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STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS TESTIFY AT SENATE HEARINGS ON ARAB REFUGEES

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- Joseph Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizations, told the Senate Subcommittee on Refugees today that the United States was seeking to persuade the Arab countries where the Arab refugees live to accept increased responsibility for the refugees. Mr. Sisco returned Friday from a visit to the Middle East.

He and Raymond Hare, Assistant Secretary of State for South Asia and Near East Affairs, testified on United States contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for the Arab refugees. The State Department officials stressed that the Administration opposed any further cuts in United States contributions to UNRWA.

The officials referred specifically to a House action last week cutting \$700,000 from the Administration's \$22,900,000 request for UNRWA. They contended such a cut would require undesirable reductions in health and education services.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Massachusetts Democrat and chairman of the subcommittee, proposed that \$700,000 of the United States contribution be used to build a vocational training school for the refugees to be operated by one of the four Arab "host" governments. Sen. Kennedy noted his proposal would be consistent with the United States Government's continuing effort to induce the host governments to undertake more responsibility for the refugees' longterm needs.

12,000 Recruits of Palestine Liberation Army Receive U.N. Rations

Mr. Sisco told the subcommittee that he was in general agreement with the Kennedy proposal and would give it study. The Senate is now debating the foreign aid bill and is expected to approve the \$22,900,000 figure. The Kennedy proposal might then be given consideration when Senate and House leaders meet to iron out differences in their respective versions of the foreign aid bill.

Sen. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, criticized the "milk and honey" policy of the Administration on the refugee question. He also criticized the Administration for not supporting the 1961 Afro-Asia resolution in the United Nations urging direct peace talks between the Arab countries and Israel.

Sen. Kennedy and Mr. Sisco criticized irregularities in UNRWA relief rolls. The Senator argued that UNRWA, the U.N. and the United States should stand firm on removal of Palestine Liberation Army recruits from the refugee rolls. The State Department official criticized the fact that 10,000 to 12,000 such recruits continued to obtain UNRWA rations. He also said that the presence of refugees in the PLO army could raise delicate political issues and could work seriously to the disadvantage of needy refugees.

In his prepared statement, Mr. Hare said that while Israel might be prepared to accept some of the refugees, he believed that a large-scale return of the refugees to Israel was impracticable on security grounds, as Israel had indicated. He said that Israel had also cited the large number of Jews who, since 1948, felt compelled to leave their Arab countries of origin for resettlement in Israel.

SENATE ADOPTS HOUSE-APPROVED AMENDMENT RESTRICTING AID TO EGYPT

WASHINGTON, July 20. (JTA) -- The Senate adopted unanimously today a House-approved amendment to the foreign aid bill aimed at preventing use of United States assistance to Egypt for aggressive purposes by the Egyptian Government. The amendment was proposed by Sen. Jacob Javits, New York Republican, and Sen. Ernest Gruening, Alaska Democrat.

The amendment reads: "No assistance shall be furnished under this act to the United Arab Republic unless the President finds and reports within 30 days of such finding to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations committee and to the Speaker of the House that such assistance is essential to the national interest of the United States, and further that such assistance will neither directly nor indirectly assist aggressive actions by the United Arab Republic."

A final vote on the foreign aid bill will be taken soon by a joint conference of the House and Senate.

NEW SABOTAGE ATTEMPT BY ARAB INFILTRATORS FOILED IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 20. (JTA) -- A new sabotage attempt by members of the El Fatah, Arab terrorist group, was foiled last night in the Margaliot settlement in the Upper Galilee near the Lebanese border.

Watchmen heard an explosion in the direction of an unused chicken coop and found six charges of explosives, one of them under a house in which seven people, including five children, were sleeping. Security forces dismantled all of the explosives.

Tracks of four persons were found leading to the Lebanese border. After a similar sabotage incursion last year, Israeli army troops struck at two nearby Lebanese villages near the border in a reprisal raid. It was assumed that the marauders came from one of the villages in the Hule area which is directly across the border from Margaliot. Israel has asked for a meeting of the Israel-Lebanon Mixed Armistice Commission on the sabotage attempt.

U.N. ASKED TO SECURE RELEASE OF ISRAELI KIDNAPPED BY GAZA ARABS

TEL AVIV, July 20. (JTA) -- Israel urgently requested today the United Nations secretariat in New York and the U.N. Emergency Force in the Gaza area to act to obtain the immediate return of an Israeli youth who was kidnapped at midnight Monday by Arab infiltrators. The police and U.N. representatives are making inquiries at the site where 17-year-old Erwin Owitz was seized.

As police reconstructed the abduction, the infiltrators, who came from the Egyptian-controlled Gaza Strip, kidnapped the youth while he and a friend were spraying vines in Ami Oz, the village where he lives. The two youths did the spraying at night to be free to go swimming the next day. The youth relieved his friend, mounted a tractor and began his share of the spraying assignment. When Erwin failed to return well after midnight, his friend began looking for him. Finding no trace of him, the companion gave the alarm in Ami Oz which is a few miles from the Gaza Strip border.

Security units were called. They found the tractor abandoned at the end of the vineyard and tracks of Erwin and another man near the tractor, leading to a main road in the area. The security officials said it appeared the kidnapper waited at the edge of the vineyard and forced the youth off the tractor at gunpoint. It is believed here that the purpose of the abduction was to give Egyptian army personnel training in infiltrating and bringing back prisoners and documents from Israel. The youth's father is chairman of the village.

BOURGUIBA OUTLINES IN BONN HIS VIEWS ON THE ARAB-ISRAEL CONFLICT

BONN, July 20. (JTA) -- President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia told a press conference here today that he favored a solution of the Arab-Israel conflict based "on the United Nations decision on the partition of Palestine coupled with return of the Arab refugees" but he also said that "any solution must be acceptable to both sides."

The Tunisian leader, who enraged Arab rulers last year by repeated public calls to them to negotiate a settlement with Israel, is in Bonn on an official visit. He made his statement in reply to a question from a newsman about ways to achieve peace in the Middle East.

He said generally that peace was achieved in the "hearts and souls" of people and could not come about unaccompanied by justice. "I understand the position of the Jews, who have suffered greatly but their problems cannot be solved at the expense of the Arabs," he added. "Even if the Jews lived in Palestine 2,000 years, this does not mean that any solution of current problems can be one-sided."

The Tunisian President was asked whether a reconciliation was possible between him and President Nasser of Egypt. He replied that he had no intention of becoming Nasser's "satellite." He said the Tunisians were a free people and intended to remain so in spite of Nasser.

He also asserted that the real reason for the difference between himself and Nasser was not the "so-called" Palestine question but rather Nasser's desire to increase his hegemony to include all of the Arab states. He explained that this was why Tunisia had left the Arab League and that it would not return to the League as long as membership made it impossible to maintain an independent policy.

400 NURSES START 24-HOUR STRIKE IN ISRAEL; DEMAND WAGE INCREASE

TEL AVIV, July 20. (JTA) -- Four hundred surgery and delivery room nurses began today a 24-hour strike to press demands for pay increases they claimed they deserved because of their specialized skills and work. A spokesman for the nurses said they would continue to serve during emergency surgery in accordance with existing practice on Saturdays.

They demand from 40 to 50 pounds (\$13 to \$16) more a month in pay. The spokesman said that if the one-day strike failed to produce action on the demands, the nurses would start a prolonged walkout next Wednesday.

PRESIDENT SHAZAR HONORED IN SAO PAULO; ARCHBISHOP ATTENDS RECEPTION

SAO PAULO, July 20. (JTA) -- A distinguished assembly of Brazilian officialdom and of diplomats from many countries attended a Sao Paulo state reception here last night for President and Mrs. Zalman Shazar of Israel.

Led by Sao Paulo Governor Laudo Natel and Israeli Ambassador Yosef Nahmias, many distinguished guests were presented to Israel's President and First Lady. Among them were members of a special reception committee of the Brazilian Congress, as well as officials of the Sao Paulo Jewish community and the Zionist Federation. The presence of Cardinal Angello Rossi, Archbishop of Sao Paulo, was a matter of interest, since the Vatican has no diplomatic relations with Israel.

The President and Mrs. Shazar appeared to have been able to rest from visible fatigue and hoarseness of voice evident during a national broadcast of a formal dinner given by President Castelo Branco in Brasilia earlier this week. Mr. Shazar was presented with a document denoting he had been made an honorary citizen of Sao Paulo. More than 400 couples were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Shazar after the banquet.

Upon their arrival in Sao Paulo yesterday afternoon, the President and his party were greeted at the airport by Governor Natel and by Mayor Faria Lima of Sao Paulo. The two officials were accompanied by the leading military and civil authorities. An Air Force detachment presented a review and an Air Force band played the national anthems of Brazil and Israel.

Later Israeli Ambassador Yosef Nahmias presented to President Shazar a group of leaders of the Sao Paulo Jewish community. A group of school children waving flags of Brazil and Israel and 1,000 adults were present at the airport to greet the visiting entourage while flags of the two countries fluttered in the breeze.

Strict security measures were instituted for the President's visit with more than 8,000 security men deployed in the area. The picture of the President appeared in many store windows throughout Sao Paulo. The press, television and radio gave substantial coverage to the events.

71-DAY TRIAL OF NAZIS WHO KILLED JEWS ENDS; FOUR GET LIFE TERMS

BONN, July 20. (JTA) -- Sentences of life imprisonment at hard labor were imposed today in a Bechum court on four former officials of a Nazi camp in Neu-Sandz, in occupied Galicia, convicted of mass murders of Jews.

The life terms were imposed on Heinrich Hamann, 57, former head of the German security police in the Neu-Sandz camp, who was found guilty on 77 counts of mass murder; Johann Bornholt, 62, found guilty on ten counts; Joseph Runehoff, found guilty on one count and 18 further counts of participation in mass murder; and Bruno Daunack, 63, convicted on two counts and one count of participation.

Several other former officials received lesser sentences, all at hard labor, after 71-day trial at which 100 witnesses, most of them Jewish survivors of the occupation, came from the United States, Canada, Austria and Israel to testify.

Judge Alter Heide, president of the court, declared in imposing sentences, that each defendant had blamed other Nazis for his actions. He said that no political consideration had been involved only the issue of the guilt of the defendants.

He also said that the crimes of which they had been convicted were so horrible that no normal person could possibly understand how they could have occurred. He added that the German people must realize what awful atrocities had been perpetrated and must not allow such things to happen again. He emphasized that the trial should serve as a warn to those who were at the present time burning synagogues and destroying Jewish cemeteries.

ARGENTINE CREDIT COOPERATIVES START CASHING CHECKS; GIVE NO LOANS

BUENOS AIRES, July 20. (JTA) -- The credit cooperative banks whose activities were restricted by the new government of President Onganía, to the detriment of many Jewish small merchants, today started cashing checks in small amounts, thus relieving some of the tension which the restrictions caused. However, the cooperative banks cannot grant any loans as yet for the time being.

BULGARIA HONORS THREE JEWISH PERSONALITIES IN THE PERFORMING ARTS

SOFIA, July 20. (JTA) -- Three Jewish personalities in the performing arts were among the list of Bulgarian citizens honored today by the Presidium of the National Assembly which conferred various orders and decorations.

The Jews honored included Dora Gabai, a noted poetess; Matti Pincas, a famous actress and singer with the Sofia Opera Company; and Nioma Belagorski, a prominent film producer.

CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OPPOSES ISSUANCE OF RELIGIOUS POSTAGE STAMP

NEW YORK, July 20. (JTA) -- The 1966 Christmas stamp planned by the Post Office Department will violate the constitutional guarantee of separation of church and state, the American Civil Liberties Union said here.

The ACLU asserted that the stamp, which will reproduce Hans Memling's "Madonna and Child with Angels," would "amount to government sponsorship of, or participation in, the celebration of a religious holiday." The ACLU urged the Post Office to drop the stamp because its issuance might mark a move away from "the mild religiosity of recent years" to an "uninhibited adoption of Christian themes in stamp designs."

JEWISH GROUPS ASSAILED FOR OPPOSING FEDERAL AID TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

JERUSALEM, July 20. (JTA) -- Three major American Jewish organizations were criticized here today at a convention of American Jewish educators for their opposition to federal aid to religious education in the United States. The criticism was voiced by Dr. Azriel Eisenberg, outgoing executive vice-president of the Jewish Education Committee of New York who has been named director of the World Council for Jewish Education.

Speaking at the 40th anniversary convention of the American National Council for Jewish Education, Dr. Eisenberg cited the stands of the American Jewish Congress, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and the American Jewish Committee. He said the position of the three organizations was "anything but helpful to Jewish education." The three groups oppose such aid as a breach of the principle of church-state separation.

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST JEWS FOUND IN CANADIAN LAKESHORE COMMUNITY

TORONTO, July 20. (JTA) -- An official of the Ontario Human Rights Commission said today he would recommend to the Ontario Labor Ministry prosecution of a lakeshore cottage community operator for alleged discrimination against two Jewish families.

A commission hearing was told that Donald Organ and Leon Bernstein placed deposits for the rental of summer cottages at Lake Muskoga 135 miles north of Toronto. When the operator, Mrs. W.A. Fletcher of Gravenhurst, learned that the renters were Jewish, she returned their deposits with a claim that the cottages had already been rented. However, earlier evidence showed that the cottages had been advertised in a Toronto newspaper as available.

Mrs. Fletcher's attorney contended before the commission that cottages could not be considered places available to the public and therefore they were not covered by the Ontario Human Rights law, which bars discrimination in rentals of public accommodation for reasons of race, creed, or national origin. The commission rejected that argument. The commission official, L.A. Deziel, said he could not imagine a more flagrant defiance of the law and told the hearing he would recommend prosecution of Mrs. Fletcher in his report to the Labor Ministry.

JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS WARNED ON SENDING FUND-RAISERS TO MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, July 20. (JTA) -- A committee representing all Mexican Jewish central institutions declared today that Jewish fund-raisers from other countries will not be permitted to seek donations in Mexico without prior permission from the committee.

The committee is comprised of the Jewish Central Committee, the Ashkenazi community and the Mexican Zionist Federation. It was organized to control and coordinate all fund-raising among Mexican Jews. The committee asked Jewish organizations in the United States, Israel and other countries to stop sending fund-raisers to Mexico without consultation with Mexican Jewry.

MILLENNIUM OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN POLAND MARKED IN CRACOW

WARSAW, July 20. (JTA) -- A rally of Jewish youth was held in Cracow to mark the millennium of the Jewish community in Poland which coincides with the millennium of the Polish state.

The rally included a symposium on the significance of the anniversary, a pilgrimage to the ancient Rama synagogue, a visit to the graves of Jewish martyrs of the Nazis, as well as a number of social events.

THIRTY JEWISH UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM FRANCE ATTEND ISRAEL SEMINAR

JERUSALEM, July 20. (JTA) -- Thirty Jewish university students, graduates of Paris' famous Centre Universitaire D'Etudes Juives, are spending three weeks here on an intensive seminar.

Two-thirds of the students are preparing for French university degrees unrelated to Jewish subjects, such as physics, economics, law and medicine. The students paid half of the cost themselves, the balance being covered by French Jewish social welfare agencies.