Agudat Israel and one Arab. Special security measures were arranged near the Knesset building for the vote.

Balloting was preceded by a one-hour speech by Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion who strongly defended the military rule. He said Israel's "unique" security situation demanded continuance of such rule. He asserted that no other country in the world was bordered by states which daily by press and radio propaganda incited and threatened Israel's existence. He had announced he would go to the people on the issue if the vote was negative.

The only areas in Israel which seemed not to participate in the excitement over the vote were the Arabs in the affected areas. Villagers were reported working as usual while students were demonstrating in Jerusalem. The Arab villagers were quiet. A number of Mapam and Communist members tried to induce the Arabs to demonstrate prior to the Knesset vote but they were generally unsuccessful. It was an uneventful day for the police patrols in the Arab sections.

### Ben-Gurion Explains Why Military Administration Cannot Be Abolished

The Prime Minister told the Knesset that Israel Arabs, who were "constantly exposed to the incitement from bordering states," were in need of military rule for their own security as well as that of Israel. He said that while most of the 250,000 Israeli Arabs--Moslem and Christian--"strive to be loyal citizens," it was also true that there were elements who "are avowed enemies" of Israel. He cited examples of anti-Israel propaganda disseminated in Arab schools.

Reiterating that military government in three specific areas was necessary for security, the Prime Minister declared that if such government was ended, infiltration and espionage activities would become "rampant" because the usual civilian police procedures would not be adequate for such problems.

He added that residents of the military-governed areas were permitted to move freely in all parts of Israel and that only some 2,000 "whose machinations are known to the administration" were restricted to temporary moving permits. He rejected charges of undue hardships for the Arab minority, insisting that the situation of that minority differed from others in other countries.

The Prime Minister called the existing situation "unparalleled," because Israeli Arabs spoke the same language, were related to and felt close to the Arabs of the neighboring states. He stressed that as long as there were no indications of a rapprochement between Israel and the Arab countries, whose populations totalled 90,000,000 persons, "there will be need for precautions along the sensitive border areas." However, he added that relaxations will be made--"as they were in the past" insofar as conditions permitted.

Two of the four Arab deputies affiliated with Mapai voted against abolition of military rule, one abstained and one voted for it. In the debate for the resolution, Menachem Begin, Herut leader, cited the "stigma" of the emergency regulations, on which the military government was based, because they were of British origin. He argued that security could be maintained without this "hated hangover" which he called "demoralizing and redundant."

Moshe Carmel of Achdut Avoda, speaking as a former army commander, said both he and former Brigadier Yigal Allon, now Labor Minister, considered military rule redundant and that security could be expected by measures other than by "non-democratic" rule. Yordechai Bentov of Mapam cited a Supreme Court judgment which admonished a military administrator for using his authority for political purposes.

## ISRAEL REPORTED INCREASING ORDERS WITH FRANCE FOR JET PLANES

LONDON, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Israel has quietly increased its orders with France for the 1,400 mile-an-hour Mirage Jet plane in a bid to make its air arm the most potent fighter force in the Middle East, the London Daily Express reported today.

The newspaper said that orders had been increased from 30 jets to 96 and that more than 50 were believed to have already been delivered. The newspaper said the high-speed fighter planes were being flight tested and ferried to Israel from an airfield near Marseilles and carry "French markings."

The report said that French sources had never officially confirmed a Mirage pact with Israel but that the first order was known to have been signed by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion in June 1960. The value of the total order is estimated at about 40,000,000 pounds sterling (\$112,000,000) the Express asserted, adding that "by the middle of next year, Israel will have twice the supersonic fighter power of the British Royal Air Force." The Israeli Air Force is currently equipped with the Vautour, which is subsonic and no match for the Russian MIG-21 planes currently based in Iraq, Syria and Egypt.

## NEWSPAPERS IN ISRAEL THREATENED WITH STRIKE; HISTADRUT WARNS PRINTERS

TEL AVIV, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- The threat of a nationwide shutdown of newspapers in Israel was posed today by demands of Israeli printers for increased pay which were adamantly opposed by the Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation.

The Histadrut, citing the general economic need to stabilize the economy, warned the printers against any sudden strike move and the printers were scheduled to discuss the deadlock at a meeting today.

The Histadrut meanwhile was facing internal wage demands by its own Sick Fund clerks. Histadrut officials rejected those demands despite a strike threat. Another demand for more pay arose last night when the crews of El Al Airlines were recognized as an "independent" body within the general El Al Workers Union.

## EBAN CLOSES GENEVA U.N. PARLEY WITH PROGRAM TO HELP NEW COUNTRIES

GENEVA, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- A general program to help the development of the changing relationships between the world's advanced countries and the less developed regions, was outlined here today by Israel's Minister of Education, Abba Eban. As one of the three senior vice-presidents of the first United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for the Benefit of less developed areas, he delivered today the closing address of the world parley that has been under way here for 16 days. His address was loudly applauded and praised by many of the delegates from 103 countries.

Daniel Shimshoni, director-general of Israel's National Council for Research and Development, told the Conference that Israel is the only country in the world which has developed a successful solar heating device for water heating which is not only widely used in Israel but also is being exported. He told the 1,600 delegates that a National Physical Laboratory had been set up in Israel to conduct solar energy research with a staff of 25 professors and technical personnel.

"Part of this work is being done in Israel's southern desert at the Negev Institute for Arid Zone Research where the sun beats down day after day throughout the year and part is conducted at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem," he said.

Describing the techniques Israel had developed to capture solar energy, he said that the work so far had been concentrated on the design of water heaters for domestic use, small solar power generators, solar air conditioning and the ultimate creation of a power station working entirely on energy supplied from solar radiation ponds.

### Israel Reveals Invention of Solar Energy Power Generator

He reported that "several thousand" of the solar water heating units were being sold and installed each year in Israel and that the units were being exported for sale in Mediterranean and African countries. "The owner of such a solar device has an abundant supply of hot water for his home throughout the day and--because the water tanks are well insulated--even at night," he told the Conference.

He also revealed another invention, a five horsepower solar energy generator, said to be the first of its kind which "can supply electricity at a cost of five United States cents per kilowatt hour in a sunny climate. It yields enough power to run a variety of small pumps and mills and to supply light. It is visualized as being particularly useful in remote villages far from a central electric network."

He said that of all the experiments Israel was conducting, "the most fascinating" is the solar pond because of "the vast possibilities of the system." He said these possibilities included the development of a large central power station in a major city, although, he added, "many challenging problems have yet to be solved before this dream becomes a reality." Other projects being studied at the new laboratory were listed as solar ovens, solar refrigerators, solar distillation plants and other devices. He explained that data gathered to date indicated that such devices were expensive to build "but cheaper to run" than to build.

## GERMANY SEEKS TO ARREST NAZI WHO DEPORTED JEWS FROM FRANCE

MUNICH, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- The Munich public prosecutor's office issued today a warrant for the arrest of Karl Oberg, former SS commander in occupied France who was recently released by that country after 18 years in prison and turned over to West German authorities.

Oberg was charged in the warrant with murder in connection with the liquidation on June 30, 1934 of elements in the SS which Hitler believed were forming an opposition to his authority. It was indicated that it was doubtful whether the warrant would be carried out because of Oberg's reported poor health. As SS commander in France, Oberg was largely responsible for the deportation of Jews to Eastern Europe.

## JEWS IN ITALY PUZZLED BY NON-EXTRADITION OF NAZI MASS MURDERER

ROME, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Jewish leaders expressed surprise and concern today over the decision of the Bologna public prosecutor not to appeal a Bologna court refusal of a West German request for the extradition of a former SS officer.

The officer, Erhard Kroeger, was sought by West Germany on charges he ordered the killing of 2,000 Jews near Lemberg in the Nazi-occupied Ukraine in 1941. He came to Italy as a tourist and was arrested last August. The public prosecutor's stand left Kroeger a free man.

Jewish sources indicated they could not understand how such a suspected crime could be considered "political" by the Bologna court or why the public prosecutor, who had supported the extradition request, had declined to avail himself of the right of appeal.

## CHILE TO DECIDE ON EXTRADITION REQUEST OF NAZI WHO KILLED 90,000 JEWS

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Chief Justice Rafael Fontecilla, of the Chilean Supreme Court, was reported here today ready to rule within a few days on West Germany's request for the extradition of former Nazi SS leader Walter Rauff. The ex-Nazi is in prison here, since his arrest at the request of the Bonn Government two months ago, on charges of having murdered 90,000 Jews during World War II.

Meanwhile today, the chief of the federal police denied again, for the second time in three days, sensational press stories alleging that an Israeli "commando" is presumed to have come to this country to capture Rauff and to take him to Israel in the manner in which the late Adolf Eichmann had been abducted from Argentina. The police head said there are no Israeli "commandos" in this country. Eliezer Doron, Israel's Ambassador here, said the reports were "sheer nonsense."

## EX-PRESIDENT OF BAVARIAN COURT CHARGED WITH LIQUIDATING CZECH JEWS

WUERZBERG, Germany, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Additional charges of Nazi activity were lodged here today against Dr. Rudolph Schiedermaier, former president of the Bavarian Administrative Court, who was suspended recently on charges of having been implicated in war crimes. According to the fresh charges, he participated during World War II in the "final solution" of the Jewish problem, by mass murder, in Czechoslovakia. He was, during World War II, in the Nazi Ministry of the Interior.

Meanwhile, a search was begun here today for a parcel of documentary material sent to the court here from Warsaw, presumably showing further proof of Dr. Schiedermaier's Nazi activities. It is believed that the parcel, which has thus far not been traced, may have been seized at some West German customs post in the belief that it contained contra-band Communist propaganda.

## PROTESTS AGAINST BARRING OF J. T. A. FROM STATE DEPT BRIEFING CONTINUE

NEW YORK, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Protests against the barring of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent, Milton Friedman, from a press briefing on the Arab refugee question by Robert C. Strong, head of the Near East section of the State Department, continued today in the Jewish press.

The Jewish Floridian, of Miami, called the act "a high-handed action of a small-minded bureaucracy without sufficient diplomatic finesse to cover the tracks of his own bigoted thinking." The arbitrary decision of the State Department official is "a dangerous one, whose implications go far beyond" the exclusion of the JTA correspondent from the press briefing.

The Jewish Day-Morning Journal, in an editorial today, said the newspaper "joins in the protests and expresses astonishment that a responsible official in the State Department practiced discrimination against a Jewish correspondent, and through him against the entire Jewish press."

## DR. FELDSBERG ELECTED PRESIDENT OF VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY

VIENNA, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Dr. Ernst Feldsberg, a 69-year-old attorney, was elected today as president of the Vienna Jewish Community. A vice-president for the past ten years, Dr. Feldsberg survived several years in the Nazi concentration camp at Theresienstadt. He succeeded Emil Maurer, who resigned at the age of 79 because of illness.

## AGUDAH LEADER TESTIFIES IN WASHINGTON ON AID TO PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- A proposal that Congress evolve a formula for provision of partial Federal aid to private and parochial schools was made here today in testimony before the House Education Committee by Rabbi Morris Sherer, of New York, executive vice-president of Agudath Israel of America. His proposal would exclude funds for religious studies in those schools, but would provide aid "only for the general studies programs which meet all the educational requirements of each state."

Rabbi Sherer pointed to "important contributions to the public welfare and to the growth of our country in the sciences, professions, government and industry" being made by graduates of Jewish all-day schools. "In all logic and fairness, the needs of these children in the private religiously oriented schools cannot be disregarded when Congress considers action to strengthen and improve educational quality and educational opportunity in the nation," he said. "To discriminate against these children is to deny them their sacred birthright as Americans to benefit along with all other school children."

## 1,840 JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ENTERED CANADA LAST YEAR; DECREASE NOTED

OTTAWA, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Although total immigration to Canada during 1962 rose by four percent, the number of Jewish immigrants decreased by ten percent as compared with those who arrived during 1961, a Department of Immigration report indicated today.

The data showed that 1,840 Jewish immigrants came to Canada during 1962, compared with 2,043 in 1961. Jewish immigrants admitted to Canada in 1962 ranked twelfth in size. The number of immigrants to Canada in 1962 whose country of last permanent residence was Israel was 558 in 1962, compared with 652 in 1961. The number of former Israeli citizens among immigrants to Canada was 587 in 1962 as compared with 674 in 1961.

## TWO JEWISH MAYORS IN CANADA SEEK RE-ELECTION; ACTIVE IN JEWISH LIFE

TORONTO, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Two Jews who are Mayors of their cities will seek re-election in the general elections April 8.

At Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Mayor Sidney Bukwold has been nominated by the Liberal Party there for re-election to his present office. He is president of the Canadian Association of Mayors and Reeves (sheriffs). At Port Arthur, Ontario, Mayor Saul Laskin has announced he will seek the Liberal Party nomination for re-election to his present post.

Both Mayors are active in their respective Jewish communities, being associated with the Canadian Jewish Congress, United Jewish Appeal campaigns and Zionist work. The Jewish populations in both cities are small.

## SAN FRANCISCO JEWS TAKE STEPS TO ACQUIRE ABANDONED JEWISH CEMETERIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- Steps to acquire and maintain abandoned Jewish cemeteries in the Mother Lode area in California, once a center of gold prospecting, have been taken up by a group of local Jewish leaders. The project backers, who include Justice Leonard Friedman and Rabbi Joseph Glaser, hope to develop a statewide committee for the effort.

A survey of the long-abandoned burial grounds has disclosed that many California Jewish pioneers who helped found Jewish communities now flourishing in northern California, are believed buried in the cemeteries. The Jewish leaders hope to acquire the cemeteries, restore them to proper conditions and maintain them as historic landmarks.

## 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF KISHINEV POGROM TO BE COMMEMORATED IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- The 60th anniversary of the infamous Kishinev Pogrom, the worst of Russian anti-Jewish massacres in the early years of the Twentieth Century, will be commemorated here next April 18, it was announced today by the World Federation of Bessarabian Jews, which has its headquarters in Tel Aviv. Leading members of the Government and of the Jewish Agency executive are expected to participate in the rites.

The pogrom in Kishinev, capital of Bessarabia, occurred on April 19 and 20, 1903. The Jewish casualties included nearly 50 dead and almost 600 injured. Seven hundred Jewish homes and 600 Jewish stores were destroyed, and the monetary damages were estimated at about 2,500,000 gold rubles. It was established definitely that Czarist officials were responsible for the massacre. Many outstanding Jewish literary figures wrote about the Kishinev Pogrom in various media and languages.

## JEWS IN ISTANBUL DECIDE TO ESTABLISH NEW JEWISH HIGH SCHOOL

ISTANBUL, Feb. 20. (JTA) -- A plan for the establishment of a new Jewish high school in the city's modern quarter of Sisli was decided upon here today by the Jewish Community of this city. The 32,000 Jews of Istanbul now have five communal elementary and one high school. In recent years, however, many Jews of higher incomes have moved to the Taxim-Sisli quarters.

BECAUSE OF WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY THE NEXT BULLETIN WILL APPEAR ON MONDAY