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KNESSET AD OPTS BILL RESTRICTING DOCTORS' RIGHTS ON AUTOPSIES. LAW WAS DEMANDED BY AGUDA BLOC BY GIT Sedon

JERUSALEM, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- A bill severely restricting the right of doctors to perform outop-sies was adopted by the Knesset early this morn-

sies was adopted by the Knessel early this morning by a vote of 57–53 with three abstentions. Its passage on final reading was arvictory for the Aguda bloc which had demanded the measure as the price of keeping its four-member Knesset foction in Premier Menachem Begin's coalition gov-

mmen.

The debate, which began yesterday afternoon became patrocted as apposition factions sought to add various modifying amediments to the final version worked out by the Knesset's legal committee. Representatives of the Medical Association continued well into the evening to lobby wavering coalition members in the hope of preventing its passage. While many MKs were known to be apposed in principle to the measure, Begin was determined to mollify his Orthodox constituency. Coalition MKs abroad, including Foreign Minister Yitzhok Shamir who was on a five day visit to. Paris, were summoned home to be on-hand for the voting.

The bill, as finally adopted, contained two modifying elements. It allows autopsies to be performed in order to save or restore the eyesight or hearing of a living person; it mush these the bon in time of war or of mossive sab-tage. It also allows organ transplants unless a close relative of the deceased objects. A person may will his or her body to medical science. According to David Glass of the National Religious Party, chairmon of the Knesset legal committee, the revised bill balances the needs of medicine with the need to take into account the feelings of the famility of a deceased person.

PERCY, BREZHNEV DISAGREE ON PLO STATE By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2/JTA) — Sen. Charles Percy (R. III.) who will be chairmon of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in the next Congress, envisions a Polestinian state in federation with Jordan and disammed for offensive purposes for at least 25 years. He said, on the ABC Television "Good Morning America" program yesterday that he and President Leonid Brethney of the Soviet Union disagreed on the nature of a Polestinian state when they met in Moscow lost month.

"He (Brezhnev) want to see the PLO a sovereign state, armed with their own territory," Percy said. "If feel that it should be in federation with Jordon. It should be like "lopan and— Germany, disarmed for offensive purposes for at least 25 years and it must recognize the rights of Israel to exist, its sovereignty and to have defensible borders."

CARTER MEETS EGYPTIAN OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 (JTA) Vice President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt met with President Corter for a half hour at the White House today and will meet tomorrow with Vice President-elect George Bush and with President-elect Ronald Reagan's foreign policy advisors. Mubarjak/Come to Washington as a personal emissay, of President Anwar Sadat.

According to Egyptian sources here, one purpose of his mission is to speed up the deliveries of U.S. military equipment to Egypt. Mubarok met with Secretary of State Edmund Muskie and Defense Secretary Harold Brown after leaving the White House. He is also expected to discuss the future of Middle East peace talks with members of the incoming Reagan Administration.

Some observers believe Mubarak was sent here by Sodat to make it clear to the Reagan people that any filt in U.S. policy toward Israel, as indicated in some of Reagan's election comparign statements, would place Egypt in an untenable position and be harmful

to the Middle East peace process.

President Carter told reporters after his meeting with Mubarak that he had been given a very important message from Sadat. He declined to disclose its contents. He had high praise for the Egyptian President whase initiative in visiting Jerusalem in November, 1977 opened the way for the Camp David talks and the peace, treatly between Isroel and Egypt. Carter called his personal relationship with Sadat one of the most satisfying of his tenure in the White House. He also stressed that these between Egypt and the U.S were "indisaluble in this time of trouble in the Middle East," and apparent reference to the trapit-Iranian war.

Mubarak extended Sodat's invitation to President and Mrs. Carter to visit Egypt. White House sources said Carter would not embark on such a visit before

leaving office Jan. 20.

BLUM WARNS PALESTINIAN STATE WOULD BE FIRST STAGE IN PLO PLAN TO DESTROY STATE OF ISRAEL By Yitzhok Robi; and Marcus Lubin

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 2 (JTA) — Yehudo Blum, Isroel's Ambossador to the United Nations, charged today that a Palestinian state in Judece and Samaria would be the first stage in a plan to destroy Isroel. Addressing the General Assembly debate on the

Addressing the General Assembly debate on the question of Palestine, which opened hepe yestenday, the Israel i envoy said that the Palestine Liberation Organization designs are to establish, or a first stage, "a second Palestinian Arab state anywhere in the territories administered by Israel since 1967, while the second stage would be to use that proposed state as a launching pad for the ultimate liquidation of Israel."

Blum said that the Arabs could have established a second Polestinian Arab state in Judoea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip when these territories were under their control before the 1967 SIX Day War. But the Arabs did not do it, Blum charged, because "The entire world knew that the Kingdóm of Jordan is the Arab State in Polestine, just as the State of Israel is the Jewish State in Polestine."

Blum occused the PLO of engaging in acts of terror and sobotoge against Israel. "In parallel and particular since the signing of the Camp David Framework Accords for peace in the Mideast in Sept. 1978. he PLO has also been allotted the tosk of intimidating and silenakag 'Arabs in those territories (the Administered territories) who support the people pracess."

Urges Negotiations

"Israel", "Blum declared", "feels no abligation to accompate its enemies by evacuating. Judgea, Samaria and the Gaza District, nor to offer the PLO a free hand in those territories."

Referring to the autonomy negotiations for the West Bank and Gaza, Blum said: "The program of autonomy which we have proposed for the Polestinian inhabitants of Judeer, Samoria-ond the Gaza district, as accepted in principle in the Camp David Frameworks, is the Jist practical proposal to be advanced to provide a dignified solution for the needs of the Arab population of thisse area."

Blum called on the Arab states to sit down with Israel for face to face negotiations as the only way to solve the Arab Israeli conflict.

Citing the peace between Egypt and Israel;
Blum said "When on Arab state is prepared to recognize Israel's right, things fall rapidly into nioce."

ZOA URGES NO PROTEST WHEN UN ISSUES PALESTINIAN STAMP

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) — The Zionist Organization of America is advising its members not to protest the "Indienable Rights of the Palestinian People" stamps which the United Nations will issue on January 31 in order" to prevent them from becoming a "collectors item."

In a letter addressed to "Dear ZOA Leader, Paul Flocks, executive director of the ZOA, ocknowledged "the propagnada value of the stamp itself." However, he wrote, "We understand that for a "first issue" the octual number of stamps printed is less than usual. We would also like to avoid these stamps becoming a 'collectors item.' To protest the issuance of these stamps, may therefore, create a 'market' for, them that would not be desirable. Stamp dealers will be quick to capitalize on the sets if they believe that the stamps will become controversial."

Flocks stressed that "To ask stamp dealers not to stock this issue will probably not prove effective, but instead will help create considerable interest in them."

The UN Postal Administration will issue three sets of stamps bearing the legend "Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People." The descriptive material circulated by the UN agency refers to "the right of self-determination without external interference; the right to national independence and sovereignty; and the inalienable right of the Palestinians to return to their homes and property-from which they have been displaced and upragsed."

PALESTINE DAY FIZZLES By Tamar Levy

GENEVA, Dec. I (JTA) — It was billed as a Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, and their aspirations. It had the official Elessing of the United Nations. It was lavishly financed by the Arab League, the Arab-Swiss Friendship Association and the Palestine Liberation Organization delegation to the UN here. It was to be a propaganda coap for the Palestincause and against Israel.

But it fizzled, due in large measure to the ineptness of the organizers, according to journalists attending the various events. Even the elements conspired against it.

Polestine Day was declared an official day of celebration by the UN General Assembly in 1977. It is observed an November 29, the anniversory of the UN decision of November 29, 1947 to partition Polestine into Jewish and Arab stores. The first thing to go wrong here was the press conference featuring Mayor Bassom Shaka of Noblus. Shake Jost both his legs in a bomb-explosion last Juine. The crime, widely attributed to Jewish extremists, zemains presolved. But the West Bank Mayor is considered a martyr in Arab and pro-Arab circles.

The world news media was on hand to record his remarks. But Shaka spake in Arabic and the interpreter members of the occasion was incompetent and his words were lost to the vast majority of reporters. The overall impression was poor. Journalists left the professione remarked that the PLO delegation should have spent in money for a qualified translator rather than on a lavish reception.

Israel Journalist Refuses Propaganda Role

Another event billed an Israeli journalist, Annon Kapeliuk, as a participant in "Palestine Day." Kapeliuk accepted the invitation to Geneva, apparently under the impression that he would take part in a round-table discussion at the local university with the West Bank Arab poeters and journalist, Raymonda Tawil: When Kapeliuk became aware of the propaganda nature of the occasion, he declined to go along with his Arab hasts. At the round-table he spoke only about peace propagets.

At a press conference later, he answered questions about Israel's internal political situation. His journalist colleagues were impressed by his frankness and his refusal to faultae in expensed to

refusal to indulge in propagando.

An art exhibition, an Arab buffet and Arab tolk
dances were part of the program at a public holl over
the weekend. But Geneva's notorious wind, the "Bize"
was blowing at full strength. It was bitter cold and
most of the Swiss preferred to stay home.

The only successful event was the UN meeting held at the Palais Des Nations in the presence of UN officials, diplomats and the Geneva outhorities, The USUAI succession of anti-Israel speeches was delivered by representatives of unaligned nations, the African Unity Group, the International Commission of Jurists, the PLO, the Socialists and, again, Mayor Shaka of Nablus. With the highly professional UN Translators in attendance; bis remarks were understood.

Observers here noted that Arab influence at the UN in Geneva is such that UN employes felt obliged to attend the event, lest they incur the anger of their superiors by stoying away.

(A mass demonstration of solidarity with the Palestinian people was held in Utrecht-Saturday by the recently formed Association of Palestinians in Hallard, the Netherlands Palestine Committee and other propalestine and leftist groups. But the mases failed to nuterialize. The huge hall was half empty. Peok attendance was estimated at no more than 1700 and most feed and the most propagation of the time the audience was far smaller as people left, apparently out of boredom. A counter-demonstration outside the hall drew large contingents of police who frequently outnumbered the audience inside. The media paid as much attention to the anti-PLO demonstrations to the rally tiself.)

NEW YORK, (JTA) — The Rome staff of HIAS has contributed more than \$55,00 to purchase equipment and supplies on behalf of Italy's earthquake victims, it was announced Tuesday by Gaynor I. Jacobson.

CABINET SPLIT OVER BAN ISSUED BY BEGIN ON ARAB CONFERENCE By Gil Sedan

JERUSALEM, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Premier-Menochem Begin's Cabinet was split-over the advisability of banning the Communist-sporsared "Arab Congress", a political gathering of Juraeli Arabs to have taken place in Nazareth next Saturday. Begin ordered the Bon yesterday, in his capacity as Defense Minister, cithig Regulation 84 of the British Mandate which is still applicable under-stroel law.

Ironically, that regulation was aften used by the <u>Mandate</u> withoffies against Begin's Irgun and its sister underground arganization, the Stern group in pre-Statehood days. It has been invoked only rarely since the Jewish State was founded.

It was learned today that the two Deputy Premiers, Simcho Ehrlich and Yigael Yadin, opposed the ban as did Interior Minister Yosef Burg and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer of the National Religious Party. They argued that the views held by the organizers of the Congress were shared by legitimate political parties represented in the Knesset, such as the Communist Party and Sheli and certain elements of the Labor Alignment. They contraded that it was therefore improper to prevent the same views from being aired by Israeli Arabs.

But Begin was determined to author the gathering. He was supported by a Cabinet majority that included Foreign Minister Yitzhak. Shamir, Finance Minister Yigal Hurwitz, Agri-culture Minister Ariel Sharon, Justice Minister Moshe Nissim and Health Minister Eliezer Shostake. They insisted that the Congress was organized to identify with the Palestine Liberation Organization and thereby create a new political body that would be hastile to the State. Security sources also recommended the ban.

Invokes 1945 Regulation

Invoking the Defense Emergency Regulations dating from 1945, Begin declared the plagned Congress I legal because the participants would be identifying with the "organization called P.C.O." The P.C.D is outlowed in Isroel. Begin's decree did not merition the Nazareth gathering based on the June 6 Charter, a manifesto published last summer in the Arab Communist newspaper Al-Ittihod, was illegal because the manifesto-called for the establishment of a P.C.O-ruled Felestine state. State State States.

Decrees of this kind have been few and forbetween in the 32 years since Israel was founde. Their use to prevent political assemblies was restricted by a Supreme. Court uling that "the freedom of assembly is one of the participles of the democratic system and one of the basic rights of citizens."

The initial reaction, among the Arab popumon was maderate. The organizers of the Congress are deliberating what steps to take to fight the ban. They are considering in appear to the Supreme Court, Meinwhile, however, they intend to launch a local and international compaign in support of the right of Israeli Arabs to freedom of assembly.

ABU-HATZEIRA WON'T RESIGN

JERUSALEM, Det. 2 (JTA) -- Religious Acians Minister Aggran Abu-Hatzeira, indicted

yesterday for bribe taking, indicated today the has no intention of resigning or going on leave. His attorney, Rom Kapi; "made it clear that he intends to light the charges brought by Attorney General Yitzhak Zamir when the Knesset House Committee meets to decide, whether to strip Abu-Hatzeira of his immunity as an MK, thereby making possible his trial in court.

Justice Minister Mohe Nissim suggested yesterday that "If the Knesser committee decides to lift the immunity / the minister should go on vecation." But Abu-Hatzeiro is determined to cling to his job because to do atherwise would be interpreted as a confession of guilt. He insists that he is innocent of the charges.

He enjoys the support of his colleagues in the National Religious Party. The Cabinet as a whole has refrained from taking a stand on whether he should resign or go an leave perding the outcome of the case. Kaspi issued a statement yesterday charging that his client was the victim of systematic character assassination by the media. He said he finitely to argue before the Knesset committee that there is no substance to the charges. The NRP MKs are expected to support their colleague's immunity unless they are convinced otherwise. But majority sentiment in the committee appears to fovor stripping Abu-Hatzeira of his immunity.

The committee will begin its deliberations next week and they are expected to last for several weeks. The committee will hear testimony from the minister and from the Attorney General.

Abu-Hatzeira and his personal advisor, Moshe Saboir, were indicted on three counts of occepting blobs from religious institutions in B'nei Brak in return formaking illegal allocations of funds to them from the ministry's budget. Co-defendants are Shmuel Daskel, a member of the board of the Vishnitz Yeshiva und Rabbi-Annum Karach, chairmen and treasurer of the Center for the Spiritual Iradition of Yamenite Jewry. (By Gil Sedan)

BELIEVE ART COLLECTION CONTAINS ITEMS TAKEN FROM JEWISH FAMILIES By Henriette Boos

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 2 (JTA) — A Dutch Retiom rabbi is considering a trip to South Africa to discuss an art collection bequeathed to the University of Pretoria by a former Nazi collaborator which is believed to contain many items that belonged to Dutch Jewish families deported to Nazi camps during World War II.

Rabbi Avraham Soetendorp of the Liberal congregation in The Hague has refused to let the matter drop. He said he wanted to roise it personally with the university board of governors. The collection was willed to the Pretoria University by the late-laceb Van Tilburg who was an Alderman in Dordrecht, Holland during se Nazi occupation. Directly after the war, a Dutch de-Nazification court sentenced him to 13 months imprisonment for collaboration with the enemy.

Van Tilberg, who settled in South Africa in 1951, is believed to have persuaded some 20 wealthy Jewish families in Holland to entirest their pointing and objets d'art to his safekeeping to prevent them from being looted by the Nazis. Most of the Jews perished in death camps. When the survivors returned, Van Tilburg allegedly refused to return their theories and absconded with them.

The art collection consists of paintings, Persian carpets, antique voses and silverware. The University of Pretoria has stated that it is prepared to return the objects to any survivor who can provide solid proof of post ownership. But after 40 years, it is difficult if not impossible for the survivors to provide such proof.

JEWISH GROUPS ANGRILY REJECT TALK OF JEWISH SEAT, IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) -- Spokespersons for two Jewish organizations today angrily rejected the contention by a local Republican leader that if his party hopes to defeat Democrat Sen. Daniel Moynihan in the 1982 elections it needs "an outstanding Jewish candidate.

The remark, implying that Jewish voters will vote for a Jew regardless of other factors, was made by George Clark Jr., Republican Party chairman in Brooklyn, on a television interview Sunday. Hé suggested that Moynihan's seat "should be the Jewish seat", observing that the Jewish vote "has been the deciding vote in

every statewide election.

Reacting to that statement, Henry Siegman; executive director of the American Jewish Congress declared, "There is no such thing as a Jewish seat' in the United States Senate, whether from New York or any other state, and we deplore the statement by George L. Clark Jr. supporting the idea of such a seat. charged that "Mr. Clark unwittingly plays the game of the radical right wing in this country who urge Americans to vote Christian. Mr. Clark's suggestion is reckless and irresponsible. His notion that Jewish citizens of New York will yote against Sen. Moynihan if he is apposed by a Je vish candidate is an insulf to the intelligence of the Jewish electorate."

Natalie Gordon, who chairs the New York Regional Board of the Anti-Defomation League of B'nai B'rith, observed that "The Jewish citizens of New York State have always sought the best qualified candidate to represent our state in the U.S. Senate. For our democracy to survive, the religion of the candidate must never be a factor in our elective process." S called Clark's remarks "harmful and divisive.

Carey: Jews Vote for "Quality Candidate

Gov. Hugh Carey of New York also rapped Clark. He said at a press conference yesterday that Moynihan enjoys the highest-esteem of the New York Jewish community. He added, "When you talk about the Jewish vote in our state or anywhere else in this country, it goes to the quality candidate."

Carey himself raised the issue of a "Jewish seat" in the Senate during the Democratic Party's state primary compaign last summer when he backed Bess Meyerson for the Senatorial nomination to oppose Sen. Jacob Javits. Carey raised a political storm by claiming that since Javits' seat was a "Jewish seat" his successor should be

ORTHODOX URGED TO LOWER 'MATERIAL' STANDARDS TO AID INSTITUTIONS

PORTCHESTER, NaY., Dec. 2 (JTA) -- A leading Orthodox scholar proposed that Orthodox Jews educate themselves to "lower material stand ands to meet the critical financial needs of our Torah institutions, "adding that "if we insist on living 'the good life,' our most important institutions will shrivel and fall by the wayside.

That proposal was made to the delegates attending the 58th annual convention of Agudath Israel of America which met here, by Rabbi Yaakov Kamenetzky, dean of the Mesivta Tarah Vodaath.

Rabbi Chanach Ehrentrey, head of the Rabbinical Court in Manchester, England, urged the American Jewish community to create a "Torah corps of laymen -professionals and businessmen -- to devote one hour per week to reach out to our uneducated brethren who are waiting to be reunited with their heritage. " He said such an experiment had been successfully undertaken in his community.

Rabbi Moshe Sherer, president of Agudath Israel of America and chairman of the Agudath Israel World-Organization said that "only through Orthodox Jewry initiating an expanded program of creating new projects which would demonstrate the relevancy of ancient Torah ideals to the modern scene" could the "gods of assimilation" be toppled.

At the closing convention session Sunday, a leading Washington Orthodox attorney and an Orthodox law professor disagreed on the place of the Orthodox Jew

in the political process.

Referring to Orthodox Jews as "the moral minority," attorney Nathan Lewin said that "the legislative objectives of Orthodox Jews can best be secured through the election and appointment or Orthodox Jewish representatives." But Aaron Twersky of Hofstra University, contended that "Orthodoxy should not be an automatic ticket to an elected office." He contended that "can didates should be evaluated based on their sensitivity to the issues rather than exclusively on their religious bockground."

Two speakers agreed on Orthodox out-reach to non-Orthodox Jews by non-professionals. Prof. Dale Gottlieb of Baltimore urged Orthodox Jews at every: level "to open their homes to non-committed Jews as the best means of prompting a mass return to authentic Judaism." Rabbi Yitzchok Chinn of McKeesport, Pa. agreed, adding that Orthodox Jews "must look in their own backyard for Jews who are thirsting for Jewish living.

'Melting Pot' Being Reversed

Rabbi Pinchos Teitz of Elizabeth, N. J. joined during the opening session on Thursday with Rabbi Chaim Dov Keller, dean of the Telshe Yeshiva in Chicago, in agreeing that American Jews were beginning "to reverse the negative effects of the 'melting pot' philosophy.

Rabbi Teitz-said "the greatest chaoge in the post 30 years of American Jewish life is the spiritual reawaken ing brought about by the third American Jewish geneiation." He said not long ago, "piety and Tordh know-ledge were synonymous with old age and a European background" but now "it is synonymous with youth and an American background."

Rabbi Keller said the aims of the melting pot had been replaced "with a genuine yearning for Torah values." Robbi Teitz called for the Jewish philanthropic dollar to make it possible for Jews generally to send their children to day schools which, he said, had become "too

expensive" for most Jews.

Rabbi Elya Svei, dean of the Talmudical Yeshiva of Philadelphia, warned that "the shortage of qualified teachers in religious schools for girls directly affected the qualify of Jewish mothers and thus endangered the future Jewish family." He said Jewish girls should seek careers in Jewish education rather than in other professions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2 (JTA) The number of persons to be inducted into the International Jewish Sports Hall of Fame listed in yesterday's Daily News Buffetin should have been 19. The 19th is Viktor Barma, Hungary, table-tennis.