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BEGIN REFUSES TO NAME HIS SUCCESSOR

By Gil Sedan and Hugh Orgel

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- Efforts to nominate a successor to Premier Menachem Begin continued in high gear today as Begin rejected requests by Herut Party leaders that he personally nominate his successor to avoid a bitter contest between Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Deputy Premier David Levy.

Begin reportedly told his Herut colleagues: "We live in a democracy and not in a monarchy in which the leadership is passed on in succession. There are institutes which are established in democratic elections and they will select the man they wish to see leading them."

He is expected to submit his formal letter of resignation to President Chaim Herzog tomorrow morning. Begin has not yet made up his mind whether he will also resign from the Knesset, but some of his associates said that Begin will in all likelihood announce his resignation from the parliament and all political activities when he submits his resignation letter.

Balloting Under Way

Meanwhile, the Ohel Shem hall in Tel Aviv was readied for the secret ballot voting tonight by the 900 members of the Herut central committee. The voting was delayed for more than an hour because the election chairman, Elkanan Vinitzky, was late in arriving and when he got there the rubber stamps required for the balloting could not be found. The voting was also delayed to allow for the arrival of two central committee members who were finally brought to the hall by ambulance accompanied by nurses.

A Herut spokesman said that Begin would not attend the voting because he was "weak and tired." The results of the voting should be known before midnight. Until the actual voting began, the headquarters of Shamir and Levy remained open in an effort to sway central committee members to vote for their respective candidate.

There was no reliable estimate as to who would win and both the Shamir and Levy camps expressed optimism. At a meeting yesterday, the two contenders reached an agreement that whoever wins, the personnel structure of the Cabinet will be retained.

Difficulties Facing The Likud

No matter who the winner is in tonight's election, there are serious fears in the Likud camp that he might face difficulties in keeping the old coalition intact. One obstacle which has already surfaced was the announcement by five Likud Knesset members that they would not join the new coalition government unless it pledged to form a government of national unity with the Labor Alignment.

The five are Yitzhak Berman, Dror Seigeman and Menachem Savidor of the Liberal Party wing, and Yigael Hurwitz and Mordechai Ben-Porat of Tel Aviv.

Should these five defect, the new Likud government would have only 59 seats in the 120-member Knesset, two short of a majority. The possible de-

fection of these five MKs is not being taken lightly in view of the defection last year by two other Likud MKs, Amnon Lin and Yitzhak Peretz. They joined the Labor Alignment and thus made Labor the largest party in the Knesset.

If the outgoing Likud administration cannot agree on a new list of at least 61 Knesset members to form a new government, Herzog might very well give the Alignment a chance to form the new government. Even if the Likud manages to keep its present component factions intact, there may still be a need to renegotiate a new agreement within the coalition.

Demands By Other Parties

The Aguda has already indicated that it wants firm assurances that the old coalition would remain, now that Begin is no longer at its helm. The Tami Party, whose secretariat last week voted to quit the government unless the economic policies were geared more closely to meet the needs of low income groups, might continue to insist on those changes as the price for remaining in the new coalition.

The Liberal Party might demand a redistribution of Cabinet portfolios, starting with the post of Deputy Premier, which belonged to the late Simcha Ehrlich. Several Liberal Party members have already contacted the Labor Alignment to discuss switching allegiances. Alignment sources said this was not really a form of defection from the Likud but merely the result of "some Liberals having second thoughts about where they belong, in the wake of the war in Lebanon and concessions made by the Likud to the religious parties."

Hopes for a government of national unity have not been ruled out by the National Religious Party and Tami. The NRP, despite its allegiance to the coalition, has set an overall goal of bringing the Alignment into the coalition after it is formed by the Likud.

However, there is little enthusiasm for a national unity government in Alignment ranks. Younger elements in Mapam, an Alignment partner, have threatened to leave the Alignment if it agrees to a national unity government. The small Shinui movement has also ridiculed such an idea, saying it would be a national paralysis government.

Bitterness In The Campaign

Meanwhile, during the day today some bitterness developed in the Shamir-Levy campaign. Maariv quoted Ariel Sharon, the former Defense Minister who is now Minister Without Portfolio, as saying he would not serve in a government led by Levy. He reportedly said he would rather ally himself with the ultra-nationalist Tehiya Party.

All the seven Herut Cabinet ministers reportedly support Shamir. Both he and Levy have been close to Begin over the years. The friendship between Begin and Shamir goes back to the pre-State days, despite the fact that Shamir was a leader of the Stern Group and Begin led the Irgun. Although the two men parted ways during those underground days, their views have remained similar on foreign and defense issues.

The real split between Begin and Shamir occurred when Shamir abstained on the vote to approve the Camp David accords. But this did not hinder Begin

from appointing him Foreign Minister in 1979, when Moshe Dayan resigned from the government.

Levy, 45, has always been a Begin protegee. He immigrated to Israel from Morocco at the age of 20 and went through a difficult period of life in the development town of Beit Shean. He was once jailed for 12 days after running amok at the local employment office, demanding proper employment. Levy was at first considered a drawing card for the Sephardic voters, but over the years he has gained respect from all segments of the Israeli electorate as an up and coming leader.

The Herut central committee, therefore, faces a choice between the old leadership of the underground days or turning a new leaf and electing a person who could become the first Sephardic Premier of Israel.

DRUZE LEADER RULES OUT ANY RECONCILIATION TALKS WITH GEMAYEL

By Edwin Eytan

PARIS, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- Lebanese Druze leader Walid Jumblatt said today that he will not attend the "reconciliation conference" convened by President Amin Gemayel to pave the way for a peaceful takeover by the state of the Shouf mountains after Israel's withdrawal.

Jumblatt, speaking on the French radio from Damascus, ruled out any negotiations between his forces and Gemayel whom he accused of preparing "a new Sabra and Shatila massacre."

Jumblatt charged Gemayel with having used the army in order to strengthen the influence of the Christian Phalangists. He said "Gemayel has turned the national army (state-controlled) into just another, better armed, Christian militia."

Observers in Paris believe that Jumblatt's refusal to attend the conference, which Gemayel hoped to convene this weekend, spells its doom as other Lebanese opposition leaders, such as former President Suleiman Franjeh and former Premier Rashid Karami, will probably follow suit. The Shiite Amal leader, Nabih Berri, known for his close contacts with the Druze forces controlled by Jumblatt, will probably also boycott the meeting.

French Send Aircraft Carrier

Meanwhile, reports from the Shouf area say the Lebanese army victory in regaining control in Beirut has served to stiffen Druze determination to resist the area's takeover after the Israel Defense Force withdraws.

The French expect fighting to intensify in the Shouf area and today ordered one of their main units, the aircraft carrier Foch to Lebanon where it will be stationed off Beirut, joining up with the U.S. carrier Eisenhower and several French cruisers.

President Francois Mitterrand also dispatched today one of his closest advisors, Francois deGrossouvre, to Beirut to try to mediate between Gemayel and the opposition. Grossouvre attended last weekend's tripartite talks between Jumblatt, Gemayel's representative and U.S. special envoy Robert McFarlane.

Mitterrand told his government yesterday that France wants to avoid "getting bogged down" in a Lebanese civil war but will continue to fulfill its obligations within the multinational force. France has 2,200 men in the force, which includes the U.S., Britain and Italy. An estimated 100 Lebanese soldiers were killed and hundreds wounded in the fierce fighting in the Beirut area in the past four days.

CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION REPORTS ON THE CONDITIONS OF ISRAELI POWs

By Helen Silver

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- The head of a delegation of seven Congressmen who returned to Washington Monday after a tour of the Middle East said yesterday there are 11 Israeli prisoners of war in Lebanon, according to a briefing the group received from the International Red Cross (IRC) in Damascus.

Rep. William Lehman (D. Fla.) also reported that Israel claims there are four, not three, Israeli POWs held by Syria but that the Red Cross said its representatives had seen only three war prisoners last visited on July 15. Those POWs, the IRC reported, had no serious health problems and were getting packages from Israel.

Lehman said two other prisoners are being held by the "fanatical" Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, headed by George Habash. He said the two war prisoners had been checked by the IRC and one was found to be mentally ill and should be sent back to Israel.

The group also learned that six Israeli soldiers are being held in Tripoli by the Al Fatah, the largest group in the Palestine Liberation Organization. Lehman said the group was told that the six soldiers were visited recently by IRC representatives and found to be "in good shape."

The six Representatives met with Syrian officials in Damascus but did not see President Hafez Assad who, they were told, was "in the mountains."

No Reply To Israel's Exchange Offer

Lehman said the IRC informed the group that the Syrians had not replied to an Israeli offer to exchange 300 Syrians for the three to four Israeli prisoners held by Syria. But, he said, the group had been told that "the Syrians are going to let the IRC exhume Israeli war dead and ship them back to Israel, after the bodies are medically identified as Israelis."

Lehman said "the Syrians realize the negotiating value even unfortunately of dead Israeli soldiers." That procedure, he said, was expected to take place within 30 days, depending on how the Syrian doctors respond. "IRC doctors in Geneva are waiting to fly to Damascus as soon as the gravesites are opened," he said.

But Lehman also reported that "some progress" was being made in the form of negotiating an exchange of war prisoners. He said that while the Congressmen were in Beirut, they met with Lebanese President Amin Gemayel and chatted with U.S. marines in the multinational force, adding this was before "the tragedy" last Monday when two marines were killed during the intermittent exchanges of fire in the Beirut area.

Lehman said Lebanese officials think the Israelis may "dig in" after IDF forces withdraw to the Awali River and that the Syrians will not negotiate "until the Israelis are completely out" of Lebanon.

Group Met With Begin

The group met with Premier Menachem Begin, before his resignation announcement, and felt that "Begin looked quite ill but his frame of mind was positive and he was very informative. His parting words were basically that the United States was a dedicated ally of Israel and that Israel is a dedicated ally of the United States" and that this relationship must be continued, Lehman said.

Defense Minister Moshe Arens told the visiting Congressmen that he was concerned about projected cuts in Israel's defense budget which he said would hamper

research and development, specifically electronic warfare.

Lehman also told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the Congressmen found "lots of facts, most of them very complicated. But at least the PLO is not a factor in Lebanon at this time. Thank goodness, Begin at least accomplished that."

All of the Congressmen are members of the subcommittee on foreign operations of the House Appropriations Committee, which is responsible for most of the United States foreign aid program, both military and economic. Lehman said the purpose of the mission was "to see where our dollars are going."

The other six delegations members were Representatives Clarence Long (D. Md.), chairman; Charles Wilson (D. Tex.); Lawrence Coughlin (R. Pa.); John Porter (R. Ill.); Marty Russo (D. Ill.); and Richard Lehman (D. Cal.).

DULZIN SEES POSSIBLE LONG-RANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND SYRIA By Michael Solomon

MONTREAL, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- Leon Dulzin, chairman of the Jewish Agency and World Zionist Organization Executives, said here that "in the not too distant future Israel will totally withdraw from Lebanon, letting Syria stay there. In Dulzin's opinion, this would constitute a basis for a long-range agreement between Syria and Israel."

He told the Zionist Organization of Canada that "there is no future for Lebanon as a state." He said that the war in Lebanon "was a most difficult but also a very important one for Israel and that, with the exception of Syria and Libya, all Arab states are willing to start a dialogue with Israel."

The Zionist leader stressed "the honeymoon" relationship Israel enjoys today with the U.S. following the Reagan Administration's terrible disappointment with the so-called moderate Arab states whose words and promises have proved unreliable in the quest for Mideast peace.

Regarding the solution of the Palestinian problem, Dulzin said "there will never be another new Arab state in the region." Peace in the region will be achieved only through negotiations between Israel and Jordan, not between Israel and the Palestinians.

On other matters, Dulzin forecast a government of national unity in Israel whose primary objective will be to deal with the thorny issues of the standard of living which has been hard hit by rampant inflation, with the intensification of immigration from the diaspora and with Jewish education around the world. It was decided by the Zionist Organization of Canada that a number of scholarships be awarded to Canadians studying in Israel.

IDF MEDICAL CORPS SUCCESSFULLY USED HYPNOSIS TO TREAT BATTLE FATIGUED SOLDIERS IN LEBANON DURING THE WAR By Hugh Orgel

TEL AVIV, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- The Israel Defense Force medical corps successfully used hypnosis and suggestion to treat battle-fatigued (shell-shocked) soldiers at front area treatment centers during the Lebanon war, returning them fully recovered to their battle units within a day or so, without any after-effects.

The treatment was described this week at the week-long international congress of the

Israel and European societies of hypnosis in psychotherapy and psychosomatic medicines meeting at the Rambam hospital in Haifa. The conference is being attended by some 250 psychologists, psychiatrists, physicians and dentists, including 150 delegates from abroad.

Drs. A. Levy and M. Neumann, of the Tel Aviv University medical school, said that on the basis of earlier experience in the Yom Kippur War, doctors this time treated their patients at a military installation set up close to the front line, under full war conditions of uniforms and discipline.

The doctors said that the uniforms, military discipline, timetables and rifle fire made for a realistic atmosphere and made it possible to treat soldiers and return them to their units in little more than 24 hours.

Hypnosis also made it possible to uncover the soldier's unconscious guilt feelings about surviving while a comrade was killed, helping to instill in him the feeling that he did right by at least saving himself, the doctors said.

SOUND OF THE RAM'S HORN TO TRAVEL 6,000 MILES

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- A "telecommunications" link will tie Jews here to a congregation 6,000 miles away at the Western Wall in Jerusalem on the eve of the Jewish New Year 5744. The two groups will simultaneously blow the shofar and send each other wishes for peace in the world, it was reported by JWB.

At midnight Saturday, September 3, when penitential prayer services are recited, Rabbi Joseph Simckes will blow the shofar at Hollis Hills Jewish Center in Queens. Simultaneously, U.S. Navy Chaplain Arnold Resnicoff, stationed with the Sixth Fleet, will blow the shofar at the Western Wall. The time in Israel will be 6 a.m., Sunday, September 4.

Simckes and Resnicoff, who are first cousins, will then wish each other best wishes for peace throughout the world, those wishes also representing their respective congregations. Simckes will make contact with Israel by dialing a telephone number at the Wall. The entire proceeding will be amplified so that each congregation can hear the other.

ISRAELI KIDS RETURN TO SCHOOL

TEL AVIV, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- Just under 1,300,000 pupils -- about one-third of the entire population -- returned to school today, at the end of the summer recess. There were far fewer than usual problems associated with the opening of the school year.

Only a handful of schools failed to open on time -- as against dozens or even hundreds in previous years -- mainly because of non-completion of building or repair work. In one or two schools parents kept their children back because of what they said were insufficient security measures taken at schools situated near bus depots or "problematic" streets.

REMINDER

There will be no Bulletin dated September 5, Labor Day, a postal holiday. Also, there will be no Bulletin dated September 9 because of Rosh Hashanah.

CORRECTION

Due to an error in transmission from Washington, a story in the August 29 Bulletin said the American Jewish Committee endorsed the August 27 March on Washington. The AJC Committee did not endorse or participate in the march.

ORTHODOX JEWS, POLISH GOVERNMENT IN ACCORD ON JEWISH CEMETERIES

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- A leadership delegation of Orthodox Jews returned from Warsaw last week with a signed agreement from the Polish government granting Orthodox communities outside of Poland control in the preservation of Jewish cemeteries in Poland. The agreement includes the establishment of a joint committee which will have the responsibility of restoring some of the 434 cemeteries which still exist in what was the largest Jewish community in pre-war Europe.

The report of the agreement was disclosed by Dr. Isaac Lewin and Rabbi Chazkel Besser, who headed the American delegation to the Warsaw talks. Other members of the delegation included Rabbi Chaim Dovid Halberstam of the U.S., Rabbi Yehuda Meir Abramowitz of Israel, chairman of the Agudath Israel World Organization, I. M. Zimmeman of England, and Sholom Dovid Horowitz of Belgium. The Polish government was represented by several ministers and representatives of the Prime Minister.

According to Besser, the delegation was accorded a royal welcome almost from the moment they arrived at Warsaw's International Airport, where they were greeted by a high level Polish delegation. The Orthodox leaders had traveled to Poland at the request of leading Torah authorities from around the world.

In their report, Lewin and Besser noted that there were over 800 cemeteries in Poland before the war. Currently, only 434 remain, of which only 22 can be classified as in decent condition. The Polish government itself concedes that 68 are "half damaged" and a further 73 are over 60 percent ruined.

There are 136 burial grounds in which only a few tombstones remain, and 129 of which there are no signs of graves or tombstones, but the areas and boundaries are still known by local inhabitants. All have no fences, with the result that they are increasingly vandalized and often used as recreational grounds.

The worst condition involves some 250 burial grounds in the smaller towns and villages of which not only is there no trace of graves but it is difficult to establish the proximity of their former existence, the report added.

Permanent Commission Established

The permanent commission that was established as a result of the agreement will include the Polish Ministries of Religion, Finance, Home and Culture. The Polish Jewish community will be represented by their President, Moshe Finkelstein, and Orthodox communities outside Poland will be represented by delegates from Israel, the United States, England, Belgium and Switzerland. The next plenary session is to be convened in November, at which time a comprehensive plan will be available for implementation, according to Lewin and Besser.

During their visit, the delegation also visited the former concentration camp in Auschwitz. Two members of the delegation were former inmates of the camp. In the report, Besser noted that there are still a number of synagogues in Warsaw, Cracow, Lodz and Wroclaw, but that they can only muster a quorum on the Sabbath. Those attending are

mostly elderly and there is little sign of youth. No Jewish marriages take place.

In their discussions with Polish government officials, the Orthodox leaders raised the issue of the preservation of synagogues in Poland, including such historic sites as the huge Beth Hamedrash of the Gerer Rebbe. Also under discussion was a plan to provide kosher food in several locations throughout Poland for visitors.

CUOMO RAPS UNIVERSITY FACULTY FOR NOT OPPOSING TEACHINGS OF PROFESSOR WHO LINKED ZIONISM WITH RACISM By Ben Gallob

NEW YORK, Sept. 1 (JTA) -- Governor Mario Cuomo issued a denunciation yesterday of the faculty of the State University (SUNY) at Stony Brook for failing to openly oppose the teachings of a faculty member linking Zionism and racism.

Cuomo also said, in a statement, that the teaching of Prof. Ernest Dube was "intellectually dishonest and pernicious because it is designed to serve as a justification for genocide in the form of a completion of the 'final solution' through annihilation of the State of Israel."

A spokesperson told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the Governor issued the statement after members of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith met with the Governor's staff in New York City, but stressed that he had issued the statement independently of that meeting because "he feels very strongly" about the development.

Dube was exonerated on August 17 by the executive committee of the university Faculty Senate, which ruled that the South African-born professor had not breached academic ethics or the bounds of academic freedom in his teaching of a course on "The Politics of Race."

A university official said a report will be made on September 12 to the full Faculty Senate and action against Dube was still possible. Dube is away on vacation.

Declaring he was not certain what the exoneration of Dube by the faculty committee meant, Cuomo said that if the report of that committee "is posited in such a way as to make it possible to construe its meaning as an endorsement of the doctrine" equating Zionism with racism "or the soundness of its reasoning, then I reject that report."

Governor Cites 'Twisted Logic'

Cuomo then declared he was "disappointed" that more faculty members at Stony Brook "did not publicly disagree with the content of the statement" exonerating Dube. The Governor said academic freedom "should not release anyone from the responsibility to express appropriate moral repugnance." He added that academic freedom "certainly does not restrict their freedom to do so, nor does it demand silence in the face of twisted logic that does damage."

The faculty investigation followed a charge by Selwyn Troen, a visiting professor from the Ben Gurion University in the Negev, who sent a letter to university officials asserting that Dube "employed his position for the propagation of personal ideology and racist biases."

In his letter asking for a formal investigation of Dr. Dube's teaching on race, Troen said he was acting on a complaint from a student and submitted Dube's course materials as evidence. Troen has since returned to Israel.