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W. J. C. SESSION ASKS MOSCOW FOR DIRECT TALKS WITH JEWISH GROUPS

JERUSALEM, July 16 (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress, at the closing session today of its plenary meeting, addressed an appeal to the Soviet Government for direct talks with Jewish organizations on the position of Soviet Jewry.

A resolution adopted by the 100 Jewish leaders from 30 countries attending the session voiced the concern of world Jewry for Soviet Jews, asked the Soviet Government to permit reunion of Jewish families separated by postwar frontier changes, and expressly dissociated world Jewry from any involvement in cold war politics.

The resolution also urged the Soviet Government to denounce incitement to hatred of Jews in Russia, and to punish those responsible for propagation of such incitement.

Another resolution warned against the revival of international anti-Semitic and neo-Nazi activities in Latin America and Europe, and sharply condemned the role of the Arab League in such activities.

A resolution on West German relations urged the West German and other governments to extend the statutes of limitations for prosecution of Nazi war criminals, to assure adequate punishment of such criminals. The resolution also urged the West German Government to provide adequate compensation for victims of Nazism not covered under existing legislation.

A separate resolution called on the Bonn Government to act to prevent West German scientists from assisting the armament of Egypt which "is dedicated to Israel's destruction." Among other resolutions, the delegates approved one voicing appreciation to the Polish Government for its efforts to commemorate the martyrdom of European Jewry under the Nazis.

PERONIST MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT SPLIT ON ANTI-JEWISH PROPOSAL

BUENOS AIRES, July 16 (JTA) -- Informed sources said today that no immediate action was likely by the Chamber of Deputies on a Peronist proposal submitted to the Chamber on July 6, calling for a Congressional investigation of Jewish organizations and their ties with Israel.

The proposal was offered by Juan Carlos Cornejo Linares, who couched it in terms which Jewish spokesmen called openly anti-Semitic. The sources said the proposal might remain quiescent for months before being taken up for consideration.

Meanwhile, the Peronist daily, Democracia, declared today that not all deputies of the party were in agreement with Linares' charges against Jewish and Zionist groups in Argentina. The daily added that this was the tenor of informal statements made by Peronist members of Parliament to Jewish leaders.

In a related development, the Democratic Socialist Party formally denounced today a recent statement by a retired Air Force officer, Gen. Gilberto Oliva, which asserted that there was a Zionist "conspiracy" to infiltrate all aspects of Argentine life. The Democratic Socialist statement, which appeared in Vanguardia, the party's official publication, also denounced the Linares proposal.

The party also assailed the anti-Jewish and anti-Zionist activities of Arab League representatives in Argentina, which it called "manifestations contrary to our country's traditional democratic attitude toward racial and religious groups."

ISRAEL PRIME MINISTER WARNS SYRIA ON THE RENEWED BORDER ATTACKS

TEL AVIV, July 16 (JTA) -- Premier Levi Eshkol warned Syria today that Israel's restraint in the face of new Syrian border attacks was not a sign of weakness.

Speaking to a graduation parade of Air Cadets on Air Force Day, at an undisclosed air base, Mr. Eshkol, who is also Defense Minister, said that Israel demanded that

United Nations Truce Supervisory officials "keep their eyes open and see who actually is provoking border incidents, and who is interested in provoking such incidents;" The Israel Foreign Ministry this week rejected a report by the U.N. Syrian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission on recent Syrian border incidents which sought to "balance" the picture by saying that "both sides" fired, without stating which side had opened the attacks;

"Even if we do not hurry to react to their activity," the Premier told the cadets, "our enemies should not make the mistake of thinking that we do not foster our strength and that we do not have the strength to prevent incidents when they are overdone;"

He spoke of Israel's deterrent power as a means of averting war, and said: "While our neighbors continue to wave war declarations, it is not our way to wave our military strength and to remind the threatening rulers of the existence and strength of our power;"

The Air Force put on a display of exceptional precision and maneuverability of various types of its jet planes; These included Ouraganes, Voutours, Mysteres and Super-Mysteres; The display was climaxed by a flight of Mirage jets, Fouga jet trainers, Nord carriers and helicopters;

JEWSH AGENCY TO APPROACH PROBLEMS OF JEWS ON A GLOBAL BASIS

NEW YORK, July 16 (JTA) -- "The problem of the trend toward assimilation, which is troubling Jews of both Israel and the Diaspora, has made necessary a reorientation of the thinking of the World Zionist movement," Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, declared here today, following her return from Israel where she attended a plenary session of the Jewish Agency executive.

"This was the major problem on our minds," said Mrs. Halprin, "as we worked on the agenda for the 26th World Zionist Congress, which will be held in Jerusalem this coming December; The problems facing the Jews of the Diaspora and the Jews of Israel are so closely inter-related that we cannot try to seek solutions for the Diaspora Jews without considering the problems of Israeli Jews; Nor can Israel concern itself with problems of its own Jewry without an awareness of the problems of Jews elsewhere throughout the world;

"More and more, we're reaching a point where we cannot departmentalize our thinking on the problems of Israel, American Jews; Latin American Jews, European Jews, etc. The problems of Jews throughout the world are inseparable, and we must approach them on a global basis," Mrs. Halprin stressed. She said that this need has been recognized by both Prime Minister Eshkol and the Israelis, as well as by the leaders of the Zionist movement throughout the world;

"Zionists," she continued, "cannot think only in terms of Israel, nor can we program our activities only in terms of the Jewish State; We must work closer than ever with other Jewish organizations and groups throughout the world; This is apparent as one views the World Jewish Congress meetings now being held in Jerusalem, and will be further highlighted by developments at two other world conferences being held in Geneva this summer -- that of the Conference of Jewish Organizations, meeting on July 31; and the Conference of the World Council on Jewish Education, meeting August 1-3;

"Every Zionist leader, and all Zionist groups," she said, "should face the future with a dual orientation; the new approach must face in two directions, the Diaspora and Israel;"

Mrs. Halprin also reported that the plenary session of the Jewish Agency executive had settled the question of the allocation of special funds for use by General Zionists in their constructive programs in Israel; These funds are used to supplement and fortify the programs of the Jewish Agency in youth villages, in agricultural settlements and in the absorption of newcomers; The funds will be divided equally between the World Confederation of General Zionists, headed by Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mrs. Halprin; and the World Union of General Zionists, headed by Dr. Emanuel Neumann;

ISRAEL WINS RECOGNITION AT U.N. COMMITTEE; ARAB OPPOSITION FAILS

GENEVA, July 16 (JTA) -- Although an Algerian, whose government is a member of the Arab League, was presiding over the session, Israel today won the right of participating in the deliberations of the Social Committee of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, against open Arab opposition, when the committee convened here today for its first meeting of the current ECOSOC session;

Israel is not a member of the Social Commission, but had applied for the status of official observer, so that its representative could participate in the discussions on human rights affairs on the body's agenda; The representatives of Egypt and Iraq opposed recognition of Israel as an observer, and were supported by the Soviet Union delegation;

GESTAPO GENERAL WHO SENT 300,000 JEWS TO DEATH CAMPS DENIES GUILT

MUNICH, July 16 (JTA) -- Former SS General Karl Wolff continued to insist today, at his trial on charges of complicity in the wartime slaughter of 300,000 Jews, that he had no idea that his fellow-Nazis were carrying out plans to exterminate European Jewry.

Testifying in his own defense, he told the Munich court that he thought the purpose of removing Jews to camps was to arrange for their eventual settlement on reservations. The 64 year-old former chief of staff to Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler insisted that Himmler had lied to him about the real purposes of the transport of Jews;

He told the court that, at the beginning of 1942, Himmler had told him that increasing guerilla warfare behind the German lines made it necessary to break up the Jewish ghettos; According to his account, Himmler said that the occupants would first be removed to other areas and that, after the war, they would be settled in such places as Palestine or Madagascar; Wolff told the court he had left Himmler in no doubt that he would have "firmly rejected" giving even the slightest assistance in the extermination of the Jews;

The court presented a letter which Wolff had written to Albert Ganzenmuller, State Secretary in Hitler's Transport Ministry. In that letter, Wolff wrote that he had learned "with particular pleasure that every day for the last fortnight a train containing 5,000 members of the Chosen Race has made the journey to Treblinka, and that we are now in a position to carry out expeditiously this movement of population; The smooth accomplishment of the entire operation appears assured."

Court President Challenges His Testimony at the Trial

Wolff retorted that the phrase "movement of population" proved that he was unaware of the real purpose of the operation and that, even so, he had not actually written the letter but merely signed it after a "cursory glance." He asserted he had never been a Jew-hater of any kind, and that he had given some Jews an opportunity to get away with false papers;

The court president again challenged his testimony, saying that Adolf Eichmann, during his trial in Jerusalem, had called Wolff one of the "saloon officers" of the SS who "put on white gloves" and did not want to know anything about the "Jewish question;"

The former SS general replied that only a small clique of Nazis were aware of the planned "final solution" of the "Jewish problem," which had been a matter for the Reich Security Department; The prosecutor denied this, asserting that orders for the actions against Jews came directly from Himmler, and that Wolff, as a close colleague of Himmler, must have known about it.

Wolff also related that Eichmann once had "the impertinence to challenge me to a duel" when Wolff "demanded" the release of a Jewish "protege." Wolff said that Eichmann, then only "a small SS lieutenant," had refused to give up the Jew, and that a quarrel had developed in which Wolff had showered Eichmann with insults;

EICHMANN AIDE, ON TRIAL FOR KILLING JEWS, COLLAPSES IN COURT

FRANKFURT, July 16 (JTA) -- Former SS Major Otto Hunsche collapsed yesterday in the court trying him and former SS Col. Herman Krumei on charges of complicity in the wartime murder of 450,000 Hungarian Jews;

The collapse was ascribed to a circulatory ailment. The court adjourned the hearing until Tuesday. The two former Nazis served as key aides to Adolf Eichmann when he directed the roundup and deportation of the Hungarian Jews to Nazi death camps;

OPEN-AIR MEETING OF BRITISH NATIONAL SOCIALIST PARTY BANNED IN LONDON

LONDON, July 16 (JTA) -- The Ministry of Works refused permission today to Britain's National Socialist party to hold a mass meeting Sunday in Trafalgar Square.

The Ministry declared that such a meeting was "likely to cause grave public disturbances;" Colin Jordan, now in a dispute with his deputies over leadership of the neo-Nazi group, was sentenced to two months in jail in August, 1962, for his activities in a party rally in the Square, one of several that year which led to rioting and arrests;

AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH MEMORIAL MUSEUM AT NAZI CAMP SITE

VIENNA, July 16 (JTA) -- The Austrian Government announced here today that it will erect a memorial museum at the site of the former Nazi concentration camp at Mauthausen, where many thousands of Jews perished during the Hitler regime;

The museum will show the conditions under which the inmates were kept at Mauthausen and its several branches, such as Eebensee, in Upper Austria, near Linz.

HISTADRUT DRIVE TO SEEK \$5,000,000 IN U.S. FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 16 (JTA) -- The Histadrut campaign in the United States this year will seek to raise \$5,000,000 over and above the regular campaign goal for a scholarship fund for technical education in Israel, Yehoshoua Levi, Histadrut treasurer, announced today:

He made the announcement at a luncheon given by the Histadrut education and culture department for Dr. Sol Stein, executive director of the Histadrut campaign in the United States, and for his deputy, Israel Stolarsky. The treasurer said the new fund would enable the Histadrut to expand its AMAL technical education network.

A festive rally marking the 40th anniversary of the American Histadrut campaign was held last night in the Habimah Theater, to which Premier Levi Eshkol sent a greeting. The Premier pointed to the important role of the Histadrut campaigns in the general work of aiding the upbuilding of the State of Israel.

Preparations proceeded, meanwhile, for the opening Monday of the conference of the World Union of Zionist Socialist Parties, the Ichud Olami, which will be attended by 220 delegates from 25 countries. Itzhak Koren, Ichud secretary-general, said Premier Eshkol would deliver the opening address on "State and the Diaspora." President Shazar and Dr. Nahum Goldmann also will attend to extend greetings.

Former Premier David Ben-Gurion will address the six-day conference. Translations of conference proceedings will be provided in English and Spanish. The principal problem before the conference was seen to be the task of bringing representatives of younger age groups into greater influence in the movement and in its leadership.

DETROIT JEWISH FOUNDATION GIVES \$500,000 TO WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

DETROIT, July 16 (JTA) -- A gift of \$500,000 to create a medical library in the Medical Center of Wayne State University of Detroit has been announced by the Shiffman Foundation, which was set up by Abraham Shiffman, Detroit philanthropist.

The library will be named in memory of the donor's first wife, Mrs. Vera Parshall Shiffman. The gift raises to \$2,000,000 contributions by the Foundation to various causes.

Mr. Shiffman has also made many personal gifts, including one of \$500,000 for the Shiffman Clinic at Sinai Hospital, as well as substantial contributions to Brandeis University, the Jewish Community, and his regular contributions to the Allied Jewish Campaign.

CLEVELAND JEWISH FEDERATION RECEIVES \$342,822 FROM TESTAMENTARY TRUST

CLEVELAND, July 16 (JTA) -- The Jewish Community Federation has just received \$342,822 from the Nathan G. Richman Testamentary Trust, it was announced by M. E. Glass, Federation president. This trust was dissolved following the recent death of Richard H. Kohn, and the principal distributed in accordance with the provisions under the will of Nathan G. Richman.

JEWISH THEATRE FOR CHILDREN OFFERS PRIZE FOR FULL-LENGTH PLAY

new york, July 16 (JTA) -- The Jewish Theatre for Children is offering a prize of \$1,000 for the best full-length play for children in English on a Jewish theme, it was announced here today by Philip Kasakove, chairman of the theatre. This is the ninth time in as many years that the theatre has offered a similar prize in its annual Golden Pen Playwriting Contest. Funds for the prize are made available by Norma U. Levitt, a member of the theatre's board of directors. Prize-winning manuscripts are also given a professional production. Manuscripts for the 1964 competition must be submitted no later than May 15, 1965.

The theatre is financially supported by grants from the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, the Jewish Education Committee of New York, and membership fees of the children in more than 700 Jewish and secular schools in metropolitan New York. It is maintained by the Friends of the Jewish Theatre for Children, an adult membership organization, and is under the educational guidance and supervision of the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

DR. SHANKMAN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

PARIS, July 16 (JTA) -- Dr. Jacob K. Shankman, of New Rochelle, N.Y., was elected president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, the 22-country organization of Reform and Liberal Jews. He succeeds Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, of Pittsburgh. The World Union was founded in London in 1926, and maintains headquarters in New York.

DR. OTTO MEYER, DIRECTOR OF JEWISH MUSEUM IN AMSTERDAM, DEAD; WAS 70

AMSTERDAM, July 16 (JTA) -- Dr. Otto Meyer, director of the Jewish Historical Museum here, and a noted art connoisseur, died here today at the age of 70.