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ISRAEL CABINET POSTPONES DECISION ON SABBATH TRAFFIC DISPUTE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 3. (JTA) -- Israel's Cabinet today postponed action toward solving the disputed Sabbath traffic in the vicinity of the Mandelbaum Gate, after Prime Minister Levi Eshkol informed the Ministers that a new plan for a possible solution has been proposed. The new plan, he said, has been submitted by Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim in cooperation with the Ministries of the Interior and Police. The new plan, said the Premier, is now being considered by a special ministerial committee.

Meanwhile, the area around the Mandelbaum Gate, where travelers have been hooted, jeered and stoned every Saturday for more than two months, was quieter yesterday than it has been for many weeks. A token police force guarded the route, keeping religious zealots away from the traffic. Some of the zealots did line the roadway, shouting slogans, but there were no altercations.

Police detachments kept sightseers away from the route which had been posted with police signs. The signs requested automobile drivers to avoid using the road on the Sabbath and on Jewish holidays as much as possible. The signs noted that the caution did not apply to diplomats, United Nations personnel, clergy, Israeli defense forces, police traffic, fire brigades, or cars carrying personnel of the Magd'n David Adom--the Israeli equivalent of the Red Cross.

A statement opposing any coercion on this issue, either by religious elements or by secularists, was issued today by Rabbi Zvi Yehuda Kook, son of the late, revered Chief Rabbi Kook. As head of the Merkaz Harav Yeshiva, Rabbi Kook called on all sides to find means for bringing the religious and non-religious camps closer "by way of a dialogue, in order to bring about order and assure a harmonious way of life."

Another outstanding Israeli scholar, Prof. S.H. Bergman, who is widely respected among the religious elements, today urged the Government to halt the Sabbath traffic disturbances. He stressed the "grave danger inherent in a widening of the gap between the religious and non-religious groups."

Some 2,000 persons attended a rally in the Mea Shearim quarter this weekend and heard Rabbi Amram Blau, leader of the Neturei Karta zealots, suggest that the issue could be dealt with by introducing a service of "two non-Jewish busses" for transportation of tourists on the Sabbath. Meanwhile leaflets signed by Neturei Karta zealots were distributed declaring a ban on stone-throwing. One of the tactics used by the zealots in their fight against Sabbath traffic. The leaflet proclaimed: "No child will raise a stone against the police."

U.N. DEBATE ON ARAB REFUGEES STARTS TODAY; GOLDA MEIR IN NEW YORK

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 3. (JTA) -- The annual debate on the Arab refugee question--the major issue affecting Israeli-Arab issues directly on this year's General Assembly agenda--is scheduled to open here tomorrow in the Assembly's Special Political Committee.

In addition to the fully accredited delegations representing the Arab states that are members of the United Nations, a so-called "Palestine Arab Delegation" of 16 or 17 will appear before the committee with a demand that it be seated as the representation for the "Arab people." This so-called delegation will be led by Ahmad Shukairy, ousted a year ago from his post as Saudi Arabian delegation chief here. It is expected that, while the Shukairy group will not be seated as a fully accredited delegation, its individual members will be given a voice--but not a vote--in the debate.

Israel will be ready for the debate with a strong delegation, to be headed once more by Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister. She arrived in New York tonight to assume this post. (Prior to her departure from Israel for New York, today, Mrs. Meir told newsmen at Lydda Airport: "The Arab refugee problem would not exist if the Arab states wanted to solve it in a constructive way, and absorb them as Israel has absorbed over a million immigrants, taught them skills and settled them.")

ISRAEL AMBASSADOR URGES U.N. TO STEM SOVIET ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION

ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 3. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman said today in a radio-TV interview conducted by Senator Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, that "speedy examination" by the United Nations Human Rights Commission should be made to stem Soviet anti-Semitism.

Noting the need for focusing international opinion on the Soviet Jewish problem, Mr. Harman said that the Human Rights Commission has drafted a declaration of racial discrimination but still has to consider the whole question of religious discrimination.

The ambassador said "a very great purpose would be served by a speedy examination of this by the Human Rights Commission and, subsequently, by the General Assembly." He thought such an effort could "fix attention on all aspects of religious discrimination" since various religious minorities in different parts of the world are victimized by bias.

The ambassador commented on the current Near Eastern situation stating there could be no purpose in the continuing Egyptian rocket development "except an aggressive one." He said Egyptian persistence in this aggressive build-up made necessary "a countervailing capacity" in the hands of Israel to serve as a deterrent. He added that this would cause Egyptian hesitation "before pushing the button."

Outlining steps to facilitate an Arab-Israel settlement, Mr. Harman asked that the world make clear that Arab aggression against Israel will not be tolerated, that issues be resolved only by peaceful negotiation consistent with the United Nations Charter, and that any Arab arms build-up be balanced. He said these steps would create a climate that would lead the Arabs to conclude that the policy of eliminating Israel by force is unrealistic."

KLUTZNICK URGES INDEPENDENT RESEARCH ON EXISTING JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

WALTHAM, Mass., Nov. 3. (JTA) -- "The 1960's present the first significant lull from the desperate survival issues of the past 30 years in the Jewish community throughout the world, and we should use this time to introspect the values by which Judaism can make a meaningful contribution to private as well as public welfare," Philip Klutznick, former International president of B'nai B'rith and former special United States representative to the United Nations, declared last night at Brandeis University.

Addressing the weekend dedication of the university's new Philip W. Lown Graduate Center for Contemporary Jewish Studies, Mr. Klutznick noted that there is a need for independent research to identify and evaluate contemporary Jewish problems. He called for an instrumentality to focus on the areas of Jewish life today "of which we talk so much and know so little."

He proposed that the heads of the Jewish Theological Seminary, the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and Yeshiva University and Brandeis president, Dr. Abram L. Sachar, should have at their disposal some \$100,000 to conduct independent research on existing organizations; to study the problems and find solutions. He noted that the new Lown Center would be an ideal focal point for this study and that it might properly be among the Center's first undertakings. The Center is a gift to Brandeis by Philip W. Lown, who had previously underwritten the university's Institute of Advanced Judaic Studies.

In his address, Mr. Klutznick emphasized that "towards the resolution of the present difficulties there need to be ways of assuring diversity at the same time affirming the centrality of Jewish survival." His address climaxed the dedication. Other speakers at the dedication included Dr. Marshall Sklare, director of the Scientific Research Division of the American Jewish Committee; Dr. Benjamin Rosenberg, executive director of the Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Boston; and Dr. Judah Shapiro, secretary of the Foundation for Jewish Culture.

ISRAEL CABINET AUTHORIZES ISSUANCE OF ELEANOR ROOSEVELT STAMP

JERUSALEM, Nov. 3. (JTA) -- Israel's Cabinet today authorized the issuance of a special commemorative stamp in honor of the late Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. The stamp is to bear her portrait.

Under a 1952 decision by the Cabinet, no Israeli postage stamp is allowed to bear a human portrait, unless the Government authorizes such depiction by a special vote. There have been some exceptions to this rule.

VANDALS PAINT SWASTIKA IN LONDON SYNAGOGUE; STEAL SILVER ORNAMENTS

LONDON, Nov. 3. (JTA) -- Police today were investigating an incident which took place yesterday when vandals painted a large swastika on the Torah-reading platform of the United Synagogue in North London after stealing sacred silver ornaments worth several hundred pounds.

AMERICAN J.N.F. SETS \$100,000,000 GOAL TO BE RAISED THROUGH BEQUESTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, (JTA) -- A goal of \$100,000,000 to be achieved over a 10-year period through bequests in wills and assignments of insurance was set here today by the Foundation for the Jewish National Fund.

Announcement of the goal was made at the closing session of the annual assembly of the Jewish National Fund, which has been in session this weekend. Of the \$100,000,000 goal, a potential \$22,000,000 has already been accumulated, according to Dr. Harris J. Levine, chairman of the Foundation, and Albert Schiff, president of the JNF.

The session also heard that the American Freedom Forest, comprising 2,000,000 trees, has been completed on the slopes of Beitar, near Jerusalem. The forest, designed as a lasting monument to American-Israeli friendship, comprises 50 woodlands, each bearing the name of one of the 50 states in the United States. The forest was launched three years ago by a committee made up of the 50 State Governors, headed by former President Harry S. Truman.

President Kennedy sent a message to the Assembly declaring: "The completion of the American Freedom Forest, which cements the bond between Israel and the United States, and which serves as an important reclamation effort, deserves the support and encouragement which the Assembly can provide."

Tsur Outlines Details of Vast Reclamation Project in Galilee

Earlier, the Assembly heard details about the JNF's vast development and reclamation project in the Central Galilee region of Israel, involving an expenditure of \$27,500,000 for the first stage of this undertaking in the next five years. The details were spelled out by Jacob Tsur, world chairman of the Jewish National Fund, who emphasized that the plan, designed to absorb the heavy influx of immigrants to Israel, is "the prime responsibility of the world Zionist movement."

"It is expected," Mr. Tsur said, "that, in 10 years' time, thousands of Jewish families, including new immigrants straight from the ships, and the sons of veteran mountain villagers, will be cultivating their vineyards and fruit orchards inside this region." He noted that, thus far, since Israel's rebirth as a nation 15 years ago, "the strategic Galilee region has remained unchanged."

The plan, he said, calls for the reclamation of 250,000 acres of arid soil near Israel's borders with Lebanon and Syria. The plan envisages the building of 35 settlements, eight regional centers, and several new towns by the JNF, Israel's Ministry of Housing and the agricultural and settlement department of the Jewish Agency. Mr. Tsur indicated that the JNF will be called upon to invest nearly \$12,000,000 toward the realization of the Galilee program.

Mr. Schiff, voicing the American JNF's support of the Galilee program, told the 2,000 delegates and guests attending the Assembly that the Central Galilee plan is "further evidence of our determination to leave no stone unturned in the ceaseless struggle for the defense of the frontiers of the Jewish Homeland. The call goes out to all Jews of the United States," he said, "to rally around Israel in this crucial hour to mobilize the resources, material and spiritual, of American Jewry behind the State of Israel, to ally themselves on the side of the Jewish State through the Jewish National Fund, to the end that cause of peace and freedom, of which Israel is the foremost representative in the Middle East, may triumph over its adversaries."

U.S. Assures Delegates of Protection of Israel Against Assaults

A pledge of United States Government policy for the protection of Israel's "existence, integrity and independence against all assaults" was given the Assembly by Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Under Secretary of Commerce. He said, in his address, he was voicing this "assurance as a member of the Kennedy Administration." Mr. Roosevelt returned recently from a tour of the Middle East, during which he conferred with both Israeli and Egyptian leaders.

Avraham Harman, Israel's Ambassador to the United States, another of the speakers at the Assembly, expressed high praise for the JNF achievement in Israel. "Those who visit Israel after an interval of years," he said, "can see the magnificent results of the Fund's reclamation work, particularly in formerly barren hill country. This has indeed been a great job of restoration. But there is still a great deal to be done. Those who look at the waste places of the Galilee and the Negev, today, find it difficult to imagine that these areas could sustain a flourishing civilization. But the Fund's record of achievement cannot doubt its ability to tackle this job."

Mendel N. Fisher, chairman of the JNF Assembly Committee, and secretary of the Fund, declared that in the "truly epic Galilee Development Plan, we shall behold perhaps the most gigantic project in the history of the grand JNF design to extend the frontiers of the Jewish Homeland within the bounds of Israel through the peaceful and life-giving method of land reclamation. This is a radical departure from the customary procedure of changing frontiers by violence."

Dr. Joseph P. Sternstein, national JNF director, called on American Jewry "to respond wholeheartedly to the challenge of the New Galilee plan." Dr. Max Nussbaum, president of the Zionist Organization of America, spoke on political problems.

AGUDAH CONVENTION DISCUSSES AMERICAN JEWISH RELIGIOUS PROBLEMS

GREENFIELD PARK, N. Y., Nov. 3, (JTA) -- The situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union and the deterioration of traditional religious standards in American Jewish life were discussed here today at the 41st national convention of the Agudath Israel of America. The convention also discussed plans for strengthening religious observance and youth education in the United States.

Rabbi Menachem Porush, Agudah member of the Israel Parliament, reported at the convention on the latest religious developments in Israel. At an earlier session the convention called upon all Orthodox Jews "to unite to put a halt to the harassment of the religious population of Jerusalem, and to assure that the Mandelbaum Gate be closed on the Sabbath, so that the religious sensibilities of the residents in that area should not be trampled upon."

LOAN FUND TO AID HEBREW DAY SCHOOLS ANNOUNCED BY TORAH UMESORAH

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, (JTA) -- A loan fund to aid in the development and further growth of Hebrew day schools throughout the country has been established by Morris Morgenstern, New York financier and prominent philanthropist, it was announced here tonight by Samuel C. Feuerstein, president of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools.

Addressing the organization's 20th annual dinner here, Mr. Feuerstein said that the fund, to be known as the Morris and Celia Morgenstern Loan Fund, will be administered by Torah Umesorah to provide financial help to day schools with means "inadequate to cope with the need for facilities and staff to keep pace with the rapidly growing demand for intensive Jewish education."

Mr. Morgenstern, who was presented at the dinner with the 1963 Siegfried Bendheim Award of Torah Umesorah, was cited for his "selfless devotion to the religious well-being of the American Jewish community." Among others honored at the dinner were Joseph Carlino, Speaker of the New York State Assembly, and Paul R. Screvane, president of the New York City Council.

BLAUSTEIN PRESENTS BRONZE SCULPTURE TO U.N. IN HAMMARSKJOLD'S MEMORY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 3, (JTA) -- A 10-foot model of a bronze sculpture given to the United Nations by the Jacob and Hilda Blaustein Foundation, in memory of the late Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold, has been purchased by Jacob Blaustein and will be placed on display in the Blaustein Building in Baltimore, the United Nations announced today.

Mr. Blaustein, a former member of the United States delegation to the United Nations, was a close friend of Mr. Hammarskjold. The Baltimore industrialist had previously purchased a 21-foot bronze sculpture by a British artist, Barbara Hepworth, entitled "Single Form," which symbolizes the "purity and idealism of Mr. Hammarskjold's life and work." The sculpture is to be placed on a plinth on the site of the ornamental pool facing the U.N. Secretariat building. Unveiling of the work is scheduled for next spring.

SAMUEL RUBIN HONORED BY NEW YORK UNIVERSITY; AIDED 209 STUDENTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, (JTA) -- Samuel Rubin, prominent Jewish philanthropist and president of the America Israel Cultural Foundation, was awarded this weekend a New York University presidential citation by Dr. James M. Hester, president of the university.

A founder of the University's Medical Center, and of the Postgraduate Center for Psychotherapy, Mr. Rubin's gifts for scholarship assistance have enabled 138 medical students and 71 law students to carry on their studies at the university.

U.S. AWARDS \$114,000 TO ISRAELI SCIENTIST FOR RESEARCH WORK

HAIFA, Nov. 3, (JTA) -- The United States Department of Agriculture has awarded a grant of 343,000 Israel pounds (\$114,000) to Dr. Michael Cais of the chemistry department of the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology to finance basic research on organo-metallic compounds. The grant will be administered through the Technion Research and Development Foundation.

PROF. HADAMARD DIES IN FRANCE; WAS DEAN OF FRENCH ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

NEW YORK, Nov. 3, (JTA) -- Professor Jacques S. Hadamard, a leading French-Jewish mathematician and educator, has died in France at the age of 97, according to information received here today from Paris. He was the dean of the French Academy of Sciences.

Born in Versailles, Prof. Hadamard first taught at the Ecole Normale Supérieure and was later professor of mathematics at the University of Paris and subsequently professor at the Ecole Polytechnique in Paris. He was active in Jewish life in France, and was a member of the French Palestine Committee and of the administrative board of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.