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## S. DE JURE RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL DEPENDS ON ISRAELI ELECTIONS, MARSHALL DECLARES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Secretary of State George C. Marshall today reaffirmed that de jure recognition for Israel is being given very careful attention and that recognition is now a matter of timing. He made it clear to his weekly news conference, however, that he did not mean a matter of time.

The timing of any forthcoming recognition of Israel depends on the coming elections, Marshall said. Asked if he was referring to the American elections or those Israel will hold presently, Marshall said he meant the Israeli elections. The Secretary refused to comment on a question of whether the United States would grant de jure recognition to Israel before these elections.

Marshall likewise waived response to the question whether his comment that recognition is a matter of timing means that he categorically has decided to recognize Israel. He said he hoped the United States would find it proper to recognize the new state in a de jure manner. The White House will make this final decision, Marshall averred. His own department will figure in it, of course, he stated, but it will be particularly the White House, where the final decision naturally rests with the President.

### Israeli Elections, Scheduled for October, Will be Held in November

The Israeli elections, originally scheduled for October, will now be held in the middle of November, a spokesman for the Israeli mission here announced late today. He said a telegram to the mission from Tel Aviv blamed technical difficulties for the postponement.

The spokesman called these difficulties the strife-caused shortage of manpower to conduct an election, the drafting of Israel's new constitution, and the scarcity of paper and printing equipment for ballots. It was Israel's original intention to hold the elections on October 1, the date set by the United Nations.

By November, the spokesman stated, the Israelis will have convoked a constituent assembly to ratify the draft constitution, and machinery for the elections will have been set up. All Israelis from 18 years of age and up, including Arab citizens of Israel, will receive identification cards from their local municipal councils, and on election day will present these cards to poll officials. The cards will be honored as evidence of registration for voting.

The spokesman said the people of Israel feel that by the November elections, Israel will thus have a regularly established government deserving of de jure recognition by the United States. He added that Secretary of State Marshall's comment earlier today that the elections would be held before November was based on United Nations data, which is in no way being contested, contradicted or discredited, because the news of the postponement only reached Washington after the Secretary's press conference this noon.

LOCKER ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF WORLD ZIONIST EXECUTIVE; DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN IS TREASURER

JERUSALEM, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The first meeting of the Jerusalem members of the newly elected World Zionist Executive took place here today. Berl Locker was elected chairman of the executive and was put in charge of public relations. Dr. Israel Goldstein of New York was elected treasurer. He will return to the United States on Monday, but is scheduled to assume his office here within a month.

Another American elected to serve on the Jerusalem executive is Haim Greenberg, Laborite. He will be in charge of the Education and Culture Department, but is not expected to assume his duties immediately. Other portfolios were divided among the members of the Jerusalem executive as follows:

Rabbi Wolf Gold, Mizrachi, is in charge of the Jerusalem developments department; Eliahu Dobkin, Laborite, will head the organizational department; Itzhak Werfel, Mizrachi, will be in charge of the housing program for refugee immigrants; Jacob Zerubavel, United Workers Party, will be responsible for the department to care for Oriental Jews; Moshe Kolodny, General Zionist, will continue to head the Youth Aliyah movement, and Levi Shkolnik, Laborite, will be responsible for colonization and agriculture. Eliezer Kaplan, Laborite, and S.Z. Shragai, Mizrachi, were given no portfolio.

The economics department, under Grossman, has been charged with four functions. They are: mobilization of private capital for investment in Israel; supplying information abroad of the economic development of Israel; foster an Israeli export program and, build up a tourist trade for Israel.

David Remez, Communications Minister, and Aaron Zisling, Agriculture Minister, both members of the special Cabinet committee on Jerusalem, attended today's meeting to participate in the discussion on education. The problem is becoming acute because schools throughout Jerusalem and Israel are scheduled to open next week and the Agency has taken no action to offer financial aid despite the fact that the school system is in financial difficulties.

Goldstein Sees Jewish Agency Budget of \$192,000,000 for This Year

At a press conference later today, Dr. Goldstein said that he foresaw a budget of \$192,000,000 for the Jewish Agency this year. Of this sum about \$72,000,000 will be allocated for immigration and \$24,000,000 for colonization, he said, adding that the rest would be divided among the various other projects supported by the Agency, with special attention being paid to the problem of developing Jerusalem.

The immigration rate to Israel is expected to be about 10,000 per month, he declared. The figure will vary according to "the needs of the DP's" and the ability of Israel to absorb them. "It is up to the Jewish people to determine how large the immigration program shall be," he stressed.

He estimated that this year, as in the past, from 65 to 75 percent of the Agency's receipts will come from American Jewry. He made a special appeal through the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to the Jews of the United States to continue their contributions for the development of Israel, to increase immigration and colonization and the absorption of immigrants within the economy of the country. The Agency will not contribute to Israel's current needs, Dr. Goldstein stressed.

PALESTINE REVISIONIST PARTY SPLIT; MAJORITY DECIDES TO MERGE WITH THE IRGUN

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The conference of the Revisionist Party of Israel concluded today with a split within the ranks of the party following adoption of a decision by a majority of the delegates to merge with the Irgun Zvai Leumi, which will be active in the forthcoming Israeli elections as part of the Freedom Movement.

The resolution for the merger, adopted by 63 against 32, reads: "The Revisionist Party of Israel decides to unite with the Irgun, but Revisionists will, nevertheless, remain within the World Zionist Executive." After this resolution was adopted, the opposing delegates, headed by Dr. Ariele Altman, head of the party, walked out of the conference.

Dr. Altman and his followers claimed that the convention of the Israeli Revisionists was not authorized to decide on a merger with the Irgun. This, they argued, is a matter which must be decided by the world convention of the Revisionist Party. After the opposing delegates left the hall, the conference elected an executive of eight, all affiliated with the Freedom Movement, and left three seats vacant for the minority.

The World Revisionist Conference, whose proceedings here were interrupted pending conclusion of the conference of the Israeli party, will consider the problems raised by the schism. Members of the world executive of the party are already attempting to find a compromise solution.

ISRAELI GOVERNMENT CHARGES U.N. TRUCE COMMISSION WITH BIAS; SPOKESMAN CITES INSTANCES

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government today accused the United Nations truce commission of bias in reporting truce breaches and of attempting to show the world that the Jews are equally guilty with the Arabs in disregarding the truce.

An Israeli Foreign Office spokesman charged the mission with "a very decided tendency to minimize the gravity of Arab breaches and exaggerate Jewish breaches of the truce." The U.N. mission, he added, delays reports on grave Arab violations so as to be able to couple their release with charges of Jewish breaches, thus striking a balance which "tends to be weighted on the side of the Arabs and against the Jews."

The observers working with U.N. mediator Count Folke Bernadotte, the spokesman said, seek to find justification for the Arabs in each breach, as in blaming irregulars for the Gaza murder of two French observers, even though the mediator had announced that each side would be held responsible for the actions of its irregulars.

It was also charged that observers tend to accept at face value the statements of Arabs in laying violations at the Jewish door while the Jewish version is frequently not sought and the Jews are accused without an opportunity to offer refutation. Israeli authorities have long been angered by the mission's failure to observe adequately on the Arab side and to control Arab troop and supply movements.

14 STERNISTS ARRESTED BY ISRAELI TROOPS; CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF ARMS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Fourteen Sternists arrested Monday by Israeli military police who searched a transit camp near Tel Aviv were today remanded by a magistrate's court for trial in seven days. The Sternists were charged with illegal possession of arms and possession of stolen property found in the camp.

ISRAEL CONCERNED OVER AMERICAN ATTITUDE AT U.N. SESSION IN PARIS, DR. SILVER REPORTS

NEW YORK, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- "There is a growing feeling among the people in the state of Israel that our State Department is again collaborating with Mr. Bevin," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the American section of the World Zionist Organization, declared today at a press conference following his return from Israel where he played a leading role in the deliberations of the Zionist Actions Committee.

"It is clear to them that the key to peace in Palestine is still in the hands of the United States," he reported. "Only positive action on the part of this government, such as de jure recognition and a loan, will persuade the Arab states that this government is very sincere and earnest about its intentions with regard to the state of Israel and will persuade them to sit down and negotiate."

Emphasizing that there is "a growing concern" as to the U.S. delegation's attitude on Israel at the coming session of the United Nations in Paris, Dr. Silver said: "The people in Israel feel that our State Department has put every obstacle in the way of the full recognition of Israel. It has blocked a United States loan to the new state. It has interfered with the free movement of refugees to Israel from the American occupation zones on the basis of an unwarranted interpretation of the terms of the truce. The American Government has thus placed itself in line with the British Government, which, contrary to all law, has kept 13,000 Jewish refugees of military age in detention camps in Cyprus, and has prohibited them from emigrating to Israel."

Dr. Silver added that the present hope of Bevin, now that a military victory over Israel is no longer to be expected, is that a prolonged truce will prove such an economic strain on the country that Israel will be prepared to accept a peace settlement agreeable to Great Britain. "The people in Israel wonder whether the American Government is falling in line with this new pressure politics of Mr. Bevin. They wonder whether President Truman is fully aware of all that is going on and whether his Administration approves of it all," he declared.

Speaking about the general spirit among the people of Israel, Dr. Silver said he found their spirit at a high pitch of confidence. "The military victories which had been achieved have greatly buoyed them up," he stated. "They succeeded in defending their state by force of arms and they feel confident that they will continue to do so in the future. They are strong and their strength is increasing. I found them restive under the truce. They welcomed the truce in the hope that it would lead to a speedy peace settlement. But their direct approach to the Arab states for peace negotiations was rebuffed. As a result grave skepticism as to the value of the truce has spread through the entire population."

DELEGATION OF JEWISH WAR VETERANS RECEIVED BY TRUMAN; ASKS U.S. SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- A delegation of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States was today received by President Truman and submitted a memorandum to him urging "prompt de jure recognition of the state of Israel" and "vigorous" support of the Israeli Government's application for membership in the United Nations.

The delegation, composed of 35 state commanders of the organization and headed by Brig. General Julius Klein, National Commander of the J.W.V., also asked the President to remove the arms embargo on Israel. It also requested approval of a \$100,000,000 loan to the Jewish state and the assignment of a U.S. mission to Israel similar to the groups now in Greece and Turkey.

PRESIDENT OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA REPORTED ARRESTED

BUDAPEST, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Oscar Krasnansky, president of the Zionist Organization of Czechoslovakia, has been arrested in Bratislava and removed to Prague, according to a report received here today from Prague. No reason for the action was given, the report said.

Other dispatches from the Czech capital state that the Jewish community of Prague has launched a drive to raise funds to purchase an ambulance for the Israeli army. The Mayor of Prague has contributed 1,000 crowns to the fund. In Karlovy Vary a large Jewish meeting was held to greet Yihud Ueberall, Israeli envoy to Czechoslovakia.

BERLIN REHABILITATION COMMISSION SETS RULE FOR RESTITUTION OF PROPERTY TO JEWS

MUNICH, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- A special rehabilitation commission for Berlin has decided that all Jews who sold their property after September 15, 1935 were acting under duress and are entitled to restitution, it was announced here today. On that date the Nazis promulgated the infamous Nuremberg Racial Laws.

The Association of Former Persecutees of Bavaria has announced a competition for a design for a monument to be erected over a mass grave at the Dachau death camp. Prizes in the competition will be all-expenses-paid vacations.

JEWSH RELIGION, HISTORY TO BE TAUGHT IN TURKEY FOR FIRST TIME SINCE REPUBLIC FORMED

ISTANBUL, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- For the first time since the Republic of Turkey was established after the first World War, Jewish schools will this year teach Jewish religion and history. During the intervening years no Jewish religious and traditional instruction was available to Turkish Jews.

Previously, religious instruction was forbidden in all schools, but the present regime has authorized the teaching of religion in public schools as well as in educational institutions supported by minority communities. Some 5,000 Jewish students will be enrolled in the Jewish schools this year, it was estimated here.

URUGUAY MAY ADMIT JEWISH SETTLERS; MAY ALSO PERMIT PASSAGE OF JEWS TO OTHER COUNTRIES

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Alejandro Rovira, director of the Uruguayan Immigration Department, has received a delegation consisting of Jacob B. Lightman of the Latin American office of the Joint Distribution Committee and several Uruguayan leaders, the J.D.C. announced here today.

During the interview, Rovira said that all democratic countries must favor the admission of Jewish immigrants, adding that they will benefit from such humanitarian actions because many of the immigrants can contribute much to the economy of the democratic nations. The J.D.C. announcement of the meeting states that as a result of the interview it is expected that Uruguay's doors will be open to Jewish settlers as well as to refugees who seek to pass through the country to other Latin American nations.

ONLY 20,000 JEWS WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION INTO U.S. UNDER THE DP LAW, CARUSI SAYS

FRANKFORT-ON-MAIN, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- No more than 20,000 displaced Jews could enter the United States under the new DP law, Ugo Carusi, United States Commissioner for Displaced Persons, declared here following his arrival yesterday.

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ISRAELI UNDER-SECRETARY FOR LATIN AMERICA ARRIVES IN ARGENTINA; MAY MEET WITH PERON

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Dr. Moises Toff, Under-Secretary for Latin America in the Israeli Foreign Office, was today received by Rear Admiral Fidel Anadon, Argentine Acting Foreign Minister. They discussed the recognition of Israel by Argentina and arrangements for an audience for Dr. Toff with President Juan Peron.

A special public reception meeting will be held for Dr. Toff here this Sunday at Luna Park, which has a capacity of 30,000. A number of prominent non-Jewish personalities are members of the reception committee, as well as the best known Jewish leaders in Argentina.

ISRAELI DELEGATION LEAVES UNITED STATES AFTER PURCHASING \$6,500,000 WORTH OF GOODS

NEW YORK, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- The sum of \$6,500,000 has been spent in the United States and Canada by a special Israeli mission which arrived in this country six weeks ago to purchase food and machinery for Israel, it was reported here today.

The report was made by A. Beker and J. Jacobson, the members of the mission, at a send-off luncheon tendered them on the occasion of their return to Israel. More than \$2,500,000 was spent for food, about \$2,000,000 for autos, trucks and accessories, and the remainder on clothing and other commodities, Beker revealed.

Henry Morgenthau, Jr., who was one of the principal speakers at the gathering, assured the delegation that American Jews will do their utmost to help the Jews of Israel. Other speakers included Israeli Consul Arthur Lourie, and leaders of the clothing trade unions whose members have volunteered to work without pay to manufacture clothing for Israel.

A campaign to "give a kit to every soldier in Israel" has been launched today by "Kits for the Army of Israel," a new project which is sponsored by "Material for Palestine." Each kit, which costs \$10, will contain underwear, toilet articles, a cigarette lighter and other small essentials. It will also contain a letter from the individual donor to the Israeli soldier receiving this much needed package. The sponsors feel that letters are as important for morale purposes as are the necessary items of clothing and other articles.

DRUZE TRIBESMEN, NEW UNIT OF ISRAELI ARMY, JOIN HEBREW FOLK-DANCE FESTIVAL

TEL AVIV, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- Druze tribesmen, now being formed into a unit in the Israeli Army, have participated in the first Hebrew folk-dance and song festival organized by the Army at a large training camp "somewhere in Israel," it was reported here today.

The Druze dancers were received with tremendous enthusiasm by the 5,000 soldiers and women auxiliaries who viewed the performance. The program was presented to acquaint the tribesmen with the rich Jewish folk-lore and tradition.

More than 400 Arab workers in Nazareth today expressed a wish to join the Arab branch of the Jewish Labor Federation.

MEXICAN JEWS LAUNCH CAMPAIGN FOR \$700,000 TO AID DEFENSE OF ISRAEL

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 8. (JTA) -- A drive for 5,000,000 pesos (approximately \$700,000) to aid the defense of Israel has been launched here under the chairmanship of Elias Suraski, prominent Mexican Jewish leader.