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## SENATE PASSES IMMIGRATION BILL ENDING NATIONAL ORIGINS QUOTA SYSTEM

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- The United States Senate today passed the Administration's immigration reform bill, ending the discriminatory national origins quota system, by a vote of 76 to 18;

After a Senate-House conference reconciles differences between the House version, adopted August 25, and the Senate wording, the bill will go to the President for signature;

The measure, adopted today contains the basic legislation sought by the Administration to pool unused quotas and phase out the biased quota system by 1968; It contains other provisions to facilitate entry of immigrants from abroad and end the national origins quota system established in 1924;

Passage of the bill was not a complete victory for the Administration, however: The Senate, for the first time in history, imposed a ceiling on immigration from Western Hemisphere countries; This was the major difference between the Senate bill passed today and the House-adopted measure which left Western Hemisphere immigration unrestricted;

A heated debate preceded final action, in which a number of Southern senators felt the ending of the quota system undermined the European cultural and racial background of white Americans; The final vote found 52 Democrats and 24 Republicans favoring the bill; Opposed were 15 Democrats and three Republicans;

## TURKEY REPORTED EXPELLING 34 GREEK JEWS; MANY OUSTED PREVIOUSLY

ISTANBUL, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- The Istanbul press reported today that the Council of Ministers had decided to expel 34 Jews of Greek nationality from Turkey within one week: According to the reports, the reason for the decision was "activities detrimental to national interests;" The expulsion order, if implemented, will bring to about 8,400 the number of Greek nationals, many of them Jews, expelled from Turkey or who have left voluntarily as a result of the Turkish-Greek conflict in Cyprus;

It was charged that the 34 Jews had contributed "large sums" to local Greek clubs which were closed down several years ago: The newspaper Hurriyet, however, pointed out that the Jews had been obliged to contribute to the clubs as a "sort of tax" to extend their passports: Another reason alleged for the expulsion decision was that the Jews had allegedly smuggled large sums of money out of Turkey, "thus jeopardizing the country's economy;" The newspaper Ashkam charged that most of the affected Jews -- whose total capital the newspaper said was valued at more than \$10,000,000 -- smuggled large sums to Swiss banks;

The sensational newspaper publicity caused grave concern to the Jewish community in Turkey: Previously Greek Jews had been exempt from the Government's decision for expulsion of Greek nationals, which was started last year; The Greek Jews were allowed to remain and to work, although their capital and assets, like those of other Greek nationals, were blocked by the Turkish Government;

Most Greek Jews applied for Turkish citizenship, and about a dozen obtained it, with others awaiting approval of their applications; The deportation order deeply upset the remaining Greek Jews, who fear that the 34 will have to leave and the rest -- about 100 with their families -- fearful they too will be expelled in the apparent Turkish campaign to oust all Greek nationals, Jewish and Christian: There are about 17,000 Greek nationals left in Turkey;

Other newspapers reported that most of the affected Jews were merchants, manufacturers and commission agents; Several were reported to be in poor health and elderly;

(In Washington, a spokesman for the Turkish Embassy said his Government's mission in the United States has no official information on the reported developments and was, therefore, unable to comment on the reports from Istanbul;)

SENATE UNIT DISCUSSES ARAB-ISRAEL TENSIONS; ENVOY TO CAIRO REPORTS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- Arab-Israel tensions were among topics discussed in an "off-the-record" review of the Near East situation that took place today, when Lucius D. Battle, U. S. Ambassador to Egypt, appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Chairman J. W. Fulbright presided.

Ambassador Battle is in Washington for consultations. The issue of aid to the Nasser regime was also reviewed, it was learned.

GOLDA MEIR COMES TO U.N. TODAY; SAW HIGH OFFICIALS IN LONDON, PARIS

LONDON, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, left here tonight for New York after a one-hour informal talk with Prime Minister Harold Wilson. The talk was described as "friendly" and the Prime Minister's office said there would be no communique on the meeting.

Mrs. Meir also had a luncheon meeting with a group of leading members of the Conservative Party, and a private meeting with Edward Heath, head of the Conservative Party. Previously she also met with a group representing the British Jewish community. Before her departure she conferred with Foreign Secretary Michael Stewart.

Yesterday, she was in Paris, where she conferred with top officials of the French Government, including Foreign Minister Couve de Murville. She left here tonight for New York, to head Israel's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

U. N. TRUCE TEAM IN JERUSALEM FORMS NUCLEUS FOR INDIA-PAKISTAN DUTY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Sept. 22: (JTA) -- The United Nations announced today that 30 military members of the U. N. Truce Supervision Force in Jerusalem have been named to form the nucleus of a new U. N. agency to supervise the Indian-Pakistani ceasefire under the latest Security Council resolution.

The 30 men left Israel and Jordan today. They will serve under Lt. Gen. Cdd Bull, chief of staff of UNTSO in Jerusalem. A force of about 470 members of the UNTSO staff will remain on duty at their headquarters in Jerusalem's no-man's-land to continue supervising implementation of the 1949 armistice agreements between Israel on the one hand and Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon on the other.

PEACE CORPS GROUP OF 84, BOUND FOR INDIA, TO SPEND MONTH IN ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- Eighty-four members of the U. S. Peace Corps, destined for India, will arrive in Israel tomorrow to spend a month observing forms of agriculture, it was announced here today.

The group will study Israeli progress in poultry and other aspects of food production. The Peace Corps volunteers will visit historic sites in Israel.

Israel's Department of International Cooperation is working with the Peace Corps to facilitate the visit. The group will remain in Israel at least one month.

BELGIANS PROTEST SLATING OF ACCUSED PRO-NAZI AS PARLIAMENT HEAD

BRUSSELS, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- Former Belgian resistance fighters denounced today the forthcoming naming of Belgian Catholic Senator Victor Leemans as president of the European Parliament, citing the Senator's active Nazi past.

Jean Duiensart has resigned the post. European Parliamentary rules require that the vacancy be filled by a member of the Belgian delegation to the Parliament, and Sen. Leemans is expected to receive the position.

Since 1930, informed sources reported, Sen. Leemans has been known as a warm propagandist of Nazism. During World War II, Nazi occupation authorities named him secretary-general of the Belgian Ministry of Economy. In that post, he provided important help to the German war effort.

The Belgian section of the European Union of Resistance called a press conference to protest strongly against the prospect of Sen. Leeman's appointment, and appealed "to the members of Parliament faithful to the resistance spirit to checkmate such an indecent candidature."

JTA BERLIN CORRESPONDENT PREPARING TV DOCUMENTARY ON 'WAFFEN SS'

BERLIN, Sept. 21: (JTA) -- A film on the Nazi Waffen SS is being prepared for showing on West German television by Joseph Wulf, Berlin correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and Hanns W. Schwarze, director of a Berlin television station.

ISRAEL REPORTS FOREIGN CURRENCY RESERVES UP TO HIGH OF \$700,000,000

JERUSALEM, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- The Israel Treasury announced today that Israel's foreign currency reserves rose to an all-time high of \$700,000,000 at the end of the fiscal year, March 31. Foreign currency earnings increased \$50,000,000, expenditures dropped \$58,000,000 while the volume of external loans received during the fiscal year decreased, the Treasury said.

The Finance Ministry reported that the growth of output of all branches of Israel's economy continued during the first half of 1965, but at a slower pace than during 1964.

The growth in Israel's Gross National Product currently is at a rate of 9 to 10 percent, the Ministry estimated. The principal cause in the slowdown of GNP growth was attributed to restrictions in public building activity instituted as an anti-inflation step. However, there also was a slight dip in agricultural and industrial expansion.

At the same time, the Finance Ministry reported, the improvement in Israel's international trade balance was due to cutbacks in imports and increased earnings from exports, particularly from tourism. Full employment and a shortage of skilled labor also continued during the first half of 1965, accompanied by a continued rise in the standard of living, the report said.

PRINCIPALS IN HISTADRUT CAMPAIGN REPORT COSTS TOTALING \$1,722,000

TEL AVIV, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- The Mapai-Achdut Avoda alignment bloc reported today that the joint slate had spent 3,966,000 pounds (\$1,322,000) in the Histadrut election campaign which preceded the labor federation's balloting last Sunday. The joint Liberal-Herut (Gahal) list announced it had spent 1,190,000 pounds (\$400,000) during the campaign. The disclosures ended a period of accusations by the two blocs against each other of spending "hundreds of millions" in the election campaigns.

The alignment leadership today named Deputy Prime Minister Abba Eban and Transport Minister Moshe Carmel to key posts in its election campaign for the Parliamentary balloting on November 2. Former Premier David Ben-Gurion's Israel Workers List (Rafi) named former Housing Minister Josef Almogi as head of its Parliamentary campaign organization, and said that former Chief of Staff Zvi Tsur, a Rafi candidate for Parliament, will also take an active part in the campaign.

In a related development, Justice Minister Dov Joseph formally resigned today from the Mapai-Achdut Avoda election list for the Parliamentary balloting. In a letter to Mapai secretary Reuven Barkat, he noted he had been assigned to the 118th place on the list, and that this was done "without my consent and without my authority." The maximum number of names a party can list is 120 for the corresponding number of seats in Parliament. Placement at the bottom of the list virtually guaranteed that Mr. Joseph would not be re-elected.

The placement of the Justice Minister's name at the bottom of the list was believed due to his vote in the Mapai Party Central Committee against the expulsion of Mr. Ben-Gurion and six of his followers on charges that they split the party by forming their independent Israel Workers Party (Rafi).

GERMANY ASSURES ISRAEL IT IS READY TO TALK SOON ABOUT ECONOMIC AID

JERUSALEM, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- West Germany plans to initiate discussions on development aid to Israel as soon as Chancellor Ludwig Erhard forms a new Cabinet, Dr. Rolf Pauls, Bonn's Ambassador to Israel, informed Premier Levi Eshkol here today.

The envoy asked for the meeting with the Premier to assure him that West Germany did not intend any delays in carrying out its pledge of economic aid to Israel, which was given in the agreement for the establishment of diplomatic relations with Israel, last March. Chancellor Erhard's Christian Democratic Union retained its position as West Germany's dominant political party in Parliamentary elections last Sunday.

ISRAELI ARAB OFFICIAL GIVEN PRISON TERM FOR CROSSING INTO JORDAN

JERUSALEM, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- Khamis Abu Gosh, former chairman of the Council of the Arab village of Abu Gosh, was sentenced today to nine months' imprisonment for illegally crossing into Jordan several weeks ago.

The Arab official was returned to Israel by the United Nations Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission. He told the court he had crossed over to Jordan out of despair over "insurmountable debts" and not out of any animosity toward the State of Israel.

CROSS BURNING AT DACHAU ATTRIBUTED BY U.S. ARMY TO 'JOKESTERS'

STUTTGART, Sept. 22: (JTA) -- A spokesman for the United States Seventh Army Corps said here today that the recent burning of a wooden cross near the site of the infamous Dachau concentration camp, was "just a bad joke" by some soldiers. It had been be-

MICHIGAN FORBIDS RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS, PRAYERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

LANSING, Mich., Sept. 22; (JTA) -- Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley informed state school authorities today that students were prohibited from conducting any religious exercises, including prayer recitation and Bible reading, on public school property during regular school hours.

In a guideline based on U.S. Supreme Court decisions and the First Amendment to the Constitution, the state's chief legal officer said, however, that a strictly voluntary program of student prayer or other religious exercises was permissible, if it did not take place during regular school hours. Mr. Kelley said that the guideline, which was presented to Alexander Kloster, acting state superintendent of instruction, was "an expression of legal conclusions and not a statement of the personal views of the present Attorney General."

Branch Hebrew and religious schools being held in suburban public schools will not be affected by the legal opinion which specifically stated that "a board of education may make school buildings available during off-school hours for religious instruction classes, so long as the school's authority is not used to get students to attend classes." The guideline also noted that religious courses as part of a secular program of education were "not prohibited when presented objectively."

Religious holidays may be observed, the guideline declared, if the emphasis was "on what unites rather than what divides" -- if school recognition of them was slanted toward teaching about their origin, rather than toward indoctrination. No religious instruction or ceremony may be held to celebrate a religious holiday, the guideline declared, adding that symbols of religious holidays may be used only for educational purposes and to promote the understanding of their significance.

SWASTIKA DESECRATES NEW JERSEY SYNAGOGUE; TOWN MAYOR IS A JEW

NEWARK, Sept. 22; (JTA) -- Police were investigating today the desecration by anti-Semitic vandals of a newly-opened synagogue in Hillside township, near here, a week after its formal dedication. A two-foot high swastika and the letters SS were found daubed in red paint on the door of the Hillside Jewish Center. Also plastered on the premises was a picture of Adolf Hitler clipped from a magazine.

In recent weeks, a number of township commissioners, as well as Mayor Robert Diamond, who is a Jew, have received telephone calls in which anti-Semitic language was used. Police have not yet made any arrests. Mayor Diamond said that he hoped the swastika incident was "the work of a young prankster and nothing more."

JEWS CAUSE REMOVAL OF BILLBOARDS WITH HEBREW NEW YEAR GREETINGS

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 22; (JTA) -- Complaints from Jewish community spokesmen led this week to removal of 10 large billboards at key Kansas City intersections, bearing the Hebrew words "L'Shonah Tovah Tikosevu."

The signs had been erected by an outdoor advertising company as a goodwill gesture to the Jewish community. Officials said that most of the comments they received were favorable, and that no formal complaint was lodged by any Jewish organization. However, a number of Jews expressed the view that the signs might be "misleading" or "offensive" or potential targets for desecration. Local officials of the company conferred with national officers and decided to remove the signs.

TORONTO JEWISH ATTORNEY NAMED AS OPPOSITION CAMPAIGN HEAD IN CANADA

TORONTO, Sept. 22; (JTA) -- Edwin A. Goodman, a Jewish attorney has been named by Progressive Conservative leader John Diefenbaker, head of the Government opposition, as campaign chairman for the Canadian general elections to be held on November 8. Mr. Goodman, 45, is active in the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and other Jewish and Israeli causes. Mr. Diefenbaker, former Prime Minister, will try in the elections for a comeback, running against Premier Lester B. Pearson.

JEWISH OFFICER IN INDIAN ARMY KILLED IN FIGHTING AGAINST PAKISTAN

BOMBAY, Sept. 22; (JTA) -- A Jewish officer in the Indian army, Col. Joseph Ephraim Jhirad, was killed last Friday in action in the undeclared Indian war with Pakistan, the Bombay Jewish Central Board announced today. H. Cynowicz, president of the board, said that Col. Jhirad had been a "faithful son of the Jewish people of India, who served his country bravely and 'laid down his life defending its integrity and freedom.'"

ESTHER NEROSLAVSKA, YIDDISH ACTRESS, OPERETTA PERFORMER, IS DEAD

NEW YORK, Sept. 22; (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here today for Esther Neroslavska, a well-known Yiddish actress, who died here yesterday. She was the wife of the late composer, Peretz Sandler. Born in Russia, she came in 1913 to the United States, where she earned a reputation as a top performer in Yiddish operettas and other theatrical productions.