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SHAZAR LEAVES PARIS TODAY ON STATE VISITS TO SO. AMERICAN LANDS

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) -- Israel, President Zalman Shazar, who arrived here on Friday en route to four South American countries, spent a quiet weekend in Faris holding no political meetings. Although his visit here is of a private nature, he was met at the Crly Airport with official fanfare and was escorted into the city by a vanguard of motorcycle police.

President Shazar and his party are scheduled to leave France tomorrow by air for Uruguay, where he will spend five days on a state visit prior to his proceeding for state visits to Chile, Argentina and Brazil. Fe will then fly to the United States for a private visit that will include a meeting with President Johnson in Washington, where he will probably stay at Blair House, A meeting has also been arranged for him with U. N. Secretary-General U Thant, during his stay in New York.

Upon his arrival in Paris, President Shazar said that his good will tour of Latin America was aimed at further strengthening of Israel's ties with the South American lands that he will visit. Fe said that, on his tour, he will also meet with the leaders of the local Jewish communities.

ESHKOL REPORTS ON VISIT TO AFRICA; INVITED TO SIX MORE COUNTRIES

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol reported at the weekly meeting of Israel's Cabinet here today that his official visit to seven African countries, from which he returned Friday, created such an impression on the African continent that six more African lands have now invited him to visit them.

Mr. Eshkol had paid visits to the Ivory Coast, Liberia, Congo (Leopoldville), Madagascar, Uganda, Kenya and Senegal. All of the governments and many of the people in those countries, he reported, had shown extreme friendship to him and his official party.

The Premier said he had discussed with most of the heads of state whom he met on his tour a number of general problems of international interest, including such questions as the need for reduction of armaments. Fe had also talked with various government leaders in Africa of plans for the expansion of international education against discrimination and racism, along the principles approved by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Creanization. Those UNESCO plans had been initiated in the U.N. body by Israel.

In discussing Israel's activities on the African continent, Mr. Eshkol told the Cabinet he would convene here soon a meeting of all groups, both governmental and private, interested in the expansion of Israel's cooperation with African countries. That meeting, he said, would discuss broad cooperation in Israel by both the Government and the private organizations for the coordination of Israel'is activities in Africa.

Just prior to Mr. Eshkol's Cabinet report on his African tour, the Mekorqt Water Co., Ltd., Israel's public utility for the supply of water, announced it will launch a \$20,000,000 water development project in Kenya, constructing various facilities there in the next three years in connection with the project. Zvi Tsur, the company's managing director, left today for Kenya and the Ivory Coast to implement the project.

ISRAEL CABINET HEARS REPORT ON LOSSES CAUSED BY HAIFA PORT STRIKERS

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- The six-week slowdown strike by the stevedores and dock workers at the port of Haifa, which was ended last week, had cost Israell's economy \$2,000,000, Moshe Carmel, Minister of Transport, reported to the Cabinet here today.

He said the costs included "waiting money" paid to foreign shippers, while their vessels were at anchor, unable to have their cargoes loaded or unloaded; spoilage of agricultural products; differentials between rail or truck transport of perishable goods and the air-freighting of such goods; and indemmity paid to importers for failure to meet time tables. The port is now being cleared rapidly, Mr. Carmel reported.

In settlement of the labor dispute, the strikers, who had cut their normal loads by more than 50 percent, had won a wage increase of 10 percent for this year and a pledge for a further wage rise by no more than 5 percent next year. Some of the strikers' grievances are now being evaluated by a special, five-man committee whose decisions are to be binding on both sides, the workers and the ship operators. The committee is to report back in 30 days.

SYRIA HANGS THREE ARABS CHARGED WITH SPYING FOR 'ENEMY STATE'

LONDON, June 19. (JTA) -- Three men who aere convicted and sentenced to death several years ago on charges of spying for an "enemy state" -- presumably Israel -- were hanged by Syrian authorities yesterday in downtown Damascus, it was reported here from the Syrian capital.

Two of the men hanged were Tawfiq Salih al-Abdallah and Farhan Fandi al-Halabi, who were convicted of espionage and sentenced to death on October 15, 1960. They were identified as Lebanese. The third man executed was Awad Raja Abu al-Layl, who was convicted and sentenced to death on December 1, 1962. He came from a Syrian town near the Israeli border. Al Thawra, the Government-controlled newspaper, carried pictures of the three bodies of the executed men suspended from the gallows.

THREE ISRAELI JEWS SENTENCED IN HAIFA FOR SPYING FOR EGYPT

HAIFA, June 19. (JTA) -- Three young Israeli Jews, found guilty in district court here May 8 of spying for Egypt, were given prison sentences here today, ranging from two years to five years.

The heaviest sentence was meted out against Gideon Goldstein, 20. He was convicted of having crossed over to the Egyptian-held Gaza Strip where he had been offered 500 Israeli pounds (about \$167) monthly for furnishing information about Israeli army movements. He recruited the two other youths: Isaac Fishman, 18, who was given two years; and Yoel Reizman, 17, who was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

The three, according to testimony during their trial, had collected information for two months about army movements in Israel. They were caught by members of the United Nations Emergency Force when they attempted to get into the Gaza Strip to pass on their reports to the Egyptian Intelligence.

Forced by UNEF to go back into Israel, they returned to their homes and, later, Goldstein and Fishman smuggled themselves as stowaways aboard a Norwegian ship bound from Haifa to Italy. They were apparently apprehended by Israeli authorities after the Norwegians captured them aboard that ship.

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA LIFTS BAN ON WAGNER AND STRAUSS

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra announced it will perform works of Richard Strauss and Richard Wagner during the coming season, lifting a ban of nearly three decades on works of German composers favored during the Nazi regime.

An orchestra spokesman told a press conference that it was felt enough time had passed so that performances of the works of Strauss and Wagner would no longer offend the sensibilities of Israeli Jews. He said that it was felt that the place of Wagner in music was so great that his work could not be ignored indefinitely in Israel. The decision to lift the ban was taken at a meeting of the orchestral's board on June 3.

The last time Wagner was played here was in 1938. The orchestra stopped playing his music after the Nazis carried out their "Crystal Night" attack in which hundreds of German synagogues were sacked. Neither Wagner nor Strauss has ever been broadcast by Israeli radio stations.

LEADER OF ISRAELI COMMUNIST PARTY REFUSED VISA TO UNITED STATES

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- Dr. Avraham Berman, a leader of the Israel Communist Party, has been refused a visa to the United States, it was learned here today.

The United States Embassy here confirmed that its consular section had rejected Dr. Berman's application because United States law forbids entry of Communists. Dr. Berman sought the visa to participate in an American Communist party conference in New York.

NUMBER OF NEO-NAZIS SENTENCED IN ARGENTINE FOR KILLING JEW

BUENOS AIRES, June 19. (JTA) - Several members of Tacuara, the neo-Nazi anti-Semitic organization, were sentenced yesterday to prison terms of from nine to 14 years in the slaying of a local Jew, Raul Alterman, two years ago.

The 14-year sentence was imposed by Judge Martin Soto on Wenceslao Benitez Araujo, 20, the principal accomplice in the shooting of the Jewish victim. Fernando Vicario, the Tacuara member who fired the fatal shots, has still not been captured. Other sentences were 11 years for Luis Angel Barbieri, 29, a taxi chauffeur, and nine years for Alberto Miguel Mansilla, 18, a Uruguayan student.

MONUMENT TO 26,000 JEWS KILLED BY NAZIS ERECTED IN BELGIAN TOWN

BRUSSELS, June 19. (JTA) -- A monument to the 26,000 Jews of the Belgian town of Anderlicht who perished at the hands of the Nazis will be erected by the Anderlicht town council. it was announced here today.

P.E.N. CONGRESS SESSION HEARS PLEA ON JEWISH CULTURE IN RUSSIA

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- A plea to the International P. E. N. Congress -- world organization of poets, playwrights, essayists, editors and novelists -- to call on the Soviet Government to permit the revival of Jewish culture in the USSR, in both the Yiddish and Hebrew languages, was voiced here yesterday at the concluding session of the Congress, which was attended by 600 delegates from 55 countries.

The appeal was made by Aaron Glanz-Leyeless, of New York, noted Jewish poet and president of the Yiddish P.E.N. Center, who was one of the speakers at the last plentary session. Just prior to the opening of the Congress, the F.E.N. presidium had turned down a draft resolution presented by the Yiddish P.E.N. Center, calling upon the Soviet Union to give full rights to the Jewish minority in the USSR for the practice, pursuit, development and publication of Jewish literature, the opening of Jewish schools teaching both Yiddish and Hebrew, and the publication of Yiddish books, magazines and ewspapers.

The International P.E.N. Congress was boycotted this year by the Soviet Union. Nevertheless, the presidium refused to take action on the proposal by the Yiddish Center, turning the issue over for the consideration of the organization's executive council, which is scheduled to meet next September in London.

In his address, today, Mr. Glanz-Leyeless pointed out that, in the debate on the Yiddish group's draft resolution before the presidium, one of the opponents, the American playwright Arthur Miller, who is president of the International P.E.N., had conceded that he knew there was discrimination against Yiddish literature in the Soviet Union. Mr. Miller is a Jew who, in other forums, had pleaded for equalization of Jewish rights in the USSR. Interpreting Mr. Miller's stand as an admission that there is at least partial suppression of Jewish literature in the USSR, Mr. Glanz-Leyeless said: "Thope Mr. Miller's reference will contribute toward the restoration of the cultural rights of the Jewish minority in the Soviet Union."

"We ask for the restoration in the USSR," he continued, "of the free use of Yiddish for the publication of newspapers, books and magazines. We ask for freedom in the Soviet Union to teach and to learn Yiddish and Febrew. We are sure that Mr. Miller's own appeal will not fall on deaf ears, either in this assembly or outside of it."

Struggle for Yiddish Culture Is Reported Just Beginning

"As the Yiddish P.E.N. Center views it," Mr. Glanz-Leyeless stated, "the struggle for the restoration of Yiddish culture in the Soviet Union is just beginning, especially as it had to do with the writers of all nations and languages. It is a fact -- perhaps a sad fact -- that most of the writers of other lands and other literatures know very little about Yiddish literature, and still less about the Yiddish language.

"If we could bring home to these writers all over Europe and Africa and Asia the significance of Yiddish, both as a tongue and as a culture, we have not the slightest doubt that we could easily get some support of a majority of all the writers, regardless of their color, race or creed,"

Commenting on the presidium's referral of the Jewish group's proposal regarding Jewish culture in the USSR to the executive council, Mr. Glanz-Leyeless told the session: "We intend to renew and to pursue our effort toward the restoration of Yiddish culture in the USSR from the moment this Congress closes. We will prepare all the necessary documentation and we will carry our struggle to the next session of the executive council of the International P. E.N."

The Yiddish P.E.N. Center has a permanent representative on the P.E.N. council in London. He is Joseph Leftwich, a British author whose writings are both in English and Yiddish. He was one of the chief proponents of the draft resolution laid before the presidium, along with Mr. Glanz-Leyeless and the Yiddish P.E.N. Center's vice-president, Dr. Israel Knox, Associate Professor of Philosophy at New York University.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONGRESS APPEALS TO MOSCOW ON SOVIET JEWRY

VIENNA, June 19, (JTA) -- The Eighth Congress of the International Congress of Socialist Youth ended here with a resolution deploring "the restrictions imposed by the Government of the USSR on the freedom of movement and cultural freedom of the Jewish minority in the Soviet Union." The resolution urged that, in conformity with the Soviet Constitution, Soviet Jewry be given the opportunity "to participate in its own cultural life in the same way as other minorities do,"

The resolution also appealed to Soviet authorities to give to Russian Jews the possibility to travel, to leave the Soviet Union at will and that war-separated Jewish families "be given an opportunity for reunion in a place of their choice speedily."

The problems of Soviet Jewry received special attention during the convention. Sture Ericson, retiring secretary of the group, called on the World Federation of Democratic Youth, which is dominated by the Komsomol, the Soviet Communist youth organization,

to issue a positive statement on Soviet Jewry. He cited such action by some Western Communist parties as an example. The Italian, Belgian, Norwegian and Swiss delegates expressed their sympathy with the Jewish minority in the Soviet Union. The resolution, which was approved unanimously, was proposed by a Swiss delegate and seconded by a delegate from India.

MOSCOW DISAVOWS SOVIET EMBASSY REPORT ON JEWISH CULTURAL PLANS

LONDON, June 19. (JTA) -- A report published by the Soviet Embassy here that Soviet Jews would be given sweeping new privileges has been officially disavowed in Moscow as "premature."

The report appeared in the Embassy's English publication "Soviet Weekly" last week. It said that Jews in Moscow would be allowed an experimental Yiddish-language school, with the possibility of others elsewhere, and a magazine would be allowed in Kiev. It also said a state Yiddish theater would be established in Moscow, the amateur group in Vilna would become professional, and that a Russo-Yiddish dictionary would be published.

The weekly contained a dispatch setting forth these developments from the Novosti Press Agency in Moscow. Yesterday, E. Rabinowitz, Novosti's editor in charge of Jewish affairs, said he knew nothing about the decisions to establish a Yiddish-language school or publish a dictionary. He said the report on the theaters and the Kiev magazine were premature, but indicated that something was in the offing on these points.

Soviet's Only Yiddish Magazine Considered 'Positive Phenomenon'

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Despite "controls," negligible literary merits, and depressing politics, the only Yiddish magazine permitted in the Soviet Union is a "positive phenomenon" that "offers proof, however pitifully meager, of the enduring vitality of the Jewish spirit."

This was the finding of a 64-page analysis of the Yiddish literary monthly "Sovyetish Heymland" made public today by Dr. William A. Wexler, president of B'mai B'rith. The analysis was published by the Anti-Defamation League for the B'mai B'rith International Council. It describes "Sovyetish Heymland" as being "ideologically dedicated to the assimilation of the Soviet Jews, yet its internal dynamics propel it in the opposite direction."

The report asserts that "despite the controls exerted by the editor, despite the fears that any deviation must surely arouse in every Yiddish writer in the Soviet Union, despite the ideological exhortations and indirect threats, one finds in the pages of 'Sovyetish Feymland' occasional startling passages suffused with longing for a more positive form of Jewish self-identification."

FIRST CONGRESS OF NEC-NAZI PARTY IN GERMANY ENDS IN CLASHES

KARLSRUHE, W. Germany, June 19. (JTA) -- The first national congress of the National Democratic Party, Germany's newest political group which is held to be neo-Nazi in its orientation and aspirations, concluded here today after a hectic weekend of counterdemonstrations staged by the country's organized trade union movement.

Seven special trains and 250 buses had brought 20,000 trade unionists here to stage the counter-demonstrations. The N.D.P. opponents marched through the city, held mass rallies, and carried banners proclaiming: "We Don't Want Any Nazis;" "Nazis, Out!;" "We Don't Want Another 1933" (referring to the year Hitler assumed power); and "We Don't Want Karlsruhe As a New Nuremburg."

Friedrich Thielen, national leader of the NDP, opened the congress Friday with an address in which he denied that his party is the successor to the Nazi Party. "We ask merely for a renewal of national consciousness," he declared. But Eugen Loderer, one of the leaders of trade unionists here, denounced the NDP and called upon the country's organized labor movement to "flight from the beginning against these forces."

The NDP assembly drew 1, 300 delegates representing 9, 300 members. A fusion of all right-wing forces in the country, it is estimated that about 20 percent of the N.D.P. members are former Nazis. The trade unions, which have 20,000,000 members, are ccn-sidered now the strongest German group fighting neo-Nazism. The principal demand of the counter-demonstrators here was a request that the Government outlaw the NDP.

The demonstrators included many elderly men who had fought against the rise of Nazism in the final days of the Weimar Republic, and some disabled war veterans, a number of them in wheelchairs. At least 50 of the demonstrators were involved in a scuffle which developed when some of them pulled from a car three youths with an NDP banner. Police took the youths into protective custody as the angry crowd yelled "Nazis, Nazis," In another incident, police moved in to stop demonstrators trying to overturn another automobile carrying an an NDP banner. Several arrests were made,

The Karlsruhe City Council sought to ban the assembly in the main hall, but the NDP took the case to the courts and won a ruling that the party was not a banned organization.

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PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION SEES NO BIAS IN COMPULSORY SABBATH WORK

WASHINGTON, June 19, (JTA) -- The President's Commission on Equal Employment Opportunity has decided to leave it largely to the discretion of the individual employer to decide whether to grant leave to employes whose religious holidays fall on normal work days. However, Dr. Luther Holcomb, acting chairman of the Commission, called on employers to treat all employers to treat Jews similarly on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

The policy announced by Dr. Folcomb affects primarily Sabbath-observing Jews, Seventh Day Adventists and some small Protestant sects that observe Saturdays as their Sabbath. Of the 7,000 complaints received by the Commission during the last year, about 70 percent involved religious discrimination. Most of these complaints were filed by Sabbatarians or persons who observe religious holidays on days when most businesses and offices remain open.

Dr. Eolcomb indicated that, in case of conflict, work needs come first. "The Commission," he said, "believes the duty not to discriminate on religious grounds includes an obligation on the part of the employer to accommodate to the reasonable religious needs of employes and, in some cases, prospective employes, where such accommodation can be made without serious inconvenience to the conduct of the business,"

Guidelines issued by the President'c Commission resulted from a thorough study of business practices, policies of state agencies, court decisions, and views of religious leaders. The guidelines "follow the rules of reason and common sense," Dr. Folcomb said,

LICENSE RENEWED TO RADIO STATION DESPITE ANTI-SEMITIC PROGRAMS

WASHINGTON, June 19. (JTA) -- The Federal Communications Commission renewed this weekend the license of a California radio station which the agency agreed had carried anti-Semitic programs.

By a vote of five to one, the FCC said it could not act as a censor over such material carried by Station KTYM of Inglewood. The FCC noted that KTYM had offered the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith a chance to reply to the broadcasts. The ADL, which had filed a protest and a demand that the license not be renewed, had rejected the offer. Observers called the ruling a landmark in its recent rulings aimed at allowing broadcasters maximum freedom to decide what is broadcast.

The ADL had complained that three programs in Cetober of 1964 and May of 1965 entitled "Richard Cotten's Conservative Viewpoint" linked Jews to Communism and contained personal attacks on the ADL and its staff members. The FCC, in its ruling, held that the first broadcast contained an attack on the ADL and its general counsel, Arnold Foreter.

The FCC said, in its ruling that the commissioners had "the strongest personal feelings against the views represented by the assailed broadcasts," The Commission added, however, that its actions "must be governed by legal principles rather than the personal feelings of commissioners." It said that the other broadcasts did not contain personal artacks on the ADL or its officials 'but did contain statements that can be regarded as anti-Semitic and that will surely be highly offensive to many persons of the Jewish faith as weil as to fair-minded people of other faiths,"

The FCC declared that whether the broadcasts were "proper, or were false and defamatory, or were anti-Semitic, or were in the public interest" was not a legal issue for the FCC to consider. It added that "the commission cannot put such matters in issue without becoming the censor of broadcasting which it is forbidden to do." The dissenting commissioner, Kenneth A. Cox, called the decision "incredible." He urged a hearing on the issue.

B'NAI B'RITH MEMBERS WARNED ON BIRCH SOCIETY AT CONVENTION

AUSTIN, Tex., June 19. (JTA) -- All members of B'nai B'rith were called upon here by David M. Blumberg, of Knoxville, an international vice-president of B'nai B'rith, to make a special effort to inform themselves about the activities of the John Birch Society. He charged that the society is spending \$12,000,000 a year against "everything that our society stands for, from the United Nations and civil rights to even the PTA."

Addressing the B'nai B'rith District 7 convention, Mr. Blumberg said that the John Birch Society, by attacking the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, is employing "Fitler-like" divisive technique by inaccurately labeling the ADL "as an independent unit, out of step with the national rank and file of its parent body, B'nai B'rith," "It's not going to work," he added,

"All members of B'nai B'rith," he said, "in fact, the entire Jewish community, recognize the danger of secret organizations in American life such as the Ku Klux Klan, the Communist Party and, today, the John Birch Society,"

N.J. REPUBLICAN PARTY ENDORSES SUSPENSION OF 'RAT FINK' GROUPS

TRENTON, N.J.; June 19, (JTA) -- The New Jersey Republican Farty announced yesterday it had endorsed the suspension of seven county Young Republican organizations controlled by the Rat Finks, an extreme rightist faction accused of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro bigotry.

The moderate leadership of the New Jersey Young Republican organization ordered the suspension, last Thursday night, climaxing months of inter-party struggles that began with the disclosure that members of the Rat Fink faction had printed and used a song-sheet with viciously anti-Semitic ditties sung at Young GOP conventions last year.

Webster B. Todd, New Jersey Republican state chairman, said the suspensions had ended a threat that the state's senior Republican leadership would publicly disown the Young Republicans. A factor in the senior GCP attitude was understood to be a fear that the state's Democrats would charge the GCP with bigotry and racism in the forthcoming state election campaign.

The suspensions were generally expected to lead to the suspension by the Young Republican National Federation of the entire New Jersey Young Republican National Federation of the entire New Jersey Young Republican chapter. This is likely because the state Young Republican federation is dominated by members allied with the Rat Finks.

KENTUCKY COURT RULES ON 'SO HELP ME GOD' IN COURTROOM OATHS

FRANKFORT, Ky., June 19. (JTA) -- The Kentucky Court of Appeals, the highest court in the state, ruled here Friday that the words "so help me God" at the end of a court-room oath were permissible if the individual receiving the oath did not object.

Rejecting an appeal against a burglary conviction in which the accused challenged the oath given to jurors at his trial, the Appeals Court ruling said that, if a person being sworn made no objection to the form of the oath, it would be presumed that the form conformed to his conscience.

BALTIMORE HEBREW COLLEGE PRESENTS 44 GRADUATES WITH DIPLOMAS

BALTIMORE, June 19, (JTA) -- Diplomas were presented to 44 graduates of the Baltimore Eebrew College high school and college divisions and certificates to the five graduates of its Women's Institute at graduation ceremonies here. In addition, professional diplomas were presented to the two graduates of the college's extension course given in Washington.

At the ceremonies, an honorary doctorate of education was conferred upon Dr. Judah Lapson, founder and president of the National Febrew Council, in recognition of his recognition of his recognition introducing moder Hebrew into the public school system.

YOUTH CENTER IN TEL AVIV NAMED FOR LATE WASHINGTON JEWISH LEADER

TEL AVIV, June 19. (JTA) -- The Joseph Cherner Youth Center, named for the late Washington, D.C. Zionist and philanthropic leader, and the largest municipal youth center, was formally opened here.

The guest of honor was Mrs. Ruth Cherner, the widow, who was the principal donor for the new center. Mr. Cherner was active in the Israel Bond program, the United Jewish Appeal and Zionist programs.

AMERICAN YESHIVA ANNOUNCES PLANS TO ESTABLISH BRANCH IN ISRAEL

CLEVELAND, June 19. (JTA) -- Plans were announced today for the establishment by the world famous Telshe Yeshiva here of a branch in Safed, Israel. The announcement was made at dedication ceremonies here of a new study hall of the institution of higher Jewish learning.

The branch in Safed, which will be headed by Rabbi Isaac Ausland, professor of Talmud and Jewish ethics at the institution, will be Telshe Yeshiva's third center of learning. The college already operates a branch in Chicago.

PALESTINE ARAB 'DELEGATION' CRITICIZES VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY

WASHINGTON, June 19, (JTA) -- Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey was criticized by the so-called "Falsetine Arab Delegation," of New York, for pro-Israel statements at his address before the American Jewish Press Association on June 2.

In a letter of denunciation addressed to Mr. Humphrey, Issa Nakhleh and Omar Azouni who described themselves as "permanent representatives of the Palestine Arab Delegation," said they were "deeply shocked" by Mr. Humphrey's comments on Chinese Communist collaboration with the "Palestine Liberation Organization,"