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ESHKOL REBUKES KHRUSHCHEV; SAYS HE ARMS NASSER WHILE TALKING PEACE

JERUSALEM, May 20. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol expressed his regret today over Soviet Premier Khrushchev's offer to provide more arms to Egypt, and declared Israel is ready now, as always, to "join in any endeavor for regional disarmament" in the Middle East, provided such an effort were coupled with "mutual inspection."

Mr. Eshkol made his statement in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament. He did not mention Mr. Khrushchev by name, but referred to the offers of more arms to Nasser, voiced by the Soviet leader the last two days during his current visit to Egypt.

The Israel Government regrets, Mr. Eshkol told Parliament, that, "despite Nasser's aggressive declarations with regard to Israel, he benefits from political support and arms supply from sources usually propagating peace and co-existence. Those aspiring to world peace must support also regional peace.

"Arms in the hands of Egypt today bear neither an anti-imperialist nor a national liberation mission, but are directed in accordance with Egypt's declared policy toward an anti-Israel war--serving also Nasser's aims to dominate neighboring Arab countries," Mr. Eshkol continued. "All this negates fundamentally the peaceful co-existence idea accepted by Russia and the West alike." Israel, he said, rejects an arms race as a development endangering peace, and hampering development.

Reiterating Israel's readiness to join a regional disarmament move coupled with mutual inspection, he noted that Israel never introduced new weapons into this area. "But," he said, "as long as Israel's enemies are not ready for disarmament, Israel must and will fortify her deterrent strength, which is needed for the preservation of the peace."

While discussing the general arms race in the region, Mr. Eshkol also reiterated the fact that Israel's sole objective in nuclear development is aimed at research for peaceful purposes. In that context, he was replying to recent press reports abroad that stated that not only Egypt but Israel as well is engaged in the development of nuclear weapons.

AFL-CIO Executive Says Khrushchev Incites Arabs Against Israel

WASHINGTON, May 20. (JTA) -- The AFL-CIO executive council charged today that Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev is deliberately inciting the United Arab Republic to aggression against Israel. The Council said in a public statement that Khrushchev's visit to the UAR was "a hate-breeding tour" designed to encourage President Nasser's ambitions to dominate the entire Arab world.

The Council noted "with dismay that the hope of the peoples of the world for peace and the efforts of our country and its allies for a genuine detente have been severely jarred" by the Khrushchev tour of the UAR and his abusive statements there. Notice was taken by the Council of the continuing flow of Soviet ultra-modern weapons to the Egyptian armed forces.

CARDINAL BEA TO CONTINUE ACTION ON ECUMENICAL COUNCIL DECREE ON JEWS

RCME, May 20. (JTA) -- Responsibility for the declaration on Catholic-Jewish relations to be dealt with at the third session of the Ecumenical Council next fall will remain with the Secretariat for Christian Unity headed by Cardinal Bea and will not be given over to the newly announced Secretariat for Non-Christians, according to an article prepared for tomorrow's issue of Osservatore Romano, official organ of the Vatican.

In describing the field of activity of the new Secretariat for Non-Christians, the article, by Paolo Cardinal Marella, head of the new body, declares that his Secretariat will act outside the Ecumenical Council and denies rumors that it will invite non-Christian observers to the Council.

In explaining the tasks of the new Secretariat, the article mentions the necessity for new contacts based on sympathy and mutual understanding, but primarily on frankness. It declares that ignorance, prejudice and even ill will have often led to distorted viewpoints and that the religious world cannot fall behind in an era of mutual understanding.

The article says that, for the time being, the Secretariat will maintain a small central institution in Rome but that most of the contacts will be made in the field.

JEVISH LEADERS WARN BONN ON 'DILUTING' INDEMNIFICATION PROGRAM

BONN, May 20. (JTA) -- The process of normalizing relations between Jews and Germany "will be prolonged and hard if the West German Government insists on diluting its indemnification program," Curt Silberman of New York, president of the American Federation of Jews from Central Europe, told a press conference here yesterday.

Both he and Kurt Grossman, of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, outlined the views of the two organizations on the indemnification issue at a special press briefing. Both officials stressed that West German objections to extending the deadline for victims of Nazi persecution to file claims for compensation were based on a false estimate of the situation.

"There is a fear in the Government, especially in the Finance Ministry, that lifting the October 1, 1953 deadline, which now prevents some 100,000 victims of Nazism from filing claims, will cost several billion dollars," Mr. Silberman said. This was the deadline which many victims, caught behind the Iron Curtain on that date, were unable to meet.

"There is no justification for this feeling," he asserted. "In estimating the costs of such compensation, the Government fails to take into account, first of all, the mortality rate among people receiving indemnification, and second, the fact that many claims which were filed have not been honored."

He also described what he called several myths which govern the West German treaty on indemnification. One of these, he said, was the feeling that victims of Nazi persecution were making too many "unreasonable" demands and that the number of people getting indemnification is far greater than is actually the case.

There is also a feeling that there must be a deadline, he asserted, though in fact the present law establishes a retroactive deadline. Then there is the widespread view, he pointed out, that the Government and the country cannot afford to pay more for restitution and compensation despite the fact that West Germany is one of the richest countries in the world. Above all, he said, there is the prevalent feeling that indemnification is not a right of the victims but rather an act of generosity on the part of the West German Government.

"It is easier to win sympathy for victims of the Berlin wall today than it is to get it for people persecuted by the Nazis," Mr. Silberman said. He and Mr. Grossman made a direct appeal to West German journalists to bring to the attention of the public the problems pertaining to the Government's proposed amendments of indemnification legislation now pending in Parliament.

SYNAGOGUES IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD WERE CROWDED DURING SHAVUOTH

LONDON, May 20. (JTA) -- All synagogues in Moscow and in Leningrad were crowded beyond capacity last week when Shavuoth services were conducted by the congregations, according to highly authentic reports received here today from the Soviet Union. Not only the houses of worship but the courtyards surrounding the synagogues were filled with many hundreds of Jews celebrating the holiday, the reports noted.

At the same time, copies of the Soviet press received here indicated that the Soviet Government is continuing its drive against alleged economic offenders bearing names that are obviously Jewish. The Minsk daily, Sovetskaya Byelorussia, reported the opening of a trial against a man named Boris Raiklin, charged with stealing watch parts from a factory and selling them in Tallin, capital of Estonia. Trud, the official organ of the Soviet trade unions, reported a case of another man, S. M. Margulies, accused of "pocketing about 100,000 rubles from salaries due to workers" who had installed electric boilers on collective farms.

ISRAEL APPROVES CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL HOUSING AT \$30,000,000 COST

JERUSALEM, May 20. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government today approved the construction of 5,000 more homes for immigrants, in addition to 10,000 such homes in the current budget already voted to the Ministry of Housing.

At the same time, Housing Minister Yosef Almogi said he would seek Government approval for 5,000 more housing units for immigrants, in view of the fact that immigration, this year, is again exceeding previous forecasts. The additional units thus far approved, he declared, will cost 90,000,000 Israeli pounds (\$30,000,000). He declared that the Jewish Agency is expected to increase its contributions to help meet the immigrant housing shortage.

WORLD ZIONIST BODY VOTES 1964-65 BUDGET TOTALING MORE THAN \$17,000,000

JERUSALEM, May 20. (JTA) -- The World Zionist Organization's actions committee today approved a 1964-65 budget amounting to more than 52,000,000 Israeli pounds (\$17,000,000). The sum was voted by the committee's permanent finance and budgetary committee.

Dr. Yacov Tzur, board chairman of the actions committee, said that 60 per cent of the new budget would be earmarked for land development and afforestation, while 24 per cent would be allocated toward debt repayments.

CONGRESS GETS RESOLUTION AIMED AT ERADICATION OF ANTI-SEMITISM

WASHINGTON, May 20. (JTA) -- An international treaty aimed at worldwide condemnation and eradication of anti-Semitism has been urged by Rep. Cornelius E. Gallagher. The New Jersey Democrat has introduced a resolution expressing support of President Johnson's efforts to secure universal condemnation of anti-Semitism as an international offense.

"Anti-Semitism is a form of race and religious discrimination and intolerance contrary to the principles of the United Nations and repugnant to free men the world over," Mr. Gallagher said. "Nevertheless, anti-Semitism continues to exist in many areas and only a global effort will obliterate it." The Gallagher resolution urges continued U.S. effort through the UN to secure in final treaty form a pledge from signatory nations to eradicate anti-Semitism within their territories and adopt measures to enforce such pledges.

CANADIAN MINISTER REPORTS ON EFFORTS TO CURB HATE PROPAGANDA

TORONTO, May 20. (JTA) -- Canada's Government is wrestling earnestly with the problem of curbing distribution of hate materials without infringing upon traditional guarantees of freedom of speech, Paul Martin, the Dominion's Minister for External Affairs, told a Jewish audience here.

Mr. Martin, addressing a meeting of the Beth Shalom Synagogue Brotherhood here, condemned roundly the recent outbreak of hate literature distribution throughout the country, most of it anti-Semitic and anti-Negro. "We must oppose these despicable efforts by a few individuals," he said, "to promote division at a time when there is so much need for unity." The real problem, he declared, is finding a formula "that would meet the evil of hate literature without, at the same time, interfering with freedom of speech."

QUEBEC GOVERNMENT TO INTRODUCE BILL OUTLAWING BIAS IN EMPLOYMENT

TORONTO, May 20. (JTA) -- An assurance that the provincial government of Quebec is planning to introduce a bill outlawing discrimination in employment was received here today by officials of the Canadian Jewish Congress. The promise that the Quebec Legislature would receive a Fair Employment Practices bill was sent to the Congress by the office of Quebec Prime Minister Jean Lesage.

At the same time, progress toward elimination of employment bias was reported here today by the Ontario Human Rights Commission. The Commission notified the CJC that it had signed an agreement with the Association of Professional Placement Agencies and Consultants here. In the agreement 15 members of the association pledged the elimination of all hiring practices under which applicants suffer discrimination on the grounds of race, religion or color. Officials of the Canadian Jewish Congress said the agreement was of "historic" significance.

NEO-NAZIS IN CHILE IGNORE GOVERNMENT ORDER TO DISSOLVE THEIR PARTY

SANTIAGO, Chile, May 20. (JTA) -- The Chilean Secretary of the Interior began today prosecution of the neo-Nazi National Syndicalist Revolutionary Movement (MRNS) when the movement ignored a government order to dissolve by May 15.

Jamie Silva, Undersecretary of the Ministry, said the action had been started to compel respect for constitutional and legal rules barring activities of organizations with armed members. The Ministry filed action with the Court of Appeals under the Law of Internal Security of the state.

Fran Pfeifer, organizer in October 1953, of a smaller neo-Nazi group, the National Socialist party, accepted the Government's dissolution decree. Ramon Caliz, who founded the MRNS 12 years ago, said that the movement had 5,000 members throughout Chile. He called the trials of former Nazis for war crimes in West Germany "savagery, a new Inquisition."

JEWISH GROUPS JOIN IN FORMING LAWYERS CORPS TO SERVE IN SOUTH

NEW YORK, May 20. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress are among seven major civil rights organizations that have joined in forming a corps of volunteer lawyers who will serve in the deep South this summer to protect the legal rights of anti-segregation demonstrators and Negroes seeking the right to vote. Edwin J. Lukas, national affairs director of the American Jewish Committee and Leo Pfeffer, general counsel of the American Jewish Congress, are among the founding members of the Lawyers Constitutional Defense Committee, a kind of "Lawyers corps" modeled after the Peace Corps.

Leading Catholic and Protestant constitutional authorities, along with the major anti-segregation groups, are participating in the group, which will operate in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana and Mississippi from June 15 to September 30. "The primary goal of the Committee will be to protect the basic rights to equality and freedom of expression guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution," it was stated.

A.D.L. TAKES LEGAL ACTION AGAINST JORDAN'S PAVILION AT WORLD'S FAIR

NEW YORK, May 20. (JTA) -- Dore Schary, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, today instituted legal action to force Robert Moses, president of the World's Fair Corporation, and Newbold Morris, New York City Commissioner of Parks, to cancel the lease of the Jordanian Pavilion at the World's Fair unless that government removes its "anti-Semitic" mural from the exhibit walls.

An order directing Commissioner Morris and Mr. Moses to show cause why the mural should not be removed or the Jordan Pavilion lease canceled was signed today by Justice Joseph A. Sarafite of the State Supreme Court. In his petition, Mr. Schary charges that the Jordanian display "casts aspersions on all Americans of the Jewish faith and incites to hatred against them. Its continued maintenance," he says, "is deeply offensive to Jews and as such violates both its lease and the chief purpose of the Fair."

CANADIAN JEWS REQUEST CONFERENCE WITH PREMIER ON BILINGUALISM

MONTREAL, May 20. (JTA) -- The Canadian Jewish Congress today requested a conference with Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson to discuss possible changes in the Government's efforts to formulate a new policy dealing with Canada's status as a bilingual and bicultural society.

In the request to the Premier, sent by Michael Garber, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, the CJC objected particularly to certain terminology in the Government's instructions to the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism. Those instructions, the Congress maintained, do not recognize minorities other than those of Anglo-Saxon-Celtic or French origin as equal partners in Canadian society.

Mr. Garber pointed out in his letter to Mr. Pearson that the Royal Commission is guided now by instructions "to recommend what steps should be taken on the basis of an equal partnership between the two founding races, taking into account the contribution made by other ethnic groups to the cultural enrichment of Canada and the measures that should be taken to safeguard that contribution."

"In this sense," the CJC president maintained in his letter to the Premier, "The Canadian Confederation will be developed on the basis of a bi-racial and equal partnership, from which all others are excluded." The mere reference to "other ethnic groups," he declared is not apt today "when such a large number of Canadians are neither of English nor of French extraction."

The Congress president also objected to the use of the word "race" which, he noted "in recent times has taken on a sinister aspect and evokes many bitter memories, particularly amongst 'the other ethnic groups.'" Mr. Garber asked the Premier for a conference at which an effort would be made to amend the terminology now guiding the Royal Commission.

DR. NEUMANN REPORTS ON ROLE OF 'HERZL PRESS' IN U. S. JEWISH EDUCATION

NEW YORK, May 20. (JTA) -- In spite of the existence of a "massive indifference" toward books of a serious character dealing with Zionism, Israel and general Jewish subjects, there is, in this country, "an unsatisfied thirst for knowledge even on the part of second and third generation Jews," Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the Herzl Foundation, declared here today at a luncheon celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Herzl Press.

The occasion was marked by the publication of "Coming Home," a memoir by Rahel Yanait Ben-Zvi, widow of Israel's late President, the 72nd title issued by the publishing house which is devoted to works on Israel, Zionism and Jewish culture.

"There are young Jews in growing numbers," Dr. Neumann said, who are "reaching up into the intellectual stratum, not content with easy, superficial reading, who want to delve more deeply in their quest for knowledge and the meaning and implications of Jewish identity."

Dr. Raphael Patai, editor of the Herzl Press, said that the publishing house "is dedicated to the avowed purpose of the strengthening of mutual understanding between Israel and America and between the people of Israel and American Jewry."

Other speakers at the luncheon included Ambassador Katriel Katz, Consul General of Israel; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization; and Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, secretary of the National Foundation for Jewish Culture.

ISRAEL NATIONAL YOUTH SYMPHONY TO COME TO U. S. FOR TWO-MONTH TOUR

NEW YORK, May 20. (JTA) -- The Gadna Israel National Youth Symphony will come to the United States in October for a two-month tour of this country and Canada, it was announced here today at a press conference at the Israeli Consulate General. The tour, part of the cultural exchange program of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, will be sponsored by AIMA-Music Alliance of the Foundation and will be managed by Columbia Artists Management.