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ISRAEL GOVERNMENT PREPARES FOR POPE'S VISIT; SECURITY PLANS DISCUSSED

JERUSALEM, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- Israel's Ministerial Committee to make the arrangements for the forthcoming visit by Pope Paul VI held its first meeting here today, setting into motion the detailed plans for the proper reception of the Pontiff.

The committee was named by the Cabinet yesterday, and includes Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Religious Affairs and police, Teddy Kolleck, director-general of the Premier's office, is the general coordinator for the committee. Numerous problems of protocol, security and technical arrangements were discussed by the group. Pope Paul is expected to spend about 12 hours in Israel, probably on Sunday, January 5.

A special subcommittee is expected to be set up by the Ministerial Committee to facilitate news coverage of the Pope's visit. Already, dozens of newsmen from all over the world have made hotel reservations here. Among them is a 10-man crew from the television division of the National Broadcasting Company.

BRITISH CABINET DISCUSSES ARAB PRESSURE ON FIRMS DEALING WITH ISRAEL

LONDON, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The ousting of Lord Mancroft, Jewish financier, from the board of the Norwich Union Insurance Companies last week, came up for discussion today at a meeting of the British Cabinet at which the issue of Arab pressure on British firms dealing with Israel to accede to the Arab boycott against Israel was taken up in anticipation of questions which members of the Cabinet will have to answer in Parliament tomorrow.

At least eight members of the House of Commons have submitted questions in writing to the Government in connection with the ousting of Lord Mancroft from the British insurance firm under Arab pressure. One of the questions was addressed directly to the Prime Minister, Sir Alec Douglas-Home, by Sir Barnett Janner, a Laborite member of Parliament who is also president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Sir Barnett asked the Prime Minister to tell the House what action is being taken by the Government to prevent Arabs from coercing company officers or employees of firms having connections with Israel. The question has been passed on to the Foreign Minister, who is scheduled to make his reply tomorrow.

Other members of Parliament--Laborites and Liberals--have asked the Government to explain its position on the Arab boycott against British firms trading with Israel or having Jews among their senior personnel. London insurance brokers have similarly called on the Government to make its position clear on the issue, and the Trades Advisory Council has scheduled a special meeting on the question at the request of individual members, some of whom said they will no longer handle Norwich Union business.

Most British newspapers this morning continued to play up the repercussions following Lord Mancroft's resignation, with many of them publishing editorials calling for Government action. Declaring that the linking of the issues of "racialism and blackmail" was "most perturbing," the Daily Mail urged that the "whole Government attitude to the boycott should be re-examined."

British Firm Reported Losing Business for Yielding to Arabs

Meanwhile, there were mounting reports of actions being taken against Norwich Union by many business enterprises, Jewish as well as non-Jewish. A spokesman for Norwich Union denied reports that the firm is losing 2,000,000 pounds (\$5,600,000) worth of business daily, due to the Mancroft resignation. He conceded, however, that "some large Jewish enterprises have warned that they would withdraw their patronage if there is no retreat by Norwich Union" on the Jewish financier's resignation.

The Board of Deputies of British Jews has demanded that the insurance firm reinstate Lord Mancroft in his position. While it seemed doubtful that the financier would accept reinstatement even if it were offered to him, it was said that the company could make amends by declaring publicly that it has now rejected the Arab boycott.

Amid growing prospects of widespread indignation here over the Arab "blackmail" attempts, Arab ambassadors here made a combined approach today to the Foreign

Office over the Mancroft affair with a three-member deputation seeking to meet with Foreign Secretary R.A. Butler. Such a meeting was highly unlikely today, however, with Mr. Butler scheduled to leave for Germany. The Arab envoys are expected to present their case to some other senior Government official.

The Foreign Office was also approached today by officials of the Israeli Embassy who reported on action taken by Arab diplomats in London to influence firms to boycott companies with commercial interests in Israel.

ISRAEL CABINET APPROVES 1964-65 BUDGET OF 3,200,000,000 POUNDS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The Cabinet today approved a 3,200,000,000-pound (\$1,067,000,000) draft budget for 1964-65 which is to be presented in the Knesset within two weeks. The draft budget amounts to 500,000,000 pounds (\$167,000,000) more than the current one and provides for increased expenditures for education, housing, defense, health and social welfare services.

The Knesset, Israel's Parliament, today approved the cooptation by the Cabinet of Akiya Govrin, Mapai whip and chairman of the Knesset Labor Committee, as Minister Without Portfolio. Mr. Govrin took the oath of office following the vote. He is expected to be given the Commerce and Industry portfolio now held by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir at the end of the fiscal year, next April.

EXTRADITION TREATY BETWEEN ISRAEL AND U.S. BECOMES EFFECTIVE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The extradition treaty between Israel and the United States went into effect today following a ceremony of an exchange of protocols at the office of Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister.

Mrs. Meir and American Ambassador Walworth Barbour exchanged the protocols. The American protocol had been signed by President Kennedy on October 29, one of the last international treaties he signed before his assassination, the envoy said.

The treaty provides for extradition of persons wanted for such crimes as murder, rape, assault, abortions, desertion of dependents, embezzlement, fraud, bribery, forgery, counterfeiting, perjury, arson, smuggling and similar violations. Political crimes are specifically excluded and what constitutes a political crime in a particular case is to be decided by the extraditing country.

IRAQ PASSES LAW ORDERING REGISTRATION OF JEWS WITHIN 10 DAYS

LONDON, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The Iraqi Cabinet passed a law requiring that all Jews living in the country report to the Department of Travel and Nationalities within the next 10 days to preserve their Iraqi nationality. The law, which was published yesterday in the Official Gazette, said that the department, with the approval of the security police, would issue cards attesting to Iraqi nationality.

To receive the cards, Jews will be required to provide their names and addresses. Those not given cards will have their properties impounded and will be denationalized. The Gazette said that many Jews had dropped their Iraqi nationality and changed their names.

ISRAEL WANTS HUMAN RIGHTS DECLARATION TO BECOME A BINDING CODE

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 9. (JTA) -- Israel pledged itself anew here today to continue to fight for human rights for all peoples everywhere, but noted that its Government and people are aware of the fact that, 15 years after the United Nations adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, "the magnificent principles" of that document have not yet been "converted into a binding code of national and international behavior."

The statement was made in a letter from Ambassador Michael S. Comay, Israel's delegation chairman here, to the president of the General Assembly, Dr. Carlos Sosa-Rodriguez. Mr. Comay put his statement in writing while a special session of the Assembly heard speeches celebrating the 15th anniversary of the adoption of the Human Rights Declaration, passed in 1948. Since Israel was not on the speakers' list--confined only to officers of the Assembly and leaders of various regional groups--Mr. Comay requested of Dr. Sosa that Israel's remarks be made part of the Assembly's official records.

ANTI-SEMITIC PAMPHLET SENT TO ECUMENICAL COUNCIL PARTICIPANTS

ROME, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- An anti-Semitic pamphlet attacking high prelates who it charged were "in Jewish service," was sent to the participants in the Ecumenical Council which concluded here last week, it was disclosed here today. The 18-page pamphlets were signed "Bernardus."

CANADIAN JEWS DECIDE ON ACTION AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM IN TORONTO

TORONTO, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- A resolution calling for intensified efforts to enlist governmental, Christian church and civic opposition to increasing manifestations of anti-Semitism in this city was adopted here at a meeting attended by 400 representatives of most of the major Jewish organizations in Canada. The resolution suggested:

1. Federal and provincial legislation to prevent dissemination of racist and hate-mongering materials through the mails and through other communications media; 2. A series of conferences with non-Jewish as well as Jewish groups to publicize the dangers of neo-Nazism here, and to increase anti-Nazi educational programs both in the school and for adults; 3. The enlistment of support of other organizations toward activating their efforts in this field.

Under the chairmanship of Meyer W. Gasner, chairman of the Ontario Region of the Canadian Jewish Congress, principal addresses on the developments of increasing anti-Semitic manifestations were delivered by Sidney M. Harris, chairman of the National Joint Community Relations Committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith; and Professor Jacob Finkelman, also representing the CJC. The resolution, voted unanimously, was presented by Harry Simon, chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee.

Reports were given, both from the podium and by organizational delegates in the audience, about the spate of recent anti-Jewish manifestations. These have included the distribution here of several thousand pamphlets, linking the assassination of U.S. President Kennedy with Communism and Jews; receipt in the mails of many post cards bearing the slogan "Hitler was right, Communism is Jewish"; and the showering from an airplane of hundreds of anti-Semitic leaflets tossed down on the Toronto midtown area. Some of these materials, Mr. Harris told the meeting, were mailed from this city, others from Arlington, Va., the American town where George Lincoln Rockwell, leader of the American Nazi Party, maintains his headquarters.

Criticize Silence of Political Leaders, Churches on Anti-Jewish Acts

Although these activities have been publicized widely, Mr. Harris said, religious and political leaders "have chosen to look the other way." "There is little save silence from leaders of the Christian churches, from our political leaders, from community spokesmen," he declared.

"Let us hope, charitably," Mr. Harris continued, "that their silence springs only from an impression that these events are too insignificant and too unrepresentative to cause concern. Make no mistake about it: These agitators aim not merely at Jews. The eventual aim of these latter-day Nazis is to destroy the whole fabric of society as we know it." Without naming anyone, Mr. Harris said "there is a strong suspicion of the identity of those responsible" for the distribution of some of the hate materials.

Mr. Simon, in introducing the resolution, declared the Government must be told "it is not enough to address Brotherhood banquets. Action is necessary to prevent a recurrence here of the horrors that took place in Europe."

Other organizations represented at the meeting, in addition to the Congress, B'nai B'rith and the Jewish Labor Committee, included the National Council of Jewish Women, Farband-Labor Zionist Order, synagogues of all denominations, Mizrahi, Ahdut Avoda, the Zionist Council and the Bergen-Belsen Association.

QUEBEC JEWS DEMAND REPRESENTATION ON SUPERIOR COUNCIL OF EDUCATION

MONTREAL, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- A resolution asking Quebec authorities for appointment of at least one Jew to a projected Superior Council of Education for the province was adopted at a special eastern region conference of the Canadian Jewish Congress here.

The 700 delegates also acted on the question of a separate Jewish school system, which has long been a controversial issue because of fears of fragmentation of the existing educational system, which is operated by the Protestant church with support of tax funds paid by all groups.

The resolution pointed out that Jews are the largest non-Protestant, non-Catholic religious group. It expressed full agreement with the general tenor of Bill 60, now before the provincial Parliament, which involves a reorganization of Quebec's educational system, in addition to asking that at least one Jew be named to the proposed new educational council.

The resolution also proposed that the Canadian Jewish Congress "seriously consider the advisability of a Jewish school panel, if it is felt at any time that no other satisfactory and practical solution exists to the community's educational problems."

The delegates approved the resolution after hearing an analysis by Harold Lande, CJC vice-president, who said that Quebec Jewry appreciated "the harmonious and good relations which have prevailed in the treatment of Jewish children in the Protestant

schools." However, he added, the Jews faced "one of the most glaringly undemocratic situations, in that no Jews sit on the board or have any say in the administering of tax monies."

"The Jewish community," he pointed out, "pays its school taxes to the Protestant School Board and yet Jews are not free to present themselves for election or to be appointed to any of the boards. Will Jewish pride permit us to continue in this inferior position?"

In another resolution, the delegates asked for improvement of situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union. The resolution asked that the Soviet Union subscribe to the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights and permit Jews to emigrate so that they could be reunited with family members in other countries.

Maurice Lamontagne, president of the Queen's Privy Council of Canada, was guest of honor and speaker at the close of the all-day conference.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE AND HEBREW U. ANNOUNCE JOINT PROJECT

NEW YORK, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee and the Hebrew University have launched a joint research project on the attitudes of Israel's youth toward their Jewishness and toward Jews outside Israel, it was announced by the American Jewish Committee tonight at a reception for Eliahu Elath, president of the Hebrew University.

The three-year research-action study will examine a broad sample of youthful Israelis, aged 18-25, both in and out of school. It will seek to learn in a systematic manner how they see their relationship with Jews in other countries, what "being Jewish" means to them, what the bases are of their Jewish identification and of such attachment as they feel for Jews elsewhere, and how they view the role in Israel of Jewish life.

Theodore Tannenwald, Jr., chairman of the Israel Committee of the American Jewish Committee, said that this is the first study of its kind in Israel and is one of the first major research programs initiated by the Committee's recently established Israel office. Mr. Tannenwald, a New York attorney, was former Special Assistant to the Secretary of State.

LEONARD BERNSTEIN DEDICATES HIS NEW SYMPHONY 'KADDISH' TO KENNEDY

TEL AVIV, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- Leonard Bernstein, famed American-Jewish composer and conductor, announced here yesterday that he has dedicated his new symphony, "Kaddish," to "the beloved memory of President John F. Kennedy." Mr. Bernstein said that he will play the new symphony in its world premiere this week in Jerusalem, where he will conduct the Israeli Philharmonic in the new work.

The maestro told newsmen that the Boston Symphony Orchestra had ordered the work eight years ago, and that it had taken him seven years to complete the symphony. He said that, while all rights to the work had been reserved by the Boston orchestra, he had obtained an agreement that, because of the Jewish character of the symphony, its premiere would take place in Israel.

ASSOCIATION FOR JEWISH EDUCATION PRESENTS AWARDS AT DINNER

NEW YORK, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- The American Association for Jewish Education, central coordinating body for Jewish education in the United States, presented last night the Shofar Awards to Louis Nizer, lawyer and author, and Joel Schenker, producer, at a dinner at the Americana Hotel. The dinner was attended by more than 400 educators and laymen from all parts of the country.

The Shofar Award, symbolic of the idea of liberty in Jewish tradition, was presented to the recipients in recognition of their defense of individual freedom as portrayed in Mr. Nizer's book, "My Life in Court," and Mr. Schenker's production of the play, "A Case of Libel," based on this book. The Association is the parent body of Bureaus of Jewish Education in 43 cities in the United States and Canada.

DAVID EIDELSBURG, YIDDISH AUTHOR AND EDUCATOR, DIES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 9. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for the late David Eidelsberg, Yiddish author, journalist and educator, who died yesterday, aged 70.

Born in Poland, he came to the United States in 1914. He worked as a journalist in the Jewish field since 1918, and was a member of the staff of the Day-Jewish Journal until his retirement in 1961. He wrote also in Hebrew and in English. Among his literary works were translations into Yiddish of talmudic and midrashic legends.