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ESHKOL DUE IN LONDON TODAY; OFFICIAL PROGRAM PROVIDES FOR FORMAL TALKS

LONDON, March 23. (JTA) -- Israel's Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, who will fly here from Tel Aviv tomorrow, will meet other leaders of the British Government in addition to Prime Minister Harold Wilson and Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart, according to the full program of Eshkol activities here, issued today.

Mr. Eshkol, who will hold separate formal talks Thursday and Friday with the Premier and Foreign Secretary, is scheduled also to confer with Deputy Prime Minister George Brown, who is Minister for Economic Affairs; a group of ranking British financial and industrial leaders, who will tender a luncheon in his honor and Sir Alec Douglas-Home, former Prime Minister, and other leaders of the Conservative Party.

The Israeli Premier and Mrs. Eshkol, who will accompany her husband, will be guests of honor at a dinner to be given by Minister of Defense Denis Healey and Mrs. Healey, and will attend the opera as guests of the Healeys. Mr. Eshkol will also meet with the executive committee of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, leaders of the Trade Union Confederation, and the executive of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain.

CHANCELLOR ERHARD'S EMISSARY REPORTS ON HIS TALKS IN ISRAEL

BONN, March 23. (JTA) -- Dr. Kurt Birrenbach, Chancellor Ludwig Erhard's personal emissary, returned today from Israel after completing a second round of talks with Israeli Government leaders on West German-Israeli diplomatic relations and met with the Chancellor to report on his mission.

Dr. Birrenbach confirmed on his arrival that he would soon return to Israel for a third time and said that the establishment of embassies would then proceed swiftly. He reported to both Chancellor Erhard and Foreign Minister Gerhard Schroeder.

Chancellor Erhard said today that diplomatic relations between West Germany and Israel would be established by the federal government "neither with exaggerated haste nor with any unnecessary delay."

He made the statement at a meeting of his Christian Democratic faction in the Bundestag, West Germany's lower house of Parliament. He declined comment on reported West German talks with Arab countries "until the end of the talks." He also said that the opposition Social Democratic party had no right to criticize the government because they had approved his plan to offer diplomatic relations to Israel. He claimed that the party's declaration that not enough had been done for Israel was unjustified.

The Chancellor and Foreign Minister Gerhard Schroeder reported at the meeting on foreign affairs. Concerning West German policy in the Middle East, the Chancellor emphasized that "the strongest cooperation" existed between him and the Foreign Minister. This was an answer to press reports attacking Dr. Schroeder and reporting differences between him and the Chancellor.

Tells Israel He is Optimistic of Outcome of Future Talks

JERUSALEM, March 23. (JTA) -- Declaring that he would return to Israel and predicting that his talks with Israeli Government leaders would bring successful results, Dr. Kurt Birrenbach, personal emissary of West Germany's Chancellor Erhard, told Israeli newspapermen at Lydda Airport prior to his departure this morning for Bonn that the establishment of German-Israeli diplomatic relations would be an historic turning point for both countries.

He said the joint communique issued here yesterday was not a final one, thus indicating that the talks had reached a stage where the West German had to give additional consideration to various details. Officials here said that despite the guarded tone of the official communique, an overall agreement had been reached and the need for more talks was due to the fact that the agreement involved a great number of details.

Dr. Birrenbach also said he had been very impressed by the "good spirit" in which his talks with the Israeli leaders were held and by the consideration they had shown for West German interests. He thanked the Israel Government for the friendly atmosphere of the talks.

ISRAEL AGREES TO U. N. INSPECTION OF DEFENSE AREA ON SYRIAN BORDER

JERUSALEM, March 23; (JTA) -- Israel agreed last night with a request from the United Nations Truce Organization for an inspection of the defense area along the Syrian border where there have been a number of recent shooting incidents. The UN organization had asked both Syria and Israel to permit such an inspection, to see whether prohibited weapons were in place on either side of the frontier. Thus far, however, no reply to the UNTSO request has been received from Syria.

In its reply, given to Maj. Gen. Odd Bull, UNTSO chief of staff, Israel pointed out that the real issue in the troubled area was Syria's "avowed policy of aggression" against work being done in the Israeli fields by Israelis farming land which the UN itself had only recently reconfirmed as being inside Israel's territory.

ITALIAN PREMIER REPORTS GOVERNMENT'S POLICY ON MIDDLE EAST TO SENATE

ROME, March 23; (JTA) -- Prime Minister Aldo Moro told the Italian Senate today that his Government has been in touch with all parties concerned in the current Middle East crisis, stressing Italy's concern for the "safeguarding of the balance of forces and the peace in that area."

In a lengthy discussion of the Middle East situation, the Premier said that his Government is "fully aware of the situation that has emerged in the Mediterranean zone, and of Italy's important function" in the zone.

The Italian Government, he said, "had hoped that the sense of responsibility of all governments in the area would lead to the permanent clear-up of the delicate situation. We were, therefore, surprised by recent manifestations which certainly do not contribute to the establishment of that climate of tolerance necessary to ensure peace in that region."

ISRAEL'S RELIGIOUS PARTY BACKS THE RESIGNED DEPUTY MINISTER OF HEALTH

JERUSALEM, March 23. (JTA) -- The National Religious Party today adopted a resolution backing Yitzhak Rafael, who resigned yesterday from the post of Deputy Minister of Health, after a special report made to Prime Minister Levi Eshkol accused Mr. Rafael of having known about kickbacks from contractors. Yehuda Spiegel, the Ministry's former Deputy Director-General, was sentenced recently to two years' imprisonment for having received such kickbacks, and Mr. Eshkol had a probe of the issue conducted by District Judge Moshe Gaulan.

The National Religious Party, in its resolution, expressed "shock and great regret" over the charges against Mr. Rafael, pledged to support his promised legal fight for clearance of his name, and stated that the Gaulan report "cast a shadow upon the name of a veteran and esteemed colleague." Religious Affairs Minister Zorach Warhaftig and I. Ben-Meir, Deputy Minister of the Interior, criticized the Gaulan report severely, declaring its findings were "illogical and inconsistent."

JUDGE KISTER NAMED MEMBER OF ISRAEL'S SUPREME COURT; REPLACES OLSHAN

JERUSALEM, March 23. (JTA) -- Jurist Yitzhak Kister, a Tel Aviv District Court judge since 1945, was nominated today to fill the vacancy on Israel's Supreme Court created by the retirement of Justice Yitzhak Olshan.

Born in Poland, the 60-year-old new Supreme Court Justice was educated at the University of Lwow and was an attorney in Poland from 1925 to 1935, coming to Israel in 1935. He became a magistrate in Tel Aviv in 1945 and was named to the District Court. He also has served as a lecturer in Tel Aviv University.

SOVIET NEWSPAPERS CONTINUE TO CARRY SMEAR-REPORTS AGAINST JEWS

LONDON, March 23. (JTA) -- Soviet newspapers reaching here today from various sections of the Soviet Union continue to carry anti-Jewish innuendo aimed at creating the impression that Jews are behaving in an "unsocialist manner."

The Moscow daily Leninskoye Znamia, in its issue of March 17, attacked the practice of some factories that farm out their work to be done by housewives at home and cited the names of several Jewish women, doing factory work at home. The chief engineer of the administrative unit giving out such work, Comrade Borukhovin--another Jewish-sounding name--had reportedly been fired for his practices.

Rabochaya Gazeta, a Kiev daily, cited a man identified as 70-year-old Sarnuil Yakovlevich Bykov--obviously Jewish--for renting equipment to fishermen from whom he allegedly elicited half of their earnings. An ordinary automobile accident, in which a woman was killed, was reported in Vecherny Leningrad, an evening paper, in such a manner as to cast aspersions of lying against several persons with names that sound Jewish.

Kmosomolskoye Znamia, of Kiev, told the story of a Jewish youth, named Yankelevich, who had been expelled from the Kharkov Medical Institute in his last year of study for having failed to participate in work on collective farms during his vacations. The article pictured the youth as a "parasite," conceded that he was a good student but employed anti-Semitic terms to characterize him as an intellectual who shirks hard work.

SPANISH GOVERNMENT GRANTS LEGAL STATUS TO MADRID JEWISH COMMUNITY

MADRID, March 23. (JTA) -- The Spanish Government has approved a set of by-laws giving legal status to the organized Jewish community of Madrid for the first time in nearly 500 years, it was announced here today by Max Mazin, community president. Similar recognition is expected shortly for the Barcelona Jewish community. The heads of both communities met recently with Spanish Chief of State Francisco Franco.

The proposed by-laws had been submitted to the Government by his organization, Mr. Mazin said, and have now been "officially approved." The official name of the organized Jewish community here will henceforth be known as Comunidad Hebrea de Madrid.

"This recognition of our legal status," Mr. Mazin stated, "has been anxiously expected by Spanish Jewry for close to five centuries, and constitutes a historical event of capital importance for all the Jews. This act of the Spanish Government puts an end to a long period of mere tolerance for the Jewish community which was, up to now, devoid of any legal framework."

POPE PAUL TO RECEIVE TODAY A DELEGATION OF AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE

ROME, March 23. (JTA) -- Fifty members of the American Jewish Committee, visiting Rome on their return from a two-week study tour of Israel, were scheduled today to be received by Pope Paul VI tomorrow. Their visit to the Pontiff has been scheduled as private.

The group today heard reports on affairs concerning the Italian Jewish community and aid to Jewish refugees from a number of leaders here. Among those with whom the Americans conferred were Renzo Levi, leader of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities; Prof. Fausto Pitigliano, president of the Jewish Community of Rome; and Leonard Seidenmann, representative of the Joint Distribution Committee. Later, they visited the Ardeatine Caves, and laid a wreath at the Memorial for Massacred Jewish and non-Jewish Victims.

BELGIAN GOVERNMENT REJECTS REQUEST OF JEWISH GROUPS ON GERMAN FUNDS

BRUSSELS, March 23. (JTA) -- The Belgian Minister of Health submitted to the Cabinet today a draft bill awarding to Belgian citizens who were victims of the Nazis \$20,000,000 in compensation paid by West Germany to Belgium.

In submitting the bill, the Government turned down a request by Jewish organizations that part of the funds should be earmarked specifically for Jews who were forced to wear the yellow Star of David or for the time they spent in hiding from the Nazis. The Government rejected the request on the grounds that it would also have to award compensation to all Belgian citizens who had been forced to live in hiding for any reason.

U. S. WITNESS COLLAPSES IN GERMAN COURT TESTIFYING AGAINST NAZIS

DUSSELDORF, March 23. (JTA) -- A survivor of the Treblinka death camp collapsed yesterday while testifying at a Nazi war crimes trial that he had been forced to throw his infant sister into a trench filled with burning bodies.

Joseph Waller, 37, now a Brooklyn interior decorator, sobbed that "God saw it all, why didn't He do anything." He suffered a heart attack and doctors in the courtroom said he had to have rest and quiet after the "strain" of his testimony. He was a witness in the trial of 10 former Nazi personnel of the camp charged with killing nearly 700,000 Jews in the camp during the war.

The witness testified that as a boy of 12, he had been put on a work detail by the camp's crematoria. He said "they made me throw two girls into a trench where bodies were burning. Then--dear God--my eight-month-old sister," he said, sobbing softly before he collapsed.

DR. GLOBKE TESTIFIES IN DEFENSE OF STAFF MEMBERS OF NAZI MURDER CAMP

COLOGNE, March 23. (JTA) -- Dr. Hans Globke, who served as State Secretary to former Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, testified at a Nazi war crimes trial here today that nothing could have been done against the Nazi murderers of Jews during the Hitler regime.

He testified at the trial of 10 former staff members of the Sachsenhausen murder camp. He also insisted that no one could then speak up against the crimes and that prosecutors would have been punished if they had tried to protest or act against the murder of Jews.

Dr. Globke, who was forced out of the Adenauer regime for his role in commentating on the Nuremberg race laws as a Nazi official, repeated earlier statements that he had not been told officially during his Nazi service about the crimes but that he had heard privately about the killings from soldiers returning on leave from the eastern front. He was a ranking official of the Nazi Interior Ministry.

C. J. F. W. F. APPROVES PROJECT FOR FIRST NATIONAL STUDY OF U. S. JEWRY

NEW YORK, March 23, (JTA) -- The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, at a meeting of its board of directors this week, approved a report of its Special Committee on Population Studies recommending the first comprehensive national study of American Jewry, it was announced today.

The CJFWF board directed that steps be taken to implement a study design prepared by social scientists over a two-year period. Pertinent local and regional studies will be included in the project. It was agreed that this national study can be "an historic step in filling a wide gap in American-Jewish life and in providing information essential for sound future planning."

The report to the board was made by Dr. Max W. Bay of Los Angeles, a Council vice-president, who is chairman of the board's committee on the national foundation project. He was joined in the report by Dr. Fred Massarik, chairman of the Council's Technical Committee on Population Studies.

The CJFWF board also voted for affiliation with the new non-sectarian Citizens Crusade Against Poverty, which is a broad national citizens' group, under the chairmanship of Walter P. Reuther, president of the United Automobile Workers of America. The group was established to mobilize widespread and intensive support by developing "non-partisan programs of education and activity designed to eliminate poverty from the life of this nation." It includes leaders of church, industry, labor, civil rights, welfare, farmers, civic, women, veterans, students and other groups.

Philip Bernstein, executive director of the CJFWF, reported that American Jews are committed to a poverty struggle which requires total community planning. To that end, he informed the board of a series of inter-faith consultations, involving leaders of America's three major religious groups, which was organized two years ago and now meets four times a year "to look at common problems."

Federation Campaigns Reported Running Ahead of Last Year

Herbert H. Schiff of Columbus, Ohio, chairman of the Council's Campaign Services Committee, reported that several Federation campaigns across the country were now running 15 to 20 percent ahead of 1964. But he cautioned community leaders to make sure that later gifts continue the pace set by leadership contributions, which are recognized as "the best gifts." In urging special efforts to maintain and accelerate community campaigns, Mr. Schiff was joined by Max M. Fisher of Detroit, a member of the CJFWF board and general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

Board members applauded the report that B'nai B'rith and its Anti-Defamation League have rejoined the National Community Relations Advisory Council. Stressing the importance of fullest cooperation in this sphere of activity were Alan V. Lowenstein of Newark, chairman of the Council's committee on cooperation in this field, Dore Schary of Los Angeles and Lewis H. Weinstein of Boston, a past president of NCRAC.

In addition, the group welcomed a report from George Michelson of Boston, chairman of the Large City Budgeting Conference, on recent discussions between LCBC and the American Jewish Committee and progress towards future participation by the AJC in the LCBC review process.

Irving Kane of Cleveland, Council past president, reported on recent European discussions in which he and Louis D. Horwitz of the Council staff represented CJFWF. They met with representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee, the Jewish Agency for Israel, Jerusalem, and the Standing Conference on European Jewish Communal Services. Louis A. Pincus, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, Jerusalem, discussed recent developments in his agency's activities in Israel and in other countries. The board also considered financing problems involved in meeting overseas needs.

Bernstein Reports on Importance of Leadership Development

Reporting on the importance of leadership development, Mr. Bernstein outlined a series of area meetings, sponsored jointly by CJFWF and UJA. The most promising young people in the country will attend regional conferences in the mid-Atlantic states, the south, the east central section and the far west. Their purpose is to consider Jewish needs and concerns at home and abroad.

The board was informed of the activities of the CJFWF National Committee on Women's Communal Services, which has done "intensive work on year-round services in addition to the campaign effort." The Council's recent analysis of fund-raising in women's divisions showed that women's contributions rose 5.4 percent in 1964, and women are now supplying 11.8 percent of the monies received by community Federations. Women are now 42.9 percent of all contributors.

Louis J. Fox of Baltimore, chairman of the CJFWF Legacies and Endowment Fund Committee, said that 130 persons have now made commitments to the fund, 39 more than previously reported. He estimated the present total pledged at over one-half million dollars, "more than half-way toward our initial goal of \$1,000,000." With its achievement,

the Council will have an additional \$30,000 to \$40,000 annually for special projects, research and other work outside the regular budget. Mr. Fox pointed out that most of the commitments are in the form of future bequests.

A uniform accounting and reporting study, organized by the National Social Welfare Assembly and the National Health Council, was endorsed in principle by the CJFWF board. S. P. Goldberg, director of the CJFWF budget research department, said that the study defines such essentials as "full disclosure" and "fund-raising and administrative costs" and recommends closer identification of costs with services.

JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY SUPPORT ALABAMA MARCH

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- Fresh expressions of Jewish support for the Negro battle for voting rights, much of it geared to the historic Freedom March now underway in Alabama, was recorded today from many communities.

A delegation of Massachusetts rabbis, led by Rabbi H. Bruce Ehrmann, flew to Alabama today to join the march. Before leaving, they attended a training workshop in non-violent resistance held at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference headquarters in Roxbury.

Orin Lehman, secretary of the American Jewish Committee, headed a delegation of the agency's members and staff flying Thursday to Montgomery. They will meet members of the organization from other parts of the United States and take part in the final leg of the march to Montgomery, the state capital. Mr. Lehman is a nephew of the late New York Governor and Senator Herbert Lehman, whose family originally settled in Montgomery before coming to New York.

Nearly 100 officers and members of the American Jewish Congress from all sections of the country have responded to a call from Dr. Martin Luther King, to join the Freedom March as it approaches Montgomery Thursday. The participants are flying from various sections to Montgomery to join in the march.

Orthodox Congregations Send Representatives to Alabama

The Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America announced creation of a special committee on human rights with the immediate aim of aiding Negroes in all parts of the country in their struggle for civil rights. In announcing the special committee, president Moses Feuerstein said three members had been designated to go to Alabama tomorrow to join in the Freedom March.

A large number of members of the Rabbinical Assembly of Greater Miami joined a throng of 2,500 Negroes and whites who marched in downtown Miami to protest the attack by police on marchers in Selma last week. About one-third of the marchers were white. Rabbi Herbert Baumgard, president of the Rabbinical Association, led the rabbinical participants. Rabbi Baumgard and Rabbi Leon Kronish took part in leading the services at the Greater Methel A.M.E. church where the march ended.

Rabbi Earl S. Jordan of Cleveland was one of 500 persons from that city who joined in the protest march on the White House in Washington and disclosed that as the bus caravan headed for home on Friday night, the Cleveland rabbis joined for kiddush services on Bus Number 5. The rabbis also said Kaddish for Rev. Reeb.

The national director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, who took part in the civil rights march in Alabama, today announced that the League will "expand and strengthen" its southern operation by establishing an area headquarters, opening a new office and enlarging its southern staff. In making the announcement, Benjamin R. Epstein also declared that five ADL officials will go to Alabama tomorrow to join the Selma rights marchers as they approach Montgomery.

SOUTH AFRICAN MINISTER PAYS TRIBUTE TO JEWISH COMMUNITY

JOHANNESBURG, March 23. (JTA) -- "I know what the South African Jewish Ex-Service League has done, not only for the sons and daughters of your old Jewish comrades, but for our country as a whole," South Africa's Minister of Defense, J. J. Fouché, told members of the League. He was the guest of honor at the 40th anniversary banquet of the Cape Town branch of the League over the weekend. Other distinguished guests included the Naval Chief of Staff, Rear-Admiral H. Biermann, high-ranking Army officers and the Mayor of Cape Town.

Beginning his address with the Hebrew greeting, "Shalom," Mr. Fouché said the Jewish people and the Afrikaner nation had a great deal in common. They might have their different approaches on domestic issues, but through contact--and it was a valuable contact--both groups could learn from each other. All groups had made their contributions to South Africa and all would defend what had been built up. They faced a common danger in Communism, which was trying to penetrate Africa and stir trouble where it could. South Africa was one of its targets, he said.

Dr. Henry Gluckman, a former Cabinet Minister, proposed the toast of "Our Country," saying: "I speak as a South African, a Jew and a member of this organization. I share the admiration of the great story of South Africa and of the fantastic achievements of our country in every sphere of human and material endeavor."

HUNGARIAN JEWS IN NEW YORK PICKET GERMANY CONSULATE; SEEK COMPENSATION

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- Members of the Association of Former Forced Laborers and Deportees of Hungary, an organization composed of 10,000 Hungarian Jews, picketed the German consulate here yesterday, demanding that the Bonn Government speed legislation to provide compensation to those victims of Nazism who were unable to file restitution applications prior to October 1953.

The 50 pickets were led by a cantor, Louis Goldstein, and presented a petition to the German consular officials, requesting that their petition be forwarded to Chancellor Ludwig Erhard. Under West Germany's present law, only Nazi victims who filed restitution applications prior to October 1, 1953, may be considered for compensation.

An amendment to the law has been pending in Bonn's Parliament for about a year. The amendment would permit compensation applications by those victims of Nazism who could not file because they were still in countries behind the Iron Curtain by the 1953 cut-off date. Dr. Zoltan Klar, president of the association, said the demonstration was tied to the fact that yesterday was the 20th anniversary of the Nazi occupation of Hungary.

AMERICAN NAZI ARRESTED IN BOSTON; ACCUSED OF SHOOTING LOCAL RESIDENT

BOSTON, March 23. (JTA) -- Francis J. Smith, self-professed member of the American Nazi Party, has been arrested here on a criminal, non-Nazi charge, accused by police of shooting a man sitting with a woman in a parked car. When arrested, police said, the man had in his possession a quantity of Nazi literature as well as a revolver and brass knuckles.

Smith is well known to Jewish defense organizations here. He has frequently telephoned the offices of such organizations, boasting he would open a bookstore in South Boston, to specialize in Nazi and other rightwing materials. According to police, George Lincoln Rockwell, leader of the American Nazi Party, has acknowledged that Smith had visited the Rockwell headquarters at Arlington, Va., recently.

NELLY SACHS, NOTED JEWISH POETESS, WINS 1965 PEACE PRIZE IN GERMANY

HAMBURG, March 23. (JTA) -- Nelly L. Sachs, the noted Jewish poetess and dramatist, has been awarded the 1965 Peace Prize of the Foundation Board of the Exchange Association of the German Book Trade. The German-born writer, who fled her native Berlin in 1940, is the first woman to be awarded the prize since it was established in 1951.

After watching her relatives and friends deported to death in the gas chambers, Miss Sachs devoted her major works to the sufferings of the Jewish people at the hands of the Nazis. Among her books of poetry were "In the Houses of Death," "Eclipse of the Stars," "And Nobody Knows More" and "Flight and Transformation."

BROOKLYN PUBLIC LIBRARY TO PLACE J. T. A. NEWS REPORTS IN 14 BRANCHES

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- The Brooklyn Public Library will place the news reports of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in all of its 14 branches, it was announced today by Abraham M. Lindenbaum, president of the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council which has subscribed for the JTA service to be sent to the library branches.

Public Library officials welcomed the event as an important development in their overall program of public service to the community. The cost of the JTA service was underwritten by Charles Frost, prominent industrialist and philanthropist in tribute to the late Surrogate Maximilian Moss, who pioneered the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council since its inception more than a quarter of a century ago. Judge Moss died last April 19.

FEDERATION OF SYNAGOGUES IN LONDON CELEBRATES ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

LONDON, March 23. (JTA) -- The Federation of Synagogues marked its 75th anniversary here last night at a dinner attended by some 500 persons, including the leaders of British Jewry. The Federation, which was founded by Samuel Montagu, now includes 17 constituent synagogues and 34 affiliated congregations, and maintains two Jewish day schools, four kindergartens and a network of Talmud Torah schools.

Morris Lederman, president of the Federation, announced details of the organization's project in Israel, which provides living quarters for retired and semi-retired persons. The dinner was also addressed by Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie and E. Chanan, Federation vice-president.

EUGENIO HENDLER, ARGENTINE JEWISH LEADER, DIES IN BUENOS AIRES; WAS 46

BUENOS AIRES, March 23. (JTA) -- Eugenio Hendler, executive secretary of the Argentine Jewish Institute of Culture and Information--an affiliate of the American Jewish Committee--died here today of a heart attack at the age of 46. He had headed the Institute since its establishment 15 years ago.