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Dayan, Under Fire From Cabinet, Promises Not To Voice Views Publicly

JERUSALEM, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Defense Minister Moshe Dayan came under fire from his colleagues at today's Cabinet meeting and promised to abstain from giving public expression to his views on the Jarring peace talks and the cease-fire if they ran counter to government policy. Gen. Dayan has been widely quoted in recent weeks as advocating Israel's return to the Jarring talks without special conditions and proposing a mutual disengagement of Israeli and Egyptian forces in the Suez Canal zone. Gen. Dayan's views were not criticized on their merits but because they were voiced publicly. Foreign Minister Abba Eban was especially incensed. He reportedly said the publicity given the Defense Minister's proposal to return to the Jarring talks without "rectification" of Egyptian truce violations made him "look foolish" at a time when he was negotiating with the United States. An official communique issued after today's cabinet meeting said the government "will act in accordance with the Prime Minister's statement to the Knesset on Nov. 16 for the creation of conditions which will justify implementation of the government's Aug. 4 resolution." The latter resolution, approved by the Knesset, represented Israel's acceptance of the American Mideast peace initiative including a 90-day cease-fire and indirect peace talks with the Arabs under the auspices of United Nations envoy Gunnar V. Jarring.

Mrs. Meir said in a Knesset speech last Monday that Israel was prepared to resume the Jarring talks "if the proper conditions for this are created." The nature of those conditions was on the agenda of today's cabinet meeting but no decision was reached and at least one more session will be required to work out a formula, informed sources said. Foreign Minister Eban reported to Premier Meir yesterday on his latest talks with U.S. officials. Mr. Eban returned to Israel Friday. Foreign Ministry officials said Friday that Mr. Eban obtained "very satisfactory American pledges requiring additional economic aid and arms supplies." They would neither confirm nor deny press reports that the U.S. will give Israel an additional \$200 million in 1971 beyond the \$500 million already earmarked for Israel in the Pentagon's fiscal 1971 authorization bill. There was no evidence that Mr. Eban succeeded in persuading the U.S. to replace its present day-to-day arms aid with a contractual agreement running into 1972.

According to reports published abroad Friday, UN envoy Jarring indicated in New York last week that he holds Israel responsible for the breakdown of the Jarring talks and had appealed to the Israeli leaders "more than once" to resume the discussions. Dr. Jarring returned to his ambassadorial post in Moscow last week with the understanding that he would be available on short notice at UN headquarters in New York "if conditions warranted." Official sources reported today that Defense Minister Dayan dissociated himself with recently published accounts of his views on the Jarring talks and the cease-fire. Gen. Dayan indicated that his proposed disengagement in the Suez zone was misunderstood. He was not advocating an Israeli withdrawal without a peace settlement but merely a reduction of the heavy military concentrations on both sides of the canal. This would strengthen the cease-fire and allow Egyptian civilians to return to the canal zone and could ultimately lead to the re-opening of the waterway, sources said. Gen. Dayan suggested that the demilitarized strips could be policed by light patrols on both sides. He reportedly believes that chances for achieving a real peace with Egypt are minimal at this time and that Israel should consider an interim arrangement which would prevent a renewal of fighting.

Soviet Authorities Postpone Trial Of 12 Charged With Hijacking Until Dec. 12

LONDON, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Soviet authorities have postponed until Dec. 15 the trial of 12 persons, most of them Jews, charged with the attempted hijacking of a Soviet airliner at Leningrad airport last June, it was learned here today. The trial was supposed to have begun last Friday. The postponement was not officially announced but was reported from Jewish sources. The sources said it would be one of four trials involving 31 people, all but two of them Jews. The 19 others were arrested in secret police crackdowns in four Russian cities after the alleged hijacking attempt. They are reportedly charged with anti-Soviet activities. Jewish sources said all 31 were being prosecuted for their desire to emigrate to Israel and to strengthen Jewish culture in the USSR. It was not clear whether the trials would be held concurrently or at intervals. A Russian Jew arrested on the U.S. Embassy steps in Moscow two weeks ago was freed last Wednesday after spending seven days in jail, it was learned here today. Leonid G. Rigelman, 30, was prevented by police from entering the Embassy where he had filed a claim for American citizenship. He was charged with resisting an officer. Rigelman, who is Russian born, claims U.S. citizenship on grounds that his mother was born in the U.S. and his father is a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Inquiry Begun Into Crash Of Transport Plane; Report Explosion Preceded Crash

TEL AVIV, Nov. 22 (JTA)--A special committee of aeronautical experts and flight engineers opened an inquiry today into the crash of a new Israeli turbo-prop transport on a training flight last Thursday. The crash took the lives of three men, including Israel's chief test pilot, Avraham Hachohen. A fourth crew-member parachuted safely. The plane, a twin-engine "Arava" designed and built by Israel Aircraft Industries Ltd., was the prototype of Israel's first commercial transport that was due to enter commercial service next April. It crashed in the hills near Tulkarem on the West Bank. The sole survivor, David Levin, is an American employed by Israel Aircraft Industries as a test pilot. Last night he reported on the fatal flight to Defense Minister Moshe Dayan. He was accompanied by Al Schwimmer, another American expatriate, who is director general of Aircraft Industries. The investigating committee

is trying to piece together the circumstances that led to the crash. Experts are combing the crash area to find pieces of the plane spread over a radius of more than two miles. According to eye-witnesses, the plane crashed after an explosion sheered off one wing.

Promoters Of Auto Race Reschedule Contest; Given \$60,000 In Compensation

TEL AVIV, Nov. 22 (JTA)--The promoters of an international automobile race in Ashkelon accepted "compensation" in the amount of nearly \$60,000 to reschedule the contest from yesterday to today, thereby meeting the demands of religious zealots who had threatened mass demonstrations against "desecration" of the Sabbath. The deal, which is already being widely criticized in Israel as a "pay off," was negotiated by Mayor Oved Men Aml of Nathanya, who offered his services as mediator to his colleague, Mayor Rahavia Adivi of Ashkelon. Mayor Ben Ami said he couldn't conceive of world-wide television carrying the spectacle of Orthodox Jews in prayer shawls wailing in the streets of Ashkelon, an image reminiscent of the Nazi era in Europe. The money, apparently raised in Orthodox quarters, compensates the sponsors of the race for the loss incurred by holding it on Sunday, an ordinary working day in Israel. Only about 10,000 of the expected 50,000 spectators showed up. Thousands of ticket-holders demanded refunds when the re-scheduling was announced.

Assembly Of Western European Nations Urge End Of Military Aid To Mideast

LONDON, Nov. 22 (JTA)--The Assembly of Western European Unions has recommended unanimously that the Council of Ministers propose a draft agreement on the cessation of military aid to the Middle East parties. The Assembly, at its meeting Friday, also called on the Council to encourage the prompt initiation of partial negotiations between the parties to help insure the success of the Jarring mission and a peaceful settlement with secure boundaries for all. The Assembly asked the ministers to pursue Mideast discussions from a European point of view. Former Conservative Prime Minister Duncan Sandys, seeking to overcome the drawbacks implicit in a joint Soviet-American guarantee of any Mideast settlement, proposed that in addition to a United Nations force, an impartial observer corps chosen by the UN be stationed in the area. It would look for military movements across borders or air attacks, and would instantly name the aggressor.

Belgin Optimistic Liberals Will Reconsider Refusal To Merge With Gahal

JERUSALEM, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Relations are not running smoothly between Herut and the Liberal Party, the two factions that comprise Gahal, Israel's second largest political grouping. The trouble stems from the Liberals' refusal to merge with Herut. Liberal leader Joseph Sapir said at the Gahal convention a week ago that the time was "not ripe" for a merger. Menachem Beigin, leader of Herut, denounced that decision today. He told newsmen, "I do not take this resolution as a rejection and I look forward to the day when the Liberals will consider the time ripe." He said he thought a complete union of the two factions was necessary. Gahal was a member of Premier Golda Meir's coalition government until last August when it quit the cabinet in protest against Israel's acceptance of the American peace initiative. Gahal is bitterly opposed to peace talks with the Arabs under the auspices of UN mediator Gunnar V. Jarring.

Israeli Arab Confesses To Bombing Bus Station; Arab Village Council Condemns Terror

TEL AVIV, Nov. 22 (JTA)--A 25-year-old Israeli Arab confessed to police that he planted two hand grenades in the Tel Aviv bus terminal three weeks ago which caused the blast that killed two persons and injured 25 others. Police did not reveal the name of the suspect, but identified him as a resident of Baqa el Gharbiya village, near Hadera and said he was working for a terrorist ring in East Jerusalem. More arrests are expected shortly. In an urgent session convened this morning, the Community Council of Baqa el Gharbiya passed a resolution condemning all "terror outrages" against the State of Israel. In its resolution, the village Council declared that this young man's act was an exception to the rule and that the residents of the village are loyal to the State of Israel. The death toll in the explosion rose to two on Friday when a 23-year-old Israeli soldier, Abraham Hadari, succumbed to his wounds. The first victim who was killed instantly was a young immigrant from Iraq. Police said their suspect who speaks fluent Hebrew re-enacted the crime. Police also revealed today that 12 Arabs suspected of throwing grenades in Jerusalem during the past few months have been arrested and that searches in the occupied territories have yielded arms caches.

Military Authorities Report Six PFLP Guerrillas Killed In Gaza Strip

TEL AVIV, Nov. 22 (JTA)--The deaths of six Arab guerrillas in the Gaza Strip during the past week were reported by military authorities today. Three killed in a clash with an Israeli patrol were identified as members of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Two others were wounded and captured. One Israeli soldier was slightly wounded in the encounter. Three other guerrillas, believed to be members of El Fatah, were found dead in a Gaza refugee camp. All were on the wanted list. They are believed to have been murdered by a rival organization.

AJCongress Presents 1970 Stephen Wise Awards To Warren, Swig, Polier

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Former Chief Justice Earl Warren of the United States Supreme Court accepted the 1970 Stephen Wise Award for "distinguished achievement in advancing human freedom" at the annual Stephen Wise Awards dinner of the American Jewish Congress here tonight. He warned, in an address to the 500 guests, that racial discrimination in the U.S. "has persisted to the point where it threatens the very existence of our institutions and the premise on which they are based. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld of Cleveland, AJCongress president, presented the awards. Stephen Wise Awards were also presented to Benjamin H. Swig, a San Francisco hotel owner and philanthropist and Shad Polier, a N.Y. attorney who is past chairman of the AJCongress' national governing council. Mr. Polier was honored for more than 25 years of leadership in the Congress. Mr. Swig's award was for "distinguished achievement in strengthening Jewish life."

Students From Several Countries Map Measures To Protest Trial Of Soviet Jews

LONDON, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Jewish student representatives from several countries met here today to discuss measures they would take in connection with the forthcoming trials of 31 Russian Jews. The first of the trials was scheduled to open in Leningrad last Friday but was postponed until Dec. 15, according to Jewish sources. Today's meeting was convened by the world executive of the World Union of Jewish Students. On the agenda was coordinated world-wide action to call public attention to the trials. According to Jewish sources the proceedings will be "show trials" intended to intimidate other Soviet Jews who have publicly demanded the right to emigrate to Israel and who have protested the cultural repression of Jews at home. In addition to arousing world opinion, the students plan to express their concern directly to Soviet authorities. The meeting issued a call to Soviet Jews to keep up their courage and continue to struggle for their rights.

Jewish Community Conducts 31-Minute 'Service Of Concern' For Soviet Jews

DES MOINES, Iowa, Nov. 22 (JTA)--A 31-minute "Service of Concern" was scheduled to be conducted this morning on the front lawn of Tifereth Israel Synagogue to dramatize the plight of the 31 Soviet Jews facing trial. A spokesman for the city's Jewish community said a telegram was sent to Washington to Anatoly Dobrynin, Soviet Ambassador to the United States, expressing solidarity with the Soviet Jews "whose only crime is their passion for Judaism." The telegram, in the name of the city's 3,000 Jews expressed alarm with "the trends and developments within Russia which portend the cultural death of Soviet Jewry." It urged "responsible Russian leadership" to release the 31 Jews, to honor Premier Alexsei Kosygin's 1966 commitment that Soviet Jews who wish to leave to be reunited with their families abroad be permitted to do so, to permit Soviet Jews to maintain formal bonds with world Jewry, and to allow them to maintain Jewish education and their cultural and communal institutions. The telegram ended with the exhortation: "Either let our people live or let our people go."

Eight Jewish Students Take Over Tass Office; Charged With Unlawful Entry

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Eight area Jewish students entered the offices of Tass, the Soviet news agency on Friday and chained themselves to each other in protest against the treatment of Soviet Jews. The five young men and three young women were removed forcibly by the police and dragged from the premises as they shouted "Let my people go" and "Help the Jews in Russia." Their removal from the offices on the second floor of the National Press Building was witnessed by a score of newsmen, security officers and Soviet Embassy officials. A spokesman for the demonstrators said they were members of the Washington Committee for the Release of Captive Soviet Jewry and that they had been admitted to the Tass offices after knocking on the door. They chained themselves together after hanging a red banner adorned with hammer-and-sickle and swastika on the window. No injuries were reported. The students' spokesman, Dr. William G. Perl, a clinical psychologist of College Park, Md., said the demonstration was staged to protest the scheduled opening in Leningrad of "show trials" of Jews. He identified the demonstrators as Sheldon Zeller and Deborah (Divi) Faber of the University of Maryland and Eve Berger, Sue Parke, Mark Rosenbaum, Feri Gore, Gil Genn and Mark Brand of American University here. They were charged with unlawful entry and failure to leave the premises.

One of the observers was Vladislav Shimanovsky, a Soviet political attache. As the students chanted "One, two three, four, open up the prison door/ five six, seven, eight, open up the prison gate," he told newsmen "It would be inhuman to send people to a country that is in a state of war," alluding to Israel. He called the demonstration "part of a vicious campaign by certain (American) circles" and "not just an accident." The Soviet attache insisted that such demonstrations "can only hurt, not help, the situation of Jews in the Soviet Union." Dr. Perl said the demonstration was staged "to attract the journalistic profession" to the plight of Soviet Jews. He said 80,400 Soviet Jewish families had applied for emigration permission. But Mr. Shimanovsky declared: "Most Jews do not want to leave the Soviet Union. They have higher salaries and better education." Dr. Perl interjected that "This is old Nazi propaganda."

Tekoah Presents Hambro With Emigration Plea By 291 Jews Of Georgian Republic

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Nov. 22 (JTA)--Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah discussed on Friday the plight of Soviet Jewry with General Assembly President Edvard I. Hambro of Norway, and presented him with an emigration plea signed by 291 Jews of Kulashi, Georgian SSR. The letter, addressed to Dr. Hambro, asked him for aid in emigrating to Israel and appealed to him "to do everything that is possible so that the principles of freedom and all the rights of man should spread over all the Jews who wish to go to their historical Homeland." The signers said that "for several years" they had unsuccessfully been "trying to attain our inalienable right to live with our people in the Jewish state," but are rebuffed by Georgian authorities "without giving any explanation for the refusal." Continuing their plea, the writers said that while they did not know what the future would bring them, they were "convinced" that "forced assimilation" faced their children, "and we declare with all our strength: 'We don't want to assimilate.'" When Dr. Hambro received a similar letter recently from Israeli Premier Golda Meir, it was understood that he would follow up on it behind the scenes, and it is expected that he will do the same in regard to this new letter. It is understood Dr. Hambro feels a public statement by him on the subject would be counter-productive.

Canadian Jewish Congress Plans Meetings To Dramatize Plight Of Soviet Jews

MONTREAL, Nov. 22 (JTA)--The first of a series of meetings to protest Soviet treatment of its Jews will take place here Tuesday, when Rabbi Gunther Plaut of Toronto will deliver an address on the plight of Soviet Jewry, it was announced here today by Mr. Saul Hayes, Queen's Counsel and Executive Vice-President of the Canadian Jewish Congress. The meetings are under the auspices of the Canadian Jewish Congress which is officially protesting the trial of Soviet Jews. "There are grave indications that a fresh cycle of 'show trials' of Jews charged with alleged crimes is underway," said Mr. Hayes.

Ben Novack, Hotel Owner, Donates \$1 Million To Israeli Philanthropies

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Nov. 22 (JTA)--Ben Novack, founder and owner of the Fontainebleau Hotel here, has donated \$1 million to Israeli philanthropies. The Histadrut Foundation and the Jewish National Fund will each receive \$250,000, with \$500,000 to be dispersed through the Israel Bonds Organization. The announcement of the gift was made by Israeli Consul General Moshe Gilboa at a meeting in the Fontainebleau of the Israel Histadrut Council of South Florida. The meeting on Friday honored Yehoshua Levy, Histadrut treasurer in Israel, who was here to confer with leaders of the American Israel Histadrut Foundation. Dr. Leon Kronish, rabbi of Temple Beth Shalom and national chairman of the Histadrut Foundation, said: "By this bequest, Ben Novack has shown that he fully understands that every American Jew has an additional dependent, aside from his own family. That dependent is the people of Israel." The Histadrut Foundation will use its \$250,000 to help build the Ben Novack Outpatient Clinic of the South Florida Medical Center in Beersheba--planned as the largest and best-equipped such clinic in the Negev. The medical center, now under construction adjacent to the Histadrut Central Negev Hospital will cost \$2 million and be affiliated with the new medical school of the University of the Negev. Mr. Novak is former chairman of the Miami Beach Tourist Development Authority.

Buffalo Jewish News Celebrates 50th Anniversary; Publishers Honored

BUFFALO, N.Y., Nov. 22 (JTA)--The Buffalo Jewish Review is marking its 50th anniversary and its editors and publishers, Ida and Elias Rex Jacobs, were honored here tonight. The couple received the Israel Freedom Medal at the local Israel Bond Organization's sixth annual dinner. The Buffalo Jewish Review, an English-Jewish weekly, was founded in 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs were awarded the medal "in recognition of their devotion and dedication to their community, and of their identification with all causes affecting the welfare of the Jewish people."

Hebrew Day Schools Chart 10 Year Program; Seek Federal, State, Communal Aid

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Dr. Joseph Kaminetsky, National Director of Torah Umesorah, the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools, has announced the initiation of an intensive 10-year "crash" program to provide the Jewish communities in the U.S. and Canada with an additional 200 Hebrew Day Schools. As the first step in the Day School movement's 10 year plan, Torah Umesorah will attempt to raise \$300,000 in 1971. At the present time, Torah Umesorah has a network of some 425 schools in 31 states and 5 Canadian provinces. For the next decade it projects 125 new elementary schools and 75 high schools, 20 of which are scheduled to serve such regional areas as the Southeast, Mid-West and the West Coast. Speaking at the 27th annual dinner of Torah Umesorah held here last week, Dr. Kaminetsky declared that every Jewish community in the U.S. with a Jewish population of 7,500 or better, "with one exception," already has a Hebrew Day School. He did not identify the "one exception."

Plans for the next decade, he added hopefully "will see the establishment of a Hebrew Day School in at least every community with a Jewish population of 2,500 or better," and also urged the establishment of a central educational agency similar to Torah Umesorah in England. He stated that future partners-in-aid in his agency's massive effort would probably be the Federal and State governments as well as the communal funds of the Jewish community. "The government must make freedom of choice in education a viable option. Hence we expect more involvement in terms of state aid for the secular portion of the Hebrew Day School effort, and we also think that the Jewish community and its welfare funds must reorder its priorities away from social welfare and recreation and towards the crucial question of 'to be or not to be' Jewish by increased funding of Hebrew Day Schools," said Dr. Kaminetsky. At the annual dinner, a sum of \$150,000 towards the projected \$300,000 was pledged.

More Than 2000 Groups Around The World To Celebrate Jewish Book Month

NEW YORK, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Under the sponsorship of the Jewish Book Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board here, the 28th annual celebration of "Jewish Book Month" began this weekend. More than 2,000 groups in the U.S., Canada, Israel, South America and Australia have planned programs and observances of this cultural event. The purpose of the event is to "give much needed impetus to the wider dissemination of books in English, Yiddish and Hebrew describing Jewish life in different countries," according to Dr. Judah Nadich, president of the Jewish Book Council. The theme of "Jewish Book Month" will be "Around the World With Jewish Books," which also keyed last year's events. Programs marking the observance of the event will include book fairs, dramatizations, lectures, forum panel discussions, exhibits, radio and television presentations and book reviews.

Dr. Richard Feder, Chief Rabbi Of Slovakia, Dies At 95

PRAGUE, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Dr. Richard Feder, Chief Rabbi of Slovakia, died here Friday at the age of 95. Dr. Feder, a survivor of the Terezin (Theresienstadt) Concentration Camp, was a noted Talmudic scholar and theologian. After the war he proved an effective leader of the Czech Jews and remained vigorous until his death. His 95th birthday last August was celebrated by both Czech Jews and the state authorities.

Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, Past President Of Dropsie College, Dies At 80

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 22 (JTA)--Funeral services were held today for Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, a leading Jewish historian and past president of Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning (now Dropsie University) who died here Friday at the age of 80. Austrian born, Dr. Neuman was brought to the United States at the age of eight and was educated at Columbia University in New York and at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America where he was ordained as a rabbi in 1912. He taught history at the Seminary and went to Dropsie College in 1913 where he organized the history department and late departments of Jewish philosophy and Hebrew literature. In 1941 he succeeded Dr. Cyrus Adler as president, an office he held until 1966. Dr. Neuman was author of "The Jews in Spain: Their Social, Political and Cultural Life During the Middle Ages," in two volumes. At the time of his death he was working on a third volume, "The Jews in Spain in the 16th Century."