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ESHKOL BELIEVES RUSSIA MAY RELAX ITS POLICY ON TREATMENT OF JEWS

TEL AVIV, July 21 (JTA) -- Premier Levi Eshkol said last night he was confident that internal changes in the Soviet Union, coupled with world pressures, would induce the Soviet regime to allow self-expression as Jews to Russian Jewry and to permit Russian Jews to maintain contact with world Jewry and to rejoin families in Israel,

He spoke at the festive opening session of the convention of the World Union of Zionist Socialist parties, which was held at Bet Berl near Kfar Saba; More than 200 delegates from 25 countries and more than 1,000 guests were present. Among the many dignitaries was President Shazar;

The Premier described the tasks of the Zionist movement today as the battle against "Jewish self-delusion," the building up of Israel, and the strengthening of the spiritual basis of Jewries in other countries; Dr; Nahum Goldmann, who also spoke on Zionist activities lauded the improved attitude of Premier Eshkol's Government toward the Zionist movement.

Anthony Greenwood, a leader of the British Labor Party, told the gathering that British Labor wanted friendship with the Arabs but not at Israel's expense; He added that his party welcomed the talks last month in Washington between Premier Eshkol and President Johnson;

The British Labor Party leader, whose address was applauded frequently, said that neither Israel's national water project nor its desalination experiments were a threat to the neighboring Arab countries. He asserted that real security for both Israel and the Arabs was in cooperation and development;

He said that the British Labor Party was distressed by the Middle East arms race and by the presence of West German scientists in Egypt, working on advanced weapons for the Nasser regime. He added that Russia helps the Middle East more by projects like the Aswam Dam in Egypt than by supplying arms to the Arabs;

Prior to the opening of the meeting, Former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion met with a group of younger Zionist Socialist leaders from Britain who invited him to come to England to speak there. He promised to consider the invitation. Itzhak Korn, the Mapai general secretary, eulogized Meir Argov, the former general secretary, and Louis Segal, late general secretary of the Farband Labor Zionist Order:

Eshkol Gives Knesset His Views on Khrushchev's Statements in Cairo

JERUSALEM, July 21 (ITA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol told Israel's Parliament last night that there were grounds for hoping that Soviet Premier Khrushchev would not encourage the Arabs to resort to aggression against Israel's national irrigation project,

Winding up a foreign policy debate concerning his visits during June and July to the United States and France, the Premier said he felt that the Soviets also would refrain from supporting Arab plans "designed to prevent our drawing the waters we are entitled to" from the Jordan River for the project;

He also asserted that Israel could not ignore the fact that Krushchev had proposed that the principle of rejecting changes by force in present territorial boundaries should apply also to the Middle East, including Israel. The Premier made the statements in reply to opposition party criticism of his description, during his visit to the United States, of some pro-Arab statements made by Khrushchev during a visit to Cairo last May as "moderate."

Premier Eshkol added, however, that he had said he was apprehensive, and that he still was, concerning the interpretations that the Arabs might give to the Soviet Premier's statements, particularly since he had promised to continue to supply arms to the Arab countries. He cited as another reason for his statements on the matter during his United

States visit that he did not want to be involved in arousing any sharpening between United States and Soviet relations.

Replying to another criticism, he said he had on various occasions criticized the "satanic works" of West German scientists and technicians active in the development of advanced weapons in Egypt. He added that the Israel Government was doing everything possible to persuade the West German Government to prevent its scientists from helping the Egyptians to perfect destructive weapons for use against Israel.

The Premier said that the debate had demonstrated that there was unity on the principles of Israel's foreign and security policy. He described these as comprising a policy that, while Israel seeks the support of friendly nations, it must strengthen its deterrent power.

JORDAN PROHIBITS MASS EMIGRATION OF ARAB REFUGEES TO AUSTRALIA

GENEVA, July 21 (JTA) -- The Jordanian Government, acting at the request of the Arab League, has taken measures to stop mass emigration of Palestine Arab refugees from Jordan to Australia, it was learned here today from a report received from Amman, the Jordanian capital.

The report revealed that there is a strong movement among the Arab refugees in Jordan to emigrate to Australia, and that Amin El Husseini, Jordanian Minister for Development, has expressed his government's dissatisfaction to officials of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, which has more than 550, 900 Arab refugees on its relief rolls in Jordan alone; The refugees make up about 50 per cent of Jordan's total population; A statement issued by Mr. Husseini, following his consultations with the UNRTWA officials, read:

"Many rumors have been circulating about the private emigration of refugees to Australia, encouraged by UNRWA. The Jordanian Government has put an end to this state of affairs, after having received from the Arab League a memorandum about the formal prohibition of emigration of Arab refugees to any other country. Following this position, certain measures have been taken and severe controls put into effect to stop this emigration;"

Mr.; Husseini said he has been given a message from Laurence Michelmore, UNRVA Commissioner-General, who has his headquarters in Beirut, declaring that Mr. Michelmore "disapproves of this means of emigration." Mr. Michelmore had stated, according to the Jordanian Minister, that "there is no connection between UNRY.A and the emigration of Arab refugees from Jordan; to

ISRAEL AND JORDAN WITHDRAW COMPLAINTS ON RECENT BORDER INCIDENTS

JERUSALEM, July 21 (JTA) -- Israel and Jordan today informed the United Nations Jordanian-Israeli Mixe' irmistice Commission that each of the governments has agreed to withdraw complaints ay inst the other, growing out of recent border incidents:

Each of the governments told the Commission that its withdrawal of the complaints on these incidents has been prompted by a desire to ease tensions.

TALKS BETWEEN GERMAN CHANCELLOR ERHARD AND ESHKOL FORESEEN IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 21 (JTA) -- The possibility of a conference this year between Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and West Germany's Chancellor Ludwig Erhard was reported here today.

The mass circulation evening newspaper, Maariv, declared that such a meeting is scheduled to take place outside Germany during European visits Mr. Eshkol expects to make "to one or more" countries this year. According to the report, Chancellor Erhard plans to go abroad himself at about the same time as Mr. Eshkol, and further contacts between Germany and Israel will determine the place and time of the Eshkol-Erhard talks,

Both Dr. Erhard and Mr. Eshkol are reported to feel that such a meeting between them is necessary in order to clarify a number of problems concerning the relations of Israel and Germany. Among these problems are economic relations, as well as the question of the German scientists at work in Egypt on weapons of mass destruction designed for war against Israel.

GREECE OPENS TALK WITH ISRAEL ON PROPERTY ABANDONED BY GREEKS

JERUSALEM, July 21 (JTA) -- Negotiations were opened here today between Israeli and Greek officials over the disposition of civilian property abandoned by Greek citizens during Israeli's war of independence,

JEWISH EXPERT TESTIFIES AT TRIAL OF TWO OF EICHMANN'S AIDES

FRANKFURT, July 21 (JTA) -- An expert on the Nazi program for the extermination of European Jewry testified on that program today for three hours at the trial of former SS officers Otto Hunsche and Herman Krumey, who had been Adolf Elchmann's chief aides in the roundup and deportation to death camps of 450,000 Hungarian Jews;

The testimony by Dr. H.G. Adler, formerly of Prague and now of London, was sent home, and then by a campaign by defense attorneys for the two former Nazis against Dr. Adler's appearance. On his first two trips to Frankfurt in June to testify, the defense attorneys were able to prevent his taking the stand. Today the court rejected the defense arguments with the statement that its task was not only to determine the role of the defendants in the tragedy but also the historical truth.

Dr. Adler described the arrangements at the Gestapo headquarters and the Wannsee Conference on January 20, 1942, at which the final decision was reached to kill all Jews who had been seized in the Nazi sweep through Europe. He stressed the role of Reinhard Heydrich, a key tigure in the Wannsee Conference, who was assassinated by the Czech underground, and then that of Heydrich's successor, Ernst Kaltenbrunner, chief of the Nazi Security Police: He also cited the activities in the genocide program of Heinrich Muller, who was Eichmann's chief;

The Gestapo set up a special office for handling the "Jewish Question," which was assigned responsibility for emigration of Jews from Nazi Germany and from occupied Holland, Belgium and France: The special office set a "fee" of 150,000 marks for a Jew to emigrate, an arrangement that was abruptly halted on orders of Hermann Goering, the Nazi Air Force head: In one case, Dr. Adlertestified, Swedish political groups paid the "fee" for Prof; Meyers of The Hague, but the scientist was not permitted to leave.

Dr. Adler also reported on the Madagascar plan proposed by Alfred Rosenberg, ideologist of the Nazi movement and close friend of Hitler, according to which 400,000 Jews were to be transported to Madagascar in 1938, making the Polish city of Lublin, in the meantime, the assembly center for these Jews. That plan, too, was stopped, a decision possibly made by Hitler in anger against articles in New York newspapers criticizing his policies;

He testified that the Gestapo newspaper, Schwarze Korps, then published an article asserting that "Germans cannot live together with Jews under the same roof; Jews are without character and of a low race." He said that systematic deportations started on October 16, 1941, to Chelmno in occupied Poland and that the first arrivals were gassed on December 8, 1941. This was done on special order from Heydrich cated September 20, 1939, followed by other special decrees:

Dr. Adler then discussed a scheme under which elderly intended victims gave all their money to the Nazis on the ostensible promise they would be given places in old age homes. It turned out, he said, that the "homes" were in Theresisenstadt, a concentration camp. The arriving Jews had no idea of what awaited them and they requested a "nice room with a balcony;"

ALL JEWISH RELATIVES OF BARRY GOLDWATER REPORTED KILLED BY NAZIS

LONDON, July 21 (JTA) -- A check of available records in Konin, the Polish ancestral home of Barry Goldwater's family, indicates that any relatives of the Senator's family probably were slugghtered by the Nazis, it was reported here today from Warsaw.

The Senator's nomination spurred interest in those records in the Polish river town, a namlet 115 miles west of Warsaw. The grandfather of the nominee was a Jewish peddler named Michael Goldwasser, who emigrated to the United States in 1849 when Konin was under Russian rule.

Mayor Zdzisław Szklarkowski of Konin said that if any of the 3,000 Jews of the hamlet before the war were Goldwassers, they were dead now. He said the Nazis had organized a concentration camp in Konin and that there were no Goldwassers among the few survivors. He added that the Nazis had destroyed all Jewish records and that an examination of Konin archives had not produced any traces of a Goldwasser family, which the Mayor said he understood had been a large one.

BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY GETS \$300,000 GIFT FOR BIOLOGY BUILDING

WALTHAM, Mass., July 21 (JTA) -- Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Cohen, of Great Neck, N.Y., have given Brandeis University \$300,000 toward construction of the Charles Bassine Biology Building; Mr. Cohen is the son-in-law of Charles Bassine, who earlier gave \$1,000,000 to launch construction of the building.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL CONGREGATION IN NEW YORK RESIGNS FROM U.A. H. C.

NEW YORK, July 21 (JTA) -- Temple Emanu-El Congregation of New York, the largest Reform temple in the United States, has resigned from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central body of Reform synagogues, it was disclosed today;

The resignation came as the climax of a long-time disagreement over the procedures of the UAHC in electing its board of trustees and other procedures. The 150-member board is made up of UAHC officers, officers of affiliated organizations, and members of congregations at large who are nominated by a committee appointed by the chairman of the board of the UAHC;

Alfred M. Bachrach, president of the temple board, said that the temple officers felt that the UAHC should be operated directly by the congregations, and that a majority of the UAHC board should therefore be direct appointees of the congregations;

The resignation cannot become effective until the next meeting of the UAHC General Assembly, in 1965; The temple has agreed to meet with a special UAHC committee to find a solution to the dispute before that date;

U; S; MAY DECLARE FIRST NEW YORK JEWISH CEMETERY A NATIONAL LANDMARK

NEW YORK, July 21 (JTA) -- The Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue is negotiating with the U.S. Interior Department's National Park Service to have its ancient Jewish cemetery in lower Manhattan designated a mational historic landmark.

The cemetery has a plaque calling it the "First Cemetery of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, Shearith Israel, in the City of New York." The official New York City Guide says the cemetery was purchased in 1682 by a group of Spanish and Portuguese Jews who fled to New Amsterdam after the Spanish Inquisition;

Harmon H; Goldstone, a member of the congregation, reported on the negotiations; The cemetery contains the graves of some Jews who served in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War;

COMMUNITY HALL IN ISRAELI SETTLEMENT NAMED IN HONOR OF MRS. HALPRIN

TEL AVIV, July 21 (JTA) -- A community hall named in honor of Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, was dedicated here to-day in Batzra Village, near Kfar Saba. The settlement, which now has about 200 members, was founded in 1946 by 40 ex-servicemen from the British Army. It takes its name from the city of Basra, in Iraq, where the Palestinians served and met, at which time they decided to form the settlement group;

Cultural activities in the settlement, formerly held in the village warehouse, will receive a new impetus with the additional facilities provided by the Rose L. Halprin Community Hall; Future plans include the addition of a club house, buffet, library and air raid shelter.

N.Y. JEWISH MUSEUM ADDS TO ITS COLLECTION ISRAEL'S MEDAL TO POPE

NEW YORK, July 21 (JTA) -- Three copies of the Israel Government's "Terra Sancta" medal, struck by Israel last January to commemorate the visit of Pope Paul VI to the Holy Land, were placed on display here today as part of a large collection of medals of Jewish significance at the Jewish Museum. One of the medals is in gold, similar to the original bestowed upon Pope Paul. The others are in silver and in bronze.

The face of the medal bears a replica of an ancient map of the Holy Land, with the words "Terra Sancta." On the reverse side are engraved the words "Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself" -- in Hebrew, Latin, French and English. The medals were added to the collection of about 700 rare items, some of them dating back to the year 250 B; C, E., bequeathed to the Jewish Museum by the late Samuel Friedenberg.

FRANK SINATRA BANNED FROM ENTERING LEBANON FOR AIDING ISRAEL

LONDON, July 21 (JTA) -- Frank Sinatra, American film star, has been barred from entering Lebanon, it was reported here today. The report said that Mr. Sinatra has been blacklisted because of "his moral and material support of Israel," The Council of Ministers in Lebanon had also voted to ban the singer's movies and records;

JEROME J. ROTHSCHILD, NOTED JEWISH COMMUNAL LEADER, DEAD: WAS 80

PHILADELPHIA, July 21 (JTA) -- Jerome J. Rothschild, first president of the Philadelphia Jewish Community Relations Council, died at his home in Elkins Park yesterday at the age of 80. He was a member of the national board of the American Jewish Committee and of its Philadelphia chapter, a past president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and former president of the Samuel S. Fels Fund.