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U. J. A. LEADERS TOLD AT ROME PARLEY THAT NEEDS WILL BE LARGER IN 1964

ROME, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Joseph Meyerhoff of Baltimore, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, told the 100 members of the UJA Study Mission today that "much more money will be required in 1964" than the UJA raised in 1963. He indicated that the goal of the 1964 campaign was expected to exceed substantially the \$60,000,000 raised in 1963 for domestic and overseas welfare needs.

He spoke after mission members heard a series of reports on the needs of Jews in France, Italy and eastern Europe on the second day of the four-day session in Rome. He asked the mission members to anticipate their forthcoming visit to Israel, which will be a ten-day tour, in the same sense of dedicating themselves to a process of study. He added that "only if you intend to understand in depth the whole vast problem of relief and rescue will you be able to interpret it to your fellow-Jews back home."

One of the reports presented today indicated that in France during the past year, organizations operating with subventions from the American Joint Distribution Committee met 80,000 requests for welfare services of various types for North African settlers. The report showed that 15 months after the influx of more than 100,000 Algerian Jews into France, only 20 to 25 per cent could be considered as adequately housed and employed and otherwise integrated into French society.

It was estimated that of the other 75,000, one-quarter would succeed in adapting themselves fairly well within the next year or two with the help of the massive subsistence and training program the JDC is supporting in France. The future of the remaining Jewish newcomers--more than 55,000 persons--hangs in the balance at present, the critical factors being jobs and housing which are rarely to be found in the same locality, the mission was told.

Reports on Italy indicated it was becoming of increasing importance as a center for transmigration of Jewish refugees now leaving eastern Europe and North Africa to resettle in Israel, France, North America, South America and Australia. The mission members were told that some 2,500 migrants would be passing through Rome, Genoa, Trieste and Naples in the next month or so enroute to countries of final destination.

The mission members attended a dinner tonight at the Pallazo Ruspoli at which they heard reports from Baron Guy de Rothschild, head of the Fonds Social Juif Unifie, the major French Jewish welfare agency, and Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the JDC. Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, UJA executive vice-chairman, presided at the dinner.

TRIAL OF 104 YESHIVA STUDENTS STARTS IN ISRAEL; CONVENT HEAD TESTIFIES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- A mass trial of 104 yeshiva students, accused of trespassing on the premises of Christian missionary schools in demonstrations staged September 10, started here today before Magistrate Eliezer Halevy.

A sharp dispute developed when Shmuel Tamir, counsel for the defense, objected to the magistrate's ruling, holding that the nature of the schools, invaded by the demonstrators was not to be mentioned in the proceedings. Mr. Tamir insisted that the "character and aims" or St. Joseph Convent, one of the institutions invaded, must be spelled out to prove that the "essential ingredient" of the trespass was not criminal in intent.

"Even if the demonstrators were mistaken in their honest opinions regarding the nature of the institution," he argued, "it would be a travesty of justice if the accused would be deprived of the chance to explain their actions."

Magistrate Halevy said at the end of the afternoon session of the day-long trial that he will rule tomorrow as to whether cross-examination will continue. It is believed that the defense will pursue its line of questioning about the "character and aims" of the convent if further cross-examination is permitted.

The first and only witness for the prosecution today was Jerusalem Julie Grasse, Mother Superior of St. Joseph Convent. She testified that, on the afternoon of September 10, she heard a commotion and saw 80 to 100 "religious persons" in the convent courtyard. She said that a nun immediately locked the front doors, and that the demonstrators

did not enter the convent edifice but "sat or squatted" without hurting anyone or injuring property. "They neither attacked nor damaged the premises," she testified.

The Mother Superior said that she summoned police, who removed the demonstrators "without incident." It was on cross-examination that Mr. Tamir tried time and again to develop the "character and aims" of the convent. But the magistrate just as persistently refused to permit questioning along that line.

ISRAEL TO ACT IF IRAQI TROOPS ARE STATIONED ON SYRIAN-ISRAELI BORDER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Israel will act through the United Nations to secure the withdrawal of Iraqi troops from the Syrian-Israeli border if such troops will be stationed there as a result of the unification of the armed forces of Syria and Iraq under a joint command. Should diplomatic efforts not bring about the withdrawal of the Iraqi units, Israel will seek other steps to ensure their withdrawal.

Indications to this effect were given here today in political quarters. Iraq had refused to sign an armistice agreement with Israel in 1949, when such pacts had been signed by Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon. Iraq contended at that time that no Iraqi-Israeli armistice agreement was needed, since the two countries had no common border. Yesterday, the Iraqi Minister of War declared that Syria's armistice pact with Israel does not affect Iraq. Iraq and Syria announced last week the unification of their military forces.

PRESIDENT OF BUNDESTAG RENEWS CALL FOR DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ISRAEL

BONN, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Dr. Eugen Gerstenmaier, president of the Bundestag, West Germany's lower House, renewed his call yesterday for diplomatic relations with Israel, asserting that West Germany was "morally obligated" to seek such relations.

He spoke at the opening in Cologne of an exhibit of the 2,000-year history of Rhenish Jews and stressed the need for a "normalization" of relations between the two countries, despite "difficulties and certain risks" involved for West Germany. This was understood to be a reference to the opposition of the Bonn Foreign Ministry to such ties out of fears that the Arab countries might react by recognition of Communist East Germany.

There are 2,200 objects on loan from 15 countries in the exhibit, including ancient volumes, prayerbooks, medieval ordinances and pictures and documents of the Nazi destruction of the ancient Jewish Communities that lived on the banks of the Rhine from the Swiss to the Netherlands borders.

DR. ADENAUER ACCEPTS BEN-GURION'S INVITATION TO VISIT ISRAEL

BONN, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Dr. Konrad Adenauer, who ended today 14 years of service as Chancellor of West Germany, has accepted an invitation from former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion of Israel to visit the Israeli border at his collective farm, according to Israeli sources here.

Dr. Adenauer and Mr. Ben-Gurion have been close personally, though there are no diplomatic relations between the two countries. No indication was given as to when Dr. Adenauer would go to Israel on what would be his first visit there.

TWENTY-THREE NAZIS TO GO ON TRIAL FOR KILLING JEWS IN AUSCHWITZ

FRANKFURT, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Twenty-three defendants will go on trial here December 20 on charges of killing hundreds of thousands of Jews at the notorious Auschwitz camp, it was reported here today. More than 250 witnesses from Germany and 14 other countries will testify at the proceedings expected to last six to eight months.

The charges against the accused followed a four-year investigation by West German justice officials who said that one of the defendants was an inmate of the camp and the rest were former officers at Auschwitz.

UNEXPLODED BOMB DISCOVERED IN SYNAGOGUE BUILDING IN RIO DE JANEIRO

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- An unexploded bomb, and a swastika-embellished letter warning of anti-Jewish attacks "similar to those that took place in Argentina," were discovered this morning in the Gemilut Chassadim Synagogue, a Sephardic congregation here. Police authorities said they will seek to apprehend the persons responsible.

SC. AFRICAN ZIONIST LEADERS TO DISCUSS APARTHEID ISSUE WITH ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- A delegation of leaders of the South African Zionist Federation arrived here today, presumably to discuss the situation arising from Israel's opposition to the apartheid policy practiced by the Republic of South Africa.

The delegation is composed of A. Horowitz, president of the South African Zionist Federation; H. Trock, treasurer; and Z. Infeld, secretary. They were scheduled to confer today with members of the Jewish Agency. It was expected that they would also confer with officials of the Foreign Ministry.

JEWISH COMMUNITY LEADER ELECTED AS SENATOR IN MOROCCAN PARLIAMENT

CASABLANCA, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The election of David Amar, secretary-general of the Council of Moroccan Jewish Communities, as a Senator in the Moroccan Parliament was announced today. He was elected a Senator of the Chamber of Councillors which, together with the Chamber of Representatives, constitute the country's Parliament.

He ran on the ticket of the Front for Defense of Constitutional Institutions, the royalist slate. He was recently elected first vice-president of the Rabat Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

His election brought to two the number of Jewish members of Parliament. The other is Meyer Obadia, a member of the Chamber of Representatives. It was also announced that Georges Niddam, a member of the Casablanca Jewish Committee and a municipal councillor, has been elected a member of the Prefectoral Assembly for the Casablanca region.

The Moroccan television network today presented a special program by Moroccan Jewish artists, the third time that such a program has been presented here. Earlier programs featured several cantors. The Moroccan radio network regularly broadcasts a radio program devoted to the Jewish community here.

SENATOR DELIVERS PASSIONATE SPEECH IN SENATE ON JEWS IN RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Senator Herman Talmadge, Georgia Democrat, today delivered in the Senate a passionate speech deploring "religious persecution against the Jews in the Soviet Union."

The Southern Democrat said he was "distressed and disturbed" about anti-Jewish events in the Soviet Union. He warned that "the world did not heed the anguished cries of the Jews in Germany in the 1930's and the madman Hitler was allowed to set out on the most vile, the most inhuman policy of extermination ever conceived by civilized man."

"This ghastly lesson in history still sticks in our throats, and we must never forget it or permit it to happen again," said Sen. Talmadge. He told the Senate that Jews in Russia were "systematically victimized," stripped of their religion and culture, made objects of vilification, and even executed as alleged "economic criminals."

"We cannot in good conscience look the other way. We must mount a mighty wave of protest until an overwhelming tide of world indignation forces the government of the Soviet Union to recognize the error of its ways," the Senator stated.

CLERGYMEN APPEAL TO KENNEDY TO SECURE MATZOH-BAKING IN RUSSIA

CLEVELAND, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Fifteen Cleveland clergymen representing the three major faiths--Catholic, Protestant and Jewish--appealed to President Kennedy today to urge the Soviet Union "officially" to permit Jews in the USSR to bake matzoth from the wheat which the Administration has agreed to let Russia buy in this country.

In a telegram to the President, the 15 signers stated: "In selling wheat to the Russians, America's traditional concern for reducing human suffering would be made most clear by an official and urgent plea that the wheat not be used as an instrument of discrimination against a minority group. Specifically, the Soviet Government should make this wheat available as desired for use as matzoth, which are essential to Jewish Passover observance."

"For the past two years, the Russian Government has prohibited the manufacture and sale of matzoth, along with many more serious harassments of Soviet Jewry which have included the closing of synagogues, 'show trials' for economic offenses, special restrictions on educational and vocational opportunities, and a mounting campaign of terror and vilification in the press."

"We respectfully submit that American wheat should not become an instrument of official Soviet policy of persecuting the Jewish minority group for the seeming purpose of solving internal problems. Urging the Soviet Government to alter such policies would confirm the sincere desire of the United States to champion the worldwide cause of human rights."

The signers included seven Protestant ministers; six rabbis; Msgr. Lawrence P. Cahill, president of St. John College; and the Rev. Vincent P. Haas, moderator of the Catholic Interracial Council of Greater Cleveland.

Argentine Jews Express Concern over Soviet Jewry to Moscow Envoy

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry, today brought to the attention of the special Soviet envoy attending the inauguration ceremonies of Argentine President Carlos Arturo Illia, the concern over the situation of Jews in the Soviet Union voiced earlier this month by a group of leading Argentine intellectuals. A letter on this subject was sent by the DAIA to Ivan V. Spirdonov, the special USSR envoy to the inauguration ceremonies.

MISSOURI'S NEW SUNDAY LAW BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON TEMPORARY BASIS

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Under a complicated series of court rulings, Missouri's new Sunday law, banning sales of a variety of products, was in effect in the state today but only on a temporary basis.

The new law replaced a 138-year-old ban which the Missouri Supreme Court had ruled unconstitutional on grounds of vagueness. It became effective after the State Supreme Court issued a temporary writ which set aside a lower court order blocking enforcement against a Kansas City drug store firm. The company won the lower court order on its plea that the law be suspended pending a decision on its constitutionality.

In response, state officials asked the Supreme Court to set aside the lower court order which was done but on a temporary basis. The new law bans Sunday sales of autos, furniture, housewares and clothing.

NEW ORLEANS JEWISH LEDGER SUSPENDS PUBLICATION; EXISTED 68 YEARS

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The New Orleans Jewish Ledger has suspended publication after 68 years of service to the New Orleans Jewish community. Announcement of the suspension was made in last Friday's issue. The paper had been in financial difficulties for some months.

A. Slabot, president of the publishing company and editor of the paper, said in a statement that "because of its 68 years of service, the Ledger has become a community tradition, and because to many it is their only means of keeping abreast of events in the Jewish world, we hope that the suspension will be of short duration."

SITE FOR AMERICAN-ISRAEL PAVILION DEDICATED AT N. Y. WORLD'S FAIR

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The site for the American-Israel Pavilion at the New York 1964-65 World's Fair was dedicated here yesterday in the presence of New York Senator Kenneth Keating, World's Fair President Robert Moses and other officials of the Fair and the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

In his address, Sen. Keating described the proposed Pavilion as a "gesture of good will towards Israel." He cited Israel as an example of a country which, by making judicious use of aid provided by Americans to develop her facilities and resources, can now contribute to newer nations seeking a higher standard of living.

Mr. Moses presented the officials of the American-Israel World's Fair Corporation with official medallions of the exposition. A stone from the King Solomon Mines was given to Mr. Moses by Harold Caplin, chairman of the board of the American-Israel Corporation.

TWO ISRAELI ENGINEERS JOIN NEW YORK CITY'S MUNICIPAL SERVICES

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Two young Israeli engineers, graduates of Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, this week went on the payroll of the City of New York in a new program that is designed to provide Israel engineers with specialized know-how and experience.

The two--Meir Schwartz and Mordechai Blank--are native-born Israelis who earned their degrees at the Technion within the past seven years. Mr. Schwartz will work in the Department of Public Works and Mr. Blank in the Department of Highways, while three other Technion graduates, who are scheduled to start work next month, will work in the Department of Marine and Aviation. The Technion graduates have been given the special title of Exchange Trainee and will earn salaries equivalent to those of Junior Civil Engineers.

The special program was developed by the American Technion Society in cooperation with New York's Mayor Robert F. Wagner and City Council President Paul R. Scervane. At a ceremony at City Hall, the Technion engineers presented Mayor Wagner with a newly published multi-lingual technical dictionary, compiled by a member of the Technion faculty, consisting of five languages--Hebrew, English, French, German and Russian.

STATE IN BRAZIL SIGNS TECHNICAL COOPERATION PACT WITH ISRAEL

SAC PAULO, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- A technical cooperation agreement to improve irrigation procedures in the State of Goias of Brazil was signed today in the Israel Embassy by Governor Mauro Borges and Ambassador Arie' Eshel.

Under the agreement, Israel technicians will go to Goias and scholarships are being provided for Brazilian specialists to study irrigation techniques in Israel. Several specialists are leaving for Israel this week under the program.

ISRAEL REPRESENTED AT INAUGURATION CEREMONIES OF ARGENTINE PRESIDENT

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Israel's Justice Minister Dov Joseph took part as his country's representative here in the inauguration ceremonies of Argentina's new President Carlos Arturo Illia. Yesterday, Dr. Joseph appeared over the Argentine television network in a special program during which he greeted the Argentine people and extended his Government's greetings to the new Argentine Administration.