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MRS, MEIR ACCUSES NEWS MEDIA OF WITCH-HUNT IN REPORT OF PROBES INTO ALLEGED SCANDALS INVOLVING FIRMS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA)--Premier Golda television of conducting a "witch-hunt" in the style of the late US Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy and of fan-ning a "lynching atmosphere." In a speech to the Labor Alignment's Knesset faction here, Mrs. Mer was referred to news media treatment of investigations into alleged scandals and mismanagement in the affairs of government-owned companies.

Her criticism was apparently prompted by a new attack yesterday on Justice Minister Yascov Shimshon Shapiro in the newspaper Haaretz. Columnist Natan Dunevitz acoused the Minister of having lied to the Knesset about his connections with Mordechair Friedman, managing director of the Netivel Netfoll company currently under investigation. Mrs. Metr said the press, radio and television acted as if they were run by the opposition. "All we need now are peoples courts to decide whom to hang next," she declared.

She claimed that newspaper editors admit pri-

vately that they sensationalize news to keep ahead of their competitors. According to the Haaretz columnist, Shapiro did not tell the truth when he said he had no knowledge of the fact that his own law firm had registered the Continental Oil Co. owned by Friedman who was also put in charge of Netivei Neft which is drilling oil in the Sinal pensula. Friedman has been accused of selling government equipment belonging to Netivei Neft to Continental Oil at a large discount.

Shapiro has denied the charges. He said Haaretz was mistaken if it though! It could coerce him into resigning or filing a libel suit while in office. No Minister of Justice has ever files libel suit during his tenure inasmuch as the judges hearing the case would be appointed by a committee of which the Justice Minister is a statutory

member.

CITY INFORMATION-GATHERING FORM RAPPED FOR EXCLUDING JEWS FROM QUESTIONNAIRE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (JTA).—The Association of Jewish Anti-Poverty Workers charged today that Jews were deliberately excluded from an information-gathering form circulated by the Community Development Agency to ascertain which groups in the city are benefiting from anti-poverty programs. The charge was made by S. Elly Rosen, executive director of the Association, in a letter to Chairman Eleanor Holmes Norton of the City Commission on Human Rights,

Rosen accused Commissioner Major Owens of the CDA, the city's official overseer of anti-poverty programs, of "witfully and maliciously" excluding Jows from a statistical form known as MIS which is being sent to the city's 28 Community Corporations in poverty areas and to hundreds of delegate agencies, Mrs. Norto told the Jowish Telegraphic Agency this morning that she had not received the letter.

The MIS form, according to Rosen, lists nine racial and ethnic groups such as Blacks, Puerio Ricans, Mexican-Americans, Indians, Hattians, "and then for the 'rest' it lists 'Others." That designation, Rosen said, "apparently has become a new name for Jews in this town."

Charge CDA Not Really Interested

He said in his letter to Commissioner Norton that "it is particularly victous of the CDA to do this now, months after an admission by the HRA (City Human Resources Administration) and the OEO (Federal Office of Economic Opportunity) that Jews are not being adequately served by poverty programs in this city." Rosen added that "one of CDA's arguments is that information on this matter its difficult to obtain."

He claimed that the CDA was not really interested in the data or it would have included Jews in its list since Jews form the third largest poverty group in the city. "I'd on oth know how many Indians and Moxican-Americans we have in this city but I do know that the Jews are really concerned over the increasing indications that there are those in positions of power in this city seeking to undermine the Jewish community," Rosen declared in a statement for the Association. He claimed that Commissioner Owens was "stalling and unable or unwilling to give an acceptable response,"

RIPPS, KOCHUBIYEVSKY DUE IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Dec. 22 (JTA)—Ilya Ripps, the Latvian Jewish student who set himself afire April 12; 1969, in protest against rejection of his emigration application, has received a visa for ilinself and his family and is expected here with them soon, it was authoritatively learned here today. Ripps was hospitalized for several months for treatment of his burns and was laters sent to a mental asylum. He was released a few months ago, studied Hebrew at home and asked again for a visa. He is now around 23.

Meanwhile, it was also learned that Boris Kochubiyevsky, one of the first Soviet Jews to be tried for anti-Soviet slander after the Six-Day War, is on his way here. The 35-year-old engineer, who was released carlier this month after serving three years at hard labor, was headed today for Vienna with his wife and 2-year-old daughter.

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THANT: IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION 242

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 22 (ITA).—U Thant bid formal farewell to the United Nations today by asserting that it was "imperative" that Security Council Resolutice 242 be "fully implemented." The "long-steading problem of the Middle East," said the outgoing Secretary General, was first on the list of the UN's "unfinished business." Thant, who leaves office Dec. 31, praised his successor, Kurt Waldheim of Austria, as a "capable" man who is "held in high esteem by all those who have come to know him." Apart from his "well-known diplomatic ability." Thant added, "he has also shown a special talent for conciliation." (See separate story P, 3)

JARRING TO RESUME MISSION ON BASIS OF RESOLUTION 242 NOT ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA) -- Dr. Gunnar V. Jerring, the United Nations' Middle East peace emissary, told Foreign Minister Abba Eban in New York last week that he will resume his peace

mission on the basis of Security Council Resolution 242, not on the basis of the General Assembly resolution adopted last week, it was reliably learned today. The report bore out Eban's remark to UN correspondents the day before his meeting with Dr. Jarring last week that "His only mandate is the Security Council Resolution 242."

Whether or not the intermediary has in fact given up his demand for such an Israell commitment could not be confirmed by the sources, however. It appears that a new formula is being sought, possibly in line with the American suggestion that Israel declare in advance of negotiations her willingness to withdraw. The Jarring mission has been deadlooked since February, when Egypt but not Israel agreed to an Israell withdrawal commitment. Eban has asked the Arabs to face "reality" and try another approach to a solution, namely negotiation.

But sources said it was more logical at present to try to renew efforts for an interim agreement to reopen the Suez Canal than to renew the Jarring mission, which aims for an over-all settlement. A resumption of the American initiative for a canal pact appears to have already begun, and it is thought here that the return here next week of Israel's ambassador in Washington, Yittshak Rabin, will be in that context.

In Cairo last night, however, the Egyptian press spokesman insisted there was "no basis" to the "stories" that Egypt had been approached by the US on a resumption of the canal initiative. The spokesman, Tahsin Bashir, said his government favored resumption of the Jarring mission as the best route to take now. He said Egypt was willing to give Dr. Jarring "reasonable" time to achieve "results" on the basis of the Assembly resolution. He thus softened Egyptian President Anwar Sadai's threat to take military action if Israel gave no withdrawal commitment by Dec, 31.

Egypt's see-sawing position draws two interpretations from inreal observers. Some say the support to Dr. Jarring is a smokescreen behind which Cairo is preparing a full-steam-ahead war effort. Others say the war cries, possibly leading to war itself, have a political aim; to put more pressure on Israel. They add that if Egypt were to accept resumption of the Jarring efforts, there would be a lessening of international tension and thus a lessening of political pressure on Israel. These differing interpretations suggest to some that the contradictory statements from Cairo are the result not of calculated diplomacy but of genuine confusion.

DAYAN: BEST TIME FOR PEACE NEGOTIATIONS IS RIGHT NOW

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA).—The best time for peace negotiations is right now, Defense Minister Moshe Dayan declared last night at a rally of soldiers concluding the winter maneuvers of the Golant Brigade at the Convention Center. Dayan added, however, that if war was forced on Israel its army will be up to the challenge. Earlier this week, the brigade commander said a large part of its maneuvers had been devoted to crossing water obstacles and establishing strongholds on their far sidee.

Dayan said the year of relative calm along the Sua Canal had created a military detente and an atmosphere conductive to negotiations, but he rejected Egyptian-set preconditions and ultimatums. "The present hour demands negotiations because of what could happen otherwise," Dayan said.

\$500M Spent On Israel's Fortifications

"If fire is resumed it will be much more difficult to hold negotiations afterwards. I hope the decision about to be taken by Egypt is not only against warfare but also for genuine negotiations for a peace settlement." The Defense Minister revealed that \$500 millionhas been spent on fortifying Israel's borders

since the Six-Day War--half of it along the canal, one-quarter on the Jordanian border and onequarter on the Syrian and Lebanese borders.

Half the total sum went for fortifications proper, and half for such additional requirements as water, communications and roads. Dayan added that vast sums were needed for immigrant absorption, but asserted that there were hundreds of millions of (IL) pounds available for it and that defense funding need not be compromised.

WEST GERMANY TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH ARAB WORLD NEXT YEAR, BRANDT SAYS

BONN, Dec. 22 (JTA)--Chancellor Willy Brandt said today that 1972 will be a year in which the Federal Republic of West Germany will move toward "the total normalization of our relations with the Arab world." He described those relations at present with the proverb, "nothing is so good that it cannot be better." Brandt discussed West German-Arab relations at a press conference following yesterday's announcement that Bonn has resumed diplomatic ties with Algeria.

(in Paris, sources close to the West German Foreign Ministry said Mai thight that there was no need for an official statement on Algeria "as long as Israel"s interests remain unjeopardized by this step." There was no official comment on its implications regarding the Middle East conflict.) Most of the Arab states severed diplomatic ties with West Germany in 1965 when Bonn recognized Israel.

(Israell circles in Paris said yesterday that they "viewed with interest" assurances that the renewal of relations with Algeria would not affect Bonn-israel relations. Even though the assurances were unofficial they were given repeatedly by persons connected with various official West German bodies. Those sources stated that the latest move implied no anti-lerael position on Bonn's part and that the rapprochement with Algiers contained "no prior conditions of any sort." This was understood to mean that the Germans undertook no political obligations related to the Middle East toward the Algerian government.)

West Germany, meanwhile, appeared to be moving to renew ties with Syria and other Arab states in the Middle East, Hans Juergen Wishnewski, a Social Democratic Bundestag member with good connections in the Arab world, flew today to Damascus for talks. It was not known whether he carried any official instructions. Political circles here said the purpose of his visit was to persuade the Syrian regime to renew diplomatic relations with Bonn, Before departing, Wishnewski said that Sudan and Cairo would probably re-establish diplomatic relations with Mest Germany aoos.

SPECIAL LATE NEWS BULLETIN

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (JTA)—Mrs. Eleanor Holmes Norton, chairman of the Human Rights Commission, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency late this afternoon that the Commission will begin "an immediate investigation" into the complaint of S. Elly Rosen against the Community. Development Agency. (See story on Page 1)

KLEEMAN ELECTED WEIZMANN OFFICIAL

LONDON, Dec. 22 (JTA)—Derrick Kleeman was unanimously elected as chatrman of the Weizmann Institute of Science Foundation succeeding Sir Marcus Steff who has served as chairman since 1956.

WALDHEIM NEW UN SECRETARY GENERAL Seen As Victory For Soviet, China

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 22 (JTA).—Israell offictals declined comment today on the selection of Kurt Waldheim of Austria as the United Nations' new Secretary General. Waldheim, 53 yesterday, was agreed on by the Security Council yesterday afternoon and confirmed by the General Assembly this morning.

Max Jakóbson of Finland, son of a Jewish father and a converted mother, who became the first announced candidate II months ago just after Secretary General U Thant indicated his decision not to serve another term, was long considered the leading candidate. Thant of Burma retires Dec. 31 after a decade as the UN's chief executive.

Although the US reportedly would have preferred the activist Ffan to the more cautious Austrian, the Soviet view was just the opposite; furthermore, the Kremlin is believed to be still smarting from a book Dr. Jakobson wrote about 10 years ago in which he criticized aspects of Soviet policy.

Waldhelm, on the other hand, had Soviet backing, in addition, China's agreement to abstain in the Council vote rather than automatically oppose a Soviet favorite would appear to add to the impression that Waldhelm's victory was a Soviet victory as well.

Might Seek Middle Course

Waldhelm was born near Vienna and educated at the Consular Academy of the University of Vienna. He entered the Foreign Service in 1945, and was stationed in Paris from 1948 to 1951. The diplomat became Austria's Un Observer in 1955, and the next year joined its Assembly delegation as Austria ioined the UN.

He was Minister (later Ambassador) to Canada during 1956-60 and political chief of the Foreign Affatrs Ministry 1960-64. He then headed his country's UN delegation, a post has held since 1964 except for the 1968-70 post hot has held since 1964 except for the 1968-70 period, when he was Austrian Foreign Minister. This past spring he ran for Preselect of Austria on the ticket of the People's Party (conservative), drawing 47 percent of the vote in a losing cause.

On the question of Jewish emigration from the USSR, informed sources said the Austrians have been "extremely careful, bland and vague" publicly, although they are "privately sympathetic." But they indicated that no Secretary General would be able to take an activist approach on this matter, because of the sensitivity of the major powers to "interference" with their "prerogatives."

(Dr. Jakobson, in fact, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency several months ago that he considered emigration to be an "internal" matter. Advocates of greater UN action, on the other hand, stress Article 13, Section 2 of the Charter, which provides that "Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own...")

The sources said that while Waldheim apparently could not be accused of anti-Jewish projudices, as an Austrian he might consider it diplomatically advisable not to anger the Soviets, not only because they becked his candidacy but because Austria is in large part dependant on their economic aid,

Break In Tradition: HILLEL FOUNDATIONS BEGIN RECRUITING QUALIFIED NON-RABBINIC PERSONNEL

GROSSINGERS, N.Y., Dec. 22 (37A)--B'nai B'rith Hillel Poundations, in a break with the traditional practice of staffing its campus units almost exclusively with rabbis, has begun during the past year to recruit qualified group and social workers, young academicians and other non-rabbinto personnel with talen's for organizing community groups to cope with the widely diverse needs of an expanding Jewish community.

Dr. Alfred Jospe, whose appointment as Hillel national director was announced today, told a conference of Hillel directors here that the new staffing procedures—which have already recruted six non-rabbis, all in their twenties have been initiated "to deai with the task of creating technique of mass Jewish education in a voluntary setting, something never tried before."

The "explosive Jewish growth" on the campus, estimated currently at 400,000 students, "makes the pattern of a single rabbl, defined as a campus ministry primarily in theological terms," a weakened approach for a school with several thousand Jewish enrollees, Dr. Jospe said. Proposing experimental efforts with "fillille teams" on major campuses where Jewish enrollment is both "massive and diverse," Dr. Jospe said the skills of non-rabbinic specialists who are firmly committed to Jewish continuity can mean a more effective force "in motivating Jewish students to involve themselves in the kinds of activities that reflect their generation's quest for ethnic identity."

Thus, while some non-rabbis might serve alone on smaller campuses, others will supplement the efforts of the ordained Hillel staffers on large campuses where many allenated students look upon rabbis as part of the establishment.

The changing character of the Jowish campus chaplaincy was evidenced in the composition of the 103 Hilled directors from 90 major colleges and universitios participating in the sessions here. For 33 members of the group, it was their first conference, indicating that they had entered Hillel service within the past two years. Dr. Jospe, who is a Reform rabbl, has served with the Hillel movement for 31 years, the past 22 as its director of programs and resources. He succeeds Rabbl Benjamin M. Kahn, who earlier this month was appointed executive vice-president of Brant B'rith.

SOVIET JEWS WRITE; JEWISH PROBLEM IN USSR HAS BECOME MORE ACUTE

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 22 (ITA).—Ambassador Yosef Tekosh of Israel yesterday presented United Nations Secretary General U Thant with II appeals from Soviet Jews seeking to unite with their families and people in Israel. The Soviet Jews seeking to emigrate are from Leningrad, Riga, Kauass, Vilnius, Kutaissi and Czernowitz. One of the appeals, addressed to Thant and signed by 33 people, asserted that "the Jewish problem in the USSR has not only not disappeared but, on the contrary, it has become more acute."

The signers, who also appealed to world public opinion, concluded: "We are certain that in the final account justice will triumph and that the Soviet government will show a humane approach to our cause, but we cannot wait for this endlessly. Had our petitions been justly treated we would not have needed to make this appeal, and it is only the authorities themselves that force us to do so," Ambasador Tekoah expressed appreciation for the Secretary General's efforts to vindicate the human rights of Soviet Jewry.

MARCUSE IN ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA)--Prof. Herbert Marcuse, idol of the American New Left. enthrelled an audience of 600 last night in the Van Leer Institute as he discussed matters philosophical and praised students of the US as forerunners of a new humane era. He is here for a two week visit.

REPORT 37 JEWS ARRESTED IN MOSCOW IN CONNECTION WITH HUMAN RIGHTS DAY RALLY Young Activist Faces Army Draft

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (JTA)—Thirty-seven Jews were arrested Dec. 10-Human Rights Day-In connection with their attempted peaceful demonstration for emigration rights at the United Nations Information Center in Moscow, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry reported today. According to the report, based on a telephone conversation with Mrs. Lella Kornfeld, a Jewish activist, 10 of the Jews were arrested as they left their homes and 27 were seized at the UN center.

Mrs. Kornfeld said a Soviet official told the Jews:

"Mou have no right to insist on your human rights."

All the prisoners were released, she noted, but fear reprisals. The SSSJ added that no visas for Israel have been issued in Moscow for two weeks. At the UN, a spokesman said he had no information on the reported arrests: The information from Mrs. Kornfeld came after the Soviet authorities lifted a nine-day ban on phone calls to Moscow, according to the SSSJ. Mrs. Kornfeld was phoned by a student at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. Similar calls were made to another Jowish activist, Gavriel Shapiro, from SSSJ members in Mineaenpolis and St. Louis.

The student group also reported that Viktor Maximenko, a 19-year-old Moscow Jewish activist, faces an army draft Friday following his renunciation of his Soviet citizenship Nov. 16. Maximenko had applied for migration to Israel in September. The SSSJ said the move to draft him was an attempt at "retailation" for that application, and that friends of the activist were making a "desperate attempt" to try to have his induction cancelled.

JTA INTERN PROGRAM FOR JEWISH JOURNALISTS TO BEGIN SECOND YEAR

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (JTA) -- The Jewish Telegraphic Agency's intern program for young Jewish journalists will begin its second year next month, it was announced today by Robert H, Arnow, JTA president. The decision to continue the program was based on its success this year, Arnow said.

Six young men and women participated in the program which included training in all phases of journalism and provided them with an opportunity to understand the nature, activities and developments in the world-wide Jewish community.

Their training included rewriting international and domestic wire copy, covering meetings of Jewish communal organizations, interviewing those who make news in the community, contributing features, and covering the news events when and where it was happening. The intern program was devised to get them to "where the action is."

Of the stx interns, four were in the New York office, one in the Washington bureau, and one on the staff of the Jewish Advocate in Boston. In addition, five interns were on the staff of The Jewish News of Detroit. The Jewish News program, however, was an independent effort undertaken and supported by Philip Siomovitz, editor and publisher of The Jewish News.

Arnow: Build Cadre Of Jewish Journalists

Interns - both those sponsored by the JTA and those sponsored by The Jewish News - expressed interest in continuing their involvement in the field of Jewish journalism or Jewish communal affairs after they had completed their internship. They also noted that the training received proved to be immeasurably valuable in providing them with a wider grasp of the functions of Jewish agencies and institutions, and the political and social involvement of communal leaders in world affairs.

One of the interns, Joel Mandelbaum, became the first JTA scholarship-sponsored Charles Frost Fellow in Jewish Journalism. Of the other interns, one became editor of an American-Jewish campus newspaper; another, publicity director for a student group involved in the struggle for Soviet Jewry; and a third, active in a local Federation.

One of the interns, upon completing her internship, wrote: "Having previously had only a superficial and one-sided knowledge of such matters as Israel and Soviet politics, I became more aware of Jewish activity throughout the world through my assignments and being in this (New York JTA) office. I am now able to understand these activities and developments with a greater insight. My internship has fulfilled every prerequisite of an exciting job."

Reflecting on next year's program, Arnow observed that it will continue the same type of training with the aim of developing, cadre of young Jewish journalists who will provide Jewish journalism with continuity and vigor. Applications are now being accepted for the program. Address all inquiries to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, 660 First Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016.

NATO FLEET IN MEDITERRANEAN SIMILAR TO ATLANTIC FLEET PROPOSED BY LAIRD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (JTA).—Secretary of Defense Melvin R, Laird has proposed that the Defense Planning Committee of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) organize in the eastern Meditorranean "something analogous" to the NATO fleet operating in the Atlantic, State Department spokesman Charles Bray said today,

Bray said the proposal was made by Latrd at the NATO conference two weeks ago and that it is now under study by the NATO committee. Bray, who revealed the information about the Latrd proposal in response to reporters' questions, refused to give specific details about it. But it is understood that the purpose of a NATO fleet in the eastern Mediterranean would be to supplement the US's Sixth Fleet there and help offset Soviet naval strength in the area.

WITNESSES FROM DACHAU, ESSEN SOUGHT

BONN, Dec. 22 (JTA)—The Attorney General of Munich has decided to call on all survivors from the Dachau and Essen concentration camps to testify, in order to assemble evidence concerning all those who might possibly be responsible for murders committed in these two camps, it was learned here today. Some of the Nazi personnel of the camps, who might be guilty of mass murders, have never been brought to trial.

The offices of the Attorney General have approached the "Committee international Des Camps" (CIC), asking this international organization of concentration camp survivors to cooperate with the request. The secretariate of CIC responded by forwarding to the Munich offices the addresses of those Dachau survivors who were known to this body. The CIC appealed to all Dachau survivors throughout the world to forward their addresses to this body which, in turn, would forward them Immediately to the Munich office.

NO COMPROMISE ON AUTOPSY ISSUE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (JTA)—Health Minister Victor Shemtov eatd today that there would be no compromise with religious zealots on the issue of autopsies,