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MAPAI COURT TO RULE TODAY ON EXPULSION OF EX-PREMIER BEN-GURION

TEL AVIV, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The central office of the Mapai Party today ordered the suspension of all members of the break-away Israel Workers' List, headed by former premier David Ben-Gurion, from all local branches of the party.

According to directives issued by Ariele Eliav, head of Mapai's organization department, the branches were ordered to act immediately in carrying out the suspensions.

The decision of the Mapai Court of Honor on whether Mr. Ben-Gurion and three leaders of his faction are to be formally expelled from the party was expected to be handed down tomorrow.

BEN-NATHAN, ISRAELI ENVOY TO BONN, MEETS FOREIGN MINISTER TOMORROW

BONN, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- Asher Ben-Nathan, Israel's Ambassador to West Germany, will have his first meeting Tuesday with Foreign Minister Gerhard Schroeder and probably also next week with Chancellor Ludwig Erhard. No date has yet been fixed for the meeting with the Chancellor, however.

In a West German television interview, this weekend, the Israeli envoy discussed his former duties as director-general of the Israel Defense Ministry. In that capacity, he said, he visited West Germany several times. He also described his work in organizing the immigration of Jews to pre-state Palestine after World War II. During that time, he told the West German television audience, he collected material against Nazi war criminals, including data on Adolf Eichmann, which he turned over to authorities. Eichmann was hanged in Israel in 1962 for his war crimes.

ISRAEL SEEKS U. N. PROBE OF SABOTAGE STEMMING FROM LEBANON AREA

TEL AVIV, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The Israel Government asked the United Nations Israel-Lebanese Mixed Armistice commission today to investigate a new raid by El Fatah terrorists, in which an irrigation pipeline was blown up at Ramim, near the Lebanese border Thursday night.

Israeli officials said the saboteurs came from a base in Lebanon. Footprints of two men were found leading from and back to Lebanon. The explosion wrecked a length of pipeline between the settlement's residential area and orchards to the south.

The raid was described as the first incursion from Lebanon since May. Israeli authorities were described as having been, on the whole, satisfied that the Lebanese Government had been dealing firmly with the Fatah raiders. Since May, several Fatah raids were made from Jordan. Israel reportedly warned Lebanon that it regarded the incident as "serious."

GENERAL STRIKE INVOLVING 20,000 PROFESSIONALS AVERTED IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- A general strike of some 20,000 Israeli physicians, engineers and other professionals employed in government and public enterprises, which had been scheduled for September 5, was averted today. Representatives of the professionals and the Government reach agreement on a schedule for the granting of salary adjustments on a par with administrative officials. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir informed the Cabinet today.

The strike was to have been in protest against the Government's delay in carrying out the salary adjustments already agreed upon. The details of the agreement will be worked out by a joint commission representing the Government and the professionals.

ISRAEL CABINET VOTES ADDITIONAL CAPITAL TO AID ZIM NATIONAL LINE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet decided today to give the Zim National Shipping Line additional capital to cope with a shortage of working funds and a heavy debt, and also to reduce the rate of interest on the Government's loans to Zim.

The decision followed lengthy discussions of Zim's financial difficulties in various committees, which followed an urgent appeal for funds from the company several months ago. The share capital of Zim will be increased by \$14,000,000. The three partners in the firm -- the Government, the Jewish Agency and Histadrut, Israel's labor federation -- will each buy \$3,000,000 worth of shares. In addition, the Government will reduce Zim debts to it by \$5,000,000.

The rate of interest which Zim has been paying to the Government for passenger ships ordered from West Germany will be reduced from 5 percent to 3 percent. Zim's total debts now stand at \$62,000,000. A proposal to divide Zim into two separate companies, one for freight and one for passengers, was referred back to a Ministerial Committee on financial matters. A senior Government official said the consensus in the Cabinet was that such separate companies will be formed.

Cabinet Group Approves Rule on Rabbis for Both Religious Factions

In another action today, a committee of Ministers ended a year-long deadlock by approving rules for election of both Sephardic and Ashkenazi rabbis for local religious functions. The three Ministers -- Ashkenazi Minister of Religions Zorach Warhaftig, and Sephardic Police Minister Benor Shitreet and Minister of Posts Eliahu Sasson -- decided that each locality could elect an additional rabbi, if one-third of the residents so vote. This means that each locality will again have two official rabbis -- one Sephardic and one Ashkenazi.

However, elections will not be held until after the November Parliamentary elections. Local rabbis have a number of official functions, such as being empowered to register marriages and supervising kosher production, with part of their salary paid by the Government. The decision is subject to approval by the entire Cabinet.

The Cabinet decided today to recommend a clause in Israel's law against genocide, which would abolish any period of limitations for prosecution of such crimes.

The proposal, which is in accordance with a resolution adopted by the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, will be submitted to the new Parliament after the November elections.

U. S. A. WARNS AMERICAN CITIZENS AGAINST VOTING IN ISRAEL ELECTIONS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The United States Embassy here issued a reminder today to persons in Israel holding both Israeli and American citizenship that they will lose the American citizenship if they vote in the forthcoming municipal elections in Israel.

An Embassy spokesman noted that the United States Immigration and Nationality Act provides that American citizens, "voting in a political election in a foreign state" will lose their American nationality. The spokesman stressed that this rule applies to elections in all political subdivisions of a foreign country, including municipal as well as national or other political elections. General elections, including municipal voting and election of a new Parliament, are scheduled for November.

AMERICANS LEAD WITH 40 MEDALS IN MACCABIAH GAMES; ISRAEL IS SECOND

TEL AVIV, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The American contingent at the current Maccabiah competition here was far in the lead this weekend with a total of 18 gold, 14 silver and eight bronze medals already won. Israel stood second with seven gold, eight silver and six bronze medals.

Other teams winning prizes so far included the British with three gold, one silver and five bronze medals; South Africa with two gold, two silver and one bronze; Argentina with four silver and one bronze; Mexico with one gold and one silver; the Netherlands with one gold and one bronze; Canada and Iran with one silver each; and Australia and France with one bronze each.

It was learned here today, meanwhile, that Willi Daume, president of the West German National Olympic Committee and of the German Sport Club, will be guest of honor at the closing ceremonies of the Maccabiah. West Germany is represented in the competition by a group of young German Jewish sportsmen.

ISRAEL LIFTS IMPORT RESTRICTIONS AFFECTING JAPANESE ELECTRONICS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- The Israeli Ministry of Commerce and Industry announced today it was lifting import restrictions on products of Hitachi, the huge Japanese electronics firm, after the latter announced it would defy the Arab economic boycott and do business with Israel. Hitachi makes transistor radios, television apparatus and a wide range of other electronic products.

15, 000-TON ISRAELI FREIGHTER CHARTERED BY U.S.A. FOR VIET NAM RUN

JERUSALEM, Aug. 29; (JTA) -- An Israeli freighter has been chartered to the United States Government for transport of materials to South Viet Nam, the first Israeli ship to be engaged on such a mission, officials here disclosed today;

The 15, 000-ton freighter, the name of which was not released, is on its way to the United States for loading. It will be used by the United States for three months, with options for renewal of the charter for another three months. It will also call at other southeast Asian ports;

The Israeli crew members will receive a 100 percent danger zone bonus for the period in which the ship will be in Viet Nam waters, and special insurance policies have been taken out for the crew members. They were told they were free to refuse to make the South Viet Nam trip, but none chose to do so;

JOHNSON SEEN BOOSTING GOLDBERG AS ULTIMATE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

LONDON, Aug. 29; (JTA) -- President Johnson was reported today by the Washington correspondent of the Daily Telegraph as considering the possibility of helping to put Arthur J. Goldberg into position to become the first Jewish President of the United States;

The correspondent asserted that President Johnson would like to break "the hoary tradition" that no Jew can hope to reach the Presidency. The correspondent reported that Mr. Goldberg is being considered by the President as a suitable replacement, as an interim stepping stone to the Presidency bid, for Dean Rusk as Secretary of State.

The dispatch stated that President Johnson appeared to be grooming Mr. Goldberg to be a possible Vice-Presidential candidate in 1972, possibly as a running mate for Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey. Under U.S. law, Mr. Johnson will have completed by 1972 the maximum two terms permitted to any President.

The correspondent noted that Mr. Goldberg, former Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, and now chief United States delegate to the United Nations, is "a vigorous 57" and that, all things being equal, he has enough career time ahead of him to be fit for the Presidential stakes in the next decade;

ULTRA-PATRIOTS TO MEMORIALIZE THREE WORLD WAR II RUSSIAN FASCISTS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29; (JTA) -- Three Nazi prisoners-of-war, of Russian descent, who committed suicide at a P.O.W. stockade at Fort Dix, N.J., in 1945, to escape repatriation to Russia as members of the pro-Hitler, collaborationist "Vlassov Army," will now be honored as "freedom fighters," it was learned today.

A right-wing youth group, "Young Americans for Freedom," supported and advised by a number of conservative members of Congress, will hold a special memorial for the Russian Fascists on September 19 at Finn's Point National Cemetery, Fort Mott State Park, New Jersey. Plans are being made for participation of "American youth and patriotic organizations and representatives of peoples enslaved by Communism," according to the announcement here;

(Jewish leaders here pointed today to the "irony" in the fact that on September 19, the very day of the memorial for the three men, an Eternal Vigil will be launched in Washington by the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry. Twenty-four Jewish organizations in the United States will join that vigil to call attention to Soviet denials of religious and cultural rights to Jews in the USSR.)

The three POW's volunteered for Nazi military service and were captured fighting against American liberation forces in France. They were adherents of Russian Gen. Andrey Vlassov who defected to the Nazi side in World War II, recruiting an army which committed atrocities against Jews and members of anti-Nazi resistance movements. All three had killed themselves to escape trial by the Soviet Union as war criminals. The U.S. Army had agreed to turn them over to Soviet authorities.

The Y.A.F. press release lauded Gen. Vlassov and his followers. Of the three buried in New Jersey, Y.A.F. said, "It is fitting that we should honor these forgotten men, who, 20 years ago, right here in our own country, gave their lives in the continuing war against Communist aggression." A "pilgrimage" will be made to the gravesite, and a Russian Orthodox religious service and "patriotic" speeches will take place. The Y.A.F. is generally considered here to consist mainly of young Republicans to the right of the official Young Republican Clubs. The Y.A.F. made the announcement about plans to honor the Russian Fascists on the eve of the opening here of its fifth national convention, with an expected attendance of 600 young conservative leaders from around the country;

1965 CAMPAIGNS COLLECT \$26,272,796 IN CASH; 4% OVER 1964 HALF-YEAR FIGURE

NEW YORK, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- Cash collections in campaigns sponsored by Jewish communal organizations throughout the United States and Canada during the first six months of this year showed a 4 percent increase over the same period last year, it was reported today by Louis P. Smith, of Boston, chairman of the national cash mobilization committee of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

The total collected by the 72 reporting communities through June was \$26,272,796 compared with \$25,259,853 during the first six months of 1964. Mr. Smith reported. Responsible for the increase, he pointed out, are favorable economic conditions, more efficient collection methods, and an awareness among contributors that prompt payments are vital if urgent needs are to be met.

Of the cities reporting, 20 communities showed increases of more than 10 percent. They are Detroit, Buffalo, Dallas, Milwaukee, Winnipeg, Harrisburg, New Orleans, Norfolk, San Diego, Wilmington, Brockton, Erie, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Nashville, Newport News, Peoria, Salt Lake City, Windsor and the Southern Illinois area.

Detroit led the communities having Jewish populations over 40,000 with a 23.1 percent gain; Dallas led cities with 15,000 to 40,000 Jews, with a 32.2 percent gain; New Orleans led cities with 5,000 to 15,000 Jews, with a 26.1 percent rise in collections; while Brockton led communities with less than 5,000 Jews, with an 88.7 percent gain.

B'NAI B'RITH REAPPRAISES STRUCTURE, PROGRAM UNDER NEW LEADERSHIP

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- A reappraisal of the structure and programs of B'nai B'rith, to develop greater involvement of its membership, was proposed here today by William A. Wexler, new president of the organization, in view of "the changing character of the American Jewish community." Dr. Wexler made the proposal at the first administrative committee meeting of the new officers elected at the B'nai B'rith's recent convention in Israel. He called for a series of "task forces to probe aspects of B'nai B'rith's many programs, to develop new ideas responsive to the emerging modern pattern of American Jewry."

Under the Wexler plan, study groups composed of specialists from within and outside B'nai B'rith will systematically research and evaluate the interests of members, the psychological and sociological factors which motivate them, individually, to engage in or to ignore present B'nai B'rith activities.

Dr. Wexler pointed out that B'nai B'rith, with its growing membership and many programs, "clearly contradicts any view that the Jewish community life is diminishing." He stressed the need, however, for the organization to be alert to shifting trends in the interests and composition of an American Jewry that is now largely native-born, college educated and more deeply integrated into American society. "There is need for experimentation and innovation in organizational life, to activate latent Jewish interests and strengthen involvement in Jewish communal affairs," he declared.

Rabbi Jay Kaufman, also participating in his first board meeting as the new executive vice-president of B'nai B'rith, stressed the "environmental factors" that could accelerate the growth of such Jewish movements as B'nai B'rith. Among these he listed: an American society which "increasingly accepts religious pluralism and encourages the Jew to live according to his religious and cultural convictions; an affluent economy; and a Jewish community that, notwithstanding its inertia and confusions, wants to be Jewish even if it is uncertain how to be Jewish."

AMERICA-ISRAEL CULTURAL GROUP TO MAKE AWARDS TO ISRAELI ARTISTS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- Isaac Stern, president of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, told a press conference here today that the Foundation was planning a cultural award for Israeli artists. He said the annual award would probably amount to 10,000 Israeli pounds (\$3,333).

Mr. Stern said that the award would be conferred on "whoever does the most, creatively, in Israel in music, theater or writing." He explained that the award was in line with the Foundation's goal "to make Israel an ingathering not simply of Jews but of the intellectual power of Jews."

JEWISH COMMUNAL SERVICE AGENCIES HOLD WORLD MEETING IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Aug. 29: (JTA) -- Representatives of Jewish communal service agencies in Israel, Europe, the United States and Canada opened meetings here this week-end to work out plans for an International Conference of Jewish Communal Service, to be held in 1967. The delegates, including 13 Americans, will define the scope and purpose of the international parley, and decide on the major areas to be included in the deliberations.