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JEWISH AGENCY SATISFIED WITH GOLDMANN'S EXPLANATION ON SOVIET ISSUE

JERUSALEM, June 22. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive, after hearing today from Dr. Nahum Goldmann his views on protesting against Soviet suppression of Jewish religion and culture, issued a brief communique stating: "The executive heard with satisfaction Dr. Goldmann's explanation of his position on the issue in which there has been no change."

The meeting of the Jewish Agency executive today was devoted almost entirely to the recent statement made by Dr. Goldmann at a press conference in New York in which he cautioned against "distortions" in Jewish protests on behalf of Soviet Jewry. Dr. Goldmann, who is the president of the Jewish Agency, told the executive today that there was no change in his basic position about the discriminations against Jews in the Soviet Union. The differences, he said, may concern only tactics of fighting these discriminations. He added that his opinion on the matter coincided with the opinion of the Israel Government and of major Jewish organizations.

The question of Soviet Jewry will be discussed tomorrow at a meeting of the Coordinating Committee of the Jewish Agency and the Israel Government. In the meantime Dr. Goldmann met today with Prime Minister Levi Eshkol.

ELIMINATION OF JEWS FROM HOUSE RESOLUTION ON RUSSIA EVOKES CRITICISM

WASHINGTON, June 22. (JTA) -- The House Foreign Affairs Committee was criticized here today for eliminating reference to Jews in its resolution on Soviet discrimination against religion. Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat and member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, said he felt that the Committee's wording of its resolution was "deficient in the most crucial aspect of the resolution's intent -- the spotlighting of the Jewish situation as worse than the situation of the other minorities in the Soviet Union."

Rep. Farbstein said he was studying possible measures to bring the House phrasing into conformity with the Senate concurrent resolution which would voice Congressional condemnation of Soviet anti-religious discrimination, asking the Soviet Union "to permit fully the free exercise of religion and the pursuit of culture by Jews and all others within its borders."

Pointing out that there was no conceivable objection to include an appeal of other minorities in the House resolution but that the specific reference to the plight of the Jews should be retained and understood there, Rep. Farbstein said the Jewish situation was described in the "whereas" clauses of both Senate and House versions "but the crucial, specific reference to Jews in the final enacting clause of the House Committee's wording of the resolution has been eliminated in a way that weakens this undertaking and blunts its thrust."

National Commander Ralph Plofsky of the Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. A. similarly urged today the House of Representatives to restore specific reference to Jews in its version of Senate concurrent resolution which would voice Congressional condemnation of Soviet anti-religious discrimination.

"To do less than retain the meaningful Senate language would undermine the original purpose of the resolution, designed to alleviate the specific plight of Jews which differs from the situation of other minorities," the JWV leader said in a communication to the House Foreign Affairs Committee. He pointed out that the Committee reported out language that altered the Senate resolution's enacting clause from a plea for religious and cultural freedom for "Jews and all others" to a call merely for such freedom for "all persons."

The resolution was envisaged to counter the distinct harassment of Jews by the Soviet Union and their being singled out through denial of the same limited rights afforded other Soviet minorities, said Mr. Plofsky. In his view, "it is essential to pinpoint the Jewish situation in the operative portion of the resolution like the Senate has wisely and correctly done."

U. S. VIEW ON RIGHTS OF MINORITIES ACKNOWLEDGED BY SOVIET DELEGATES

BELGRADE, June 22. (JTA) -- Soviet delegates to a two-week seminar on multinational societies reversed themselves today and acknowledged that minorities have rights of association within and beyond national frontiers.

The stand at the United Nations-sponsored seminar was believed to be the first time that Soviet representatives have taken this position. The Soviet Union has a large number of minority groups, including 3,000,000 Jews. The Soviets have been criticized severely for denying such association rights to the Jews of their country.

Daniel P. Moynihan, the United States representative, argued last week that minorities deserved the right of contact across borders with people with whom they shared religious, ethnic, linguistic or other ties. At that time, the Soviet representatives strongly opposed that position. The seminar was attended by unofficial representatives of 19 countries.

U. S. JEWISH STUDENT EXPELLED FROM RUSSIA ON 'HOSTILITY' CHARGES

HELSINKI, June 22. (JTA) -- A Jewish student from Baltimore, expelled by the Soviet Union five days ago, for alleged activities "hostile to the Soviet Jews," enrolled at Helsinki University today to continue his graduate studies.

From Moscow it was reported that a spokesman for the United States Embassy said that 29-year-old Jack Weiner had not, to the Embassy's knowledge, "behaved in any way incompatible with his status as an exchange student." He had been doing graduate work on Russian literature in Leningrad.

The Embassy spokesman said that Weiner's expulsion followed shortly after two Soviet students were asked to leave the United States "for violating State Department travel regulations." He suggested that Weiner's expulsion was in retaliation.

SENATE COMMITTEE REJECTS STRONGER WORDING ON ARAB BOYCOTT IN NEW BILL

WASHINGTON, June 22. (JTA) -- The Senate Banking Committee voted today by eight to six to reject stronger wording, sought by opponents of the Arab boycott, and retained the weaker House version of the Export Control Bill.

Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr., New Jersey Democrat, had attempted to strengthen the anti-boycott measure in Committee by offering wording that would "require" non-compliance with the boycott and make Arab practices illegal instead of merely asking the Executive Department to "encourage and request" opposition to boycott tactics. The Williams substitute would also have provided wording to actually "prohibit" practices inconsistent with the anti-boycott declaration.

It was learned that adequate votes had been pledged to anti-boycott forces but at the last minute, two Republican Senators switched their votes to defeat the stronger measure. They were Sen. John G. Tower of Texas and Sen. Strom Thurmond of South Carolina. These two Conservative Senators reportedly were persuaded at the last minute that American firms should not be hampered in dealings with the Arabs, a position advanced by our oil interests with investments in the Near East.

Officials of the Commerce and State Departments made known that they were pleased with the Committee's rejection of the stronger anti-boycott provision. They said they could accept the measure voted by the House because it was sufficiently weak and non-mandatory in terms of actually prohibiting the Arab tactics.

A decision is being made by Senators opposed to the boycott on whether to fight on the Senate floor to strengthen the anti-boycott bill. Final Senate action on the bill will take place some time next week.

POWERFUL MAPAI BRANCH OF HAIFA ADVOCATES PRESERVATION OF PARTY UNITY

HAIFA, June 22. (JTA) -- The Secretariat of the powerful Haifa branch of the Mapai met for several hours last night in an effort to heal the breach between Premier Levi Eshkol and former Premier David Ben-Gurion and to avert a final split in the strife-racked party.

The Secretariat adopted resolution which urged unity in support of all Mapai institutions, a clear stand for Premier Eshkol. But the resolution also urged preservation of Ben-Gurion's status as a Mapai leader. Both leaders were urged to work together to safeguard the party's unity.

The resolution was adopted by an overwhelming majority of 44 against one opposed and one abstaining, suggesting that the Haifa branch was firmly backing the Mapai's central bodies. Those bodies have rejected Ben-Gurion's demand that he be named to head the Mapai slate for the forthcoming Parliamentary elections and to be the party's choice for Premier.

Mayor Abba Khoushy who presided, said he had met with Ben-Gurion prior to the meeting but declined to report on what had been said. It was learned that Premier Eshkol might meet with the mayor, a supporter of Ben-Gurion, at the Mayor's request. The mayor reportedly wants to ask the Premier to meet the former Premier "half-way" to preserve the party's unity.

CHANCELLOR ERHARD TO ADDRESS RALLY IN BAMBERG; WILL HIT ANTI-SEMITISM

BAMBERG, West Germany, June 22. (JTA) -- Chancellor Ludwig Erhard will attend a political rally Sunday here in this Bavarian city which has been the scene of a series of recent anti-Semitic incidents.

It is believed that he will appeal for an end to anti-Semitism in his address before the Catholic German Men which will hold a state political meeting.

CANADIAN MAYORS DEMAND BARRING HATE LITERATURE FROM COUNTRY'S MAILS

WINDSOR, June 22, (JTA) -- The Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities has asked the Postmaster General and the Justice Department to take action to bar the dissemination of hate material through the Canadian mails and for "effective legal measures to stop dissemination of bigotry and racial hatred."

The proposals were made in a resolution adopted at the organization's national convention which noted that "the spread of hate-mongering material continues to flood the Canadian mails," much of it going through the post offices as third class material.

The resolution asked the Postmaster General to "institute a close scrutiny of all such third-class material throughout the various post offices and to pass such material on to the authorities concerned."

Major Canadian cities have been flooded during the past year with anti-Negro and anti-Semitic material, leading to a ban on use of Canadian mails by a states rights organization in Alabama.

Canadian Post Office Board Holds Hearing on Banning Hate Mail

OTTAWA, June 22. (JTA) -- The second Post Office Board of Review on a ban of hate-mail has just concluded in Ottawa after a two-day hearing. The two hate-mongers involved were David Stanley, 20, formerly of Toronto and more recently of Vancouver; and John Ross Taylor, 52, of Gooderham, Ontario, and their Organization "Natural Order."

John Bentley, lawyer for the federal Justice Department, wound up his case by saying to the three-man board: "This is the most scandalous sort of attack on people. I don't enjoy reading it and I'm sure you don't enjoy hearing it." He demanded that the interim orders prohibiting the two men and Natural Order from using Canadian mails be made final. Last November a similar hearing was held in Ottawa at which both Taylor and Stanley appeared but they were then appearing as representatives of an Alabama organization, against which the ban was upheld.

The paper from which Mr. Bentley had been reading was entitled "The Coming Red Dictatorship," and deals with "a sinister Communist conspiracy directed by influential Jews." Taylor admitted he had distributed thousands of copies of the paper across Canada since it was first printed in the United States in 1954. In his closing argument Mr. Bentley concentrated on establishing that the material was scurrilous as set out in the Criminal Code. "Scurrilous" was defined by him as abusive, insulting and offensive. He contended that the literature in question was all three.

EDUCATION FUND CAMPAIGN IN U. S. EASES HIGH SCHOOL CRISIS IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- The chief of Israel's secondary education system said here today that the country's immediate high school construction crisis has been substantially eased by the early success of the Israel Education Fund of the United Jewish Appeal.

Eliezer Shmueli, director of the Post-Elementary Schools Administration of Israel's Ministry of Education, told the initial meeting of the IEF Advisory Board at the Waldorf-Astoria this afternoon that 13 schools in immigrant development areas are in construction today as a direct result of the Fund's first-year drive. Some of them will be ready to receive students this September. Plans for another 18 are being drawn on the basis of IEF campaign projections for the very near future, he reported.

An important by-product of this substantial school construction aid, he added, has been the acceleration of the Ministry's high school tuition scholarship program. Within two years, he declared, half of Israel's secondary school students will be receiving free education.

Joseph Meyerhoff of Baltimore, chairman of the IEF Advisory Board, hailed the Shmueli report and urged the assembled educators and Jewish communal leaders to help mount an intensified drive to put all planned schools into construction by next spring. He also called for a drive to establish scholarships for training 8,500 high school teachers within the next four or five years.

IEF President Charles J. Bensley, member of a four-man team of educators who drew up the Fund's program on the basis of a survey in Israel last year, called the emphasis on comprehensive and vocational schools among the active IEF projects "an immediate and gratifying fulfillment" of the group's major recommendation. The resulting rise in vocational training opportunities, he said, will materially aid the comparatively disadvantaged oriental element of Israel's school population and help the dropout rate.

BARUCH FUNERAL TODAY; WAS MEMBER OF N. Y. SYNAGOGUE SINCE CHILDHOOD

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- Bernard M. Baruch, Jewish financier, philanthropist and adviser to Presidents of the United States, whose funeral will take place here, had been a member of a New York synagogue since childhood, it was revealed here today by Dr. Bernard J. Bamberger, rabbi of the Reform congregation Shaaray Tefila where the funeral services will be held.

The rabbi said that Mr. Baruch was a member of his congregation when it was known as the West End Synagogue prior to changing its name to Shaaray Tefila. He said the service tomorrow will be as simple and as private as possible, at Mr. Baruch's own wish. The burial will be in a family plot in Flushing Cemetery in Queens, and will be strictly private. All city institutions have been ordered by Mayor Wagner to lower their flags to half-staff until after the service.

The children of Mr. Baruch today issued a statement declaring: "It was our father's express desire that his funeral be as simple and private as possible, and in accordance with his wish there will be no visitation." Rabbi Bamberger said that during tomorrow's service he would speak briefly about the impact of the financier's life on the country and world, and on the significance of his name. "Baruch in Hebrew means blessed," he said.

PLANE TO BRING REMAINS OF LEAVITT; FUNERAL SERVICE AT FREE SYNAGOGUE

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- The remains of Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, who died yesterday in Geneva, Switzerland, after attending a meeting of the Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, will be brought here by plane from Geneva on Thursday. The funeral services here will take place on Friday, 12:30 o'clock at the Free Synagogue.

Messages of condolence continued to pour into the JDC headquarters here today from Jewish organization and leading personalities from all parts of the world. They included: The World Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency for Israel, Jerusalem, the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, the Israel Bond Organization, the B'nai B'rith, United Hias Service, the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, the New York Association for New Americans.

Also, the American Council of Voluntary agencies, The Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, the American ORT, the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization, the Committee for Jewish Claims on Austria, the American Friends of the Hebrew University, the National Jewish Welfare Board, the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, and many others.

B'RITH ABRAHAM CONVENTION URGES U. N. ACTION ON SOVIET ANTI-SEMITISM

FLAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., June 22. (JTA) -- The United Nations and democratic leaders were called on yesterday by delegates to the 78th annual convention of B'rith Abraham to urge the Soviet Union to "eradicate its anti-Semitic manifestations." That stand was taken in a resolution adopted by the 750 delegates of the Jewish fraternal order.

The delegates heard an appeal by Grand Master Irving L. Hodes of Newark to Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach to act to outlaw the Ku Klux Klan "as the nation's gravest cancer which is soul searing and designed to destroy American unity." Mr. Hodes also denounced anti-Semitic publications which he said were "flooding America, libeling and villifying Jews with impunity." He called for Congressional action to amend mailing laws to "bar vicious hate sheets from use of the U. S. mails."

Sen. Wayne Morse was presented tonight with the B'rith Abraham "Humanitarian Award" for "outstanding service in the Senate in helping underprivileged nations of the world and his support of Israel."

JEWISH MAYOR OF MINNEAPOLIS REELECTED TO THIRD TERM BY LARGE MAJORITY

MINNEAPOLIS, June 22. (JTA) -- Arthur Naftalin, the first Jewish Mayor in Minneapolis history, was elected to an unprecedented third term by an overwhelming vote.

The American Jewish World, local English-Jewish weekly, hailed the mayor as a political heir "of our renowned beloved Hubert Humphrey, who preceded Arthur Naftalin as mayor of this city by some 20 years." The weekly said that Mayor Naftalin "has helped make Minneapolis one of the most progressive, enlightened, best-governed municipalities in the Middle West."

JEWISH CHAPLAINS IN N. Y. STATE PRISONS HOLD ALL-DAY CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- A special all-day conference of the 40 Jewish chaplains on duty in New York state and city prisons was held here today under auspices of the New York Board of Rabbis to discuss teenage crime. Other topics were juvenile delinquency, and the effect on teenagers of television, motion pictures, literature and newspapers.

IRVING MITCHELL FELT REELECTED PRESIDENT OF NEW YORK FEDERATION

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- Irving Mitchell Felt was reelected last night president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York.