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## TRIAL OF 104 ZEALOTS IN JERUSALEM ENTERS THIRD DAY TOMORROW

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Magistrate Eliezer Halevy, presiding here at the mass trial of 104 ultra-Orthodox youths accused of "criminal trespass" during a demonstration they staged last month at St. Joseph Convent, a missionary school, affirmed his ruling today that the defense must not bring in the school's "character and aims."

Shmuel Tamir, the attorney for the defense, who objected to such a ruling yesterday, continued during the trial today to try to inject the schools' missionary activities into the proceedings. Magistrate Halevy, however, told the defense counsel: "We are concerned here merely with the trespassing offense. The character of a convent or of missions is the business of the legislature."

Mr. Tamir tried to elicit information about the school's missionary activities from Jerusalem Julie Grasse, Mother Superior of the convent, when she testified, during cross-examination that her institution's aim was to teach Catholicism. He charged that her testimony demonstrated that parents of Jewish children attending the school were in violation of Israel's compulsory education law.

A photographer who took pictures of the demonstration, last September 10, and police officers who arrested the demonstrators, also testified today. The trial resulted from countryside demonstrations by ultra-religious youths. All 104 pleaded not guilty. The trial will resume tomorrow.

## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REPORTS ON ISRAEL'S ECONOMIC GROWTH

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The U. S. Department of Commerce reported today that prospects for United States exports to Israel "remain good in an economy which continues prosperous provided United States suppliers maintain effective promotional efforts for their products."

The report noted that Israel's gross national product "continues to grow at the impressive rate of 10 to 12 per cent a year." The report also cited the fact that an Israel program of import liberalization, which was started at the beginning of 1962, "has freed over half of all Israeli import items from administrative import licensing controls."

"A first modest result of this liberalization, as indicated by preliminary data, has been an increase in Israeli imports of consumer goods at the same time that larger than imports of investment goods have been resumed," the Department reported. "Since inauguration of the program in early 1962, import licenses have been granted, covering \$4,200,000 in goods formerly protected. By August 1963, \$1,800,000 of this had actually been imported."

The report said that the liberalization program had been slowed down in recent months because of pressures from local producers but that administrative controls were nevertheless being removed on 23 additional commodities covering formerly protected products.

### U. S. Firms Warned that Israel's Market Is 'Highly Competitive'

The report said that many of these items "should be of interest to United States suppliers, including irrigation pipes and fittings, plumbing fixtures, and a number of electrical items such as circuit breakers, fuses, switchboards, starters and elevators." However, the report warned, the Israeli market was "highly competitive" and that aggressive salesmanship was required "if the United States is to maintain in 1963 the high 33 per cent share of the Israeli market attained in 1962."

The Department noted that Israeli trade figures for the first four months of 1963 point toward a relative decline in the United States share of the Israeli market. The United States percentage of the market, 34.4 per cent in the January-April period of 1962, fell to 25.1 per cent in 1963. At the same time, other countries improved their relative positions. According to Israeli sources, total imports during January-June 1963 were \$320,000,000 compared with \$298,500,000 in 1962."

The Department reported that some observers felt that a greater emphasis on effective salesmanship "would do much to increase United States sales during the remainder of the year, especially in those lines where U. S. suppliers have traditionally excelled, such as machinery and transport goods, telecommunication equipment, construction equipment and manufactured goods."

# INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FAVORS RAISING CREDIT TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Israel's effort to obtain a doubling of its present quota in the International Monetary Fund to \$50,000,000 is "being favorably considered" by IMF officials, David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel, said here today.

Mr. Horowitz, who returned from an IMF conference in Washington last week, said that, if the Israeli bid is approved, Israel will have to deposit 25 per cent of that sum. However, Israel would then be entitled to draw on the full amount or even more as a loan, should it need help in meeting its balance of payment difficulties.

M. H. Rocherau, the head of a European Economic Community delegation now visiting Israel, conferred here today with Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir regarding the implementation of the recent decision by the Common Market to include Israel's aid projects in Africa within the aid framework of the EEC. The association will take the form of a grant of Euromart scholarships for African students studying in Israel. The EEC delegation also met with Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and Deputy Premier Abba Eban.

M. Rocherau, who is a member of the EEC Commission in charge of assistance to African countries, noted that Israel is, so far, the only non-member of the Common Market to be included in the EEC aid framework. The Common Market official also discussed with Mr. Sapir the possibility of Israel participating in pro-African development projects to be financed by Euromart's special fund.

## U.S. LENDS HAIFA TECHNION HEAVY WATER FOR ATOMIC ENERGY RESEARCH

HAIFA, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Four tons of heavy water, a key component in atomic energy research, arrived today at the Haifa Institute of Technology on loan from the United States Atomic Energy Commission. The shipment is valued at \$168,000.

Israel also has asked the United States for a loan of three tons of natural uranium for use in training engineers for nuclear power station operations.

## ISRAEL UNAWARE OF ALLEGED SALE BY BELGIUM OF 'UZZIS' TO SOUTH AFRICA

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Official sources here denied today a report that Israel recently complained to the Belgian Fabrique Company about its alleged sale of Israeli Uzzi submachineguns to South Africa. The sources said that, since 1961, when Israel made it clear to the Belgian firm that it opposed such sales, no information had been received on any further arms transactions with South Africa.

Israel has a limited agreement with the Fabrique firm for an exchange of knowledge in the manufacture of Uzzi parts, which are made in Israel and in Belgium. Under that agreement no sale is permissible to a third party without prior consent by Israel. The Belgian firm has been informed by Israel that it opposes the supply of arms to any area of "international tension" or to "colonial states engaged in suppressing national movements fighting for freedom."

## 200,000 PEOPLE IN ISRAEL REPORTED LIVING AT BELOW-SUBSISTENCE LEVEL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- More than 200,000 people in Israel are now living at below-subsistence level and deriving inadequate incomes through social assistance and insurance allowances or relief work, Dr. Israel Katz, director of the Hebrew University's Paul Baerwald School of Social Work, declared here today.

Dr. Katz, who addressed the ceremonies at which 60 graduates of the school were awarded degrees, called on the Israel Government to bridge the growing economic and cultural gaps between the different sections of the population and to halt the present trend of imposing great responsibilities on social workers without providing the necessary conditions under which they could effectively conduct their work.

Dr. Eliahu Elath, president of the university, announced that an external course of professional studies will be introduced at the Baerwald School during the coming academic year for directors of Jewish communities in Europe.

## MINISTERIAL BODY BACKS PLANS FOR EXTENSION OF ISRAEL'S RAILWAYS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Ministerial Economic Committee today approved plans for the extension of the Israel railways system from its present southern terminus at Beersheba to Dimona, which lies about 20 miles to the southwest of the Negev city. The project, estimated to cost about 10,000,000 pounds (\$3,300,000), is expected to be completed within two years.

The committee also approved the initial planning of a further extension of the railway line to Oron, site of the Negev's major phosphate works, which is about 10 miles south of Dimona.

## POLAND'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL PRESENTS HIS CREDENTIALS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Poland's first Ambassador to Israel, Joseph Pouta, presented his letters of credence to President Zalman Shazar here today. Until now, Poland has been represented in Israel by an envoy holding the lower rank of Minister.

# MOROCCAN JUSTICE MINISTRY NAMES JEW AS COUNSELOR TO SUPREME COURT

CASABLANCA, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Salomon Bensabat, former counselor to the Court of Appeal at Tangier, was named today Counselor to the Supreme Court at Rabat by the Moroccan Justice Ministry.

A former rabbi, he had been named by the late Mohammed V to the National Consultative Assembly in 1956. He had been head of the Maimonides Institute at Tetuan.

# JEWISH WOMAN COLLAPSES IN COURT FACING NAZI WHO KILLED HER CHILDREN

HANOVER, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A woman survivor of the Nazi destruction of the Lodz Ghetto in occupied Poland broke down during testimony in the Bradfisch-Fuchs war crimes trial here yesterday, screaming "murderer" at Gunther Fuchs, 52, a former Gestapo official.

Mrs. Ida Weynberg, 51, now a resident of Paris, told the court that Fuchs had shot her in the leg when she begged permission to go with her two children to a Nazi death camp. Fuchs and Otto Bradfisch, Gestapo mayor of Lodz during the war, are on trial here on charges of helping to murder some 86,000 Jews during the Lodz occupation.

She testified that Gestapo men, acting under Fuchs orders, tore her children, then seven and three, from her arms for transport to the Kulmhof death camp. She said the older child called to her from the death van, "Mama, mama, don't leave us now." Her voice breaking, Mrs. Weynberg testified that she managed to break through the police line and she begged Fuchs "Let me go to my children--take me, too." In response, she testified, Fuchs drew a gun and shot her in the leg.

She collapsed again when she showed the judge photographs of her murdered children. As court aides helped her from the witness stand, she screamed, "Give me a gun--that murderer, that murderer--my innocent children."

# ISRAELI SCHOLARS INVITED TO MOSCOW CONGRESS ON ETHNOGRAPHY

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A number of Israeli scholars have been invited to participate in the forthcoming Congress of Ethnography and History, to be held in Moscow, dispatches from the Soviet capital reported here today. One of the Israelis, who has been scheduled to lecture before the congress, is Dr. Zvi Harkavi, head librarian of the Chief Rabbinate headquarters in Jerusalem, a noted scholar in his own right. The Moscow report made it clear that he had been given freedom to choose his own subject.

Reports that synagogues in Tashkent and Alma Atta, in the Soviet Union, have been shut down are premature, according to information from Moscow reaching here today. Officials of the synagogues in both cities, it is established, received eviction notices on grounds that the structures belonged to private owners who allegedly had no legal right to own such structures in the given localities. However, such eviction notices can be appealed and in these two cases appeals were filed and heard by a "higher authority." Results of the hearings have not yet been made known, according to the report.

# MEXICAN AUTHORITIES OPEN INQUISITION RECORDS FOR STUDY ON JEWS

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- An American scholar engaged in research for a history of Mexican Jewry reported here today that secrets of the Spanish Inquisition covering material on early Jewish families in Latin America are being made known to scholars by Mexican authorities.

Dr. Seymour Liebman, formerly of Miami, said that records of the Catholic church tribunal covering several hundred years are now being made available. He said the scribes of the Inquisition left records "almost fantastic in wealth of detail and completeness" on some of the tribunal's trials. He added that thousands of human dramas, "more exciting than any work of fiction," are in the records.

# EMIGRATION OF 18,000 JEWS A YEAR FROM SOUTH AMERICA HELD POSSIBLE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Immigration from South America could quickly reach the level of 18,000 a year if proper absorption facilities were made available in Israel, Leon Dultzin, head of the Jewish Agency's economic department, reported today.

He made the report to the Agency executive upon his return from an extensive tour of Latin America. He urged the construction of low rent housing and careful vocational selection and guidance of newcomers, particularly the youth immigrants.

# TORONTO REPORTS RISE IN ADOPTIONS OF CHRISTIAN CHILDREN BY JEWS

TORONTO, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- An increasing number of Christian children are being adopted by Jewish parents, Jerome Diamond, executive director of the Toronto Jewish Family & Child Service, reported at a meeting of the Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto.

"We've arranged more adoptions in the past two years than ever before in our history," Mr. Diamond said. "The children are almost all from Christian mothers willing to place their children in Jewish homes, because they cannot find places elsewhere."

#### HEBREW UNIVERSITY TO ESTABLISH STEPHEN WISE CHAIR IN U.S. JEWISH LIFE

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A Chair in American Jewish Life and Institutions in memory of the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise will be established at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, it was announced today at a luncheon of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. Daniel G. Ross, leader of the group, is chairman of a committee which is raising \$150,000 for the establishment of the chair.

The program to establish the Stephen S. Wise Chair was lauded at the luncheon by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization and of the World Jewish Congress. "Nobody better deserves a Chair in his name at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem than Stephen S. Wise--one of the greatest and most unforgettable Jewish leaders of our generation," he said. "His devotion to Israel was unlimited. The foundation of his concept of Jewish problems was his conviction that the basis of Jewish existence and survival is in the spiritual and moral values of Judaism. As the Hebrew University symbolizes this concept in a more spectacular and effective way than perhaps any other institution in Israel, we discharge a moral obligation both to the University and to the memory of Stephen S. Wise by establishing this Chair in his name."

Other speakers at the luncheon included Dr. Wise's daughter, Judge Justine Wise Polier, Prof. Moshe Davis, head of the Institute of Contemporary Jewry at the Hebrew University, and Lionel R. Bauman, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. The purpose of the Chair was defined by Prof. Davis who stressed that it will provide accurate knowledge of American Jewry in its totality at the Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry and to the world of scholarship.

#### NEW PRESIDENT OF ARGENTINA GREETED BY CENTRAL JEWISH BODY

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The DAIA, the central body of Argentine Jewry, sent a message today to Argentina's new President, Dr. Arturo Illia, expressing the hope that under his government, "no form of discrimination that might modify the equality of all human beings in their condition as citizens will prosper."

The DAIA, referring to Argentine Jewry as "an inseparable part of the country," also sent a message to the new Vice-President, Carlos Perette, congratulating him and reminding him of his "historic speech" at the 50th Interparliamentary Conference in Brussels in 1951 "which in itself constitutes a program of action for all free men."

#### RABBI MILLER INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT OF SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Rabbi Uri Miller was installed today as president of the Synagogue Council of America in ceremonies at the Carnegie International Center. In his acceptance address, Rabbi Miller outlined the "specific tasks" confronting the religious forces of American Jewry, emphasizing that one of the "deep concerns" of the Jewish community was the fate of Soviet Jewry.

Sydney Yates, United States Ambassador to the United Nations, the principal speaker, said that the United States delegation was "cognizant of the contributions that organized religion in the United States can make towards the spread and implementation of human rights and peace ideologies."

#### J.D.C. CONTRIBUTES \$4,000 FOR RELIEF TO FLOOD VICTIMS IN ITALY

RCME, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee today announced that it would contribute 2,500,000 Italian lire (\$4,000) to the International Red Cross to be used for the relief of the victims of the recent Vajont Dam flood disaster in Italy.

#### ISRAEL PRESIDENT ESTABLISHES FUND TO FINANCE VISITS OF SCHOLARS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- President Zalman Shazar today established a fund of 100,000 pounds (\$33,000) to finance visits to Israel by Jewish scholars and writers abroad. The Central Committee of the Histadrut, Israel's labor federation, has contributed 10,000 pounds (\$3,300) to the fund.

#### EDMOND FLEG, LEADING FRENCH-JEWISH WRITER, DIES IN PARIS; WAS 89

PARIS, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Edmond Fleg, one of Europe's leading writers, died here last night at the age of 89 after a lengthy illness. The funeral will be held Friday at the Jewish Cemetery in the center of Paris, Montparnasse and rites will be conducted by Rabbi A. Chali, the Chief Chaplain of the Jewish Boy Scouts of which Fleg had long been a patron.

Shortly before his death, the noted writer asked that no speeches be made at his funeral and that Jewish scouts be posted as honor guards at the rites.

Born in Geneva, Fleg made his literary career in France and became one of the country's best known writers. He consistently made Jewish subjects the theme of much of his writing. He had been an officer of the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the Jewish-Christian Friendship Society. He was a member of the French Legion of Honor and a laureate of the French Academy.