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ARGENTINE JEWISH LEADER REPORTS ON RISE OF ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Overt anti-Semitic attacks on Jews and Jewish property "has sensibly diminished" during the first half of 1963 but there has been an increase in publications instigating anti-Jewish hatred in Argentina, an expert reported today.

Dr. Mario Schteingart, president of the Argentine-Jewish Institute for Culture and Information, cited the official ban on such extremists groups as the Tacuara and the National Restoration Guard, which were involved in many months of anti-Semitic incidents in major Argentine cities.

Dr. Schteingart listed a variety of such publications. He mentioned large circulation publications, citing particularly the new "Arab Nation," an attractive magazine published by the local office of the Arab League. He said the three issues published to date were full of the standard anti-Semitic charges against Jews, including alleged usury, double loyalty, and treachery in addition to the usual Arab derogations of Israel. He said the periodical was available on all newspaper stands.

Another group he listed was books and pamphlets published and distributed by the Huemel Publishing House, including publications signed by Father Julio Meinvielle, who has admitted acting as "spiritual adviser" to the Tacuara group.

Dr. Schteingart reported that attractively-printed reprints of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, the classic publication of anti-Semitism, were on sale in most bookstores in Buenos Aires. He said that the reprint has the publication sources of "Maximo Pere" but that it was evident that it was edited by the Huemel House.

He also mentioned official Catholic publications, such as "Our Lady of Fatima Parish Bulletin," which published such material as that of Juan Mlensek, a priest of Yugoslavian origin, which expressed "deep hate against the Jews" and simultaneously praised the Tacuara movement.

Another category was pamphlets such as one entitled "Free America" circulated mainly in high schools and universities. Dr. Schteingart said the fifth issue of the publication, dated in Montevideo, contained a variety of anti-Semitic accusations.

Finally, he cited some nationalistic publications circulating mostly among military forces which, he said, maintained a continuous propaganda on the theme that Communism and Judaism were "two faces of the same medal" and organized "in a vast world conspiracy!"

He said that he felt that such publications might be even more dangerous than the physical offenses because "they corrupt" the minds of large sectors of the Argentine people, particularly its younger generation.

IMPORTANCE OF U. N. FORCES ON ISRAEL-EGYPTIAN BORDERS STRESSED

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Secretary General U Thant told the General Assembly here today, in presenting the 1964 budget for the U. N. Emergency Force that "UNEF continues effectively to serve as the stabilizing influence in maintaining peace in the Gaza-Sinai area of operations."

Mr. Thant presented a budget calling for UNEF maintenance expenditures for 1964 totaling \$18,954,300, which is \$5,700 less than the 1963 budget. In spite of reports that Mr. Thant is considering the possibility of reducing the strength of UNEF, there is no such indication in his proposed budget. He reported that UNEF's strength consists of 5,149 men.

The financing of UNEF is one of the items of contention in the general problem of United Nations financing, since the Soviet Union and a number of other members have refused consistently to pay their special UNEF assessments. "The force," Mr. Thant informed the Assembly, "has continued its peace-keeping so effectively that there have been no serious incidents during the past year. This underscores the continuing need for its mission of policing and acting as a buffer along the long line."

PALESTINE ARABS SPLIT ON DELEGATION TO U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JERUSALEM, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- An Arab League plan to send to the United Nations General Assembly a unified "Palestine Arab delegation" headed by former Saudi Arabian delegate Ahmed Shukairy has evoked the bitter opposition of the former Mufti of Jerusalem, it was reported here today.

The former Mufti, a collaborator with the Hitler regime during the war, who heads the "Arab Higher Committee" announced in Beirut he opposed Shukairy's appointment to speak on behalf of the "Palestine Arabs."

The ex-Mufti added that the "Arab Higher Committee" would appoint its own delegation which would proceed to the United Nations. The ex-Mufti declared in a cable to the Arab League, that Shukairy's appointment was "a gross violation" of previous League decisions regarding Palestine.

ISRAEL RECALLS ITS MINISTER FROM SO. AFRICA; NAMES NO SUCCESSOR

JERUSALEM, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Israel has recalled its Minister to South Africa, Simcha Pratt, and will henceforth be represented there by a Charge D'Affaires. The move is understood to have been made in the spirit of continuing criticism of South Africa in the United Nations over its apartheid policy.

While the return of Simcha Pratt was formerly described as completion of a tour of duty, it was learned that Israel will not name a successor Minister.

ANTI-JEWISH ACTS CONSIDERED BY SOVIET DIPLOMAT AS 'LITTLE THINGS'

NEW YORK, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Anti-Jewish activities by Soviet officials were described as "little things" by the First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Washington during a meeting with Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, the Congressman disclosed here last night.

Rep. Farbstein described the meeting with Anatoly G. Mishkov in an address last night to 200 leaders of the Farband Labor Zionist Order, in which he charged that "from all available evidence, it seems clear that the Soviet rulers are determined to wipe out Judaism as a religion."

The Congressman said that the Soviet diplomat came to see him in the interest of establishing better relations with the United States. The Congressman told the Soviet diplomat that such better relations were impeded as long as Americans continued to hear reports of Soviet discrimination against Jews. He cited the many instances of synagogue closings, the arrests and trial of Jews on charges of black marketeering in matzohs and the spotlighting of Jewish defendants in economic crimes trials.

Rep. Farbstein said the Soviet diplomat then asked him if he would allow "these little things" to stand in the way of good relations and that he replied that "when you have many 'little things' of this nature, they turn into 'big obstacles.'"

Louis Segal, General Secretary of Farband and a member of the executive of the Jewish Agency for Israel, who also addressed the conference of the Labor Zionist order, called attention to the fact that only last week Jews in Soviet Russia were forbidden to hold prayer meetings in private homes on Rosh Hashona, even though in many places no synagogue facilities were available.

15,000 Synagogues to Recite Prayer for Soviet Jewry on Yom Kippur

JERUSALEM, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- A special prayer for the fate of Soviet Jewry, to be recited during the opening of the ark on Yom Kippur, has been distributed by the Chief Rabbinate to 15,000 synagogues in Israel and throughout the world, it was announced here today. The prayer, which was composed by Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, calls for Divine intercession to end the oppression of Russian Jewry.

Noting that Russian Jewry had been separated from the mainstream of the Jewish people, and "that they have been deprived of their freedom and their synagogues and houses of learning have been shut down," the prayer asks for Divine intervention to "deliver them from their servitude and grant them freedom" to observe the Torah without interference, and to emigrate to the Holy Land.

MOROCCAN EXTREMISTS SEEK RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF HEBREW BY JEWS

CASABLANCA, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- The Moroccan publication Akhbar ed-Dounia, known for its anti-Jewish attitude, today published a vitriolic article protesting the fact that certain Jewish merchants use the Hebrew language in their commercial transactions.

The publication asserted that Jews have no right to use Hebrew other than on a religious level, that Hebrew is a language that was "dead for 5,000 years" and was recently revived. The paper published the facsimile of a receipt sent by a Jewish merchant to a Moslem customer which was written in Hebrew. It accused the Jewish merchant of Zionist sympathies and of wanting to make Hebrew a third language in Morocco.

MINORS BANNED IN LONDON FROM PLAY ON POPE PIUS' STAND ON JEWS

LONDON, Sept. 24, (JTA) -- The Lord Chamberlain's office announced today that no one under 16 would be permitted to attend performances of the controversial West German play, "The Deputy" which opens here tomorrow night at the Aldwych Theater. The play, written by the German writer, Rolf Hochhuth, charges that the late Pope Pius XII failed to protest against the Nazi wartime slaughter of European Jewry.

The ban was imposed largely because of film sequences to be shown between acts of the play. At the Lord Chamberlain's request, the Royal Shakespeare Company which is putting on the play, also will print on all programs for the performance "an authoritative Catholic opinion" on the issues involved in the play. Each program will include a lengthy letter written by Pope Paul VI to a Catholic publication on June 21.

The letter ends with the words: "Let some men say what they will, the reputation of Pius XII as a true Vicar of Christ as one who tried to carry out, as far as he could, the mission entrusted to him, will not be affected. But what is the gain to art and culture when the theater lends itself to injustice of this sort?"

Catholic Archbishop-elect John Heenan was asked today at a press conference what he thought of the play. He replied: "My Jewish friends will say all that is necessary. They know the record of Pius XII. I am happy to let them say whether or nor he was their friend."

British Diplomat Defends Pope's Inaction on Jews Under Nazis

In addition to appending Pope Paul's letter as a supplement to the program, the Royal Shakespeare Company has also included in the supplement quotes from a sharp attack on the play by Desmond Fisher, editor of the Catholic Herald. The play, which is also scheduled to be performed in one of the Broadway theatres in New York this fall, is shown in London under the title "The Representative."

A strong defense of the late Pope Pius' wartime attitude toward the Nazis, and a sharp attack on Hochhuth for his play on the topic is contained in a pamphlet written by a former official of the British Legation at the Vatican published today by the Catholic Truth Society.

Sir Alex Randall, former secretary of the legation, accused the West German playwright of "crude bias" and "obsessive dislike" of Pius XII. Sir Alec contended that Hitler could have done even worse since at the time he had several million more Jews in his grasp and that he could have vented his fury on Christians too. The British writer asserted that the Pope had in mind the example of the Dutch hierarchy who "by their vigorous protests against the deportations of Dutch Jews caused the Nazi governor to deport also the Catholic Jews."

The British diplomat said "it could not be the Pope's duty to abandon the government of the church and force millions of his spiritual children to choose between patriotism and martyrdom." He added that after the war, the Pope was thanked for his actions by many Jewish leaders.

JEWISH WITNESS TESTIFIES AT TRIAL OF NAZI WHO KILLED LODZ JEWS

HANNOVER, Sept. 24, (JTA) -- David Gertler, a former Jewish official in the Nazi-occupied Lodz Ghetto testified today in the Bradfish-Fuchs murder trial here that former Gestapo commissar Guenther Fuchs freed Jewish inmates in return for money, clothing and food bribes.

Fuchs, 52, is on trial with Otto Bradfisch, 70, on charges of complicity in the wartime murders of some 86,000 Jews. Bradfisch was brought to Hannover for trial from prison where he is currently serving a ten-year term for complicity in the murder of 15,000 Jews when he commanded an extermination squad in occupied Russia.

AUSTRIAN MINISTER WARNS WAR VETERANS AGAINST WEARING SWASTIKAS

VIENNA, Sept. 24, (JTA) -- Interior Minister Franz Olah cracked down today on war veterans organizations with a warning that if even one member appeared at a public meeting wearing a swastika, he would dissolve the organization immediately.

He ordered police to allow only meetings of veterans groups called to commemorate war dead and he ordered a strict ban on military manifestations. Participants may participate only in civilian clothing, he said.

VIENNA POLICE ARREST YOUTHS FOR DESECRATING JEWISH CEMETERY

VIENNA, Sept. 24, (JTA) -- Austrian police announced today the arrest of two 16-year-old vandals of a Jewish cemetery who were caught trying to sell gold teeth fillings taken from skeletons in the cemetery. The vandals, whose names were withheld, uprooted six tombs and three vaults in the Jewish central cemetery in their search for loot.

DR. MORDECAI KAPLAN TO FORM RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR JUDAISM

NEW YORK, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, the eminent Jewish scholar and founder of the Reconstructionist movement, said today that he was planning to establish a Research Institute for Contemporary Judaism in the hope of stemming "the progressive deterioration of Jewish life in the United States and indeed throughout the world."

Dr. Kaplan said he had noticed that the announcement of his retirement from the active service of the Jewish Theological Seminary had been misinterpreted by some Jewish newspapers and emphasized that his major interest for a number of years has been the Reconstructionist movement.

"The progressive deterioration of Jewish life in the United States, and indeed throughout the world, has given me no rest," Dr. Kaplan declared. "The conventional approaches to religion, to education, to Jewish community life and to the survival of the Jewish people as a creative spiritual force in the world, have failed. Nothing less than a completely new approach is needed to reinvigorate Judaism in our time.

"In the years that remain for me, I wish to devote myself to studying how to stem the tide of disintegration, to find out how to improve all aspects of Jewish life. For this reason I am hoping to establish a Research Institute for Contemporary Judaism. The purpose of this Institute is to turn the attention of my colleagues and myself to a series of projects through which we can learn what needs to be done in order that all Jewish religious, Zionist, cultural and social service activities be conducted from the standpoint of Judaism as an evolving and progressive religious civilization in which there must be room for unity in diversity and in which tradition shall have a vote but not the authority of a veto."

Dr. Kaplan added that participants in the Institute would be rabbis, educators and social workers "who are already active in their respective fields of endeavor," drawn from "all denominations and from those who have no official affiliation with any of them."

CHICAGO HIGH SCHOOL PICKETED BY 'CORE' WITH SIGNS 'GILDED GHETTO'

CHICAGO, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Officials of the Congress for Racial Equality contended that the phrase "gilded ghetto" on signs by pickets at the Mather High School were meant to refer to the fact that the school was a "white ghetto" and not to the Jewish make-up of the student population. About 95 per cent of the students are Jewish, the Sentinel, English-Jewish publication, reported.

The pickets also carried signs asking for an "end to segregation." The nearest non-white high school is several miles away. Students at Mather High said they would not object to admission of Negroes but many added they felt the picketing at the school was "foolish" because there are no Negroes living in the school neighborhood.

ELI ALMI, NOTED JEWISH AUTHOR, COMMITS SUICIDE; PUBLISHED 26 BOOKS

NEW YORK, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Eli Almi, a prominent Jewish writer, committed suicide today. He had been director of the Yiddish-Hebrew department of the United Jewish Appeal from its inception until his retirement several years ago.

Born in Warsaw in 1892, he came to the United States as a youth and entered Jewish journalism as a columnist for the Jewish Daily News in 1913. He was a member of the American Philosophical Society, the Yiddish PEN Club, the I. L. Peretz Writers Club and the Spinoza Institute of America. He was the author of 18 volumes of essays as well as of five volumes of poetry and three collections of short stories as well as many pamphlets.

M. GAYNOR, AGED JEWISH AUTHOR, DIES FOLLOWING ATTACK IN N.Y. SUBWAY

NEW YORK, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- Moishe Gaynor, a 77-year-old author of books and articles in Yiddish and Hebrew died today in a hospital after he was attacked by a muscular six-foot subway rider who was jailed by police on a charge of homicide.

The victim, who wrote under the pen-name M. Chochom, had tried to stop a quarrel between Jerry Watts and another subway rider. Watts, a laborer, who had been quarreling with the other passenger, turned on Gaynor and beat him with his fists. As Gaynor was describing the attack, to the police, he complained of feeling sick and was rushed to a hospital where he died early today.

LODZ STREET NAMED AFTER JEWISH HERO OF WARSAW GHETTO REVOLT

LONDON, Sept. 24. (JTA) -- The City Council of Lodz, Poland, has voted to rename one of the city's avenues, Pepper Street, to Berlinski Street, according to a dispatch from Warsaw received here today. The new name honors Hirsch Berlinski, one of the fighters in the Warsaw Ghetto, who was a native of Lodz.