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### BONN MINISTER FORESEES ABOLITION OF TIME LIMIT IN PROSECUTING NAZIS

BONN, March 30. (JTA) -- Gustave Heinemann, West German Justice Minister, said in a radio interview today that the abolition of West Germany's statute of limitations for prosecution of charges of murder and genocide might be possible. He cited the draft Convention discussed this month at the session of the Human Rights Commission calling for abolition of all such deadlines on prosecution of major Nazi war criminals.

The commission was unable to agree on some legal aspects of the draft and decided to refer the matter to the next session of the United Nations General Assembly for a final decision. The present German law sets December 31, 1969, as the deadline for prosecution of major war criminals.

The Justice Minister also reported that, since 1945, investigations into Nazi war crimes had been made against 74,000 suspects in West Germany. He said sentences were implemented in 6,179 cases, and investigations were continuing against 20,030 suspects. He criticized East European countries which possess material about former Nazis which they have refused to hand over to West German courts.

### AUSTRIAN PARLIAMENT DEBATES BILL OUTLAWING ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA

VIENNA, March 30. (JTA) -- A bill to make incitement against racial, national and religious groups a penal offense was debated in the Austrian Parliament today and then referred to a standing committee on legal matters for further consideration.

The measure was introduced by Dr. Christian Broda, a former Austrian Justice Minister who stressed the need particularly to counteract anti-Semitism by every available means, including legislation. In his speech, Dr. Broda referred to the anti-Semitic Deutsche National und Soldatenzeitung, published in West Germany, which has an Austrian edition.

Dr. Kummer, speaking for the conservative Peoples' Party, expressed reservations but agreed that the bill deserved further consideration. M. Zeillinger, spokesman for the rightwing Freiheitliche group, opposed the bill, arguing it was aimed especially at anti-Semites.

### U.S. NAVY OFFICERS TO VISIT ISRAEL; WILL IMPLEMENT AGREEMENT

TEL AVIV, March 30. (JTA) -- Rear Admiral Herschel J. Goldberg, head of the United States Navy Supply Services, will arrive here April 3 for a three-day visit connected with supply of non-military items by Israel to the U.S. Navy.

He will be accompanied by Commander Fogel, head of the U.S. Sixth Fleet and by his adjutant, G.R. Ahrons. The visit will implement a recent United States-Israel agreement under which the United States will buy certain industrial items for the civilian needs of its military forces.

Deputy Defense Minister Avi Dinstei was instrumental in helping to achieve the agreement. Adm. Goldberg will be received by Mr. Dinstei, by Chief of Staff Yitzhak Rabin and by Trade and Industry Minister Zev Sharef. He will also tour Israel.

### ISRAEL FINANCE MINISTER TO HEAD ECONOMIC DELEGATION TO RUMANIA

JERUSALEM, March 30. (JTA) -- An indication of the importance Israel attaches to its ties with Rumania was seen today in the disclosure that Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir will lead the Israeli delegation which will go to Bucharest next month to complete an Israeli-Rumanian agreement providing for trade and other exchanges.

The provisional agreement was disclosed yesterday during the departure of a seven-man Rumanian delegation which negotiated the pact during a 10-day visit. Israel hopes the pact with Rumania, the first with an East European country, might spell a breakthrough for similar bilateral agreements with other such countries. The agreement provides for exchanges in the fields of economics, science, technology, tourism and trade.

HAIFA MAYOR PROPOSES FIVE-DAY WORKING WEEK WITH FIVE DAYS PAYMENT

JERUSALEM, March 30. (JTA) -- Mayor Abba Khoushy of Haifa proposed last night a five-day work week with five days payment in place of Israel's present six-day work week as a step toward solution of Israel's current economic slump. He was speaking at the annual meeting of the Haifa Chamber of Commerce. Replying to an argument that a cut in wages would decrease demand, he said that excess production should be diverted to export markets.

Seven Israeli exporters received awards today from President Zalman Shazar for contributions to Israel's export drive. The President called for greater efficiency, devotion and productivity on industry's part. The award winners were in chemicals, pharmaceuticals, diamonds, cosmetics, fashion and metallurgy.

Road and construction equipment made by the metal division of Solel Boneh, an affiliate of the Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation, is competing successfully with European products in the Asian and African markets, officials reported here today. They said orders for such equipment for 1967 already total \$330,000, which is \$50,000 more than for all of 1966. The equipment includes rollers, vibrators, compressors and bumpers with swiveling bases.

KNESSET ESTABLISHES PERMANENT ELECTION SYSTEM FOR RELIGIOUS COUNCILS

JERUSALEM, March 30. (JTA) -- A bill establishing permanent procedures for election of Religious Councils in Israel was approved by Parliament last night. The duty of such councils is to supply the religious needs of Jews in their area of jurisdiction.

There are about 200 such councils in Israel and they serve as official employers of rabbis and kosher certification supervisors. The law gives permanence to rules on such elections based on an agreement between Premier Levi Eshkol's Mapai Party and the religious parties. The rules have hitherto been enacted for fixed periods only.

Under the new law, 45 percent of members of the councils will be chosen by the town council or the local council, 45 percent by the Religious Affairs Ministry and 10 percent by the Chief Rabbinate. The law provides that all councils must be reconstituted next October 1 and every four years thereafter.

The coalition parties, the Agudat Israel and former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's dissident Israel Workers Party (Rafi) voted for the measure. The Gahal alignment of Liberals and Herut members, as well as Mapam and the Independent Liberals voted against the measure. The Religious Councils were a part of the religious systems established under the British Mandate and carried over into Israeli statehood.

FIVE-DAY CONVENTION OF CANADIAN ZIONISTS OPENS TODAY IN TORONTO

TORONTO, March 30. (JTA) -- The founding national convention of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada will open here tomorrow for a five-day session during which the Zionist Organization of Canada will hold its 38th annual convention. More than 1,000 delegates are expected.

The ZOC, which would normally have held its annual convention during the March 31 to April 4 period, decided to cut its convention to a one-day meeting on Sunday April 2 to permit the Federated Zionist Organization sufficient time for its founding convention, according to Lawrence Freiman, ZOC president, who will preside. The ZOC will deliberate on its role as an independent non-party Zionist entity within the federated organization.

The Federated Zionist Organization was formed last December as an overall body of the Zionist movement in Canada. It is composed of the ZOC, the Hadassah-WIZO Organization, the Labor Zionist Organization, Mizrahi, Achdut Avodah, the Revisionists and the Friends of Pioneering Israel (Mapam).

Speakers during the five-day convention will include Aryeh Pincus, chairman of the Jewish Agency, Dr. Nathan Rotenstreich, rector at the Hebrew University, and Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, of New York. The Toronto Zionist Council will give a reception for delegates and guests on April 1.

POLISH TOWN NAMES STREET AFTER JEWISH HERO OF WARSAW GHETTO

LONDON, March 30. (JTA) -- The Polish city of Bielsk has named a street in the town after Josef Lewartowski, a Jewish hero of the Warsaw Ghetto revolt, according to a dispatch received here today from Warsaw. The Bielsk City Council memorialized Mr. Lewartowski, during the ceremonies dedicating the street in his memory, as one "who has attained immortality by his courage and fortitude" during the rebellion against the Nazis in the Ghetto of Warsaw.

SEX EDUCATION UNDER JEWISH RELIGIOUS AUSPICES DISCUSSED AT N.Y. PARLEY

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Guidelines for education about sex and sexuality were proposed at a conference yesterday conducted by the Commission on Synagogue Relations of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York and the Metropolitan Association of Jewish Center Workers.

The goal of the conference, according to its sponsors, is to spur the development of sex education programs under religious auspices, since New York State is beginning to introduce the topic in the public schools' curriculum, and the instruction will be on a secular basis under laws requiring separation of Church and State.

It was suggested that a professional training institute for instructors in sex education should be an outgrowth of the conference, and that priority be given by community centers and synagogues to sex education as an important aspect of their services.

Neither parents nor schools are imparting to children adequate factual information about sex or providing them with a sound basis of determining their individual sexual attitudes, practices and behavior, declared Manuel G. Batshaw, director of national services of the Jewish Welfare Board, who addressed the conference.

"Parents remain the single most influential factor in a person's sexual development. Therefore, education about sex and sexuality for parents deserves possibly an even higher priority than our concern for the education of children themselves," he stressed. Trained leaders and teachers are essential to supplement the role of parents in helping a person with his sex education, he added.

Results of Survey on Sex Education in Hebrew Day Schools Reported

Rabbi Isaac N. Trainin, director of the Commission, disclosed that a recent survey of local Hebrew Day Schools showed formal sex education programs are rare in the classroom, though most principals felt that some kind of effective program should be introduced.

The most comprehensive program encountered in the survey was at a yeshiva which introduced the subject in the seventh grade, with classes of boys and girls meeting separately once a week for a half-year term. The children are provided with textbooks and taught about the physiology of the sexes, the reproductive processes in animals and humans, homosexuality and masturbation. At the conclusion of the unit, a pediatrician addresses the children and answers their questions. Throughout, religious standards for sexual behavior are outlined by the instructor.

The Y's and synagogues, Rabbi Trainin pointed out, have the responsibility of developing understanding of the Jewish tradition regarding sex and family to fill the moral vacuum created by the failure of parents and schools to provide modern approaches to sex education, and the reluctance of Jewish boards of education to include sex education in school curricula.

The Jewish traditional view regarding sex and the family and the instruction of the young was discussed at the conference by Rabbi Norman Lamm. He said that sex education is not a new phenomenon in Jewish life, but has been an integral part of the traditional approach to ethical conduct.

The conference was part of a continuing examination of the sexual revolution of our times and its impact on the Jewish community by social workers, rabbis and volunteer workers, including the Jewish Federation, which maintains 34 community centers and YMYWHA's throughout the city and aids more than 700 Jewish schools in the metropolitan area. Earlier conferences have dealt with intermarriage and its implications, and with marital problems and divorce.

WIESENTHAL SAYS NAZIS PAID \$60, 000, 000 FOR FALSE ARGENTINE PASSPORTS

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Nazis seeking refuge after the end of World War II transferred hundreds of millions of dollars to Latin American countries, and \$60 million of their hidden funds went to Juan Peron, dictator of Argentina at that time, according to Simon Wiesenthal, director of the Documentation Center at Vienna, who is now visiting the United States.

Mr. Wiesenthal made his disclosures at a public meeting here arranged by the Farband-Labor Zionist Order and the Organization of Jewish Victims of Nazis in the United States. He said that thousands of Nazi war criminals obtained fraudulent passports to enter Argentina as a result of the money given to Peron. Nazis also have taken refuge in large numbers, he said, in Brazil, Chile and Uruguay. Other speakers at the meeting included Jacob Katzman, general-secretary of the Farband, and Moses Socachevsky, president of the organization of Nazi victims.

SAVANNAH JEWISH YOUTH STARTS CAMPAIGN FOR RIGHTS OF SOVIET JEWRY

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 30. (JTA) -- A petition addressed to Soviet Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin, requesting him to correct the abuses under which Russian Jewry suffers religious and cultural discriminations, was signed here by 600 persons within a few days after organized Jewish youth in this community started circulating the petition on Purim, last Sunday.

The petition, spelling out the various anti-Jewish discriminations against Russian Jewry in the religious and cultural fields, calls on Premier Kosygin also "to provide a climate whereby anti-Semitism will be ended and discrimination and propaganda against the Jews be stopped." The petition is only one of four points in a broad program mapped on the Russian Jewish issue by the youth here under the auspices of the Savannah Jewish Council and the local Jewish Educational Alliance. The other points are:

- 1) Erection of an Eternal Light in front of the JEA premises, to call attention to the plight of the USSR's 3,000,000 Jews.
- 2) Request all Jewish organizations and heads of families here to include in this Passover's seder services special prayers on behalf of Russian Jewry.
- 3) Conduct a campaign among all non-Jewish as well as Jewish organizations and leaders here, including churches, synagogues, civil rights leaders and public officials, toward participation in the drive for adding more signatures to the petition to be sent to Premier Kosygin. That campaign is to be culminated with paid advertisements in the local press by May 1.

QUEBEC GOVT. URGED TO GIVE AID TO MONTREAL JEWISH DAY SCHOOLS

MONTREAL, March 30. (JTA) -- The need for the Quebec Government to give assistance to Jewish day schools in Montreal, as a solution to the rising costs of education, was noted in the annual report delivered by Ben Beutel, president, at the 27th annual meeting of the United Talmud Torahs of Montreal.

"Parochial education is often an unselfish sacrifice on the part of parents anxious to impart Hebrew religious education to their children," he said. "We are constantly striving, because of the cold fact of constantly rising costs in education generally, for some financial assistance from the Provincial Government."

Mr. Beutel noted that, although 3,000 children attend Talmud Torah "out of the free choice of their parents," their secular education "would otherwise have to be absorbed out of public funds." The report welcomed the recently-proposed legislation by the Quebec Government to increase to \$350 per year the statutory subsidy for each child attending a recognized private educational institution on the secondary level.

JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE ASKS N.Y. GOVERNOR TO VETO GROUP LIBEL BILL

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- The New York Jewish Labor Committee and the National Trade Union Council for Human Rights urged Gov. Nelson Rockefeller to veto a "group libel" bill that would make it unlawful to make defamatory statements against religious, ethnic and other groups. The two groups charged the bill was "too vague and sweeping."

David I. Ashe, chairman of the New York JLC and Charles S. Zimmerman, chairman of the NTUC, issued a statement describing the bill as "a serious danger to freedom of expression." The bill was passed by the State Assembly last week, after it had previously been approved by the State Senate.

NATHAN APPELMAN NAMED RECIPIENT OF LEHMAN HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Nathan Appelman, philanthropic and communal leader, has been named the recipient of the 1967 Herbert H. Lehman Human Relations Award, it was announced here today by Morris B. Abram, president of the American Jewish Committee, which sponsors the annual award.

"Mr. Appelman is being honored as the person who best exemplifies those creative achievements that characterized Herbert H. Lehman's outstanding career of public service," the announcement stated. The Lehman Award was established in 1963, shortly before Governor Lehman's death, to honor the long-time leader of the American Jewish Committee. The award is in the form of a three-inch silver medallion portrait of Gov. Lehman, sculptured in bas-relief.

RICHARD TUCKER, NOTED OPERA SINGER, TO CONDUCT SEDERS IN VIET NAM

NEW YORK, March 30. (JTA) -- Richard Tucker, the noted Metropolitan Opera tenor, announced today that he planned to conduct two Passover seder services on April 24 and 25 in Saigon, South Viet Nam, for the armed forces. He said he will be accompanied by Dr. William Rosenblum of Temple Israel.