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DE GAULLE REPORTED IN AGREEMENT WITH ESHKOL ON ISRAEL'S PROBLEMS

PARIS, June 30: (JTA) -- Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, who is paying a 12-day visit to France, has found a "most friendly attitude" on the part of President Charles de Gaulle, as the two statesmen discussed a variety of subjects of common interest to both governments, it was revealed here today. Mr. Eshkol met for a full hour yesterday with President de Gaulle, who, according to most reliable sources here, showed "great understanding for Israel's problems--economic, political and military."

In spite of the fact that Mr. Eshkol's visit was nominally private, the Israeli Premier was received by General de Gaulle with great "eclat." As the car carrying Mr. Eshkol, who was accompanied by Walter Eytan, Israel's Ambassador to France, arrived in the courtyard of the Presidential palace, 10 Presidential guards costumed in full uniform formed an arch. A platoon of infantry presented arms as Mr. Eshkol was greeted by President de Gaulle's political secretary, Pierre Gallichon. The latter escorted Mr. Eshkol and Mr. Eytan to the President's study for a conference which was attended only by Mr. Eshkol and Mr. Eytan, President de Gaulle, and two interpreters.

Throughout the conference, it was reported, Gen. de Gaulle referred to Israel as "our friend and ally." The Israeli Premier beought up in his talk with Gen. de Gaulle the possibility of Franco-Israeli cooperation in various scientific fields, especially in the science of oceanography. The same topic had been discussed earlier in a separate conference between Mr. Eshkol and French Prime Minister Georges Pompidou.

Arab Boycott Discussed; De Gaulle Lauds Israel's Work in Africa

Although no formal communiqué was issued after the de Gaulle-Eshkol conference, it was understood that, in addition to scientific cooperation, they talked also about the international situation in general, the Middle East situation, relations with West Germany and with Communist China, and Israel's relations with the Common Market. On all these subjects, it was stated authoritatively, the two leaders found themselves "in complete agreement."

Reliable sources described the Franco-Israeli situation, after the meeting, as "unchanged in all fields," declaring that "the same close ties between Israel and France continue to exist." Both President de Gaulle and Premier Pompidou showed keen interest in a Franco-Israeli scientific agreement.

Mr. Eshkol had also raised, in his talk with Premier Pompidou, the issue of the Arab boycott against Israel. The Israeli leader called M. Pompidou's attention to the fact that, if private firms were to give in to Arab threats in the demands for a boycott of Israel, the economy of the Jewish State would be harmed seriously.

General de Gaulle had expressed to Mr. Eshkol "admiration" for Israel's work in Africa, and voiced a favorable reaction toward Israel's aid to underdeveloped countries.

France Favors Maintaining a Balance of Power in Middle East

Earlier yesterday, during a luncheon tendered by Premier Pompidou in honor of the Israeli Prime Minister, M. Pompidou had said: "We know that no Government aspires toward peace as keenly as does the Israeli Government. That is why we are in favor of maintaining a balance of power in the Middle East." The French Premier further stressed Franco-Israeli friendship.

In response to M. Pompidou's toast, Mr. Eshkol mentioned Israel's "deep gratitude to France," expressing his certitude that "the second half of our mutual friendship will be even closer and more productive, if possible, than the first."

In the opinion of all qualified observers here, Mr. Eshkol and Shimon Peres, Israel's Deputy Minister of Defense, who is escorting the Israeli Premier, have scored a resounding victory and have helped to draw closer than ever the relations between France and Israel. Once again, it is felt here, the friendship between France and Israel has been reaffirmed by the topmost officials of the two governments.

Mr. Eshkol visited the headquarters of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization here today, being received as a guest of honor by Rene Maheu, director-general of UNESCO. The Israeli flag was flown from a masthead in front of the

building as the Israeli Government leader arrived for his visit, and M. Maheu met him on the steps at the entrance, introducing him later to other leading officials of the world organization.

M. Maheu presented Mrs. Eshkol with a book published by UNESCO, devoted to Israel's art treasures. After the inspection of the UNESCO headquarters, Mr. and Mrs. Eshkol and members of their party were guests of honor at a luncheon tendered for them by M. Maheu. The event was attended by most of UNESCO's leading officials.

Tomorrow, Premier Eshkol will be received by the French National Assembly. Thursday he will be honored by the French Defense Minister who is giving a banquet in honor of the Israeli Premier; Friday he will attend a reception given by the Franco-Israeli Friendship Society. Following this he will leave Paris for the country home of Baron Edmond de Rothschild where he will spend the weekend.

Premier Eshkol and his party will return to Paris on Monday at which time he will begin a three-day tour of French military, agricultural and industrial establishments. Following a press conference to be held on Thursday, July 9, the Israeli Prime Minister will leave for Israel on Friday morning, July 10.

ISRAEL'S READINESS FOR PEACE WITH ARABS STRESSED AT GENEVA PARLEY

GENEVA, June 30; (JTA) -- Israel's trade union movement and the entire Israeli nation are eager to join hands with neighboring Arab countries to bring about peace in the Middle East region and to raise the living standards of the masses of people in the area, an Israeli representative today told the 48th session of the International Labor Conference, convened here by the International Labor Organization.

The ILO, a specialized agency of the United Nations, opened its conference with 1,500 delegates and advisers in attendance, and there was loud and prolonged applause when the offer of Israeli cooperation with Arab neighbors was voiced by the principal Israeli workers' delegate, Mrs. Yehudit Simhoni. She is the head of the international department of Histadrut, Israel's federation of labor.

Referring to current ILO proposals for broader regional cooperation, Mrs. Simhoni told the delegates: "Histadrut welcomes cooperation wherever possible and, in particular, in the Middle East. Action directed toward the improvement of the standard of living of workers in our region is an urgent necessity. The Israeli workers and the nation as a whole will readily join forces with our neighboring countries in constructive efforts for peace, freedom and human dignity, to which we are all committed."

In her address, at a plenary session, Mrs. Simhoni also emphasized Israeli labor's enthusiastic interest in aiding the workers and peoples as a whole in the newly developing nations "which are fighting ignorance, poverty and disease." She mentioned specifically the need for aiding trade union movements in Africa, Asia and Latin America. She also welcomed the ILO's initiative in expanding the role of women.

ARCHBISHOP OF NAZARETH REPORTS IMPROVED ARAB POSITION IN ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, June 30; (JTA) -- Archbishop George Hakim, of the Greek Catholic Church, on a visit here from Israel, today expressed belief that the Vatican Ecumenical Council will pass a strong statement condemning anti-Semitism when it reconvenes in September.

Stating that he personally favored such a statement, the archbishop voiced conviction that the majority of the 120 Arabic-speaking bishops also favor it. But the Arab bishops, he emphasized, cannot be expected to go along with any statement that might give Israel a political advantage.

The archbishop told the press at an interview at Our Lady of Lebanon Seminary that condemnation of anti-Semitism was righteous, and should not be equated with political approval of the State or Israel. The prelate, whose full title is Archbishop of Nazareth and All Galilee, went on to say that the position of Arabs in Israel has much improved, especially since 1960, when Arabs were admitted more widely into trade unions.

"On religious grounds we have complete freedom, but on political grounds there are some restrictions," he said. Restrictions imposed on the Arabs included regulations concerning personal property and the freedom to move about the country, he claimed.

Realizing that "Israel is here to stay," the Arabs have relinquished hope of regaining the land, said the archbishop. All the Arabs want now, he said, was justice and equality. As leader of the Melkite Rite Catholics in Israel, he has 33,000 followers, mainly concentrated around Nazareth and Haifa.

ISRAEL'S CHIEF RABBI RECEIVED BY NEW YORK MAYOR AT CITY HALL

NEW YORK, June 30; (JTA) -- Israel's Chief Ashkenazi Rabbi, Rabbi Yissar Yehuda Unterman, was today officially received by Mayor Robert F. Wagner at City Hall. He was accompanied by leaders of all the Orthodox Jewish organizations here. The Mayor said he was proud to greet the Chief Rabbi, and called him "one of the spiritual leaders of world Jewry."

GERMAN COURT SENTENCES TWO NAZIS TO HARD LABOR FOR MURDERING JEWS

AURICH, West Germany, June 30. (JTA) -- An Aurich jury court sentenced two former SS officers to prison terms at hard labor for the wartime murders of Jews in occupied Lithuania.

Werner Soheu, a physician from Borkum Island, was sentenced to 10 years for aiding in the murder of 212 Jews in Neustadt, Lithuania, in 1941. Karl Struve was sentenced to nine years for similar crimes. The prosecution had demanded life sentences for both.

Long before the Third Reich was created, Borkum was a holiday site for Nazis and anti-Semites. A viciously anti-Semitic song was a favorite for vacationers at Borkum. When Scheu, who had practiced as a doctor on the island, was arrested, the residents demonstrated against the arrest. When they learned of the reason for the arrest, they expressed considerable sympathy for the former Nazi.

EAST GERMANY OFFERS COOPERATION TO COURT CONDUCTING AUSCHWITZ TRIAL

DUSSELDORF, June 30. (JTA) -- The East German Radio broadcast today an offer of full cooperation by East German authorities to the Frankfurt court trying 22 former Auschwitz camp personnel, if the court decided to make an inspection of the murder factory site in Auschwitz, Poland.

Henry Ormond, attorney for relatives of some of those murdered in the Auschwitz extermination camp, made the proposal to Judge Hans Hofmeyer, presiding justice at the trial three weeks ago. The prosecution endorsed the proposal but raised the question of whether Polish authorities could guarantee the safety of the 22 defendants.

The East German broadcast offered permission and guarantees for free travel through East German territories to Poland to all persons in the trial.

SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON REJECTS BOSTON PROTEST ON ANTI-SEMITISM

BOSTON, June 30. (JTA) -- Protests voiced by the Jewish community here against Soviet anti-Semitism were accepted today with "appreciation" by the United States Department of State, and rejected by the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

The Jewish Community Council of Metropolitan Boston had addressed the protests to the Soviet Embassy in Washington and sent a copy to the White House. A response from the USSR Embassy's first secretary, Anatoli G. Myshkov, stated that "acceptance of your letter is hereby refused." Mr. Myshkov denied there was any anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, attributed reports of such a policy to persons who wish "to impede and worsen relations" between the U.S.A. and the USSR, and offered to furnish the "true facts" about the situation of Jewry in the Soviet Union.

On the other hand, a letter from Robert J. Manning, Assistant Secretary of State, said that the White House had turned over the Boston Jewish community's letter for a reply, adding: "We appreciate receiving comments and suggestions from the American people on the subject of our foreign relations;" Accompanying Mr. Manning's letter was a State Department background paper, summarizing the facts about the Soviet Union's "long-term anti-religious campaign" which, it stated, "has grown in intensity over the past several years, and all religions, including the Jewish religion, are being subjected to increasing restrictions, forms of interference and negative social pressures."

MOSCOW CHIEF RABBI REFUSES TO ACCEPT SET OF TALMUD FROM CANADA

MONTREAL, June 30. (JTA) -- Moscow's chief rabbi, Rabbi Judah Leib Levin, who is also dean of the yeshiva in the Soviet capital, has refused to accept an offer of a set of the Talmud made to him by Michael Garber, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, it was reported here today.

Mr. Garber, who recently sent a letter to Rabbi Levin, congratulating the latter on his 70th birthday, had offered to send the set of the Talmud as a gift. In a reply from Moscow, written in Hebrew, Rabbi Levin wrote: "We have plenty of books to study from, and even more than we need. In my estimation, there is no necessity to send your copy of the Talmud to us."

TWO JEWS ELECTED TO AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT, ELECTION RETURNS SHOW

MELBOURNE, Australia, June 30. (JTA) -- Two Jews were elected to both houses of parliament in last Saturday's nationwide elections, it was reported today. Walker Jona, a prominent Jewish leader and a member of the Jewish Board of Deputies, was elected to the Legislative Assembly. Baron Snider, a retiring member of the Legislative Assembly, obtained a seat on the Legislative Council.

VANDALS DESECRATE JEWISH CEMETERIES IN HOLLAND; POLICE INVESTIGATE

AMSTERDAM, June 30. (JTA) -- Vandals desecrated two Jewish cemeteries in Winterswijk, near the German border, today. Twelve tombstones were overturned, and swastikas and other anti-Semitic inscriptions were painted on them. Police are investigating the incident.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL FOR GROSSMAN HELD IN TEL AVIV; MOURNED BY ESHKOL

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Hundreds of prominent Israelis, including leaders of the Jewish Agency, the Herut Party and the World Zionist-Revisionist movement, and many of the country's leading journalists, paid final tribute here today to the late Meir Grossman, noted Zionist leader and writer, who died suddenly last weekend at the age of 76. Mr. Grossman was a co-founder of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

During the funeral services, held near the Jewish Agency building here, eulogies were delivered by Yaacov Tzur, world chairman of the Jewish National Fund; Haim Levanon, director of information for the Jewish Agency, who was formerly mayor of Tel Aviv; Dr. Herzl Rosenblum, editor of the evening newspaper, "Yediot Ahronot"; Arieh Sieff, an Israeli journalist representing Israel's Journalists' Association; and Joseph Klarman, representing the world Zionist-Revisionist movement.

From Paris, where he is now visiting the highest officials of the French Government, Prime Minister Levi Eskol sent a cable, stating: "The Government and I lower our heads in grief over the passing of Meir Grossman, an exemplary Zionist fighter and public figure. The passing of such a man from the list of the 'firsts' and from the leadership of the Zionist movement leaves a vacuum that will exist for generations. Our sympathies are extended to his family and to the Zionist movement." Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, telegraphed a message, stating: "We have all lost a friend and partner in the struggle."

President Zalman Shazar was represented at the rites by his military aide. The remains of the late Mr. Grossman were interred in the old cemetery here, near the graves of other noted Israeli journalists.

SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF DR. HERZL'S DEATH OBSERVED IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, June 30. (JTA) -- A solemn ceremony atop Mount Herzl today marked the sixtieth anniversary of the death of Theodor Herzl, the "father of political Zionism."

President Zalman Shazar and Jewish Agency executive chairman Moshe Sharett led a distinguished gathering in paying tribute to Herzl's memory. At the same time, a special exhibition of documents pertaining to the history of Zionism was opened at the Herzl Museum here.

GRADUATES OF JEWISH TEACHERS SEMINARY IN NEW YORK RECEIVE DEGREES

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- Seventeen graduates from the Jewish Teachers Seminary here today received their diplomas and degrees at their graduation ceremony at which Dr. Abram L. Sachar, president of Brandeis University, delivered the principal address. Other speakers were I. J. Schwartz and Jacob Glatstein, noted Yiddish poets.

Seven graduates who have completed the four-year program instituted in 1960 were the recipients of degrees of Bachelor of Jewish Literature. Ten secretarial certificates were awarded to students who have completed the special course for Yiddish-Hebrew secretaries; the only course of its kind in the United States.

SEVENTEEN STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM JEWISH TEACHERS SEMINARY IN MONTREAL

MONTREAL, June 30. (JTA) -- Seventeen students of the United Jewish Teachers Seminary received their diplomas at the graduation exercises here. Lavy Becker, president of the Seminary for the past 10 years, officiated at the exercises. Leon Kronitz delivered the address and Dr. Samuel Lewin, director of the Seminary, presented the diplomas. Y. Chtern spoke on behalf of the faculty.

The United Jewish Teachers' Seminary, sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress, offers a two-year full time day training course for teachers of all types of Jewish schools, day schools, afternoon schools, communal and congregational. Its program includes, besides pedagogical training and practice teaching, advance study in Hebrew and Yiddish language and literature, Bible and Prophets, Jewish History, Mishna, History of Education, Sociology of Jewish life in Canada, and other Jewish subjects.

FIVE MONTHS' TRAINING COURSE FOR MOHELIM COMPLETED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- A five-month In-Service Training Course for Mohelim under the auspices of the Brith Milah Board of New York -- the first of its kind in this country -- has been concluded, it was announced today. The courses consisted of lectures by rabbis and doctors in various specialties such as obstetrics, pediatrics, urology and hospital administration.

The subjects dealt with included "Circumcision Technique," "Post Operative Management of Circumcision," "Hospital-Mohelim Relationship," "Sterility," "Care of Instruments and Hands," "Anatomy," and problems of Jewish law involved in the ritual of circumcision.