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ESHKOL PRESENTS NEW CABINET TO KNESSET; COMPOSED OF PREVIOUS MEMBERS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- Premier Levi Eshkol presented today to the Parliament his new Cabinet which is composed of the the same members as the one which fell last week when Mr. Eshkol resigned as Premier following his conflict with former Premier David Ben-Gurion over the "Lavon Affair."

Premier Eshkol told the Parliament today that the new Cabinet would continue to act on the same basic principles and coalition agreements as the prior one in which the three partners were his Mapai Party, the National Religious Party and the Achdut Avodah. He emphasized the achievements of the prior Cabinet in the economy, absorption of immigrants and extensive developments in higher education. He stressed that the Government would continue to consolidate the nation's security.

The Premier also voiced "profound regret" over the continued "rigid ways" of the Soviet Union, citing the Soviet veto yesterday of the Anglo-American resolution in the Security Council to dispose of the complaints and counter-complaints registered by Israel and Syria over a November 13 clash which escalated into a tank and air battle. He said the Anglo-American proposal was faulty because it evaded designating the aggressor, Syria, in that clash. However, he added, "even this evasive proposal has been vetoed by the Soviets because its sponsors refused to turn the truth upside down."

He called the Soviet veto a "continuation of a one-sided approach, ignoring truth and supporting our deadly enemies." He told the Knesset that he would nevertheless "seize every opportunity to continue our dialogue with the Soviet Union." "We are entitled to hope," he declared, "that the Soviet Union aspires to good neighborly relations with all countries of the Middle East."

He said Israeli relations with the United States continued "in a spirit of understanding and friendship in important areas" and that Israel's friendship with France occupied a central place in the growing ties between Israel and Europe, unaffected by the French trend toward improving relations with the Arab states. He noted that the same principles had been adopted by the new British Government.

Israel continues to pursue a policy of cooperation with developing countries which Israel hopes "will not give their support to acts or manifestations which are incompatible with the present friendly relations," he stated. He indicated he planned to leave in January for an official visit to several East African countries, including Kenya, Tanganyika, Uganda and Madagascar.

BRITISH PREMIER URGES INTERNATIONAL PACT ON ARMS TO ISRAEL AND ARABS

LONDON, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Harold Wilson today called for an international agreement to restrict arms shipments to Israel and the Arab states and for the creation of a "nuclear free zone" in the Near East.

Mr. Wilson spoke in the House of Commons where he was asked whether the government would sell Israel the British Buccaneer aircraft. He said that "as far as arms are concerned, the solution must lie in getting international agreement to stop the competitive shipment of arms to any Near Eastern country, and to work as quickly as possible to secure a non-nuclear zone in that area to prevent what is already a dangerous arms situation becoming worse by becoming nuclear."

His comment followed a suggestion by Frederick A. Burden, Conservative, that Britain sell the Buccaneer jets to Israel. "Israel is a small and isolated country; certainly her intentions are not aggressive," Mr. Burden said. He asked: "Why should it not be in the interests of people in general to insure that such countries should have arms with which to protect themselves?"

Mr. Wilson replied that "the Government has not been asked to supply Israel with Buccaneers; If this question, so far hypothetical, became a reality, it would raise some very difficult issues." He stressed that the Government wanted to avoid an arms race in the Near East.

"I am sure," he told Mr. Burden, "the whole House will be well aware of our desire to avoid an arms race in the Middle East. While we feel that the arms balance in the

Middle East has been severely affected by shipments made by other countries, we certainly do not wish to stimulate a fresh round of shipments or anything of this kind."

The Prime Minister assured the House of the sentiment of the British Government "to ensure that everything is done to preserve the independence of Israel and to do everything in our power, which is not easy, to damp down the causes of tension in that area."

U. S. TO SELL \$34,400,000 WORTH OF SURPLUS COMMODITIES TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22; (JTA) -- Israel and the United States signed today an additional agreement for purchase in 1965 of \$17,400,000 in surplus American commodities, bringing the total purchases to date for next year to \$34,400,000.

Ambassador Avraham Harman signed the agreement which expands the assistance Israel receives from the United States under Public Law 480; In 1964, Israel obtained \$25,500,000 worth of surplus United States commodities; The new \$17,400,000 transaction covers feed grains, rice, beef and tobacco;

Sixty-five per cent of the Israeli pounds generated by the transactions will be loaned by the United States to Israel to finance economic development, including construction of new secondary schools; Twenty per cent will be set aside in Israeli pounds to pay for research for United States Government agencies and scientific translations; The remaining 15 per cent is designated for loans to Israeli and American private enterprise.

EBAN ADDRESSES U. N. ASSEMBLY; CITES ARAB AGGRESSIVE PLANS AGAINST ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Dec. 22; (JTA) -- Denouncing the "Palestine Liberation Organization," authorized by the Arab summit meeting last September at Alexandria, as an "Israel liquidation organization," Israel's Deputy Premier Abba Eban told the General Assembly today that "Israel will be defended in the future as in the past" against all Arab aggressions and threats;

Mr. Eban addressed the Assembly in reply to nine speeches made in the last three weeks by representatives of Arab states who, he charged, proclaimed openly "a message of war and a threat of force for the elimination of Israel."

Noting that the one central theme of the current Assembly, from its opening on December 1 until today, has "echoed with a quest for peace, a quest for international order," Mr. Eban charged that in the current Assembly the authorized spokesman for the Arab countries had stood out as the only members of the United Nations calling for war and "hoping to extinguish the freedom and sovereignty of another member state, the State of Israel;"

In spite of all the vast territory possessed by the 13 member states of the Arab League, Mr. Eban charged, they now hoped to liquidate Israel and "make it into a 14th Arab state;" He said that the Arab governments "would do well to remember that they have no more rights here than any of the other 102 states; On the basis of my very recent contacts with many member states here I know that the majority of member states in the United Nations desire Israel's sovereignty;"

He also charged that this year, the Arab states have made it very clear that they consider the Arab refugees as a force of hostility and possible aggression against Israel. He quoted the spokesman for Kuwait, who addressed the Assembly previously, to the effect that the Arab aim was "not in assisting the refugees, but liberating their homeland;" He appealed to the United Nations to reject the Arab thesis that Israel had no right of existence and could be liquidated;

He assured the Assembly that while "the tensions in the Middle East are ominous, they are not necessarily tragic;" He said the immediate past of the United Nations in regard to the Middle East was to help stabilize the area and "hold the line against aggression;"

TWO ARAB INFILTRATORS KILLED IN CLASH WITH ISRAELI PATROL IN NEGEV

TEL AVIV, Dec. 22; (JTA) -- An Army spokesman said today that two Arab infiltrators were killed last night in a clash with an Israeli unit in the Negev area. The spokesman said that a Czech rifle and ammunition were found near the infiltrators who were also found to have Jordanian identity cards;

EX-NAZI PROFESSORS HOLDING POSITIONS IN GERMAN UNIVERSITIES LISTED

MUNICH, Dec. 22; (JTA) -- Charges that a number of prominent West German professors, attached to various universities in this country, have Nazi records or are still "active Nazis" were made here in a pamphlet issued today by a well-known journalist here, Kurt Selinger. He named some of the accused professors.

According to Mr. Selinger, one prominent professor who has expounded racist theories justified his anti-Semitism in 1941, when Hitler's forces invaded the Soviet Union. Another scholar, the journalist charged, was a member of the staff of the department in Hitler's foreign ministry that dealt with the Jewish question. Among other alleged ex-Nazis, the author stated, is a man still employed by the present government in Bonn as an expert on the Middle East while holding a chair in a big German university;

GERMAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY CRITICIZES GOVERNMENT ON RESTITUTION

BONN, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- Dr. Franz Barzig, the spokesman for the Social Democratic Party, today assailed Chancellor Ludwig Erhard and the West German Government for failure to complete action on the new indemnification bill which should have been adopted this year by the German Parliament but was postponed until 1965. Dr. Barzig criticized the Government's restitution policy at a press conference here.

BRITAIN WATCHES PROGRESS OF NEW GERMAN COMPENSATION LEGISLATION

LONDON, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- A British Government spokesman said in Commons yesterday that Britain was watching the progress of new compensation legislation in West Germany which would provide compensation for refugees persecuted by the Nazi regime on grounds of nationality.

The statement was made by George Thomson, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question by Sir Tufon Beamish, Conservative Member of Parliament. Sir Tufon had asked the Minister to make representations to the West German Government on the matter. The deputy said the legislation did not adequately fulfil the obligations accepted by the Bonn Government in the conventions signed at Bonn in May 1952 in settlement of matters arising out of the war and the occupation.

The Minister, in his written reply, said that draft legislation on that question and related matters was now under consideration by the restitution committee of West Germany's lower House. He said Britain had "subjected this draft legislation to careful examination and its progress will be followed with close attention." He added that the Government felt that representations would not be "appropriate" at the present time.

FRANKFURT TRIAL OF TWO EICHMANN'S AIDES ADJOURNS; PROSECUTOR IS ILL

FRANKFURT, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- The war crimes trial of two SS officers who served as aides to Adolf Eichmann during the Nazi occupation of Hungary was postponed today when the prosecutor became ill during proceedings and was unable to continue.

The defendants are former Lt. Col. Hermann Krumey and former Col. Otto Hunsche, charged with the deportation of hundreds of thousands of Hungarian Jews to death camps and with extorting huge sums in ransom from the desperate Jews. The trial had similarly been postponed earlier this year when the prosecutor became ill during the proceedings.

AUSTRIANS PROTEST AGAINST MILD SENTENCE OF EICHMANN'S AIDE IN VIENNA

VIENNA, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- The Organization of the Austrian Resistance Movement today protested to the Ministry of Justice against the light sentence meted out last week to Franz Novak, who had been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment after a long trial for the mass murder of several hundred thousand Hungarian Jews.

Novak, who was Eichmann's transport officer in Budapest during the war, was acquitted of the murder charges but convicted of "violence under aggravating circumstances," and will be eligible to freedom in four years, since he had been in jail four years prior to his trial. The resistance movement also demanded of the Justice Ministry the extension of the statute of limitation for prosecution of war criminals beyond next May.

50 MEMBERS OF BRITISH PARLIAMENT PETITION GERMANY ON NAZI PROSECUTION

LONDON, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- More than 50 Labor Members of the British Parliament were disclosed today to have given support to a petition urging the West German Government to extend the deadline for prosecution of Nazi war criminals.

Emanuel Shinwell, Parliamentary Labor Party chairman, is sponsoring the petition. The West German statute of limitations for prosecution of such crimes will become effective next May 8 if it is not extended.

POSTAGE STAMP CARRYING HITLER'S LIKENESS ISSUED IN WEST GERMANY

BONN, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- A new 50-pfenning stamp, containing a drawing of a tree so drawn as to portray a face remarkably like that of Hitler, was enjoying a brisk sale today in West Germany.

The debt-ridden Federal Postoffice was understood to be delighted at the heavy sales. It issued a statement today emphasizing that the artist, Otto Rohse, 39, of Hamburg, had not intentionally drawn a face. The Postoffice also said the stamp would not be withdrawn. The stamp depicts a castle tower and beside it a tree. Some of the branches form the shape of the face resembling Hitler.

The artist insisted today that he had never seen Hitler's head in the drawing "and neither did the Postoffice Art Commission which passed the design." He added that he had been an ordinary soldier in a tank division from 1934 until the end of the war and that he was never an admirer of the Fuehrer. "On the contrary, my family were members of the anti-Nazi Confessional Church," he stressed.

COMMITTEE FOR J.T.A. FORMED IN LONDON; HEADED BY SACHER AND CEN

LONDON, Dec. 22; (JTA) -- Formal constitution of the London Committee of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was announced here today. Co-chairmen of the committee are Michael Sacher and Hyman Cen, prominent members of the Anglo-Jewish community, who accepted the invitation tendered in behalf of the JTA Board of Directors to head the new group.

Mr. Sacher is the son of Harry Sacher, noted British journalist and one of Chaim Weizmann's earliest associates in the Zionist movement, and is a nephew of the late Lord Marks. An Oxford graduate, he is a director of Marks & Spencer, joint president of the Joint Palestine Appeal and former president of the Jewish National Fund in Great Britain. Mr. Cen, a businessman and financier of international repute, is a graduate of London University. His communal activities in recent years have been centered around the Joint Palestine Appeal.

BOARD OF DEPUTIES DECIDES TO START DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF BRITISH JEWRY

LONDON, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- The Board of Deputies of British Jews approved today a plan for carrying out basic demographic investigation and researches to establish statistics of births, marriages and deaths in the British Jewish community aimed at producing, as far as is practicable, an accurate demographic and sociological picture of the community.

The Board rejected a proposal calling for a silent march to the German Embassy to protest recent Bonn policies but decided to arrange for a deputation to call on the Embassy with a protest.

HADASSAH TO SEEK ISRAEL SUPPORT FOR MEDICAL CENTER IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- Hadassah will request the Government of Israel to contribute toward the maintenance of the vast Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center here, it was announced today by Mr. Charlotte Jacobson, president of Hadassah. She said she will make that request at a conference she is to hold with Pinhas Sapir, Israel's Minister of Finance, stating that rising costs "make it almost impossible" for Hadassah alone to carry the \$4, 000, 000 annual maintenance cost for the Medical Center.

Mrs. Jacobson said that Hadassah's additional, current commitments include the need for \$1, 000, 000 for the Center's building fund, \$2, 300, 000 for youth immigration, and \$700, 000 as its contribution to the Jewish National Fund.

The Hadassah president also announced that the foundationstone will be laid here next Sunday for the Center's new John F. Kennedy Memorial Building. At the same time, she said, a ceremony will be conducted for the award of the Henrietta Szold citation to Moshe Sharett, ex-Israeli Premier and chairman of the Jewish Agency executive. That ceremony will be held in Mr. Sharett's room at the Center, where he is now hospitalized.

3, 000 JEWS IN LONDON VOLUNTEER TO REPLACE NON-JEWS ON CHRISTMAS

LONDON, Dec; 22. (JTA) -- The Association of Jewish War Veterans said today that some 3, 000 Jewish men, women and youth have volunteered their services to more than 100 hospitals and similar institutions for the Christmas period so that staff members can have time off during the holiday.

The volunteers offered their services for whatever jobs they might be asked to do, the Association, which arranged the effort, reported. The Association said "the purpose behind this assistance is a gesture of goodwill on a day recognized as one of goodwill." Officials of the institutions expressed gratitude for the offer.

JEWSH TROOPS IN TEXAS TO TAKE OVER DUTIES OF NON-JEWS ON CHRISTMAS

FORT HOOD, Texas, Dec. 22; (JTA) -- Jewish troops at Fort Hood were expected today to take over duties of Christian soldiers on Christmas Day in response to an appeal by Chaplain Irving Rubin, the fort's Jewish chaplain. The arrangement will enable the Christian troops to attend religious services.

Similar arrangements in reverse were set up during the Jewish Holy Days to allow Jewish personnel to be relieved of duty on those days. Duties involved include kitchen policing and guard assignments.

RABBI ALTER ABELSON, SCHOLAR AND POET, DIES IN NEW YORK; WAS 88

NEW YORK, Dec. 22. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Rabbi Alter Abelson, Hebrew scholar, poet and translator who died Sunday at the age of 88. He had served in many synagogues in this section of the country and as a chaplain for the New York Board for Rabbis.

Born in Lithuania, he was raised on Manhattan's Lower East Side and ordained as a Conservative rabbi. His first pulpit was at Temple Beth-El in Jersey City and he served also in Newport, R.I., Lynbrook, L.I., and Newburgh, N.Y. He had translated the works of Judah Halevi and Chaim Nachman Bialik into English for publication. He was the author of four books of poetry.