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EBAN SOUNDS WARNING TO SYRIA; SPEAKS IN KNESSET ON SYRIAN VIOLATIONS

JERUSALEM, April 5. (JTA) -- Israel sternly warned Syria today "not to delude herself" into thinking it has found a "formula for one-sided war." He said that Israel will continue to maintain her security "by all means at her disposal."

The warning was voiced in the Knesset (Parliament) by Foreign Minister Abba Eban in reply to a motion by one of the opposition groups, Gahal, the fusion of the Herut and Liberal parties, which demanded an open debate on the suspension of meetings by the Israeli-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission. That Commission's sessions have been in abeyance since February 2, due to Syria's insistence on broadening the agreed-upon agenda which should deal only with land cultivation in the demilitarized zones on the Israeli-Syrian frontiers.

Parliament supported the Foreign Minister, who insisted that the ISMAC agenda should be discussed only in the Commission, not in the Knesset. Gahal charged that "Israel's restraint and waiting for Syria to resume the ISMAC session has put Israel in an impossible situation." Gahal noted that Syria had resumed its violations of Israeli territory at the rate of more than 13 violations a day, that 270 violations had occurred in the last two months, and that acts of sabotage inside Israel are continuing.

On behalf of the Government, Mr. Eban accepted those figures. But, while requesting that the ISMAC item be left for debate inside that U.N. body, he told the Knesset:

"Israel's right to self defense is unimpaired. Her right to resist aggression and protect her citizens and her territory is the over-riding concern, and decisions on this point have been taken without reference to the ISMAC talks, which have been suspended since February 2. That suspension does not create an open season for saboteurs. Israel is always willing to work toward peace. But, in the absence of peace, she will continue to maintain her security by all means at her disposal."

KNESSET COMMITTEE APPROVES \$15,000,000 FOR EMPLOYMENT PROJECTS

JERUSALEM, April 5. (JTA) -- The immediate expenditure of \$45,000,000 pounds (\$15,000,000) for employment projects to provide jobs in Israel's heavy unemployment was approved yesterday by the Finance Committee of Israel's Parliament. Twenty-five million pounds (\$8,333,000) will be spent on road development and the remainder on water supply projects, hospitals and government building.

The committee also decided to pick up \$32,000,000 in foreign debts of Rassco and repay them in pounds. Rassco invests in construction projects and housing developments. The total debt of the company in local currency, which must be taken up to keep the firm solvent, is estimated at 56,000,000 pounds (\$18,600,000).

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir told Parliament tonight that the Ellern Bank, one of two taken over by the Israel State Bank after shortcomings were found in the records of the banks, still had not been sold. The Finance Minister said that a Canadian businessman, Ben Dunkelman had withdrawn his offer and that two Israeli bidders -- the General Workers Bank and the Manufacturers Association -- had made offers which were considered inadequate. The Minister denied reports that the Ellern Bank would be permanently managed by the State Bank.

Israel Plans Preferential Employment for New Immigrants

LONDON, April 5. (JTA) -- Plans whereby new immigrants in Israel would be encouraged to take employment even ahead of Israelis were outlined here today by Yigal Allon, Israel's Minister of Labor, who addressed the 17th annual conference of Pioneer Women.

Other plans aimed at helping new immigrants, Mr. Allon said, included special schemes for professionals, intensive Hebrew training courses and the establishment of a single central office for each reception area, so that the new immigrant would have to visit only one office instead of many.

ISRAEL GOVT. DECISION INDICATES PLANNING FOR NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

JERUSALEM, April 5. (JTA) -- A Government decision that Israel's Atomic Energy Commission be consulted before any additional power plants are built pointed today to the possibility that the next power plant may be a nuclear one. The commission met here under the chairmanship of Premier Levi Eshkol to consider plans to establish a central nuclear accelerator at the Dimona reactor in the Negev.

SOVIET JEWISH GENERAL SENDS LETTER OF PROTEST TO BEN-GURION

JERUSALEM, April 5. (JTA) -- A Soviet Jewish general sent an "open letter" to former Premier David Ben-Gurion, protesting Ben-Gurion's statements on the plight of Soviet Jewry.

The letter, published here today, was written in perfect Hebrew and dated March 30 in Moscow. It was sent to the daily newspaper Maariv by ordinary mail. The writer, describing himself as Lieutenant General Hirsh Plaskow, 68, severely criticized "Knesset Member Ben-Gurion" for his alleged statements on Soviet Jewry during his visit to New York last month. The letter asserted that the former Premier had compared Soviet policy toward Jews with that of the Nazis.

The Soviet letter-writer, who signed his name in a flowing Hebrew handwriting, declared that Soviet authorities succeeded in withdrawing hundreds of thousands of Jews from World War II combat zones threatened by the advancing German troops in the invasion of Russia. About himself, he said that he was born in Minsk and had studied at a yeshiva because his father wanted him to be a rabbi but that he had chosen to become a soldier. He added that "my son also is an officer in the Soviet army." He said Mr. Ben-Gurion's statements in New York were a "gross slander."

MOSCOW TO PUBLISH BIBLE STORIES FOR CHILDREN FOR FIRST TIME

LONDON, April 5. (JTA) -- For the first time since the Communist Revolution of 1917, Soviet children will be able to read Old Testament Bible stories in public schools, libraries and homes. An illustrated book entitled, "The Tower of Babel," has been edited by Kornei Chukovsky and submitted for publication, it was announced today in Moscow.

Chukovsky, 85, is Russia's most famous children's poet. The book is written in poetic style. Among the Bible stories told are the Old Testament accounts of the Flood and Noah's Ark, the Tower of Babel, David and Goliath, and Balaam's Ass.

Meanwhile, Moscow's Chief Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin was reported here to have said yesterday that two bakeries had prepared and delivered 154,000 pounds of matzoh for observant Jews in Moscow.

DR. GOLDMANN VISITS PRAGUE AND BUDAPEST: ADDRESSES JEWISH LEADERS

BUDAPEST, April 5. (JTA) -- A World Jewish Congress delegation to the Jewish communities of Eastern Europe, headed by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, completed a visit to Czechoslovakia and is now in Hungary with Rumania and Yugoslavia the next countries on the tour.

In Prague, the Jewish leaders were received by leaders of the federations of Jewish communities in Bohemia-Moravia and Slovakia, headed by presidents Dr. F. Fuchs and Dr. Benjamin Eichler, and by Dr. A. Kollman, Prague Jewish community chairman. A special meeting of the two federations, attended also by delegates of outlying communities, heard Dr. Goldmann express appreciation for the invitation to the delegation and a tribute to the loyalty of the remnants of Czech Jewry to their community. He presented a survey of the position of the Jewish people throughout the world and said the problems of the Jewish people could be solved only by close cooperation between the Jewish communities of the East and the West.

The Jewish leaders visited the sites of the Theresienstadt Nazi concentration camp and Lidice, the town where the Nazis murdered every male in reprisal for the assassination of Reinhold Heydrich, the Nazi head for occupied Czechoslovakia. They also placed wreaths at the Martyr's Memorial in the Pinkas Synagogue in Prague and attended Friday evening services in Prague's main synagogue where they joined hundreds of congregants in prayer.

The visitors took part in a festive session in Budapest of the Council of Jewish Communities of Hungary on the 25th anniversary of Hungary's Liberation from the Nazis. Dr. Goldmann told the assembled 300 Council members and leaders of outlying communities that he associated himself with the tributes on the occasion to the Red Army. He urged Hungarian Jewry to assure the survival of the decimated Jewish community. The delegation visited various Jewish institutions, including the house where Theodor Herzl, founder of modern political Zionism, was born in 1860.

The delegation includes Dr. G. M. Riegner, WJC secretary general, Armand Kaplan, deputy director of the WJC international affairs department, and Dr. S. J. Roth, executive director of the WJC European division, who joined the group in Hungary.

The delegation will spend another two days in Hungary before leaving for Rumania where the delegation-members will meet with Jewish community and religious leaders.

SEN. JAVITS URGES EASING OF N.Y. STATE BAN ON AID TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

ALBANY, N.Y., April 5. (JTA) -- Sen. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, called on the New York State Constitutional Convention yesterday to ease the state's restrictions on public funds for religious and other non-public schools. The convention, the first in 29 years, has the task of rewriting the state's constitution.

Sen. Javits cited Article XI, section 3 of the present constitution, known as the Blaine Amendment, which bans the use of public money "directly or indirectly" to such schools. He contrasted the state position with the wording of the First Amendment to the federal constitution which bans any law "respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

The Senator said that he considered the separation of church and state "as a vital first principal of American society" and that he felt its observance in education "particularly in elementary and secondary school education, of the highest importance." But he insisted that the state ban on aid "is clearly different" from the federal constitution's ban.

He called the state law "too restrictive" and said it should be "modified in accordance with the federal principle." He described the situation in the federal area as one in which the United States Supreme Court "has been moving in a series of decisions toward permitting governmental aid to the students in a parochial school for the study of secular subjects or for other secular aspects of his education but not to the school itself for religious instruction or observance."

He noted that he had followed that principle in the Senate by supporting Federal aid to college students under the National Defense Education Act and the Higher Education Act of 1965 and aid to students from poor families in primary and secondary schools under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

He declared that the "dual school system" permitted in the United States was "so much a part of the educational structure" in New York state that the state "cannot afford to provide less than a high quality of education to all our children and I believe this can be done constitutionally if the federal practice is followed."

CANADIAN ZIONIST CONVENTION URGES 'FULL SUPPORT' OF DAY SCHOOLS

TORONTO, April 5. (JTA) -- Canadian Zionists were urged today, in a resolution adopted at the founding convention of the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada, to pursue "a policy of maximum involvement in all phases of Jewish education."

The 1,000 delegates, in the same resolution, urged the national executive of the FZOC to call on all Zionists to extend their "fullest support" to day schools supporting the Zionist movement. The new national executive also was urged "to explore every avenue of financial support for Jewish day schools, including that of government aid."

In another resolution, the delegates called on the Government of Canada "to make known to the Government of West Germany the anxiety of the Canadian people over the rise of Nazi sentiment in Germany." The resolution also appealed to the Western powers to prevent West Germany from "acquiring or gaining access to and control of any kind of nuclear weapons."

Another resolution noted that a government committee had recommended federal legislation to restrict the dissemination of hate propaganda against racial and religious groups in Canada. The resolution said the FZOC "together with the Canadian Jewish Congress," urged Parliament "to enact into law comprehensive legislation effectively outlawing genocide and hate propaganda."

Another resolution appealed to Soviet authorities to allow members of Jewish families in the Soviet Union to be reunited with other members in Israel and other countries.

The delegates hailed the observance of Canada's centennial and said that "during the past 100 years, Canada has been enriched by those who have sought to live within its borders according to their faith and beliefs." The resolution said that the Canadian Jewish community noted "with a sense of deep gratification" the fact that "the teachings of our sages are enshrined in the principles of Canadian confederation."

HEBREW UNIVERSITY FORESEES DIFFICULTIES IN BALANCING ITS BUDGET

JERUSALEM, April 5. (JTA) -- Shmuel Lustig, head of the Hebrew University finance committee, said today that university officials could see no way to balance the school's 1967-1968 budget.

According to a report in the Jerusalem Post, the university official said that anticipated revenues for that fiscal year were 59,000,000 pounds (\$20,000,000) and expenditures were expected to be between 62,000,000 and 69,000,000 pounds (\$23,000,000).

DR. CAROL POLAK, JEWISH PROFESSOR, BECOMES MEMBER OF DUTCH CABINET

AMSTERDAM, April 5. (JTA) -- The new Dutch Cabinet announced yesterday includes a Jew, Dr. Carol Polak, 47, as Justice Minister. Prof. Polak of the University of Leiden is the fourth Jewish Justice Minister in Dutch Parliamentary history.

15 GERMANS WANTED FOR NAZI WAR CRIMES REPORTED RESIDING IN CANADA

TORONTO, April 5. (JTA) -- Simon Wiesenthal, director of the Jewish Documentation Center in Vienna, told the press here that he had the names of 15 persons in Canada wanted for Nazi war crimes. However, he declined to reveal their names.

"I cannot name them," he said, because I am working on these cases through the official channels." He said he had given some of the names to the Canadian Embassy in Vienna. In the case of five of the individuals, he said he had documents showing their involvement in the crimes. Most of these he said were Latvians who had helped the Nazi regime, he said.

FLORIDA FIRM ENDS IMPORT OF SPANISH LANGUAGE ANTI-SEMITIC BOOKS

MIAMI, April 5. (JTA) -- The Goyescas Corporation, Florida's largest importer of Spanish-language publications, which has been doing a brisk trade here in anti-Semitic literature, announced that it has discontinued the import and sale of the anti-Semitic works.

Disclosure that the American book market has been flooded recently with anti-Semitic literature in Spanish, produced in Mexico, was made recently in New York at a meeting of leaders of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. Last week, the Jewish Floridian, local weekly, reported that these books are being sold here "almost faster than they can be imported," since Miami's Spanish-reading public has increased vastly through the influx of Cuban refugees.

Henry Wolff, chairman of the ADL's Florida regional board, and Arthur Teitelbaum, director of the ADL regional office here, hailed the book firm's announcement today. Among the volumes distributed by Goyescas until now have been Spanish translations of the notorious canard, "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," and other works picturing "international Jewry" as responsible for world wars and "conspiracies against the human race."

WEST COAST RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY APPROVES CALIFORNIA ABORTION BILL

LOS ANGELES, April 5. (JTA) -- The West Coast region of the Rabbinical Assembly, the association of Conservative rabbis, has unanimously approved an abortion bill now before the California Senate, Rabbi Bert Woythaler of Los Angeles, regional chairman, reported today.

The measure is Senate Bill No. 462, the Therapeutic Abortion Bill. Rabbi Kalman Friedman of Encino, chairman of the regional Conservative Beth Din (Jewish religious court) said that the endorsement was consistent with Jewish Religious Law which recognizes the foetus as a child only in the last few months of its development before birth. The action had been recommended by the regional social actions committee.

NEW HEBREW BRAILLE CODE TO BE TESTED BY U.S. RABBI IN JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, April 5. (JTA) -- Rabbi Harry J. Brevis, a member of the faculty of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion at Los Angeles, left here for Jerusalem today to test a revision of the Hebrew Braille Code with students at the Jerusalem Institute for the Blind. Through his revised Code, Rabbi Brevis said before his departure, he hopes to condense many vital Hebrew works, including the Bible to proportions more easily managed by the sightless.

The Russian-born rabbi, educated in this country, lost his eyesight in 1927, after he had begun practicing law. He then shifted to study for the rabbinate, being ordained later at the Jewish Institute for Religion in New York. He evolved a Hebrew Braille code which is now standard for sightless persons using the Hebrew language. Among his works has been an anthology of Hebrew literature. While here on his way to Israel, he was feted by the Jewish Braille Institute of America, at its New York headquarters, in connection with publication of that anthology's second edition. The first edition had been issued by the U.S. Library of Congress in 1935.

DR. WINER, U.S. JEWISH SCIENTIST, ADDRESSES MEDICAL CONGRESS IN LONDON

LONDON, April 5. (JTA) -- A paper dealing with early diagnosis of acute myocardial infarction was delivered here today before the European Congress of Ballistocardiography by Dr. Nahum J. Winer, a Jewish scientist, of the Lenox Hill Hospital in New York. He had been invited to address the congress by the Royal Society of Medicine.