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ESHKOL HONORED BY U.S. ARMY AT AIR DEFENSE CENTER TRAINING ISRAELIS

FCRT BLISS, Texas, June 8. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol was welcomed by the U, S, Army today at the Army Air Defense Center here where Israeli personnel are training to activate Israel's guided-missile battalion.

A parade and luncheon honoring Premier Eshkol took place. He met with the Israeli military trainees here who will soon number 100. The Israeli trainees here will return to Israel as instructors in the use of the Hawk missile which can be used against aircraft as well as against enemy missiles. The Israeli group here has actually fired U. G. Hawks and lead the trainees at Fort Bliss with grade averages of over 98 at the missile school.

The Israeli trainees commended the U.S. Army for outstanding cooperation with them; A detachment of Israelis participated in the U.S. Army parade. The luncheon honoring Premier Eshkol was tendered by Major General Tom Stayton, commanding eneral of the U.S. Army Air Defense Center. Gen. Stayton expressed pleasure at receiving the Prime Minister and commended the Israeli trainees.

Mr. Eshkol was honored by the firing of a 21-cannon salute. He was greeted by the children of Israeli military personnel who presented blue and white flowers to Mrs. Eshkol. He viewed Hawk anti-aircraft missiles of the type soon to be made operational by Israel.

Commands during the military honor ceremony were issued in Hebrew, the first time this is believed to have occurred in a formal ceremony at a U.S. military installation. The band played Hatikvah during the firing of the salute by artillery.

Prior to visiting Fort Bliss, Premier Eshkol, following the suggestion of President Johnson, inspected the water desalination plant at Freeport, Texas, He also visited facilities of the Dow Chemical Company. He arrived at Freeport from Houston, where he was greeted by Mayer Louie Welch. The Mayor presented Mr. Eshkol with the traditional tengallon Texas hat and the key to the city of Houston, Following this, Prime Minister Eshkol reviewed a special honor guard which had been assembled in his honor. Also on hand to welcome the Israeli Premier and his party was a delegation from the local Jewish community.

In the afternoon today, the Eshkol party left Fort Bliss for Los Angeles. Premier Eshkol is flying aboard a special Presidential jet which President Lyndon B. Johnson has put at his disposal during the ture.

Desalination Is No Substitute for Jordan Waters Project, Meir Says

BRUSSELS, June 8. (JTA) -- Israel Foreign Minister Golda Meir said today that her country's efforts to desalinate water cannot be considered a substitute for the Jordan River irrigation project.

Her statement was made in an exclusive interview published by Le Soir, Belgium's largest daily. Mrs. Meir explained that the real problem of desalination is to bring the price per gallon to an economically feasible basis. She added that this might take some time and cannot, therefore, be considered as a replacement for the projected diversion of the Jordan waters;

Regarding the possible reaction of the Arab States to the Israel water plan, the Foreign Minister felt that sabotage actions were more probable than a real armed conflict. She expressed skepticism concerning Arab threats to change the course of the Jordan River.

Commenting on the balance of arms in the Middle East, Mrs. Meir said that although Israel dislikes spending on arms, money needed for economic development, there is no choice as the situation must be faced clearly. She pointed cut that since 1956 Egypt has been receiving arms from the Soviet Union and that Nasser could increase his armaments production with the help of the German scientists in his employ.

Mrs; Meir concluded that Israel does not foresee an immediate war with the Arabs and added, "such a danger will not exist as long as we remain strong enough to discourage anybody from attacking us." She also steessed that the longer Israel is able to avoid armed conflict the greater the chance for a genuine peace, which she added "we are always ready to negotiate."

ISRAEL CABINET PERMITS CANADIAN FIRM TO SURVEY COASTLINE FOR OIL

JERUSALEM, June 8; (JTA) -- The Cabinet yesterday agreed to permit the Canadian of the prospecting firm, Petrocana, to make a survey of Ismel's coastline in a search for offshore oil reserves; The company will be aided in the survey by the Israel Navy;

GERMAN FIRM WARNED BY ISRAEL AGAINST YIELDING TO ARAB BOYCOTT

IERUSALEM, June 8; (JTA) -- The Foreign Ministry has informed the West German electronics firm, Grundig, that import licenses for all of 'the firm's products will be canceled unless the company affirms that it has not yielded to the Arab boycott, it was reported here today, Grundig's Israel agent disclosed that he was proceeding to West Germany this week and that he hoped to get such a declaration,

The Foreign Ministry statement followed a report that Grundig had notified its agents to stop all sales to Israeli firms in response to pressure from the Arab boycott committee. The company had been selling its television, radio and other electronic products very widely in Israel.

BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTER REBUKES ARAB DIPLOMAT OVER BOYCOTT THREAT

BRUSSELS, June 8. (JTA) - Paul Henri-Spaak, Belgium's Foreign Minister, said in the Senate today that he had called in an Iraqi diplomat to express Belgium;s displeasure over Arab threats against Belgian firms planning to participate in the International Fair at Tel Aviv.

The Foreign Minister disclosed his action in reply to questions about the threats. He said he had called in the diplomat who signed the circulars to convey to him the "undesirable character" of such pressures and that the diplomat took note of the protest. He added that Belgium's Minister for Exrernal Trade, Henry Brasseur, would be present at "Belgian Day" at the Tel Aviv Fair on June 18. The Minister will visit Israel from June 17 to June 21.

BRITAIN WARNS GERMANY ON TIMING NASSER'S POSSIBLE STATE VISIT

LGNDON, June 8. (TTA) - Britain has made no formal representations to West Germany about reports concerning a possible state visit there by Egyptian President Nasser, the Foreign Office announced today.

It was believed here, however, that the Bonn Government has been informed that the British Government would not like such a visit by Nasser to be timed close to the visit to West Germany by Queen Elizabeth next year.

TURKISH GOVERNMENT CONCLUDES ECONOMIC PLANNING AGREEMENT WITH ISRAEL

ISTANBUL, June 8. (JTA) -- A five-day visit of an Israeli planning commission ended today with announcement of approval of a Turkish-Israel economic planning agreement. The agreement provides for an exchange of experts and preparation of economic planning projects: The Israeli planning experts visited Ankara and other cities as guests of the government.

Turkey will also conclude an agreement with Israeli firms on prefabricated construction of bildings in this country, Turkish Housing Minister Djelaltettin Uzer reported today on his return from a visit to Israel, Calling the visit "very successful, "the Turkish Minister said he conferred with Israeli firms to invest in hotel construction in Turkey. He praised Israel warmly, and said he had been impressed by the sympathy of Israelis for Turkey.

JEWISH WAR VETERANS CONDEMN SOVIET ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATIONS

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y., June 8. (ITA) -- A resolution condemning the Soviet Union "for its calculated and deliberate repression and harassment of its 3,000,000 Jewish citizens," was adopted by the 34th annual convention of the Department of New York, Jewish War Veterans of the United States now meeting here.

In another resolution the American Government was called on to stop aiding Egypt until Washington is assured that the money is being used for peaceful purposes and not for manufacturing weapons intended for use against Israel.

In other major resolutions, the delegates urged the defeat of the proposed Becker amendment to the U.S. Constitution which would lift the ban on Bible reading and prayer in public schools. Convention delegates also strongly endorsed the passage of the Civil Rights Bill. Murray G. Gherman of Brooklyn was elected State Commander.

HEARINGS ON PENDING IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION TO START THIS WEEK

WASHING TON, June 8. (JTA) -- Hearings on pending immigration legislation will begin on Thursday, it was announced at the House of Representatives by Ohio Dempcrat Michael Feighan today, Rep. Feighan. is head of the House Judiciary Immigration Subcommittee and and successor to the late Representative Francis Walter as head of the Joint Committee on Immigration.

SPANISH GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHES CENTER FOR HISPANIC-JEWISH STUDIES

MADRID, June 8. (JTA) -- The Spanish Government today announced the establishment of a center for Hispanic-Jewish studies and a special museum in the famous 14th century Synagogue of Samuel Levi, known as the Transit Synagogue in the ancient city of Toledo, near here.

The Government announcement-which was made in connection with the 10-day Symposium now being held here by the Institute of Sephardic Studies--said that the creation of the Spanish-Jewish Museum and center was essential for an understanding of the varied aspects of Sephardic Jews settled all over the world. The Transit Synagogue was built in 1357 by Samuel Levi, an outstanding leader of Spanish Jewry of his time.

The Symposium which will conclude on Wednesday, is attempting to study the geographical distribution and social status of Sephardic culture and people throughout the world, as well as to formulate measures for the renewal of bonds with Spanish culture and the Spanish language.

\$1,000,000 SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNOUNCED FOR SCANDINAVIANS WHO SAVED JEWS

NEW YORK, June 8. (JTA) -- The establishment of a \$1,000,000 scholarship fund for Scandinavian students in appreciation of the rescue of most of Danish Jewry during the Second World War, was announced here tonight at a formal dinner of the Phi Sigma Delta Foundation, which will administer the fund.

Prime Minister Jens Otto Krag of Denmark was guest of honor at the dinner which was attended by Governor Bengt Petri of Sweden and Ambassador Knuth-Winterfeldt of Denmark and Ambassador Hubert de Besche of Sweden. The first 12 scholar ships have already been awarded for the 1964-65 academic year to Danish students for study in the United States and Denmark.

The Phi Sigma Delta Foundation is composed of 48 chapters with some 20,000 alumni across the country. Victor Borge, well-known pianist and entertainer, is chairman of the scholarship fund, Richard Netter, a New York attorney, is president of the Foundation, Participation in the fund is not restricted to fraternity, or sorority members, according to Mr. Netter. He said participation is invited by all charitable fraternal associations and business organization societies, as well as individuals.

DR. ROGOFF, JEWISH SCIENTIST, GIVES \$1,000,000 TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

BCSTON, June 8. (JTA) -- Dr. Julius M. Rogoff, a renowned medical researcher and discoverer of interrenalin, the life-sustaining hormone used in the treatment of Addison's disease, last night announced a gift of \$1,000,000 to Brandeis University to further the development of the University's science programs.

The gift, in addition to assuring greater support for the science programs, brings Brandeis to within \$1,000,000 of its goal set by the Ford Foundation, requiring the University to raise \$18,000,000 to qualify for a Foundation grant of \$6,000,000.

Dr. Rogoff, who amounced the gift at the University's annual commencement banquet, said that the \$1,000,000 would be contributed through the Rogoff Foundation, of which he is president. Dr. Rogoff is a pioneer in modern medicine and is the author of more than 175 major articles on original research in experimental medicine, notably in endocrinology, physiology and pathology.

UNIVERSITY OF JUDAISM IN LOS ANGELES GETS \$250,000 TRUST FUND

LOS ANGELES, June 8. (JTA) -- Samuel A. Fryer, noted Los Angeles philanthropist, has endowed a trust of \$250, 000 for the University of Judaism, West Coast division of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York, it was announced here by the Seminary's Provost, Dr. Bernard Mandelbaum, and Dr. David Lieber, the University's president:

The endowment will create the Samuel A. Fryer Professorial Chair of the Bible. Mr. Fryer's earlier gift made possible the acquisition of the spacious University building bearing his name on Sunset Boulevard, "The establishment of the Samuel A. Fryer Chair means that funds are now available in perpetuity for an outstanding scholar of the Bible to teach and guide graduate students in Bible on the West Coast," said Dr. Lieber, in making announcement of the gift.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON NAMES HERBERT FRIEDMAN FOR 1964 PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

WASHINGTON, June 8. (JTA) - President Johnson has named Herbert Friedman, Superintendent, Atmosphere and Astrophysics Division of the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory, as one of four to receive the 1964 President's award for distinguished federal civilia: service.

Mr. Friedman is being cited for his "leadership in the new science of rocket astronomy that has greatly advanced the nation's progress in space and extended man's knowledge of the universe." With the Naval Research Laboratory for over 20 years, Mr. Friedman has recently been conducting experiments in using rockets to carry instruments to the unper atmosphere.

'IGH U.S. OFFICIALS, DIPLOMATS ATTEND ISRAEL BALL IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, June 8. (JTA) -- Over 1,000 guests representing every stream of Washigton society were gathered at the Annual Israel Independence Ball under the patronage of mbassador and Mrs. Avraham Harman last evening, here, Present were members of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches of the Government, the Diplomatic Corps and the community.

Receiving were Justice William O. Douglas, Justice and Mrs. Arthur Goldberg, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare and Mrs. Anthony Celbrezze, Under Secretary of State and Mrs. Averell Harriman, and Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Mazor, chairmen of the ball, Peace Corps Director and Mrs. Sargent Shriver were honorary chairmen.

A high spot of the evening was a presentation to Metropolitan Opera Tenor Richard Tucker of the Israel Artistic Award, a silver plaque molded on ebouy representing a map of Israel and signed by the Athbassador. The inscription reads for 'his significant contribution to international amity through the creative arts." An award of trees, to be planted in Israel was made to the singer, Tony Bennet.

Another feature of the evening was the ball program, featuring an original water color bit well-known sculptor, Chaim Gross. The painting called "Spirit of Israel," was especially created by Mr. Gross for this event, celebrating Israel's 16th anniversary,

YIDDISH STATE THEATER FROM POLAND STARTS PERFORMANCES IN LONDON

LONDON, June 8. (JTA) -- The Polish Yiddish State Theater troupe currently touring Europe arrived here this afternoon and opened at the Scala Theater tonight with a production of Ettinger's "Serkale," the first Yiddish play ever put on the stage 100 years ago. The troupe was given an enthusiastic reception.

Mrs. Ida Kaminska, the leading actress of the company, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that they had a very successful run in Paris where nearly 10,000 persons attended the 15 performances;

BRAZILIAN ACADEMY OF LITERATURE HOLDS DISCUSSION ON JEWISH CULTURE

RIO DE JANEIRO, June 8. (JTA) -- Austregessilo de Athayde, president of the Brazilian Academy of Literature, called here tonight for further encouragement of the development of Jewish culture in Brazil which, he said, would result in the enrichment of Brazilian culture. Addressing a special gathering of the Academy devoted to Jewish culture, Mr. de Athayde said that a new chapter was beginning in Brazilian-Israel cultural relations.

Avigdor Shoham, Charge d'Affaires of the Israeli Émbassy, presented the Academy with three ancient clay pitchers dating back to the second century which were excavated in Israel. Other speakers included the prominent Brazilian writer, Levi Carneiro, and Jose Ashkenazi, president of the Brazilian Jewish Institute of Culture and Information.

CANADIAN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN MONTREAL HOLDS INAUGURAL MEETING

MONTREAL, June 8. (JTA) -- More than 150 invited guests attended the Inaugural Meeting of the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Jewish Historical Swiety held here at the Mt. Royal Hotel. The CJHS, which operates under the aegis of the Canadian Jewish Congress, will attempt to collect, preserve, publish and popularize material dealing with the settlement and history of Jews in Canada and will also play an active role in stimulating original research of Jewish history in Canada.

The opening program included the presentation of two major papers by Professor Michel Brunet, director of the Department of History, University of Montreal, and by Louis Rosenberg, research director, Canadian Jewish Congress. The program closed with the presentation of the H. M. Caiserman Award to Benjamin G. Sack by Lavy M. Becker, chairman of the publications committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

The H. M. Gaiserman Award, established by the Canadian Jewish Congress in tribute to the late H. M. Gaiserman, who was general secretary of the Congress for over 25 years, is presented annually for an outstanding contribution in the field of Jewish arts and letters in Canada. Mr. Sack was given the award in recognition of his contribution to Jewish culture as pioneer historian of Canadian Jewry.

IRVING MITCHEL FELT RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NEW YORK FEDERATION

NEW YORK, June 8. (JTA) -- Irving Mitchell Felt was re-elected president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York at a meeting of the organization's board of trustees tonight. Four new officers were elected for one-year terms, and 27 other officers were re-elected to positions held last year.

Mr. Felt, chairman of the board and president of Madison Square Garden Corporation, is beginning his second term as Federation president. Also elected at the meeting were Edwin M. Appeal and Mrs. Louis Nathanson, vice-presidents; Saul Horowitz, Jr., associate resurer and Jack Meadow, secretary.