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CARDINAL BEA, ARRIVING IN NEW YORK, EXPLAINS POPE'S SERMON ON DEICIDE

NEW YORK, April 28. (JTA) -- Augustin Cardinal Bea, president of the Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity, stated here today through his official spokesman, that Pope Paul VI "had no intention whatever in the sermon which he delivered in Rome on Passion Sunday to refer in any manner at all to the Ecumenical Council's declaration on non-Christian religions."

Cardinal Bea came to New York today on his way to Philadelphia where he will receive tomorrow night the International Fellowship Award of the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission, an interfaith body. The statement on behalf of Cardinal Bea was made by his secretary, the Rev. Stephan Schmidt, who assured newsmen that he was directly and fully authorized by the Cardinal to make the statement.

Asked whether the Pope's Passion Sunday sermon had contributed to confusion over the Pontiff's attitude toward the Ecumenical Council's declaration on non-Christian religions, which would exonerate the Jewish people of the charge of deicide in the death of Jesus, Father Schmidt said on behalf of Cardinal Bea:

"For an interpretation of the Holy Father's Passion Sunday homily, it is essential to keep in mind that the Pope was speaking to ordinary and simple faithful people--not before a learned body--and so he did not use any specific theological, if you like technical, language. Therefore his words cannot be interpreted in the same strict way in which a councilary document is and must be interpreted. A Councilary document is very precise. You cannot repeat it in a simple sermon. So, an honest interpretation of the Holy Father's homily cannot be interpreted in the same manner that you would interpret a councilary document."

269 Amendments Entered to Vatican's Declaration on the Jews

Once more asserting that he was directly authorized by Cardinal Bea, Father Schmidt reiterated a statement made last Monday on behalf of the Cardinal Bea Secretariat in Rome, stating very definitely that the declaration which would exonerate the Jews of the deicide charge, was "still in the hands of the Secretariat."

Father Schmidt noted that when the declaration was adopted preliminarily by the Ecumenical Council last November by a vote of 1992 to 99, a total of 269 amendments were entered by prelates who were members of the Council. "You must bear in mind," he stated, "that the prelates who proposed those amendments must be, under the Council rules, considered as having voted for the draft but having exceptions only on the specific points mentioned in their amendments."

Father Schmidt also said that there was and still is some opposition in the Catholic Church to the Declaration on Relations with non-Christians. However, he said, "the opposition comes mainly from Near East Christians where there is great difficulty in understanding the declaration fully. The Secretariat has done and is continuing to do what it can to help these prelates to understand the declaration fully. It is for that reason that the revised draft, as passed by the Council in November, mentioned Moslems."

Father Schmidt conceded, in answer to questions, that the main opposition from Near Eastern prelates was political in nature. These prelates, he declared, fear "that the declaration will be abused so as to encourage and strengthen Israel and lead the Holy See to recognize Israel. However, Cardinal Bea has declared openly in the Council twice that the declaration is not political but theological." Upon his arrival here, Cardinal Bea was greeted by a number of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish leaders, including American Jewish Committee president Morris B. Abram, who left from here for the White House.

MOSCOW PROTESTS TO U.S. GOVT. FOR ENDORSING RESOLUTION ON SOVIET JEWRY

WASHINGTON, April 28. (JTA) -- The Soviet Union, through its embassy in Washington, today made known that a strong protest has been made to the United States Government against "attempts to interfere in the domestic affairs of the USSR" by State Department endorsement of Sen. Ribicoff's resolution condemning Soviet anti-Semitism. The protest was made orally at the State Department by Alexander I. Zinchuk, Counselor of the Russian embassy. He called on Richard H. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs.

Mr. Zinchuk indicated to Mr. Davis that the Soviet Government resented what it considered unfounded allegations involving the Jewish situation in Russia and felt that the State

Department violated diplomatic protocol by seeking to intervene in domestic Russian issues pertaining to Soviet citizens. He contended that the State Department had no more right to urge passage of a resolution telling Russia what cultural facilities to provide to Jews than the Soviet Foreign Ministry would have in intervening directly in the American Negro question in Alabama.

The State Department two weeks ago maintained that it had changed its position on the Ribicoff resolution from one of opposition to support. At that time the Department said the time was now regarded as more opportune. Senate sources, however, later commented that last year the Department intervened to kill the resolution at a time when Soviet-American relations were better and Moscow was more responsive to American public opinion. Today, they said, American-Soviet relations have deteriorated to the point that the Department does not care if the Kremlin is offended.

(From Moscow it was reported today that a book of Yiddish poetry entitled "Horizonten" has been put on sale in the Soviet capital in the Kirov Street Bookshop. The book was published in 5,000 copies at a price of 94 kopecs. (\$1). It includes poems written by 50 authors and has 528 pages. The Jewish population was reported to have been queuing up for hours to get copies of this long-expected book. The publication was announced over six months ago in the Communist press in the West.)

EGYPTIAN MOB BURNS TUNISIAN EMBASSY IN CAIRO; CALL BOURGUIBA 'ZIONIST'

PARIS, April 28. (JTA) -- Egyptian mobs, denouncing President Bourguiba of Tunisia as a "Zionist" for advocating Arab-Israel peace negotiations, attacked and burned the Tunisian Embassy in Cairo, according to reports today from the Egyptian capital. Most of the demonstrators were students, particularly Palestinian Arab refugees.

The demonstration followed announcement by Egypt yesterday that it had withdrawn its ambassador from Tunisia in the wake of an attack on the Egyptian embassy in Tunis by Tunisian crowds. The Egyptian Government simultaneously denounced the Tunisian leader's bid to be an intermediary between the Arabs and Israel. Foreign Minister Mahmud Riad told the Egyptian National Assembly last night that "this is a case in which there can be no intermediary, no negotiations nor compromise."

The Egyptian Foreign Minister's statement was the first official Egyptian comment on Bourguiba's comment for Arab recognition of Israel and negotiation on outstanding issues, including the status of the Palestinian Arab refugees. The Cairo "Voice of the Arabs" Radio charged Bourguiba with "aggressive intentions against Egypt and Palestine."

The Egyptian National Assembly urged the Government to intervene energetically "to halt further Bourguiba statements and assure the unity of the Arab world where Palestine is concerned." The chairman of the Assembly's Arab affairs committee also denounced the Tunisian's efforts and said there was no reason why Tunisia should continue as a member of the Arab League but he did not call for Tunisia's ouster.

ISRAEL'S PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER REACT ON BOURGUIBA'S VIEWS

TEL AVIV, April 28. (JTA) -- Both Prime Minister Levi Eshkol and Foreign Minister Golda Meir commented directly here today on the proposals for Arab-Israeli peace talks made by President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia.

Speaking at the Center on Foreign Affairs of the Mapai party, Mr. Eshkol repeated an assertion he made last Sunday to the effect that the best solution of the Arab refugee problem is for their settlement "among their brothers in Arab states." Complete "repatriation" in Israel for the Arab refugees, numbering more than 1,000,000, according to some figures, was one of the points advanced in Mr. Bourguiba's peace formula.

Mrs. Meir said, at the same meeting, that there is only one solution that could prevent Israeli resort to military action on the Jordan River water issue. That solution, she said, is Arab reversal of the decision to divert the headwaters of the Jordan. On this point, Mr. Eshkol added that Israel's "strength continues to grow."

Parliament in Brazil Hears Plea for Arab-Israel Peace Talks

BRASILIA, April 28. (JTA) -- The formation of local committees throughout Brazil to bring pressure on Arab and Israeli leaders to settle differences by negotiation was urged today in Brazil's Parliament by Representative Cunha Bueno.

Recalling that a Brazilian, the late Oswaldo Aranha, had been president of the United Nations General Assembly which approved recommendations for an independent Jewish State, Dr. Cunha Bueno made a strong appeal for the Parliament to be aware of Brazil's responsibility toward peace in the Middle East.

MORRIS ABRAM SWORN IN AS U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO U.N. COMMISSION

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., April 28. (JTA) -- Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee, was sworn in today as the United States representative to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. Mr. Abram was appointed by President Johnson six weeks ago and represented the United States at the Commission's last session in Geneva.

TORONTO RESIDENTS PETITION OUSTING OF CANADIAN NAZIS FROM NEIGHBORHOOD

TORONTO, April 28. (JTA) -- A petition bearing 500 names of residents of East Toronto, demanding the ouster of three Nazis from the house in the area they purchased as headquarters for their newly proclaimed Canadian Nazi party, was presented today to City Controller William Dennison.

Police meanwhile were posted at the house on a 24-hour daily basis to prevent a recurrence of an attack by residents who on Sunday night besieged the three Nazis in the house, broke almost every window and left a hangman's noose on the door. The attackers were all residents of the Anglo-Saxon working class neighborhood.

The petition described the Nazis as a public nuisance. Controller Dennison, declaring that the use of the residence as a headquarters violates a zoning by-law barring club offices or military academies on the street, said he would present the petition at the next meeting of the City Council. The real estate firm which sold the house to the three Nazis said that final papers for the transaction had not been signed.

MEMORIAL DAY FOR NAZI VICTIMS OBSERVED THROUGHOUT ISRAEL; CAFES CLOSED

JERUSALEM, April 28. (JTA) -- All places of entertainment and cafes throughout Israel closed their doors tonight as observance began of the Memorial Day for the victims of the Nazi holocaust. Flags were lowered to half-mast and memorial candles were kindled. Assemblies were held in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Haifa and in a number of collective settlements.

One of the services was led by Chief Rabbi Isser Yehuda Unterman in Tel Aviv's Great Synagogue. In Jerusalem, a Talmud study session was held in memory of the 6,000,000 Jewish victims of the Nazi genocide by yeshiva students at the synagogue of the Yad Vashem, the Memorial Center for the Victims of Nazism.

The 20th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi death camps was marked by a Remembrance Day Proclamation delivered over the Kol Israel radio network by A. L. Kubovy, chairman of the Yad Vashem.

Jews in Montreal Observe Today Anniversary of Warsaw Ghetto Revolt

MONTREAL, April 28. (JTA) -- Mayor Jean Drapeau urged his fellow-citizens to join in the city-wide observance tomorrow of the 22nd anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. He issued a proclamation "to remind my fellow-citizens of the heroic struggle of the Jewish people on April 29, 1943 when a great many of the Sons of Israel rose against the cruel tyrants in the Warsaw Ghetto."

A communal rally will be held at the Chevra Kadisha-B'nai Jacob synagogue tomorrow night at which six candles, symbolic of the 6,000,000 European Jewish men, women and children murdered by the Nazis, will be lit. Special addresses will be given by David Rivlin, the Israel consul in Montreal and Rabbi L. Kramer.

The tribute is being sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress, in conjunction with the Labor Zionist movement, the Zionist Organization of Canada, the Association of Former Concentration Camp Inmates, the Association of Bergen-Belsen Survivors, B'nai B'rith, Mizrahi Organization, the Federation of Polish Jews, and other fraternal organizations.

Thousands Pay Tribute in Philadelphia to Jewish Martyrs of Nazism

PHILADELPHIA, April 28. (JTA) -- The Jewish community here paid tribute to the memory of 6,000,000 Jews martyred in history's most horrifying example of man's inhumanity to man. Several thousand persons stood with bowed heads as the ancient Jewish chant for the dead, "El Molay Rahamim" was sung in memory of Jews murdered in the era of Nazi Germany.

The memorial ceremony at the Monument to the Six Million Jewish Martyrs was held marking the 22nd anniversary of the uprising by the Jews of the Warsaw Ghetto against the Germans. The bronze 18-foot high monument was unveiled April 26 of last year and was formally presented to the City of Philadelphia. It had been created in Italy by sculptor Nathan Rapoport and was brought here by the Federation of Jewish Agencies and the Association of Jewish New Americans. The latter group is composed of survivors of German atrocities.

The memorial service was co-sponsored by the Federation of Jewish Agencies and the Association. The principle speaker was Superior Court Judge J. Sydney Hoffman. Nochem S. Winnet, president of the Federation, told the gathering that the monument has much to say to all men about the issues of justice and freedom.

Anniversary of Warsaw Ghetto Revolt Observed in Belgium

BRUSSELS, April 28. (JTA) -- In solemn rites conducted at the Great Synagogue, the 22nd anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising against the Nazi army was observed here today. Delegates representing patriotic organizations and associations of war veterans participated in the rites. After the ceremonies at the synagogue, the participants marched silently through the city's streets to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, where the flame of the eternal light was refueled by Col. Joseph Golar, the military attache of the Israeli Embassy here.

WILBUR J. COHEN NAMED UNDER-SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, WELFARE

WASHINGTON, April 28. (JTA) -- President Johnson last night announced appointment of a career government officer of Jewish faith to the post of Under-Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare. He is Wilbur J. Cohen, who served since 1951 as Assistant Secretary of the H.E.W. Department. He has served in the government for 26 years.

DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCEPTS JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION ARCHIVES

DETROIT, April 28. (JTA) -- The Detroit Public Library has accepted from the Jewish Historical Society of Michigan the Jewish Welfare Federation Archives, rated the most important collection of historical source material on Michigan Jewry.

The archives have been formally presented to the library's Burton Historical Collection for cataloging and safekeeping. The records will then be available for historical research and administrative use. The books and papers include material dating from 1899, when the United Jewish Charities was formed, through 1926, marking creation of the Federation, up to 1950.

Participating in the presentation were Hyman Safran, Federation president, William Avrunin, Federation executive director, Dr. Irving I. Edgar, president of the Jewish Historical Society, Allen A. Warsen, honorary president, and James M. Babcock, chief of the Burton Historical Collection.

'FIDDLER ON THE ROOF' VOTED BEST MUSICAL OF YEAR; DEPICTS JEWISH LIFE

NEW YORK, April 28. (JTA) -- "Fiddler on the Roof," a musical drama based on stories by Sholem Aleichem, depicting Jewish life in a Czarist Russian "shtetl," was voted here yesterday by the New York Drama Critics Circle as the best musical on the Broadway stage during the current season. Of the 19 critics present and voting, 14 cast their ballots for "Fiddler on the Roof."

The play, which opened last September 22, has been a huge box office and critical success, tickets having been sold out in advance well into 1965. It stars Zero Mostel as Teyva the Milkman. Joseph Stein wrote the book for the play, music was composed by Jerry Brock, while Jerome Robbins staged and choreographed the production.

HABIMAH OPENS PERFORMANCES IN LONDON; PLAYS BEFORE PACKED THEATER

LONDON, April 28. (JTA) -- The Habimah Theater Troupe, visiting Britain to take part with other world-famous troupes in the World Theater Season, presented to a packed house last night Ansky's The Dybbuk. Many theatergoers were unable to get tickets.

A number of distinguished personalities in the world of art and literature attended a reception given for the troupe after the performance. Among those present were Edward Short, the Government Chief Whip in the House of Commons, Nobel Laureate Prof. E.B. Chain and Dame Peggy Ashcroft. Mr. Short said that the Government was delighted that the Israeli troupe had come. He expressed the hope that the visit would further cement Anglo-Israeli friendship.

ISRAEL ARMY COOPERATES IN PRODUCTION OF U.S. FILM ON COLONEL MARCUS

TEL AVIV, April 28. (JTA) -- Production of an American film, entitled "Cast a Giant Shadow," based on the biography of Col. David "Mickey" Marcus, the American West Point graduate who lost his life while fighting in Israel's War of Independence, will start here on May 18, it was announced today.

The wide-screen, color film, will star Kirk Douglas as Col. Marcus; Yul Brynner as a commander of a unit of the Haganah, the pre-state defense force of the Palestine Jewish settlement; and John Wayne as an American general. Israel's army will cooperate with the movie's producers, contributing 800 soldiers as "extras." The shooting schedule calls for 50 days' work in Israel and 21 more days in Rome, where some of the interior scenes will be filmed.

AARON REMEZ NAMED ISRAEL'S AMBASSADOR TO LONDON; SUCCEEDS L'CURIE

JERUSALEM, April 28. (JTA) -- Aaron Remez, former Chief of the Israel Air Force, has been appointed Israel's Ambassador to London. Mr. Remez, who was a member of the Knesset in 1960, will succeed Ambassador Arthur Lourie.

MAPAI WINS MAJORITY SEATS ON JEWISH FEDERATION COUNCIL IN BRAZIL

SAO PAULO, April 28. (JTA) -- A Mapai faction won 31 of the 50 seats on the Jewish Federation General Council which were up for election yesterday. Of the 2,568 votes cast, the Mapai faction got 1,536 votes. The 130-member Council will also include delegates to be named by some 50 organizations next month.