



Jewish Telegraphic Agency

DAILY NEWS BULLETIN

660 FIRST AVENUE

NEW YORK 16, N.Y.

Contents Copyright: Republication only by previous arrangement

Vol. XXXIII - 49th year

Monday, November 21, 1966

No. 222

C.J.F.W.F. ASSEMBLY ENDS; URGES 'MASSIVE' ECONOMIC AID TO ISRAEL

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The five-day 35th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds closed here today with the adoption of resolutions on a wide range of problems facing American Jewry and with the election of Louis J. Fox of Baltimore as president. Morris Glasser of Chicago was elected chairman of the Large City Budgeting Conference, which is composed of 23 largest Jewish welfare funds reviewing the budgets of national and overseas agencies.

One of the major resolutions adopted by the Assembly stressed the urgency of the needs of Jewish communities overseas and urged that these communities be provided "intensive and massive" aid. "The needs are sharpened by Israel's current economic crisis," the resolution emphasized. It recommended that absorption programs to bring immigrants to self-support should be greatly intensified, especially in assisting Israel to absorb more than 200,000 newcomers. "Such welfare, help, vocational and educational programs are of critical importance, regardless of the fluctuations in the volume of current immigration," the resolution declared.

The resolution recommended that the fund raising and operations of all Israel's universities, "which are rapidly proliferating," should be coordinated in the United States and in Israel within and among the institutions. It also urged that there should be a continuous increase of information on overseas needs and services, to help increase American Jewish understanding and support. At the same time, it requested that local community considerations of overseas needs, programs and policies should be intensified. It expressed gratification with the administrative changes initiated in Israel to streamline the staff and the structure of the Jewish Agency there.

The resolution was adopted following two sessions devoted to overseas needs. At these sessions, Israel's economy and the impact of changes anticipated in 1967 in Jewish immigration in general were discussed. Speakers included Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal; Charles Jordan, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee; Max A. Braude, executive head of the World ORT Union; Murray Gurfein, president of United HIAS Service; Dr. William Haber, president of the American ORT Federation; Gottlieb Hammer, executive vice-chairman of the United Israel Appeal Inc.; S. P. Goldberg, of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Gaynor Jacobson, executive director of the United HIAS Service; I. L. Kenen of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee and others.

Severe Challenges Foreseen for U.S. Jewish Communities

Dr. Haber told the CJFWF Assembly banquet session that the nature of the American economy will inevitably create serious challenges for the Jewish community. Dr. Haber, who is a dean at the University of Michigan, said that, to begin with, the fantastic increases in demand for trained personnel in the social service field, in administration, in planning, and in the health area creates immediately a tremendous competition for the limited personnel now available.

"The very expansion of public programs," Dr. Haber said, "means that social service workers and other professional people are now in larger demand from public and non-Jewish agencies than has ever been the case." Dr. Haber also predicted that the budgets of Jewish agencies are certain to be pushed upward because labor costs are bound to expand, particularly in the health area.

"The financial capacity of the American community, as a result of the current affluence, as well as of the immediate and long outlook, imposes upon all of us -- upon every budget committee in every town and city -- an obligation to reexamine the allocations of the philanthropic dollar as between local and overseas requirements," Dr. Haber emphasized. "The crisis in Israel, the needs of Jews in France, the developing problems in a dozen other areas, compel us as Jews -- just as it compels the United States Government as an affluent society -- to aid overseas Jewish communities which need help more than most."

"We have in recent years shown a large sense of responsibility and a capacity to shore up weak communities and institutions in more than a dozen countries," Dr. Haber added. "We have at the same time built a vigorous, secure and strong Jewish community

in our free country. Our own sense of economic well-being compels us to ask whether the time has not come for us to reexamine the degree to which our philanthropic dollar is properly allocated as between our needs at home and the demands overseas. I think it is not."

Dr. Haber said also he recognized the direct responsibility at home in Jewish education, in training personnel for Jewish institutions, as well as the responsibility to the youth, to the aged, to hospitals and to other Jewish programs. "The momentum," he said, "will assure the continuation of these programs. We need now, in my view, to take seriously the special crisis which is being faced particularly in education and adjustment in several overseas communities, especially Israel and France. This task cannot be shirked."

United Nations, Great Powers Criticized On Middle East Stand

The United Nations and the world's major powers were criticized at a plenary session for failing to bring peace to the Middle East. The criticism was voiced by Irving Kane, chairman of the CJFWF Overseas Committee, who emphasized that "the overriding problem facing Israel and indeed the whole world in this hour is the problem of peace." He pointed out that 18 years after the establishment of the State of Israel, the country still finds itself surrounded by neighboring states who openly call for and plan for Israel's destruction.

"The determination of the Arab states to destroy Israel derives encouragement from the failure of the United Nations and the world's major powers to demand that peace shall reign in the Middle East and to take effective action that will remove the ever-present threat of war and bring about a permanent peace," Mr. Kane said.

"There is a difference between open aggression and self-defense," Mr. Kane added. "There is a difference between those who insist on destroying their neighbor and those who want to live at peace with them. It is time the United Nations and our own country recognize these differences and exert the great influence of which they are capable to bring about a just and durable peace. The time is now."

The delegates were told at another session that successful campaigning can only be a product of an effective Jewish community and that an effective Jewish community can only be the response of a sensitivity to human needs, combined with the relevance of its institutions. These points were made by Irving Blum of Baltimore, chairman of the CJFWF Campaign Services Committee. Mr. Blum emphasized that in making American Jewish institutions relevant to the present rapidly-changing times, Jewish communal leaders must be prepared to engage in a searching reexamination of the major issues facing federations and welfare funds.

He noted an encouraging trend among Jewish communal leaders throughout the country to press forward with this kind of penetrating examination of the basic purposes and goals of the federation movement. He also outlined the basic principles in fund-raising for local and overseas Jewish needs. The session at which he spoke was presided over by Dr. Max W. Bay, of Los Angeles, president of the Los Angeles Jewish Federation-Council, and a vice-president of the CJFWF.

Need to Strengthen U.S. Jewish Education Stressed in Resolution

Concern over the unmet needs in American Jewish education was expressed at the Assembly which adopted a resolution emphasizing that "the strengthening of Jewish education in quality and effectiveness is of the utmost importance to the future of our Jewish communities in America."

The resolution noted that a CJFWF committee on Jewish education had worked actively for a program for the recruitment, training and utilization of teachers, administrators and specialists in the field of Jewish education and for the organization and financing of post-elementary Jewish education. The CJFWF resolution recommended that the committee continue along those lines, and urged that the findings and proposals of the committee be thoroughly considered by community federations and welfare funds which should act to strengthen their programs of Jewish education.

David Silbert, president of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Metropolitan Chicago, presented to the General Assembly a telegram signed by more than 40 Chicago community leaders active in Jewish education. The telegram stressed that it was "imperative" that all that has been said about Jewish values and the transmission of the Jewish heritage "be promptly implemented in an intensified augmented offensive on the Jewish education front of our communal programs. Only by focussing our resources on the education front can we ensure a meaningful feature for American Jewry."

Dr. Benjamin B. Rosenberg, executive director of the Combined Jewish Philanthropies of Greater Boston, addressing a session of the Assembly, urged that Jewish central community organizations "should place Jewish education high on the agenda for planning,

for support and for action "and not simply high on the agendas of conferences." He said that there seemed to be a crisis in both the quality and the quantity of teaching personnel in Jewish schools.

Taking note of the critical shortages in personnel for Jewish health and welfare agencies, the Assembly also adopted a resolution calling for the recruitment, training and placement of additional manpower. The resolution emphasized that no problem facing Jewish communal services was more serious than the shortage of professional personnel.

Mrs. Joseph Cohen, of New Orleans, chairman of the CJFWF Personnel Services Committee, reported that there were some 5,000 professional workers in Jewish local and national agencies in the United States and Canada. This figure, she said, does not include the rabbinate and those teaching in Jewish schools. "Because of turnover, retirement and natural losses, a minimum of 275 new people are needed every year just to maintain the present services," Mrs. Cohen declared. "But we are not getting them." To assure that qualified personnel come into the field of Jewish communal services, Mrs. Cohen made a number of recommendations which included scholarships, field work placement and summer work programs for training students for Jewish social work.

Other resolutions adopted by the Assembly called for support of the government anti-poverty program; cooperation of all groups in overcoming discrimination; implementation of new and advanced techniques of strengthening fund-raising in the communities; continued support of Medicare and additional legislation to strengthen community planning for health services.

Assembly Resolution Urges Greater Pressures for Soviet Jewry

The Assembly adopted a resolution welcoming the intensification of the efforts by the major American Jewish organizations in demanding from the Soviet Government the restoration of full religious and cultural rights to Jews in the Soviet Union.

The resolution also welcomed the more closely coordinated action of the organizations in this direction. The resolution stressed that "the Soviet Union continues to deny to Jews opportunities, available to others, for the development of their own cultural and religious institutions. Synagogues are closed; seminaries are not available; almost no Jewish books are printed; children are denied a Jewish education. The limited concessions that have been made are minimum."

The resolution called upon the Soviet Government to permit the Jews in the Soviet Union to freely practice and perpetuate their culture and religion by removing all discriminatory measures designed to restrict this freedom. The resolution requested that the Soviet authorities make available schools and textbooks and other materials necessary to teach Jewish children the languages, history, the beliefs, the practices and the aspirations of the Jewish people.

The General Assembly also requested that Jews in the Soviet Union be permitted freely by their government to develop Jewish communal life and to associate and work with Jewish communities inside and outside the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Government was also asked to use all the means at its disposal to eradicate anti-Semitism thereby implementing the public pronouncement in 1965 that anti-Semitism is "absolutely alien to and in contradiction to our world view." The resolution also demanded that Soviet Jewish families separated as a result of the Nazi holocaust be permitted by the Soviet authorities to be reunited with their relatives abroad.

The William Shroder Awards were presented to the Jewish Community Foundation of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Detroit and to the Jewish Community Council of Norfolk, Va., at the banquet session at which Stanley Myers of Miami presided. Tributes were paid at the dinner to Samuel A. Goldsmith of Chicago, Harry Greenstein of Baltimore, Dr. Maurice B. Hexter of New York, Joseph Willen of New York and Sidney Hollander of Baltimore.

ESHKOL CRITICIZES 'EXAGGERATED' REPORTS ON ISRAELI JORDAN ACTION

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Levi Eshkol told the Israel Cabinet today that reports of Jordanian casualties and damages in the Israeli raid last Sunday had been exaggerated and expressed the opinion that the severity of international criticism of the raid was due partly to such exaggerations.

The Premier stressed, in his report to the Cabinet, that no artillery had been used in the November 13 action and that Israeli planes had not fired at any ground targets. His comments were made in connection with the introduction of new measures to strengthen Israel's defenses against Arab infiltrators. Two weeks ago, the Premier announced an increase in border police and field forces for that purpose which led to an extension of compulsory military service for Israelis from 24 to 30 months.

Prior to the Premier's report, Israeli sources had asserted that there were a number of major inaccuracies in the formal United Nations Truce Supervision Organization

report on the Israeli raid. The report, which was requested by the Security Council, now in session on a Jordanian charge of aggression against Israel, listed 16 Jordanian soldiers and three civilians killed and 134 persons wounded of whom 37 were alleged to be civilians.

Secretary-General U Thant reported to the Security Council Wednesday, on the basis of a preliminary report from Lt. Gen. Odd Bull, chief of staff of UNTSO, that 125 houses and other structures were destroyed in the Samua area action. The formal UNTSO report cited a statement by a Jordanian colonel in command of the Hebron area, where the Israeli raid took place, as telling U.N. investigators that Israeli forces included about 80 Patton tanks and a number of armored personnel carriers, as well as 12 Mirage jet fighters.

(At the United Nations, the Security Council met briefly Friday and then adjourned until 11 a.m. tomorrow. Dr. J. G. Debeus of the Netherlands, who spoke Friday, agreed with previous delegates that the guerrilla raids into Israel did not justify the retaliatory raid but urged action by the Council to prevent the "continuation and escalation of violence in the Middle East." Some of the Council members were reported to be working on a draft resolution which would censure Israel, but, until now, the United States has not taken any part in the resolution drafting efforts.)

The Israeli critics of Gen. Bull's formal report said that military correspondents who accompanied Israeli forces on the raid stressed that no Patton tanks were used and that the Mirage jets went into action only to fight off Jordanian jets seeking to interfere with the action. The Israeli sources also said that aerial photographs of the Samua area, taken before and after the Israel action, showed "clearly" that no more than 30 structures were destroyed after they were evacuated by Israeli troops. The Israeli army permitted publication and display of blow-ups of the aerial photographs.

American Zionist Council Urges Balanced Security Council Stand

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The American Zionist Council, spokesman for the entire American Zionist movement, expressed in a statement today "dismay at reports that the Security Council is considering a one-sided resolution condemning Israel without any mention of the repeated Arab provocations which are responsible for the present dangerous situation in the Middle East."

The statement said it was "these acts of terrorism and sabotage directed against the population of Israel which are the root-cause of the problem." The statement added that "during the past many months, the citizens and government of Israel have shown great restraint in the face of daily incursions to which they have been subjected at a cost in lives and property."

The Zionist Council declared that "a one-sided condemnation against the victims of these repeated acts of aggression, in violation of the United Nations charter and the armistice agreements, without reference to those responsible for the present situation will not contribute to the easing of tensions and may even encourage the aggressors to continue." The statement added: "We call upon the international community to judge the situation in its true and total perspective."

U.S. State Department Reported Studying Plans to Pacify Borders

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- One idea tentatively considered by the State Department this weekend as a means of pacifying the Israeli-Arab borders is said to involve a "cordon sanitaire" in which United Nations forces would patrol a zone on both sides of the frontier to deter infiltrations and reprisals.

Such a scheme was reported to envisage a U.N. -patrolled strip -- possibly two to three kilometers wide -- on both sides of the border. Roving U.N. patrols, helicopter surveillance, and fixed guard posts would seek a coordinated system to interdict and inhibit crossings in either direction. The divided city of Jerusalem presumably would be exempted.

The suggestion is one of a number of ideas advanced to control the inflammatory border situation, it was learned. A U.N. helicopter surveillance would be coordinated through close communications with ground units. Such an observation system would have spotted the assembly of an Israeli armored column in time to take emergency preventive steps, it was noted. But it was not explained how such a helicopter patrol would prove effective against lone Arab saboteurs or teams of two or three commandoes operating under cover of night.

The plan made it apparent that its proponents were mainly concerned with protecting Jordan from a recurrence of the Israeli military action that took place on November 13, and in keeping crossings limited in scope. This idea is one of a number of tentative proposals being discussed to "seal off" the Israeli borders to duplicate the passivity which now exists on the Israeli-Egyptian Gaza border.

EXTREMIST PARTY APPARENTLY HAS WON SEATS IN BAVARIAN PARLIAMENT

MUNICH, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Preliminary results in the Parliamentary election in Bavaria indicated late today that the extremist National Democratic Party had made good its boast that it would win seats for the second time this month in a West German state election. The NDP, which has been described by the West German Interior Ministry as neo-Nazi, won eight of the 96 seats in the Hesse Parliament in an election on November 6, the first NDP seats in a state Parliament.

The initial returns today indicated that the NDP won at least 10 percent of the votes which, in the Bavarian electoral system, would make it third in strength in the state Parliament, ousting the Free Democrats. Jubilant NDP leaders said their party would soon have a voice in determining national policies in West Germany.

British Jewish Leaders Urge Ban on German Neo-Nazi Activities

LONDON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The Board of Deputies of British Jews unanimously approved today "a solemn appeal to all responsible and democratically-minded persons in West Germany and other countries" to act to ensure that legislative and other steps will be taken immediately in West Germany "to ban all Nazi-type activities, parties and publications."

Asserting that such political activities were "again threatening civilization," the Board said such a ban was necessary to "stop the resurgence of Nazism" in West Germany. The resolution said the Board "strongly protests the license permitted to the neo-Nazi National Democratic Party, which includes in its leadership a large proportion of former Nazis" and which is "allowed to organize, carry on activities and spread propaganda on the Nazi model."

A report on the Board's foreign affairs committee precede adoption of the resolution. In introducing that report, Sir Barnett Janner said that the committee was "appalled at recent vivid examples of the persistence of active sympathy with Nazism" in West Germany "which must fill every Jew and informed non-Jew with the utmost foreboding."

ESHKOL CONFERS ON NUCLEAR DESALINATION PLANT WITH U.S. OFFICIALS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Israeli officials said today that the plan for United States-Israel joint development of a \$200,000,000 nuclear desalination plant was discussed here by Premier Levi Eshkol and Sen. John Pastore, R.I. Democrat. Walworth Barbour, United States Ambassador to Israel, also attended the meeting Friday. Sen. Pastore reportedly will be named head of the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

It was reported that little progress was made at the meeting, which was held in Premier Eshkol's office. The Premier stressed again that completion of the project depended on United States terms for financial help because Israel is unable to pay the heavy interest charges called for in the current United States proposals. The Premier underlined the urgency of the need to complete the plant because, he said, Israel will begin to suffer serious water shortages in the early 70's. Sen. Pastore visited Israel's experimental reactor at Nahal Shorok.

FORD COMPANY, COCA-COLA REPORTED PLACED ON ARAB BLACKLIST

LONDON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Ford Motor Company and the Coca-Cola Corporation are to be boycotted in Arab countries for trading with Israel, it was reported here today from Kuwait, where a conference of representatives of the Arab Boycott League has been meeting.

According to the reports, the conference has been discussing behind closed doors action against more than 20 firms allegedly trading with Israel. Conference sources were reported to have indicated that resolutions had been passed against Ford and Coca-Cola and also against the Radio Corporation of America, but no details were given, the report said. According to the reports here, the content of the resolutions approved at the conference will be announced when the conference ends next Saturday.

SOVIETS 'LEAK' REJECTION OF EBAN VISIT TO MOSCOW TO ARAB PRESS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Israeli officials were reported today to be disturbed by an apparent deliberate Soviet leak to the Arab press that the Soviet Union has rejected a proposal by Foreign Minister Abba Eban to visit Moscow for a conference with Soviet leaders. Arab newspapers reported that the Soviet Government informed Arab ambassadors in Moscow of the turnaround.

LATE NEWS FLASH

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 20. (JTA) -- United Nations secretariat sources said today that an error in transmission of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization report on the Israeli action against Jordan to the Security Council was responsible for an initial report that 97 Jordanian civilians had been wounded. The sources said the correct figure was 17 civilians wounded.

CATHOLIC BISHOPS ASK JEWS, ALL CHRISTIANS TO JOIN RACIAL BIAS FIGHT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The National Conference of Catholic Bishops has appealed to all Christians and Jews and "all men of good will" as well as Catholics to join together to combat racial discrimination and poverty.

The appeal was contained in a pastoral statement adopted unanimously by the nation's Catholic prelates, which specifically endorsed open housing with equal opportunities for all regardless of race, creed or color. The statement also asked that "reasonable dialogue" replace "slogans" in racial tension developments in the United States.

The prelates reaffirmed past statements of the National Conference, as well as of the Ecumenical Council last year, that discrimination based on religion, race, language or national origins was contrary to Christian teachings.

JEWISH LEADERS BACK NEW GROUP TO BATTLE RADICAL RIGHT AND LEFT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- A number of prominent Jewish leaders are members of a committee backing a new organization, Institute for American Democracy, formed to fight both the radical right and the radical left, its chairman announced yesterday.

Dr. Franklin E. Littell, president of Iowa Wesleyan University, who is chairman of the new group, told a press conference that the 48-member sponsoring committee included leaders in religion, business, education, labor and public service, and political leaders.

The Jewish members of the committee include Dore Schary, chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith; Morris Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee; Leon Keyserling, the economist; Jacob Blaustein, honorary president of the American Jewish Committee, and former member of the United States delegation to the United Nations; C.E. Israel, vice-president of Fashion Frocks; Jacob Potofsky, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union; and Dr. William Haber, dean of the College of Education of Michigan University.

ISRAEL CABINET APPROVES SHAREF AS TRADE AND INDUSTRY MINISTER

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet approved today the request of Prime Minister Levi Eshkol to coopt Zeev Sharef as Minister of Trade and Industry, succeeding Faim Zadok, whose resignation the Premier announced "with regret." The nomination will be submitted Tuesday to Parliament for approval.

Mr. Sharef, 60, is a member of Parliament from the Mapai-Achdut Avodah Alignment who has served as a civil service commissioner and as secretary to the Government.

ROCKWELL ACCEPTS NEW STUDENT BID TO TALK AT BROWN UNIVERSITY

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Nov. 20. (JTA) -- A newly-formed campus group announced today that George Rockwell, the Nazi Party leader, will speak at Brown University on November 30 at its invitation. An earlier student invitation to the Nazi was cancelled under university administration pressure.

S.C. Visher, a spokesman for "Open Mind," said the group had decided to sponsor a Rockwell appearance because of student "resentment" over the cancellation. Rockwell accepted an invitation to speak on that date at alumni hall of Pembroke College, a women's affiliate of Brown University.

MEYERHOFF AWARDED ISRAEL PRIME MINISTER'S MEDAL OF ISRAEL BONDS

NEW YORK, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Joseph Meyerhoff, of Baltimore, a nationally prominent Jewish communal leader, has been named the recipient of the Israel Prime Minister's Medal of the Israel Bond Organization. The medal will be presented to Mr. Meyerhoff by Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman at a dinner in Baltimore on December 1.

A member of the executive committee of the Israel Bond drive, Mr. Meyerhoff is a former general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and has served as president of the Associated Jewish Charities of Baltimore. Sen. Joseph D. Tydings of Maryland will be a guest speaker at the dinner.

ROGOSIN GIVES \$1,500,000 FOR THREE SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 20. (JTA) -- Israel Rogosin, the prominent U.S. industrialist and philanthropist, has contributed \$1,500,000 for the construction of three secondary schools in Tel Aviv, Ashkelon and Nahariya. The contribution, which was made known during a meeting between Mr. Rogosin and Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, will be used to build secondary schools to be located in slum areas of the three cities.