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PRESIDENT JOHNSON LEADS NOTABLES AT FUNERAL SERVICES FOR LEHMAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 8, (JTA) -- President Lyndon B. Johnson, making his first journey from Washington since assuming the Presidency, led scores of the country's notables, non-Jewish and Jewish, today, in attending funeral services for the late Herbert H. Lehman, at Temple Emanu-El. The elder statesman, former Governor of New York for four terms, and a member of the U.S. Senate for two terms, died suddenly at his home last Thursday, aged 85. Interment was private.

While 2,500 invited guests jammed Temple Emanu-El during the services, conducted by the Reform congregation's spiritual leader, Rabbi Julius Mark, many thousands lined the streets outside the edifice. With "maximum security" prevailing, 5,000 New York policemen and Secret Service agents guarded the President.

Sharing the pew in Temple Emanu-El with President Johnson, while the rites were being conducted, were Mrs. Johnson; New York's Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller; the city's Mayor, Robert F. Wagner; Senators Jacob K. Javits and Kenneth B. Keating, the two members representing New York State in the U.S. Senate; Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, a brother of the late President; and Adlai E. Stevenson, chairman of the United States Delegation to the United Nations. Sitting nearby was Associate Justice Arthur J. Goldberg, of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Justice Goldberg was among a number of the nation's prominent personalities invited by the President to come here in his plane from Washington. Others who accompanied the President on the trip from Washington and attended the services, included George Meany, president of the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations; W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary of Labor; Under Secretary of State W. Averell Harriman; United States Senator J. William Fulbright, Democrat of Arkansas; Clinton P. Anderson, Democrat of New Mexico; Lister Hill, Democrat of Alabama, and George McGovern, Democrat of South Dakota.

The State of Israel was represented at the services by Israel's Ambassador to Washington, Avraham Harman, and by Ambassador Michael S. Comay, head of the country's delegation to the United Nations. Levi Eshkol, Prime Minister of Israel, had sent a message of "grief" and condolence to Mrs. Lehman. Noting that the Jewish people had seen in Mr. Lehman "a champion of democracy and freedom who, in his battle for humanity, was true to the tenets of our prophets, Mr. Eshkol stated that all Israel and he, personally, felt Israel had "lost a great friend."

Psalms Read, Prayer for Peace Delivered at the Services

Mrs. Lehman, it was disclosed, had telephoned the President, asking him not to come to New York because of the tense general situation due to the assassination of the late President Kennedy. However, the President, who assured Mrs. Lehman that he was touched by her concern, insisted on attending the rites for his friend and former Senate colleague.

Thirty-five motorcycle policemen, supplemented by two police helicopters flying at very low levels, guarded the President on his way to the Temple from New York's International Airport, and on his return trip to the airport. The President left New York after the brief service. During the rites, Rabbi Mark read the 14th and 23rd Psalms, recited a passage from "Hamlet," quoted from a letter by Mr. Lehman, and prayed for peace. A eulogy was delivered by United States District Judge Edward Weinfeld.

City and federal agents had carefully examined every part of the Temple prior to the President's arrival, and also closed down temporarily the House of Living Judaism, across the street. Police barricades kept the crowds back in a seven-block area surrounding the Temple.

Over the weekend, many thousands filed by the bier containing the remains of the late Mr. Lehman, reposing in a midtown funeral chapel. Among the visitors were Mayor Wagner, who flew back to the city from a conference he was attending in Puerto Rico, and Francis Cardinal Spellman. The latter knelt before the casket and offered a quiet prayer. Over the weekend, too, editorials highly laudatory of Mr. Lehman's distinguished career were printed in virtually every leading newspaper in the country.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL ADOPTS \$105,000,000 GOAL FOR 1964 CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- The 26th annual national conference of the United Jewish Appeal concluded here today with the adoption of a 1964 goal of \$105,000,000 and the election of Joseph Meyerhoff of Baltimore to his fourth successive term as General Chairman.

The \$105,000,000 campaign goal--\$9,000,000 higher than the 1963 goal--is made up in two parts: \$69,000,000 to finance the ongoing programs of the UJA constituent and beneficiary agencies, which are the United Israel Appeal-Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc.; the Joint Distribution Committee; and the New York Association for New Americans. Also included as a beneficiary agency is the United Hias Service.

The other part of the goal provides for the raising of a Special Fund of \$36,000,000 to meet the extraordinary costs rising out of the high rate of the immigration to Israel, the movement of Jews to other lands, and other emergencies.

In adopting the goal, the 2,000 delegates representing hundreds of Jewish communities throughout the country, took particular cognizance of reports that "in the forthcoming year, immigration to Israel may exceed even the large migration of the past 12 months." The reports also emphasized the needs of the Jews uprooted by political upheavals in North Africa. In all, 751,500 distressed Jews in 31 countries, the largest number in more than a decade, will require aid from the UJA-supported agencies in 1964.

Mr. Meyerhoff, in commenting on adoption of the 1964 goal, said the American Jews "must treat these increased obligations not as increased burdens, but as increased opportunities to advance the great mission of the redemption of our people."

The conference also elected today Max M. Fisher of Detroit as Associate General Chairman of the national UJA. Mr. Fisher has been a ranking leader of the UJA for more than a decade and served as national chairman. Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman was named to a 10th consecutive term as the UJA's executive vice-chairman. Mrs. Jack Karp of Beverly Hills, Cal., was elected national chairman of the UJA Women's Division. Joseph Kanter of Cincinnati was elected chairman of the UJA's national Young Leadership Cabinet.

Sharett Appeals to U.S. Jewry for \$75,276,000 Through U.J.A.

Moshe Sharett, speaking in his capacity as the chairman of the Jewish Agency for Israel, told the delegates that a total of \$75,276,000 will be required as American Jewry's share in 1964 to cover the cost of bringing in and resettling another record wave of immigrants, and of absorbing the thousands of immigrants who have poured into Israel in the last three years, alone.

In addition, Mr. Sharett said, the Jewish Agency will have to find more millions of dollars for these purposes in fund-raising campaigns to be conducted by Jews in other countries. In a plea to American Jewry to mobilize their utmost support on behalf of the UJA in 1964, Mr. Sharett stressed the inability of the people of Israel to meet the needs of Israel's newcomers "alone and unassisted."

"We are only a people of some two million. One-half of this number are immigrants who came to Israel over the last 15 years. Many of them are not yet fully absorbed and productive, many are still steeped in poverty. We in Israel must depend on you to help us give these people and their children the chance for a decent life they so eminently deserve," Mr. Sharett said.

He stressed that the funds allocated by the American Jewish community through the UJA for overseas needs--comprising the financing of immigration to Israel and the administration of relief work in other countries--signify more than mere material assistance. "They bear testimony to American Jewry's consciousness of its crucial responsibility--by virtue of its numerical strength, financial capacity and public maturity--for the present well-being and future survival of the Jewish people as a whole," he said.

"While relief work is concerned with urgent aid to individuals and groups desperately in need of it, the activity of the UJA in Israel is organically connected with the development of a country and the creation of a new civilization and is, therefore, invested with a historic significance of a most far-reaching import," he emphasized.

J.D.C. to Seek a Minimum of \$25,000,000 from U.J.A. Sources

Charles H. Jordan, JDC director-general for overseas operations, reported that the Joint Distribution Committee will need a minimum of \$25,000,000 from UJA sources to finance its major relief, welfare and rehabilitation programs in behalf of 485,000 persons in a total of 30 countries, including 85,000 in Israel. He told the delegates that, "as we stand on the threshold of 1964 Jewish relief and resettlement needs are greater than at any time since the post-war period."

The Joint Distribution Committee, Mr. Jordan declared, is faced with "the responsibility of carrying a backlog of thousands of recent migrants who are not yet firmly resettled in France, as well as maintaining ongoing medical assistance and rehabilitation

programs in Israel." He particularly stressed the problems that were created for the JDC in the summer of 1962 by the sudden influx into France of 100,000 Jews from Algeria.

The other UJA-aided agencies also presented their 1964 needs. These were the New York Association for New Americans which aids Jewish immigrants arriving in the port of New York, and the United Hias Service, the world-wide Jewish migration agency.

Rabbi Friedman Outlines Three Basic Aims of U. J. A.

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, told the delegates that, "freedom for Jews in many parts of the world today can only be achieved by helping them to migrate from places where they are physically or spiritually oppressed to places where they can live under complete liberty." He set forth a three-point program, as the "heart and philosophy" of the UJA's 25 years of relief and resettlement work.

"The UJA," he said, "has three basic aims: First, to assure the physical survival of any Jew in the world threatened by oppression or need. Second, to assure spiritual liberty and freedom for Jews who do not possess it, primarily through migration. Third, to support the growth of free Jewish communities, particularly in the State of Israel, and thereby insure that Jews may continue to remain free.

Rabbi Friedman also stressed the importance of migration in the UJA's program in 1964. "There is every reason to believe," he declared, "that we will see another year of peak movement of Jews overseas to Israel and other havens."

"We are gratified by the fact that we are able to help rescue Jews through migration," he said. "But let us remember that real rescue does not end with their arrival in their country of haven. Real rescue implies full absorption. We have the obligation to stand by the side of those we helped to bring into Israel or any free country."

Ambassador Harman Asks U.S. Jewry for Increased Efforts

Israel Ambassador to the United States, Avraham Harman, addressing the delegates at a dinner last night, called upon the Jews in this country to increase their efforts to speed the process of Jewish rehabilitation throughout the world.

"The 18 years since the end of World War II have seen striking progress towards Jewish rehabilitation following the Nazi period," he declared. "The UJA has been a primary source of this rehabilitation. Its member agencies--the United Israel Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee--have helped in the migration of 1,500,000 Jews to lands of freedom. Of this number, more than 1,100,000 are today resettled in Israel.

"However," he continued, "this process of rehabilitation is by no means over. He stressed that the 2,200,000 people of Israel, "half of them immigrants since 1948," were already doing more than their full share of meeting the burden of taking in and absorbing the newcomers. "Israel is already meeting, through the taxation of its own citizens, two-thirds of the cost of this refugee rehabilitation program," the Ambassador declared.

Michael S. Comay, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, called for a continuation and strengthening of the partnership between the Jews of America and Israel's people in the work of rescue, resettlement and absorption. "The Jews of Israel will continue to do their part as I know the Jews of America will continue with their part of our joint, historic responsibility. Knowing that, I feel certain together we can meet any crisis and any emergency in the future," he said.

Delegates Pay Special Tribute to Memory of President Kennedy

Dr. Abram L. Sachar, president of Brandeis University, appealed to the delegates for continued help to Israel's people in receiving and resettling oppressed and impoverished Jewish immigrants. He underscored the importance of "timing and timeliness" in helping Israel's people. "A few precious opportunities remain, for salvage and rescue," he said. "The tandem of American generosity and Israeli courage, rightly timed, can work miracles. Next year or the year after, ten times the effort may be fruitless because the historic moment may have been missed and lost forever."

The delegates at the dinner last night, at which Edward M. M. Warburg, UJA honorary chairman, presided, paid special tribute to the memory of the late President John F. Kennedy. They heard a special re-play on tape, of the eulogy to the late President which was delivered by Chief Justice Earl Warren in the Great Rotunda in the Capitol in Washington, November 24. The Chief Justice, who was to have spoken at tonight's session, canceled his appearance to observe the 30-day governmental period of national mourning.

During the sessions, Mr. Meyerhoff led the delegates in memorial tributes to the late Senator Herbert H. Lehman, a UJA founder and honorary chairman; Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, also a founder of the UJA; Fred Forman of Rochester, N. Y., an honorary national chairman; Abe S. Kay of Washington, D. C., a ranking member of the UJA's national campaign cabinet; and Herman M. Pekarsky of Newark, N. J.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON CONFERS WITH JEWISH LEADERS IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8, (JTA) -- President Lyndon B. Johnson made known this weekend to a delegation of Jewish leaders that he will make his first address as President before a Jewish group on January 29, when he addresses a dinner in New York in support of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

The President met with a number of friends of Jewish faith at the White House. They included Philip M. Klutznick, communal leader, and former American Ambassador to the United Nations; Abraham A. Feinberg, head of the Israel Bond organization; and Col. Jacob Arvey, of Chicago. Myer Feldman, designated by President Kennedy as White House deputy special counsel and Presidential adviser on Jewish and Israeli issues, participated.

President Johnson displayed detailed knowledge of Jewish affairs and a sensitivity to the world Jewish situation, according to those who spoke with him. The President showed insight into the relationship between the Jewish people and the State of Israel.

The President thought it particularly fitting to accept the invitation conveyed by the leaders who met with him because the late President Kennedy had been scheduled to address the same group on December 5. The dinner was postponed, owing to the assassination of President Kennedy.

ISRAEL CABINET OFFICIALLY WELCOMES POPE PAUL'S VISIT TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Dec. 8, (JTA) -- Israel's Cabinet, meeting at its regular weekly session here today, issued a statement officially welcoming the forthcoming visit of Pope Paul VI. The statement said the visit will be a "memorable event," and assured that everything will be done by the Government to make all arrangements consonant with the Pontiff's "unique status" in the world.

A special Ministerial committee to deal with all details surrounding the scheduled visit was appointed by the Cabinet. The committee is headed by Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and includes the Ministers of Religious Affairs, Foreign Affairs and police--with the Premier's office in overall charge.

Foreign Minister Golda Meir reported to the Cabinet on Pope Paul's forthcoming visit. A spokesman for the Cabinet said "in view of the importance that the Cabinet attaches to this matter," it issued the following statement:

"The decision by Pope Paul VI to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, which he announced at the Ecumenical Council of the Catholic Church, is of great importance. This is a unique and memorable event. The Government of Israel, welcomes the Pope's intention to visit our country. Every effort will be made to ensure that the conditions of the visit, and all the necessary arrangements, will be in full keeping with its declared purpose and the unique status of the Pope for hundreds of millions in the Catholic Church and in the world as a whole."

Israel's Embassy in Rome forwarded to Jerusalem the text of the Pope's announcement to the closing meeting of the second session of the Ecumenical Council on his planned visit but officials in Jerusalem said that nothing more had been received. However, they went ahead with plans for strict security precautions.

Pope's Visit to Israel Will Not be Hampered by Non-Recognition

ROME, Dec. 8, (JTA) -- Maurice Fisher, Israel's Ambassador in Rome, said there would not be any difficulties about the visit from the fact that the Vatican has never recognized Israel. He pointed out that the Pope's journey "is of purely religious character."

"As far as diplomatic contacts are concerned," he stated, "the situation is the same between the Vatican and Jordan as it is between the Vatican and Israel. There are no established relations but the principal point is that the whole event has nothing to do with politics or protocol. There is free access to the Holy Places for any pilgrim."

Chief Rabbi Elio Toaff of Rome said that "the spontaneous decision of the Pontiff" to visit the Holy Land "was without doubt dictated by profound religious motives. Since the Holy Places are situated in Israel as well as in Jordan, this visit will not fail to have beneficent effects for pacification among the nations of the Middle East and thus for the peace of the world."

Egypt Starts Campaign Against Pope's Visit to Israel

LONDON, Dec. 8, (JTA) -- Taking their cue from Cairo's Government-controlled daily newspaper, "Al Ahran," the Egyptian press today mounted an all-out campaign against Pope Paul's plan to visit Israel, declaring that the Pontiff's visit would be interpreted by the press as "recognition of Israel."

"Al Ahran" also asked whether there is a relation between the Pope's scheduled visit to the Holy Land and the chapter on Catholic-Jewish relations pending in the Ecumenical Council, which adjourned last week without acting on that chapter.

U.S. GOVERNMENT IS 'DISQUIET' ABOUT SITUATION OF JEWS IN RUSSIA

NEW YORK, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- A top-ranking official of the State Department today expressed the United States Government's "disquiet about the situation of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union," and expressed the hope that the leaders of the USSR "will seek to correct" that situation.

The statement, detailing some of the anti-Jewish persecutions practiced by the USSR, was made by Richard N. Gardner, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizations. He was one of the speakers at an all-day conference dedicated to the celebration of the 15th anniversary of the United Nations adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, conducted here today by the American section of the World Jewish Congress.

Disclosing that the U.S.A. has embarked on a "new policy of considering United Nations human rights conventions on their merits," and asserting that the late President Kennedy had recently initiated action to secure Senate ratification of some of the United Nations' conventions dealing with human rights, Mr. Gardner noted that the USSR has "sought to assert its leadership in human rights issues before the United Nations."

"There is a certain irony in this effort," he declared, "for the Soviet Union has adopted a government policy of widespread disregard for those fundamental rights which are embodied in the United Nations Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights."

"In this gathering," he stated, "it is fitting to make some reference to the specific disabilities, religious and cultural, of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union. These are a matter of anxious interest, not only to other Jewish communities but to all who seek to build a better world on the basis of the principles embodied in the Universal Declaration."

"Our disquiet about the situation of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union," he declared, "is not the result of any diplomatic conflict or the so-called cold war. We are equally opposed to any kind of discrimination, and have made that repeatedly clear, in any other country, irrespective of its social or political structure. Our disquiet flows from the deep conviction, which is as old as our Declaration of Independence, that human rights are inalienable, and that the business of government is to recognize and protect them."

Others who participated in the conference conducted by the WJC were John P. Humphrey, director of the United Nations Human Rights Division; Michael S. Comay, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations; Rabbi Joachim Prinz, president of the American Jewish Congress; and Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig, the World Jewish Congress permanent representative at the United Nations.

Senate Committee to Postpone Hearings on Soviet Anti-Semitism

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- Chairman J.W. Fulbright of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee made known yesterday that his committee will not hold hearings on a Senate resolution concerning Soviet anti-Semitism this year because the committee is too busy with other matters.

In a letter to Sen. Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, Sen. Fulbright said the committee had an "extremely heavy work load this year" and unable to get around to the proposed resolution "condemning persecution by the Soviet Union of persons because of their religion." He promised to notify Sen. Keating when it is possible to schedule hearings.

Sen. Keating commented: "I deeply regret the fact the Foreign Relations Committee is not scheduling hearings on this bill, introduced more than two months ago. I will certainly be urging high priority for the measure in the early days of the next session, for I believe it is a matter of great importance."

THREE JEWS AMONG RECIPIENTS OF MEDAL AWARDED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- Three persons of Jewish origin were this weekend among recipients of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, awarded by President Johnson for distinguished services to the nation.

Former Sen. Herbert H. Lehman of New York received the award posthumously. Retired Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, 81, was cited as "jurist, scholar, counselor, conversationalist." His citation said "he has brought to all his roles a zest and a wisdom which has made him teacher to his time." Rudolf Serkin, musician, received a citation stating that "artist and teacher, he has given the classical traditions of the piano new life in a disordered age."

U.S. EXPERTS LAUD HISTADRUT FOR TECHNICAL AID TO AFRICAN STATES

HARRIMAN, N. Y., Dec. 8 (JTA) -- Experts from United States Governmental and non-governmental agencies participating in the three-day conference on "The Free World and the New Nations" at Arden House, Columbia University's discussion center, today asserted that Histadrut, the Israel labor federation, was rendering a signal service to democratic advancement of the emerging African states through its technical aid program.

The conference, attended by 60 representatives of government, labor, cooperatives and leaders of Negro and Jewish organizations and foreign affairs experts, was sponsored by the National Committee for Labor Israel. Participating in the discussions were Robert Bonham of the Department of State, who chaired one of the sessions and was an active participant throughout the conference; Edmond C. Hutchinson, State Department assistant administrator of U.S. aid to Europe and Africa; Arnold Rivkin of the International Bank for Reconstruction Development; and Clyde Ellis, leading American expert on cooperatives; and Paul Barton of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions.

Eliahu Elath, president of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, opened the conference in his capacity as chairman of Histadrut's Afro-Asian Institute for Labor Studies in Tel Aviv. Dr. Elath said that the education of manpower for building the emerging countries of Africa was a matter of utmost urgency. He stated that 3,000 Asians and Africans have come to study in Israel while about 1,000 Israeli experts and technicians have gone to Asian and African countries to assist in developing basic projects and train manpower.

Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, a member of the Histadrut executive committee, outlined a series of steps by which Israel organizes assistance to Africa, starting with a survey by experts made on the scene for the evaluation of local resources. He said the experts then work out an all-around plan and arrange for testing the plan in two or more areas. The Israeli experts and local personnel settle in the areas and work on the experimental project. Another part of the plan, the speedy training of manpower for projects, is carried out in Israel.

Another approach, he said, was the creation of joint enterprises by Israeli firms and their counterparts in the Asian and African countries which, in due course, is handled by local manpower and management. By this means, Mr. Ben Aharon declared, "we have managed to speed up training programs and provide for the African states in their struggles for liberation."

Professor Ben Halpern of Brandeis University said that Israel's liberation was due to the efforts of Jews throughout the Diaspora while African liberators had no such relation to the American Negro. He noted that the friendly relations between Israel and Africa were well regulated and these countries expected mutual support from each other on moral matters as well as in practical activities.

The conference was directed by Dr. Judd Teller, educational director of the National Committee for Labor Israel.

CANADIAN POLICE INVESTIGATE DISSEMINATION OF ANTI-JEWISH HANDBILL

TORONTO, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- The Royal Canadian Mounted Police and local police opened an investigation today into distribution of a handbill linking the assassination of President Kennedy with Judaism in an anti-Semitic smear.

The sheet, entitled, "White Citizens Awake," asserted that "our beloved President was assassinated by Marxist Lee Oswald, who was silenced by a Jew, Jacob Rubinstein, before he could expose that Communism is Jewish." Police said that the printing appeared to have been done in Toronto.

They reported that several thousand copies were attached to telephone poles, left in homes and stuffed in mail boxes. Copies sent to local post offices for mailings had no stamps and were destroyed by postal authorities.

The distribution was the latest incident in a recent increase in anti-Semitic activities. In addition to anti-Semitic mail, prominent Jews have received anonymous telephone calls and insulting postcards. Insults have been smeared on walls.

Last month, hundreds of leaflets, carrying the postal address of Nazi George Rockwell, were showered on the streets from several downtown buildings. The leaflets bore the slogan: "Hitler was right; Communism is Jewish." The perpetrators of the distribution have not been found.

WALTER REUTHER CONFERS WITH BEN-GURION; IS GUEST OF HISTADRUT

TEL AVIV, Dec. 8. (JTA) -- Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers of the United States, visited former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion yesterday at the latter's residence at Sde Boker in the Negev. Mr. Reuther arrived in Israel Friday for a four-day visit as the guest of the Histadrut, the Israel labor federation.