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## 20 NEW YORK CONGRESSMEN CONDEMN SOVIET DISCRIMINATION AGAINST JEWS

WASHINGTON, March 2. (JTA) -- Twenty New York Democratic members of Congress adopted a resolution today condemning discrimination by the Soviet Union against Jews in USSR. The resolution, introduced by Democratic Congressman John J. Rooney, also urged favorable reporting to the House on it by the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

In an extension of remarks appearing in the Congressional Record, representative Seymour Halpern, Republican of New York, once again asked Congress to take note of "the subtle, yet monstrous, discrimination against the Jewish people in the Soviet Union."

"The Soviet Government is cloaking its anti-Jewish policy by allowing academic groups to promote discrimination in its stead," Rep. Halpern stated. "The Kremlin does not want the West to believe that it is anti-Jewish. The rulers subtly permit so-called private organizations and groups to apply the pressure so officialdom will not be labelled with the fact."

"Our Government must seek to secure equality of treatment for the Jewish people of Russia," the New York congressman continued. "We must seek to end the discrimination against them. We cannot succeed by remaining oblivious to the manifold evidence of ill-treatment which is accumulating. We should utilize all the diplomatic instrumentalities at our command, and work actively through the United Nations to obtain reversal of the ominous trends of Soviet anti-Semitism."

A call for the U.S. Government to take the lead in exposing Russia's campaign of anti-Semitism to "world condemnation" was made last night by Sen. Kenneth B. Keating in New York. In a speech before 1,000 at the annual Purim Festival of the Council of the Religious Zionists of America. The Senator also criticized the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for not holding hearings on a resolution condemning the Soviet drive against those of Jewish faith.

## SOVIET UNION RABBIS FORESEE LACK CF MATZOTH IN MOSCOW, KIEV, ODESSA

LONDON, March 2. (JTA) -- There will not be enough matzoth for Jews needing the unleavened bread for Passover this year in the four leading Jewish centers of the USSR -- Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa -- dispatches received here from Moscow indicated today. Despite certain announced relaxation of rules by Soviet authorities, rabbis in major Soviet cities were reported as saying that the matzoh situation in their communities this year will not differ much from the condition last year, when few matzoth were available for Passover.

Moscow Chief Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levine was reported saying in the Central Synagogue of the Soviet capital yesterday that, although permission was received this year to bake matzoth in rented quarters in a Moscow suburb, the permission came too late since the location needs "considerable repairs" before it can be used as a matzoth bakery.

Rabbi George Joseph Lieb, spiritual leader of the suburban Moscow Marina Roschcha Synagogue, was quoted as saying that the problem surrounding matzoth this year "is flour." He said his synagogue had already baked five tons of matzoth, "then we ran out of flour." Another rabbi, Israel Schwartzblad, of Odessa, was quoted as saying "the situation is the same as last year." The situation was reportedly just as grave in Leningrad and Kiev. Only the Jews in Soviet Georgia are expected to have sufficient matzoth this year, the Jewish leaders said.

The Moscow report said that Orthodox Jews in Moscow were expecting 10,000 pounds of matzoth to be shipped into the USSR, from Denmark, by Dr. Isaac Levin, of the American section of Agudath Israel, while 1,500 pounds would be sent by Britain's Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie.

## Cardinal Cushing Calls for Interfaith Protest Against Moscow

JERSEY CITY, N.J., March 2. (JTA) -- Richard Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, proposed here the formation of an interfaith organization in the United States to "protest and publicize" the persecution of Jews and other religious groups in the Soviet Union.

## AUSCHWITZ WITNESS TESTIFIES SEEING JEWISH BODIES THROWN INTO FIRE

FRANKFURT, March 2. (JTA) -- The burning of a Jewish baby alive, the stuffing of the gas ovens at Birkenau with so many Jewish victims that the Nazis had to build an outdoor pyre to cremate the martyrs more quickly, and the deaths of many from rat bites were described in detail here today at the resumed session of the trial of 22 former Auschwitz-Birkenau officers, guards and medical personnel.

The testimony came from a non-Jewish woman physician, Dr. Ella Lingens, of Vienna. She spent two years at Auschwitz for having been active as an anti-Nazi in the Austrian Social Democratic Party.

"I was not a typical prisoner," she told the court, "but I saw and heard everything. The mortality rate in the women's camp was as high as 350 a day. They died from disease, exhaustion, beatings, hunger." Rats attacked both the dead and the living, she said.

She said she knew about the Birkenau crematorium almost as soon as she arrived at the death camp. "At first, I thought it was used only to cremate bodies of people who had died 'natural' deaths. Then one night I saw women being driven into the gas ovens, screaming and begging for mercy. About 15 minutes later, I saw the smoke becoming thicker, rising from the chimneys. Then I knew."

Early in 1944, she said, thousands of Hungarian Jews were brought into the camp. "They sent so many to the gas chambers," she continued, "that the crematoria were too full. So they built a pyre outdoors, and threw bodies into the fire. I saw one SS officer throwing a live baby into the fire."

## NAZI OFFICER CHARGED WITH 'MERCY KILLING' ARRESTED IN ARGENTINA

FRANKFURT, March 2. (JTA) -- Gerhard Bohne, one of the former Nazis scheduled to have been tried in a current case being heard at Limburg, on charges of participating in the Hitlerian "euthanasia" program in which more than 200,000 persons mostly Jews, were murdered through "mercy killing" injections, has been arrested in Argentina, it was announced here today by Fritz Bauer, chief prosecutor of the State of Hesse.

Mr. Bauer said the West German Government has asked Argentina to extradite Bohne who was one of five former SS officers scheduled to face the Limburg court. He jumped bail and escaped before the trial opened. Two others of the original five defendants lined up for that trial died, one definitely a suicide, the other a suspected suicide.

## GOLDA MEIR ARRIVES IN LONDON FOR TALKS WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT LEADERS

LONDON, March 2. (JTA) -- Israel's Foreign Minister Golda Meir arrived here from Amsterdam today for a visit during which she will meet with Prime Minister Sir Alec Douglas-Home, Foreign Secretary R. A. Butler and Harold Wilson, leader of the British Labor Party.

Declaring that she was looking forward to the talks with the British leaders, Mrs. Meir said on her arrival that she hoped the conversations would be mutually useful. After her arrival, she was the guest for dinner of Israel's Ambassador Arthur Lourie. Tomorrow, Mrs. Meir will have lunch with Foreign Secretary Butler and will meet with the Prime Minister during the day.

## EBAN CONFERS WITH U. N. SECRETARY-GENERAL ON MIDDLE EAST PROBLEMS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 2. (JTA) -- Israel's Deputy Prime Minister, Abba S. Eban, conferred here today with Secretary-General U Thant on various international problems, including issues of interest to the Middle East region. Mr. Eban, who is here as a member of the 18-man United Nations Advisory Committee on Science and Technology, which is considering ways to aid underdeveloped countries, also discussed with the Secretary-General the U. N.'s role in the development field. He was accompanied to the conference by Israel's permanent representative here, Ambassador Michael S. Comay.

Tonight, Mr. Eban delivered a lecture on "Israel and the Developing Countries" before Latin American delegates to the United Nations, under the auspices of the Israel-Iberoamerican Institute. Leading the South American diplomats at that function was the current president of the U. N. General Assembly, Dr. Carlos Sosa-Rodriguez, of Venezuela.

## ISRAEL CHIEF RABBI ORDERS ISSUANCE KOSHER CERTIFICATION TO 'SHALOM'

JERUSALEM, March 2. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim ordered today the issuance of kosher certification for the SS Shalom, Israel's newest ocean liner. The Shalom will have a single kitchen which will be kosher.

# ARABS DISSEMINATE ANTI-JEWISH PAMPHLET IN GERMANY; JEWS COMPLAIN

BCNN, March 2, (JTA) -- The Central Council of the Jews in Germany disclosed today that it had filed a complaint with the Dusseldorf district attorney's office against a violently anti-Semitic pamphlet distributed by Arab representatives in West Germany and that an investigation was in progress.

The issue was first raised last January by Dr. Henryk G. Van Dam, secretary general of the Council. In the current issue of the Allgemeine Wochenzeitung Der Juden, Dr. Van Dam expressed sharp criticism of the West German Foreign Office for failing to take action on the brochure and its sponsors.

A spokesman for the Justice Ministry said, in reply to questions in Parliament, that the Ministry was aware that the pamphlet was being distributed but had not been able to obtain a copy. Social Democratic Deputy Ludwig Metzger asked whether the Justice Ministry planned to act to prevent the repetition of "unlawful acts" such as distribution of the pamphlet. The spokesman said that "I do not think I can make a promise on behalf of the Government in this hour but I feel certain your suggestion will be followed."

Gerhard Jahn, another Social Democratic deputy, asked whether the Government was prepared to take diplomatic steps to prevent the distribution in West Germany of such "infamous publications." The spokesman said "this is a matter for the Foreign Office." That office has not indicated it was taking any action.

Dr. Van Dam, in his renewed criticism, noted that the West German Government had not hesitated to break off diplomatic relations with nations establishing East German consulates on their territory, and that in the case of Ceylon, West Germany even cut off foreign aid. "But here we have a case where hatred is being traded for foreign aid and being disseminated by students who receive scholarships paid for by West German taxpayers," he asserted. "The West German Foreign Office should have taken action on this case long ago."

The pamphlet, entitled "The Problem of the Palestine Refugees," was published by the Information Bureau of the United Arab Republic and members of the Arab-German Friendship groups in Germany and by the "Delegation of the Arab States in Bonn." The pamphlet declares that "the greatest in intellects of humanity have recognized and repeatedly pointed to the unpleasant character of the Jewish people" and it charges the Jews with using "their political marionettes, such as the Zionist Winston Churchill and the Zionist Franklin Roosevelt" to "force" Germany into "World War II.

# CANADIAN MINISTRY OF JUSTICE ASKED TO CHECK ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA

MONTREAL, March 2. (JTA) -- Canadian Jewish Congress today sent a telegram to Guy Favreau, Canada's Minister of Justice, stressing that the recent distribution of anti-Jewish propaganda in Toronto "patently" incites to genocidal actions."

The CJC requested the Minister to give study and to take action within the Criminal Code on the specific basis of incitement to violent actions. It added that this spread of hate materials also offers other grounds for serious remedial steps. The Postmaster General, the Hon. J.R. Nicholson, was advised of submission by the Jewish Congress and both Ministers were asked for an early meeting to discuss the issue further.

# NINE ARRESTED IN STRIKE AGAINST SIX NEW YORK JEWISH SOCIAL AGENCIES

NEW YORK, March 2. (JTA) -- Nine pickets, including a nurse, were arrested this morning as the 11-day-old strike of professional social workers and clerical and maintenance personnel at six Jewish casework agencies continued today, following the breakdown of weekend settlement efforts by the State Mediation Board.

The nine pickets were charged with disorderly conduct for allegedly blocking a truck attempting to make a delivery at the workshop of one of the agencies involved, the Altro Health and Rehabilitation Service, in The Bronx. The other agencies against which more than 1,000 workers are on strike are the Jewish Board of Guardians, Jewish Child Care Association of New York, Jewish Community Service of Long Island, Jewish Family Service and the Louise Wise Services.

Leaders of the striking union, Local 1707 of the Community and Social Agency Employees, a section of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, said that the joint committee for the agencies has refused to entertain union demands on wages, hours, working conditions and union security. The strike has been under way since February 20, and two efforts to mediate, including a session held yesterday, have failed.

# MEMBER OF ARGENTINE ANTI-SEMITIC GROUP KILLS JEW; LEAVES NOTE

BUENOS AIRES, March 2. (JTA) -- Police were investigating today the death of a Jewish businessman who was shot here yesterday by a member of the anti-Semitic, neo-Nazi Tacuara organization. The killer, who was wearing a mailman's uniform, left a note signed in the name of the Tacuara group.

## GRUP OPPOSES TRANSFER OF JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO BRANDEIS CAMPUS

NEW YORK, March 2. (JTA) -- A Committee for the Preservation of the Integrity of the American Jewish Historical Society was formed here by leaders of the Society, following disagreement over announced plans to move the Society's operations and headquarters from New York City to the campus of Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass.

The Committee is headed by Dr. Salo W. Baron, former president of the Society, chairman; Judge Edgar J. Nathan, Jr., vice-president of the Society, and Prof. Abraham A. Neuman, vice-president of the Society and president of Dropsie College of Philadelphia, co-chairmen.

The Committee was formed in opposition to the announced transfer of the Society to Brandeis by its president, Dr. Abram Kanof, two weeks ago. A major contention of the Committee is that the transfer to Waltham is contrary to the intent of the late Dr. Lee M. Friedman, former president of the Society, who had left it a \$1,500,000 legacy.

The will stipulates that the legacy be given to the Society only "on the express condition that it shall be an independent organization." The membership of the Society had voted 675 to 459 against a move to Brandeis in a November referendum, the Committee claimed.

## 188 HEBREW TEACHERS FROM ISRAEL PLACED IN U. S. JEWISH SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, March 2. (JTA) -- A total of 188 Hebrew teachers from Israel were placed in Jewish schools throughout the United States in 1963 as part of the program of the Jewish Agency for Israel to meet the critical shortage of teachers of Hebrew in the United States. These teachers were placed in 108 schools in 61 communities in 20 states throughout the country, it was reported today by the Jewish Agency here.

This program, carried out in cooperation with the Israel Ministry of Education and the American Association for Jewish Education, has expanded every year since it was inaugurated in 1957 with the placement of ten teachers. The great increases have come in the past three years with 136 placements in 1961, 166 in 1962 and 188 for the current academic year.

The program is nationwide. It includes such major communities as New York, with 51 placements, Detroit with 10 and Chicago with 8 and such smaller communities as Tucson, Arizona; Moore, Alabama; and Scranton, Pennsylvania, with one placement each. Of this year's 188 teachers, 58 are male and 130 female; 119 are married and 69 unmarried. Included are 19 couples, both of whom are teachers.

## PALESTINE ECONOMIC CORPORATION ANNOUNCES 1963 EARNINGS ON SHARES

NEW YORK, March 2. (JTA) -- Record 1963 earnings of \$1.44 per common share on 733,912 shares outstanding on December 31, 1963 were reported by PEC Israel Economic Corporation in its 1963 annual report, released today. This compares with \$1.26 earned in 1962 on 689,433 shares outstanding on December 31, 1962. The 1963 earnings were the highest in the company's 38-year history.

Another record set by PEC in 1963 was the net income figure which, for the first time, exceeded the one million dollar mark. Net income in 1963 after U.S. and Israel taxes was \$1,056,386, compared with \$872,024 in 1962 -- an increase of 21 per cent. Total assets stand at an all-time high of \$21,000,000. The earnings do not include stock dividends received by PEC during 1962, valued by management at \$450,000.

A 5 per cent stock dividend on the \$25-per-common stock was paid today to some 12,000 stockholders of record as of January 2, 1964. New or additional investments and firm commitments made by PEC last year totalled \$4,210,000, including participations in Israel's tourist, chemical and petrochemical industries. PEC's investments now range over 38 different companies in the areas of industry; construction and development; transport and marketing; finance, banking, insurance; citriculture; publishing and printing.

## RAJZEL ZYCHLINSKI, U. S. YIDDISH POETESS, WINS PIONEER WOMEN AWARD

NEW YORK, March 2. (JTA) -- Pioneer Women, the Women's Labor Zionist Organization of America, today presented the Hayim Greenberg Literary Award for 1963 to Rajzel Zychlinski for her book of Yiddish poetry, "S'veigendike Tiren." ("Silent Doors") Principal speakers at the award program, held at the Shelburne Hotel, were two distinguished Yiddish poets, Mr. A. Glanz-Leyeles, and Kadia Molodowsky. Dr. Sara Feder, chairman of Pioneer Women's Hayim Greenberg Education Fund, presented the award.

## WARSAW YIDDISH STATE THEATER PERFORMS IN VIENNA; IS HAILED BY PRESS

VIENNA, March 2. (JTA) -- The press and public here gave an enthusiastic reception to performances here by the Yiddish State Theater of Poland of the plays, "Mirele Efron" by Jacob Gordon and "Sender Blank" by Sholem Aleichem. A fragment of "Mirele Efron" was also presented over the Austrian television network.