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ESHKOL REPORTS TO CABINET ON SUCCESS OF SHAZAR'S VISIT TO U.S.

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- The recent pro-Israel debate at the United Nations Security Council, and the "far above usual protocol" treatment accorded by the Johnson Administration to Israel's President Zalman Shazar when the latter visited Washington, are signs of the understanding the world has at present of the problems facing Israel, Prime Minister Levi Eshkol reported today at the weekly meeting of the Cabinet here.

President Shazar was due back home within a few hours of the Cabinet session, where final plans were made for a tremendous reception to be given the head of state upon his return from a triumphant tour of Latin America and the United States. Wherever President Shazar went during his seven-week absence from Israel, Premier Eshkol told the Cabinet, the President was given the warmest receptions. Mr. Shazar's trip to the United States, Mr. Eshkol noted, was planned as an unofficial tour "but became for all practical purposes a state visit."

As this report was being delivered to the Cabinet, the Israel Government and the municipality of Jerusalem were completing preparations for an official welcome to President and Mrs. Shazar. The entire Cabinet headed by the Premier was to greet the President. Mount Herzl had been wired for special illumination, and bright lights were also to decorate many monuments in greeting to the President. Later, President Shazar was to summon a special meeting of the Cabinet to report on his tour abroad.

Referring to the U.N. Security Council, Mr. Eshkol noted in his report to the Cabinet that the debate there on Syria's complaint against Israel "had shown general widespread understanding for Israel's position." The Council had adjourned the debate on Syria's grievance against Israel's air raid into Syria on July 14, by refusing to pass a resolution that would have condemned Israel of aggression. Israel had countered by accusing Syria of countenancing raids into Israel by saboteurs organized by El Fatah, a terrorist group. Now, Mr. Eshkol told the Cabinet, it has been indicated that a number of countries are bringing pressure on Syria to halt the El Fatah attacks and to support pacification of the Syrian-Israeli border.

Seeks Cabinet's Backing for His New Economic Policy

Mr. Eshkol also discussed with the Cabinet the serious economic situation currently facing Israel. He reiterated his earlier call on the partners in the coalition government to back his plans for a three-year economic program for the country. He said he hoped he would be ready to present that program to the Cabinet for general discussion a week from today.

As part of the Government's plans for a new economic policy that would aid Israel's export industries, the Treasury announced today that it is planning to allocate an additional 50,000,000 Israeli pounds (nearly \$17,000,000) as "export incentives." The Treasury stated that a start on paying those sums would be made either in January or at the beginning of the next fiscal year, which is to start on April 1, 1967. The additional monies, said the Treasury, would raise the export subsidies to more than 100,000,000 Israeli pounds (over \$33,000,000).

However, a member of Israel's Parliament representing Mapam, Yaacov Hazan, warned this weekend that Mapam, which is a member of the coalition, might quit the Cabinet over the new economic policy plans. Israel, he said, addressing a country-wide kibbutz meeting at Yagur, near Haifa, cannot adopt the "cure of unemployment" to solve its economic difficulties. Such a "cure" he said, will not only discourage further immigration into Israel but will halt immigration altogether.

Demanding "a just distribution of the burden of economic restraint," Mr. Hazan said that, in his opinion, the Government is trying to pass most of that burden on to the shoulders of the "less prosperous" sectors of Israel's population. He warned that "a working class in the throes of fear is a riotous element," and said that riots "could happen here."

EGYPT CONFISCATES \$100,000 U.S. CARGO; SAYS IT WAS DESTINED FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- United States officials were investigating the confiscation this weekend by Egypt of a \$100,000 American cargo removed from a Dutch ship accused of dealing with Israel. The cargo, consisting of American-made trucks and excavating equipment, was seized by the Egyptians as the Dutch ship was attempting to pass through the Suez Canal.

The trucks and equipment had been picked up in Somalia, where it had been sold to an unidentified British firm by the Paul Smith Construction Company, of Tampa, Fla. It was not clear whether the Tampa concern or the British firm owned the cargo, but the Egyptians claimed that purchase of the equipment had been facilitated through a loan by the Swiss-Israel Trade Bank of Geneva.

Marine sources here said there was doubt whether the cargo could have been bound for Israel since a shipment from Somalia to Israel would not have to go through the Suez Canal, using instead the route to Eilat, Israel via the Gulf of Akaba.

JEWS IN RUMANIA SENT 1,058 TORAH SCROLLS TO ISRAEL; 1,000 MORE TO COME

BRUSSELS, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Rumanian Jews, aided by the Rumanian Government, have sent 1,058 Torah scrolls to Israel, and will dispatch 1,000 more to Israel in the next months, Dr. Moses Rosen, Chief Rabbi of Rumania, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency here today. Dr. Rosen is here as the sole observer from his country to the World Jewish Congress plenary assembly, currently in session in Brussels.

Expressing his gratitude to the Rumanian Government for aiding the project to send the Torah scrolls to Israel, "as it does in other religious matters regarding the Jews," Dr. Rosen said the additional 1,000 scrolls will be sent soon to Vienna. There, he said, the scrolls will be allocated to various synagogues in Israel under the supervision of a special commission to be composed of himself; Dr. Zerach Warhaftig, Israel's Minister for Religious Affairs; and Charles E. Jordan, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee.

JEWS IN DENMARK TOLD BY EBAN OF NEED TO MAINTAIN JEWISH HERITAGE

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Israel's Foreign Minister Abba Eban, now on an official visit to Denmark, was today the guest of the Jewish community here. After being welcomed by Leo Fischer, president of the community, Mr. Eban delivered an address in which he reported on the present situation in Israel and the ties between Israel and the Jews of the Diaspora.

Citing the danger of weakening those ties, the Foreign Minister said that in the West Jews are more and more free and sometimes "throw away" their Jewish heritage. To avoid this, Mr. Eban called on Jewish communities outside of Israel to encourage the study of Hebrew and "the old traditions" and in this way strengthen mutual links with Israel.

JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN LEADERS FROM 10 LANDS MEET TODAY ON NEO-NAZISM

LONDON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Viewing neo-Nazism as "a deadly challenge to Christian and Jew alike," a group of 70 Jewish, Protestant and Catholic leaders from 10 countries will gather at Newnham College of Cambridge University tomorrow for a world consultation on steps to combat neo-Nazism. Sir Seymour E. Karminski, a Jew who is a judge of the British High Court of Justice, will be chairman of the consultation.

"The rise of neo-Nazism," said a preliminary statement today, "is an international phenomenon which threatens parliamentary institutions and race relations. The legacy of Hitler can be seen in practically every country. Neo-Nazism does not indulge in open anti-Semitism but in the subversion of human decency."

On the agenda of the parley will be reviews of the attitudes towards relationships with Jews by the Catholic and Protestant faiths as expressed in recent ecumenical statements adopted, respectively, at the Vatican Council and by the World Council of Churches.

TWO GERMANS SENTENCED FOR MURDERING JEWS IN THE UKRAINE IN 1941

DUSSELDORF, West Germany, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Horst Guido Huhn and Karl Jung were sentenced here yesterday to seven years and three and a half years imprisonment, respectively for their part in a 1941 massacre of Ukrainian Jews during the Nazi occupation. In a trial lasting several months four others accused of complicity in the murders were acquitted.

EL AL AIRLINE STRIKE AVERTED; AGREEMENT REACHED ON WORKERS' REQUESTS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- A possible strike of El Al, Israel Airlines, personnel was averted here today when an agreement was signed between El Al management and representatives of the air crews. The agreement was reached after all night negotiations and calls for eight percent pay increases while rejecting a workers' request that the pension fund be maintained in foreign currency.

GERMAN CHANCELLOR GREETES W.J.C. ASSEMBLY; URGES MUTUAL RESPECT

BRUSSELS, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- West Germany's Chancellor Ludwig Erhard expressed hope that the dialogue on German-Jewish relations held here last Thursday night, would be a confrontation that "would clear the air for better relations and better times."

The presidium of the Congress, holding its fifth plenary assembly here, made public today the text of a message received from Chancellor Erhard prior to the dramatic symposium on German-Jewish relations which had been addressed, among others, by Dr. Eugen Gerstenmaier, president of the Bundestag, lower house of Bonn's parliament.

After expressing his hope that the dialogue would aid toward improvement of German-Jewish relations, Chancellor Erhard stated in his message: "Jewish citizens have made a lasting contribution to German life in the past. The German people remember with deep agony the terrible suffering to which the Jews were subjected under Nazi rule. Let mutual understanding and mutual respect be fostered by this exchange of views. I send to the World Jewish Congress my best regards and wishes for a fruitful conference."

Issued today also was the pre-dialogue message received from Willy Brandt, Governing Mayor of West Berlin, and Fritz Erler, leader of West Germany's Social Democratic Party. They cabled: "The presidium of the German Social Democratic Party sends heartfelt greetings to the Brussels assembly. We particularly welcome the decision of the World Jewish Congress to discuss German-Jewish relations frankly, and we hope that honest discussion will help find the right steps which we can take in the future."

Goldmann Says W.J.C. Symposium on Germany Is Not Reconciliation

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the WJC, said in summarizing the symposium: "The crimes by the Germans against the Jews in the Nazi era are of a different category and, in their enormity, are quite outside the scope of what was known until then. But what now? Shall we ignore Germany? But we don't live in a ghetto. There is Israel which has diplomatic relations with Germany."

"This dialogue with the Germans started 15 years ago, and not here at the assembly," Dr. Goldmann continued. "There are many Germans who want to forget the crimes. But there are also many other Germans who prevent them from doing so." Referring to the symposium, he said "this is not reconciliation; nobody advocates that; what we are dealing with and speaking about is co-existence."

Dr. Joachim Prinz, former president of the American Jewish Congress speaking as chairman of the Presidents Conference of Major American Jewish organizations, said: "The German who does not remember what his own people did to the Jewish people does not command my respect -- nor should he be respected by other Germans and by Jews of our generation. Between us, there can never be normalization. We can talk to each other and, indeed, we must -- but only for the purpose of clarifying each other's mind. It must be understood that Germany can never be the home of Jews again. There are Jews who live there today but that is a different matter. The dialogue between Germans and Jews is possible. It is even necessary. But it will remain a dialogue. It will lead to no concrete consequences."

Dr. Hendryk G. van Dam, general secretary of the Central Council of Jews in West Germany reported: "After the war, there were almost 200,000 Jews in the German Federal Republic, but their number has dwindled. Today, there are small, scattered Jewish communities, ranging from 6,000 in West Berlin to small groups of a few hundred. The average age of the German Jew today is 59, which shows that young Jewish people do not tend to stay in Germany and there is a tendency for the young to leave the country. Therefore, it must be assumed there will not be a large Jewish community in Germany in the years to come, but just a group of Jews living there."

W.J.C. Delegates Honor Memory of 24,000 Belgian Jews Killed by Nazis

BRUSSELS, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Delegates attending the plenary assembly of the World Jewish Congress here went this morning to Malines, in the north of Belgium where they held solemn religious services at a shrine there commemorating the more than 24,000 Belgian Jews deported from the Malines barracks, during World War II, to their deaths in Nazi concentration camps.

Meanwhile, police here began investigating today anti-Semitic vandalism at the Palais de Congres where the WJC is holding its assembly. Swastikas and Nazi slogans were found daubed on the WJC banners outside the building. One of the inscriptions bore the name of an association of nationalist Flemish students, but the association vigorously denied having anything to do with the incident. Among the slogans, in the Flemish language, were the usual Nazi cries "Down with the Jews" and "Death to the Jews" painted on the steps of the building housing the plenary assembly. Nearby, on the pedestal of a statue of the late King Albert I. were painted in English the words: "Free Europe from Jewish people." Swastikas were also painted on the pedestal.

ARGENTINE PRESIDENT SEEKS TO CALM UNEASINESS AMONG JEWISH POPULATION

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- President Juan Carlos Ongania, leader of Argentina's new military regime, tried to calm uneasiness among the Jews in this country during a press conference he held this weekend to explain the general policies which guide his new government.

Asserting that his regime would respect all minorities and curb extremism, Gen. Ongania said: "The Argentine revolution condemns all extremism. Our objective is to neutralize all types of extremism, particularly Communism, which are opposed to the spiritual union of the population and would dissociate from our historical and cultural heritage as well as our occidental and Christian system of life."

Asked about his government's attitude to the credit cooperatives, which had been curbed during the first days of the regime, he said: "There are already cooperatives functioning according to legal norms." Most of this country's Jewish businessmen are interested in the fate of the cooperatives which had been launched by Jewish immigrants in Argentina.

The news conference statement was the second time President Ongania had addressed himself to Argentina's 500,000 Jews. Two weeks after seizing power he received a delegation of DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry. At that time General Ongania assured the DAIA leaders that his regime opposed extremist groups and sought to protect minority rights.

Jewish leaders here said that they were pleased by the President's remarks but they were puzzled over the meaning of General Ongania's statement that his regime would "implement a system of selective immigration to Argentina from countries which have constituted the present reality of our population by its races and religions."

CONGRESS GETS RESOLUTION ON USING ABANDONED MT. SCOPUS BUILDINGS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- A Congressional resolution advocating the establishment in abandoned Hebrew University buildings on Mt. Scopus, in Jerusalem, of a branch of the Truman Peace Center open to all Mideast students was submitted this weekend, Rep. Leonard Farbstein, New York Democrat, announced today.

Rep. Farbstein, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, told Congress that since it is the policy of the United States to encourage peaceful resolutions of Mideast disputes, the Truman Center for Advancement of Peace should expand its scope to utilize the unused buildings on Mt. Scopus. "It would undoubtedly contribute to peace to have Jordanian and Israeli students studying side by side," he said.

The Farbstein resolution would, if adopted, declare "that the United States Congress favors the establishment in abandoned university buildings in Jerusalem of a branch of the Farry S. Truman Center for the Advancement of Peace, which would be open to the students of all Middle Eastern countries."

ISRAEL'S CHIEF RABBIS ISSUE STATEMENT AGAINST POST MORTEM DISSECTIONS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- A statement declaring that post mortem dissections are "forbidden by the Torah in any manner whatsoever," was issued here today by Chief Ashkenazi Rabbi Isser Unterman, Chief Sephardi Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, members of the Chief Rabbinate Council and fifty other Israeli religious leaders.

Another statement signed by 15 doctors called on the Knesset to prevent passage of a pending bill that would give the hospital the right to decide on performing a post mortem. The statement said that an autopsy performed against the wishes of the deceased is "a great infringement of individual liberty."

Meanwhile an anonymous group calling itself "The League of Immigrants and Tourists of the United States and Europe" has distributed posters here threatening to call on "outside elements" to put pressure on the Israeli Government to bar autopsies. A demonstration against autopsies was held here last week by over 100 religious zealots in front of the Knesset, Israel's parliament.

TORAH SCROLL STOLEN FROM LUBAVITCHER SYNAGOGUE IN TORONTO

TORONTO, Aug. 7. (JTA) -- A Torah scroll valued at \$1,000 was stolen from a downtown synagogue in Toronto on the eve of the Sabbath. The theft was not discovered until a member went to the ark to take out the Torah for the reading ceremony. The synagogue is called the Anshei Lubavitch.

HAROLD J. SHIELDS, EX-MAYOR OF CULVER CITY, DEAD; WAS RELIGIOUS LEADER

CULVER CITY, Calif., Aug. 7. (JTA) -- Harold J. Shields, former Mayor of Culver City and executive vice-president of the Saving and Loan Association died here. A graduate of Law School and a member of the bar of Pennsylvania and California, he was president of Culver City's Temple Akiba.