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U. S. EMBASSY IN RUSSIA REPORTS NO MATZOTH ARE BEING BAKED IN MOSCOW

WASHINGTON, March 19. (JTA) -- The American Embassy in Moscow reported to the State Department that no matzoth at all have so far been baked on the premises which the Soviet authorities had said are being used for the baking of matzoth, it was made known here today by Assistant Secretary of State Frederic Dutton.

The American Embassy also reported that, although the Soviet authorities said that the sending of matzoth from abroad to Jews in the Soviet Union would be allowed, this would not by far solve the problem. At the same time, the Embassy emphasized that the matzoth issue is "a Soviet domestic policy" problem.

Assistant Secretary Dutton transmitted the contents of U. S. Embassy report to Senator Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, who is interested in helping the Soviet Jews secure matzoth for Passover, which starts the evening of Friday, March 27. Mr. Dutton indicated that there appears to be no useful action which the State Department could take to remedy the situation. The Senator urged that a "direct appeal" by the U. S. Government leaders be made to the Soviet Union, and that action also be taken through the United Nations.

Meanwhile, urgent parliamentary efforts were undertaken in Congress all day today in a two-pronged strategy to gain speedy approval of a joint resolution authorizing and requesting the President to use the full facilities of the U. S. to supply matzoth to Soviet Jews in time. The resolution was submitted in the House of Representatives yesterday by Congressman Michael Feighan of Ohio. He was the moving force behind today's efforts to smoothen the procedural complications of the legislative process facing the resolution.

On the House side, efforts were aimed to have the resolution referred to committee without debate, to speed up action. On the Senate side Congressman Feighan discussed with several Senators his suggestion that an identical resolution be submitted there, thus avoiding the need for any joint action by committees of both Houses to coordinate the final wording. It was expected late this afternoon that the resolution will be submitted in the Senate later tonight.

Soviet Action on Matzoth Assailed by American Jewish Groups

NEW YORK, March 19. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry charged here today that the Soviet Government's continuing ban on the public baking and sale of matzoth would make it virtually impossible for Soviet Jews to observe Passover.

The Conference was created earlier this month by 24 major national Jewish organizations. It will meet at the Hotel Willard in Washington on April 5 and 6 to adopt a long-range program, of national and international scope, to deal with what American Jewish leaders have termed the "deteriorating status of Jews and Judaism in the USSR." The two-day meeting in Washington will hear from U. S. Supreme Court Justice Arthur J. Goldberg; U. S. Senators Jacob K. Javits of New York and Abraham Ribicoff of Connecticut, and other prominent figures.

Rabbi Solomon Sharfman, spokesman for the Conference and chairman of the International Affairs Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, reported that the Synagogue Council alone has shipped 2,000 10-pound parcels to the leaders of the Jewish religious community of the Soviet Union.

J. D. C. SHIPPED 270,000 POUNDS OF PASSOVER FOOD TO NEEDY JEWS IN EUROPE

NEW YORK, March 19. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee has shipped 270,000 pounds of matzoth and other Passover supplies to eight European countries to enable needy Jews to observe the holiday appropriately, it was announced today by Edward M. M. Warburg, JDC chairman.

The 270,000 pounds shipped this year compares with some 257,000 pounds distributed last year, Mr. Warburg said. More than half of the total, 171,265 pounds, was shipped to France, where the Jewish population has increased in the past two years from 350,000 to over 500,000, mostly through immigration from Algeria and other North African countries.

The other supplies were distributed to needy Jewish communities in Albania, Belgium, France, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Spain--including Spanish Morocco--and Yugoslavia. In Poland, matzoth are baked by the official religious community, with equipment provided by JDC. Needy Jews in Poland are given funds to purchase matzoth from the Jewish community.

NAZI FORCED JEWS TO SING ON WAY TO GAS CHAMBERS, WITNESS TESTIFIES

FRANKFURT, March 19. (JTA) -- A description of how Jewish victims at Auschwitz were forced by an SS officer called "a killer" to sing songs while on their way to the gas chambers was given to the court here today as the trial of 22 former Auschwitz-Birkenau administrators and medical corpsmen continued.

The day's principal witness, Hermann H. Biermanski, who spent five years at Auschwitz, named Wilhelm Boger, one of the defendants, as the man who made the Jews sing on their way to their death. Boger, according to Biermanski, had "a reputation as a killer" even before he had been assigned to Auschwitz.

While the mass trial of the 22 continued, Dr. Joachim Greiff, president of the Frankfurt Provincial Court, announced that a series of other major war crimes trials has been scheduled to open soon. On April 27, he said, Hermann Krumei and Otto Hunsche, both aides to the late Adolf Eichmann, will go on trial here. The indictment against Krumei alleges he was responsible for the death of 437,402 Hungarian Jews. Hunsche is accused of having been Krumei's assistant. Hunsche is already serving a five-year prison sentence for complicity in the murder of Hungarian Jews.

On May 25, Dr. Greiff said, two more ex-Auschwitz officers will go on trial. One, Wilhelm Burger, will be charged with having procured the Zyclon-B gas used in the Birkenau gas chambers for killing Jews. The second, Josef Erber, has been indicted for having selected prisoners for the Birkenau gas chambers. In addition, Dr. Greiff declared, two batches of 10 ex-SS officers each will face separate trials for killing Hungarian Jews at Auschwitz. Still later, former Nazi police officers who had killed many thousands of Jews in Pinsk, in 1942, will face another count.

At Cologne, today, Werner Schnonemann, 52, a former SS officer, went on trial on charges of responsibility in the shooting of at least 3,197 Jewish men, women and children, as well as Soviet war prisoners, in Poland and Byelorussia, in 1941. He also faced a second charge of assisting in the shooting of another 800 Jews.

HISTADRUT TO PUT STRIKERS ON TRIAL FOR VIOLATING BAN ON STRIKE

TEL AVIV, March 19. (JTA) -- Histadrut, the Israel Federation of Labor, announced today it will place striking income tax, customs and other revenue officials on trial in a Histadrut court for violating the Federation's ban against the walk-out. The 5,000 strikers, ignoring previous Histadrut threats of expulsion from membership, warned that, if the Federation persists in balking them, they will turn in their Histadrut membership cards.

The strike which started yesterday continued today. One of the strikers' demands calls for extra payments to compensate them for what they term "social ostracism" due to the fact that people don't like tax collectors. They also demand extra payment for special duties in connection with detecting would-be smugglers and duty cheaters.

BEN GURION SAYS HE CONSIDERS NEUMANN THE ONLY ZIONIST IN U.S.

TEL AVIV, March 19. (JTA) -- "Emanuel Neumann is one of the few Hebrews in America and is the closest to my heart among American Zionists," former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion declared here today in a message to the 70th birthday celebration for Dr. Neumann held at ZCA House. Among those attending the celebration were Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization.

In his message to Dr. Neumann, which was read to the gathering by Liberal Knesset Deputy Joseph Serlin, Mr. Ben-Gurion who was unable to attend because of poor health, said: "In my concept of Zionist organizations, I would say that Neumann is the only Zionist in the United States. But I don't allow myself to argue with others considering themselves Zionists."

ISRAELI COUNCIL RESTORES DOCTORAL DEGREES TO BAR ILAN UNIVERSITY

TEL AVIV, March 19. (JTA) -- The Government's Council on Higher Education, which must approve the academic standards in all Israeli colleges and universities, ruled today that all but three doctoral degrees previously issued by Bar-Ilan University will be given recognition retroactively. The Council had ruled previously that none of the higher degrees issued by Bar-Ilan will be recognized, but reversed itself "to prevent suffering" on the part of the holders of those degrees.

The Council added that there will be no further recognition of higher degrees from Bar-Ilan and Tel Aviv University until the academic standards are investigated and authorizations are issued. As to the three degrees not recognized in today's order, the holders of those diplomas will have to take special examinations before their status is validated.

ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE DEBATES PLANS FOR ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

JERUSALEM, March 19. (JTA) -- The Zionist Actions Committee continued its debate here today with most speakers urging support for the proposed organizational changes. Mizrahi delegates, however, indicated reservations with regard to the proposals.

ANTI-SEMITIC ATTACKS VOICED IN SC. AFRICAN PARLIAMENT BY NATIONALISTS

LONDON, March 19. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitic attacks by members of the South African Nationalist Party in the House of Representatives of South Africa's Assembly reached a high peak yesterday, forcing a Jewish member of Parliament, former Johannesburg Mayor Alec Gershel, to shout "go to Hell" at the Nationalists, the Guardian of Manchester reported here from Capetown today.

South Africa's House was debating amendments to the Bantu Laws, a move designed to strengthen the Government's apartheid policy, when Nationalists started jeering at Mr. Gershel's opposition to that measure. The Nationalists referred to Mr. Gershel's "race," dragged Israel into the discussion, and otherwise baited the Jewish members of Parliament, according to the Guardian report. When two other Jewish members, Hymie Miller of the United Party and Mrs. Helen Suzman, of the Progressive Party, rose to try to get the floor, Nationalists shouted "Look how the Jews are getting up." It was then that Mr. Gershel reportedly used the harsh language against the Jew baiters.

Douglas Mitchell, leader for the United Party in Natal, protested vigorously against the Jew-baiting, pointing out that not one of the senior members of the Nationalist Party had risen to defend other members from calumny. This was the second time in two weeks that Mr. Mitchell had voiced such a protest.

The Guardian stated that the Nationalist tendency to deride the Jewish members with anti-Semitic jibes has increased "markedly" in the last two weeks. Two weeks ago, Mr. Gershel, after a heated argument with Nationalists, was ordered out of the chamber while Nationalists yelled "go back to Israel." The Nationalists in the House have repeatedly accused the Jewish population here of "devoting themselves to undermining the country."

ROCKWELL'S APPEARANCE AT MINNESOTA UNIVERSITY PROVOKES DISSENSION

MINNEAPOLIS, March 19. (JTA) -- "A backwash of hatred and dissension" continued to swirl among non-Jews and Jews alike in the Twin Cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis, as a result of an address delivered at the University of Minnesota by George Lincoln Rockwell, leader of the American Nazi Party, the American Jewish World, local weekly newspaper, reported here today.

Rockwell spoke on the University of Minnesota Campus last Friday, when 1,500 students and guests, many of them defiantly wearing the Star of David, crowded a campus auditorium, while about 2,500 others listened to his anti-Semitic diatribes over loud speakers. The Stars of David, made available by the Student Zionist Organization, was worn by non-Jews as well as by Jews.

Rockwell received wide press, radio and television coverage during his visit here. Jewish leaders, including Rabbi Louis Milgrom, director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, had urged university officials to ban Rockwell. Some Jewish students, however, according to the American Jewish World, identifying themselves as members of Hillel, said they disagreed with Rabbi Milgrom.

Samuel L. Scheiner, executive director of the Jewish Community Relations Council Minnesota, declaring he believed that some members of his own board of directors may disagree with him, expressed his "regret" over the invitation to Rockwell to speak on the campus. He charged that six Jewish members of the Young Democratic Farmer-Labor Party on the campus had backed the Rockwell invitation.

All newspapers here agreed that, while most of Rockwell's audience booed and jeered him, order had been maintained throughout the Nazi's visit. The American Jewish World noted editorially, however, that "thousands paid this unspeakable pariah their tribute of personal attention." The newspaper suggested that the time may have come when a national association of universities "formulate criteria for appropriate and useful utilization of the college platform, to help determine what cause and what type of personality deserve hearings."

PRESIDENT JOHNSON LAUDS AMERICA-ISRAEL CULTURAL FOUNDATION WORK

NEW YORK, March 19. (JTA) -- President Johnson commended the America-Israel Cultural Foundation for promoting cultural exchange between Israel and the United States and paid tribute to Robert S. Benjamin in a message sent to the Foundation's annual concert, which was held tonight at the Americana Hotel.

Robert S. Benjamin, chairman of the United States Committee for the United Nations and chairman of the board of United Artists, received the Foundation's annual award for his contributions to cultural exchange and the Foundation's programs for Israel's cultural life. Samuel Rubin, president of the Foundation, presented the award, a plaque.

Some 1,200 guests, among them diplomatic leaders and noted figures in government, community and cultural life, attended the dinner where \$200,000 was raised for the Foundation's cultural programs to Israel. These include support of 50 cultural projects in Israel, cultural exchanges between the United States and Israel, and a scholarship program for gifted young Israelis in the arts for study in Israel and abroad.

CANADIAN BAPTIST FEDERATION BACKS BANNING OF ANTI-JEWISH MAILINGS

TCRONT0, March 19. (JTA) -- Efforts to obtain laws to ban the distribution of hate literature, sparked by a recent wave of mailings of anti-Semitic material to several major Canadian cities, were endorsed yesterday by the Canadian Baptist Federation.

In a telegram to Justice Minister Guy Favreau, the Rev. R. F. Bullen of Brantford, general secretary of the Baptist Federation, declared that "our pressing concern is for our Jewish brethren against whom vilification and threats are directed."

The telegram indicated that the Baptists were "deeply distressed that despite the lessons of history, this generation of Canadians is being subjected to an insidious penetration by the purveyors of hate." Rev. Bullen commended the Justice Minister and his colleagues for their efforts to find effective ways to safeguard the rights of all citizens. He also disclosed that hate leaflets had been received in Brantford by some individuals and one service club.

CONSERVATIVE SYNAGOGUES DEFEND FAIR HOUSING LAW IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, March 19. (JTA) -- The Conservative movement has joined other forces in California in defending the present State Fair Housing Law which the California Realtors Association is trying to upset through a referendum.

Victor Horowitz, chairman of the Social Actions Commission of the Pacific region of the United Synagogue of America, announced adherence to those forces in this state -- Catholic, Jewish and Protestant -- who are determined to defend the law. Represented on the Commission, in addition to the United Synagogue itself, are the Rabbinical Assembly, National Women's League and the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

LCEB FOUNDATION IN CANADA DONATES \$500,000 TO CARLETON UNIVERSITY

OTTAWA, March 19. (JTA) -- A leading Jewish family of Ottawa was disclosed today to have made a gift of \$500,000 to Carleton University after withdrawing an offer to give that amount for a medical research center at the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

The Loeb Foundation withdrew the proposed gift after a series of delays in acceptance by the city council. Bertram Loeb, spokesman for the family, said the action did not mean an irretrievable loss to the city, adding that the family would still like to donate a Medical Research Institute building to the city.

JEWISH CHAUTAUQUA SOCIETY OBSERVES 70TH ANNIVERSARY; HEARS LODGE

PHILADELPHIA, March 19. (JTA) -- George Cabot Lodge, Harvard University faculty member and former U.S. Cabinet official, has proposed an "updating" of the Judeo-Christian heritage to fit the disclosures of science and thus advance the cause of western civilization.

Mr. Lodge, son of Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge, made the proposal in an address at Congregation Rodeph Shalom commemorating the 70th anniversary of the Jewish Chautauqua Society. S. M. Liebowitz of New York, chancellor of the Society, described its founding in Philadelphia 70 years ago by Rabbi Henry Berkowitz as a project of American Reform Judaism. It seeks to eliminate religious hatred through education.

200 FOREIGN SCIENTISTS ATTEND WORLD MEDICAL CONGRESS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, March 19. (JTA) -- Some 200 medical scientists from abroad took part in the opening session here today of the third World Congress of the European Micro-circulation Society. This is the largest international medical convention ever to be held in Israel.

DR. WIENER, WORLD FAMOUS SCIENTIST, DIES AT 69; WAS FATHER OF AUTOMATION

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 19. (JTA) -- Dr. Norbert Wiener, world-renowned scientist, who was considered the father of automation -- the son of a Russian-born Jewish peddler who himself rose to become the first professor of Slavonic languages at Harvard -- died yesterday at Stockholm. Announcement of the death was made here today by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where Dr. Wiener served on the faculty for 42 years, retiring as full professor in 1960. He was 69.

He was born in Columbia, Mo., the son of Leo and Bertha Kahn Wiener. A child prodigy, he entered Tufts College at the age of 11, graduated with a degree in mathematics at 14, continued his studies and obtained the degree of doctor of philosophy from Harvard at 19.

Last January, President Johnson awarded to Dr. Wiener one of the five National Medals of Science for his contributions to the nation. His citation called him "one of the world's greatest mathematicians and one of MIT's most distinguished professors."

One of the world's greatest mathematicians, Norbert Wiener was best known for his book in 1948 on cybernetics. Cybernetics is described by scientists as the analysis of electronic and mechanical controls in industry and in daily life, forming the basis of modern automation and the use of today's giant, electronic computers. He was a prolific writer, not only in scientific fields but also in philosophy.