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WEIZMANN CONFERES WITH BEN GURION AND SHARETT ON POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Premier David Ben Gurion held a conference today with Israeli President Chaim Weizmann and reported on the progress of industrial developments in the nation. The President also discussed events in the political field with Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett.

Government officials, meanwhile, disclosed that under terms of the Israeli-Transjordan armistice, a section of the Gilboa range would be transferred to Israel about the middle of next month. The transfer had been scheduled to occur earlier but was delayed at the request of Transjordan because of the impending Arab harvest.

Daniel Frisch, president of the Zionist Organization of America who is now visiting Israel, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today following a one-hour conference with Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan that he felt that critics of the Israeli Government could not "better the attempts" of Mr. Kaplan and Premier Ben Gurion.

The Z.O.A. president said he learned that only 75 percent of all employable persons in the Jewish state now hold down jobs. This situation, he added, affects Israel's economic position seriously. He emphasized the need for private capital investment in Israel in order to solve the new state's economic problems resulting from the huge number of recent immigrants and in order to check the inflationary spiral. Mr. Frisch expressed the opinion that if the Israeli Government accepted all parties into the present coalition, this action would be welcomed by Jews throughout the world.

Sharett Denies Communist Charge Israel Abrogated Immigration Treaty with Rumania

Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett last night denied a charge by Meir Wilner, deputy of the Israeli Communist Party, that Israel had abrogated its treaty on immigration with Rumania. Minister Sharett, who replied to Deputy Wilner during the course of a foreign policy debate in the Knesset, also stated that the Foreign Ministry was constantly concerned with the fate of Jews in Arab countries and was making every effort to bring them to Israel and guarantee them equal rights upon their arrival.

Mr. Wilner, who expressed "no confidence" in the coalition government, called for resistance to "American imperialistic intervention" in the matters of territory and refugees, and insisted that the United States was responsible for the breakdown of the Lausanne peace talks. He charged that as a result of the \$100,000,000 loan from the U.S., Israel had agreed to American supervision of its economy, and that as a result of American pressure the Israeli Army retreated from a number of positions it had won.

The agreement to provide Transjordan with a free port at Haifa, and the establishment of demilitarized zones in the Negev and Galilee under the supervision of American generals prove that Israel is joining the West, despite protestations of neutrality between the Western and Soviet blocs, the Communist leader declared. He also stated his party's opposition to Israel joining the North Atlantic pact or any projected Mediterranean pact.

The Communist party is opposed to international supervision of the Holy Places, and demands the annexation of Jerusalem by Israel, but with the proviso that the Jewish state guarantee access to the Holy Places to all, he said. Mr. Wilner also voiced opposition to the annexation of any Palestine territory by any Arab state.

ALL RESTRICTIONS ON ARAB MOVEMENT IN JAFFA, RAMLEH AND LYDDA REMOVED; CURFEW LIFTED

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government today removed all restrictions governing the movement of Arabs living in the towns of Jaffa, Ramleh and Lydda. Simultaneously, jurisdiction over these Arabs will be shifted from special Israeli military bodies to the regular civil authorities. Approximately 10,000 Arabs are involved.

As of tonight, the Arabs will be free to leave the enclosed urban districts in which they have been living, and will be free to move about the country without special passes. The curfew from 10 P.M. to 5 A.M., which has been in existence for about a year, will also be lifted.

Earlier this week it had been announced that the curfew would be lifted only during the period of the most important Moslem religious holiday, the month of Ramadan which began yesterday. The present decision to lift the curfew permanently, remove all other restrictions and abolish military controls was unexpected. On the basis of prior official statements, it had been generally believed that none of these actions would be taken until a formal settlement had been concluded between Israel and its Arab neighbors.

Explaining the unexpected move, Col. Moshe Ophir, military governor of Jaffa who will return to civilian life after a year's service, said: "There is no longer any necessity for barbed wire and other restrictions. The Arabs here have proved their loyalty to the state of Israel. We are satisfied that they do not represent a threat to our security."

The curfew was more a protective than a restrictive measure, Col. Ophir said. "With passions as high as they were during the fighting all last year," he explained, "we felt that the curfew would offer the most effective protection for the Arabs against any unruly, undisciplined elements among the Israeli soldiers and newly-arrived, homeless immigrants."

U.S. MARITIME COMMISSION DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR SELLING SHIPS TO ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, June 30. (JTA) -- The U.S. Maritime Commission today denied a report emanating from the Zim shipping company in Tel Aviv in which the company announced that it is acquiring two ships through the Maritime Commission.

Declaring that Israel did not apply for the purchase of ships, the Commission said that it could not sell ships to Israel even if the Jewish state filed a formal application. Only an act of Congress could make possible such a sale because of regulations on ship sales which have been in effect for the past 18 months, the Commission emphasized.

The Commission also declared that it has no knowledge of Israel trying to buy ships from private owners in the United States, and that this would have to come to the Commission's attention. The Export-Import Bank also stated that it has no knowledge of an Israeli application for the sale of ships and that no part of the \$100,000,000 Bank loan to Israel has as yet been allocated for the acquisition of vessels.

SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER DISCUSSES TRADE RELATIONS WITH ISRAELI MINISTER TO MOSCOW

MOSCOW, June 30. (JTA) -- The conversation conducted yesterday between Mordecai Namir, newly-appointed Israeli Minister to the Soviet Union, and Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky, lasted almost a half-hour and was held in an "animated spirit of friendliness and understanding," Israeli sources here reported today. The two discussed Israeli-Soviet trade relations, the economic situation of the Jewish state and the Lusitania peace negotiations, it was revealed. Until his appointment recently as Minister, Mr. Namir served as the legation's charge d'affaires and counsellor.

AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT AGREES TO CONSIDER JEWISH PROPOSALS ON HEIRLESS PROPERTY FUND

VIENNA, June 30. (JTA) -- Peter Krauland, Austrian Minister for Property Administration, who is responsible for restitution measures, has expressed a readiness to accept a draft of a bill establishing an heirless Jewish property fund submitted by world Jewish organizations and Austrian Jews as a substitute for the current Austrian Government measure being considered for the same purpose, it was learned here today.

The draft will be prepared by world Jewish organizations and by the Vienna Jewish community. Representatives of the Jewish Agency, Joint Distribution Committee and the Vienna community were elected members of a drafting committee at a meeting attended by Jewish groups. The committee charged Dr. F.R. Bienenfeld, of the World Jewish Congress, with preparing the first draft for consideration by the committee.

POLISH AUTHORITIES REPORT LIQUIDATION OF ORGANIZATION HELPING JEWS TO LEAVE COUNTRY

WARSAW, June 30. (JTA) -- Polish border police reported today the liquidation of a "big organization" engaged in smuggling Jews and others out of the country.

The announcement followed the seizure of a group of Jews and six Poles as they sought to cross the Polish-Slovak frontier. A number of arrests were made, according to the announcement, of people who provided way stations along the underground railway and sheltered the refugees. A number of these were in the town of Walbrzych. They included the rabbi of the town, Rabbi Nisan Gesang.

An appeal to world Jewry to send a qualified rabbi to conduct the Yeshiva at Lodz was made today by Rabbi David Kahane, chief Jewish chaplain of the Polish Army, at the annual meeting here of the Association of Rabbis in Poland. Rabbi G. Efrusi, representative of the Chief Rabbi's office of Israel, promised to seek help on his return home and try to send a suitable rabbi to Lodz for the post.

Rabbi Kahane said that all appeals for a Yeshiva rector had so far been made in vain, adding that there was also a lack of sufficient rabbis in Poland to meet the needs of the Jews in this country. He asserted that it was the task of the rabbis to continue the tradition of Jewish religious life in Poland while, thanks to the aid of the Polish Government, the Association of Rabbis would carry on their religious work unhampered. For that reason, the chaplain said, the Association supports the "victory of the Polish People's Democracy."

Rabbi Efrusi promised to inform the Jewish community in Israel about the unhampered development of religious life in Poland and assured the rabbis that Israel would always work with Poland toward peace. A tribute of one minute's silence was given to those who fell in the defense of Israel.

NEW ARRESTS OF ZIONISTS REPORTED FROM HUNGARY; 200 PLACED IN CONCENTRATION CAMP

TEL AVIV, June 30. (JTA) -- Reports reaching here today from reliable sources reveal that new arrests of Zionist leaders took place in Hungary this week following the sentencing of six Zionist leaders in Budapest to various terms of imprisonment on charges of aiding Israel-bound Jews to leave the country illegally.

The reports estimated that at least 200 Zionists were arrested in the course of the week and were placed in a concentration camp near Pest. The arrests took place following the escape of a number of Jews who were subpoenaed as "agents of Zionist fascism," one report added.

HUNGARY IS CHARGED WITH VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN JAILING JEWISH LEADERS

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee issued a statement today charging the Hungarian Government with "violating all civilized standards of human rights" by its recent sentencing to prison of six Zionist leaders in Hungary and one non-Jewish alleged agent for aiding Hungarian Jews to proceed to Israel.

The statement, signed by Jacob Blaustein, president of the organization, cites Article 13 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, proclaimed by the United Nations last December, which declares that "everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country."

"The American Jewish Committee is in no position to determine whether the men so sentenced were in fact responsible for the activities with which they were charged," the statement pointed out. "Indeed, the question of their responsibility is at least morally irrelevant, because according to all civilized standards emigration is a right and not a crime. The attitude of the Hungarian Government toward basic human rights is clearly revealed by its treating as a crime what the United Nations deems a right. The motive of this act obviously is to complete the total suppression of Zionism in Hungary, in accordance with the totalitarian character of the regime."

JEWISH GROUPS TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETING OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES ACCREDITED TO U.N.

GENEVA, June 30. (JTA) -- A number of world Jewish organizations will participate in a meeting called here for July 4 by the United Nations Information Department for non-governmental bodies which enjoy consultative status with the U.N.

The meeting has been called in connection with the opening of the U.N. Economic and Social Council session here two days later. The Jewish groups which will attend include the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations, the World Jewish Congress, the Consultative Council of Jewish Organizations and the World Agudat Israel.

LONDON YOUTH CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING TWO JEWS; COURT REFUSES TO RELEASE HIM ON BAIL

LONDON, June 30. (JTA) -- Francis William Shaw, a 21-year-old London youth, was charged today with assaulting two Jewish youths who were hospitalized as a result of the injuries they sustained. The court refused to release the prisoner on bail on the advice of police officials who thought that if the prisoner were released, "it might not be too healthy for him."

FRENCH AUTHORITIES DECIDE TO PROHIBIT EXHIBITION OF "OLIVER TWIST" IN MOROCCO

PARIS, June 30. (JTA) -- The British film production, "Oliver Twist," will not be exhibited in French Morocco, it was learned today. Decision against showing of the film, which has been widely criticized as being anti-Semitic, was taken after the World Jewish Congress had intervened with the French Foreign Office here.

LESSING ROSENWALD DISCUSSES DP PROBLEM WITH TRUMAN; DECLINES TO COMMENT ON TALK

WASHINGTON, June 30. (JTA) -- Lessing J. Rosenwald, head of the American Council for Judaism, today discussed the displaced persons problem with President Truman. Mr. Rosenwald said the Council favored new DP legislation but declined further comment after he emerged from the White House.

President Truman said at his press conference today that he hopes for a decision on the displaced persons bill during this session of Congress.

ISRAEL SEEKS 10,000 U.S. JEWISH TECHNICIANS, JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE DELEGATION SAYS

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government would welcome 10,000 American Jewish technicians, mechanics, engineers and agriculturists, a Jewish Labor Committee delegation which has just returned from a two-month survey of Israel and Europe reported here today at a press conference. The five-member group, headed by Adolph Beld, chairman of the J.L.C., urged the extension of Marshall Plan aid to the Jewish state.

Extending the welcome to skilled American Jewish workers, Premier David Ben Gurion told the delegation that these specialists are needed to aid in the development of a sound economy in the new state. "Our greatest problem," the Premier stated, "is to settle the barren territory as speedily as possible. For this we need large financial assistance."

Communism has gained no foothold in Israel and never will, the delegation reported. Expressing admiration for the "know-how" of government displayed by the leaders of Israel, the delegation members asserted that the Israeli Government had performed "a terrific feat" in admitting 200,000 immigrants in one year despite the admittedly difficult economic problems facing it. The J.L.C. mission also observed that responsible leaders in Israel are showing increasing understanding of the role to be played by American Jewry in the existence and progress of the Jews of Israel.

During its tour of Western Europe, the delegation studied general conditions of Jewry there and inspected cooperatives, children's homes and cultural institutions which the Committee has built and is maintaining in those countries. Members of the group, besides Mr. Beld, were: Jacob Pat, executive secretary of the Committee; Israel Feinberg, vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union; Louis Hollander, president of the New York State C.I.O. Council; and, Dr. S. Silverberg, treasurer of the Workmen's Circle.

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND SEEKS \$400,000 TO ESTABLISH PARK TO BE NAMED FOR DR. HERZL

JERUSALEM, June 30. (JTA) -- Officials here of the Jewish National Fund today issued a statement dealing with the transfer to Israel of the remains of Dr. Theodor Herzl, founder of modern Zionism, who is now buried near Vienna. The date of the transfer has been set for Aug. 10.

"This year, 45 years after Theodor Herzl's death, his sacred remains will be brought to Israel in accordance with his expressed desires," the statement said. "The Jewish National Fund, therefore, decided to devote this year's proceeds from the Kef Tamuz appeal--held annually on the anniversary of Dr. Herzl's death--to the creation of a field memorial park to be known as 'Herzl's Cedars.'"

"Surrounding the sepulchre, this park, beautifully expressive of Jewry's unbounded reverence and appreciation for the lavish bestowal of his greatness to the service of his brethren, will cover some 150 acres on the outskirts of Jerusalem, not far from the place where Dr. Herzl was received on his one brief visit to the homeland in 1898. A central garden will encompass the actual tomb, the entire memorial bringing nearer the day when his dream of a verdant Israel shall reach its consummation.

"Accordingly, this year's Tamuz appeal, the first to be held since Israel's admission to the United Nations and since the formation of a permanent government, has a momentous and significant aspect, which will be appreciated by Jewish communities, institutions and organizations the world over. The goal is \$400,000, and will be used not only for planting sturdy trees, but also to insure the fitting perpetuation of this evergreen symbol of Jewish indebtedness to one who showed the way to its moment of greatness," the statement said.

CANADIAN ZIONIST COUNCIL ANNOUNCES PURCHASE OF \$1,000,000 WORTH OF WHEAT FOR ISRAEL

TORONTO, June 30. (JTA) -- Samuel J. Zacks, president of the United Zionist Council of Canada, announced today the purchase of \$1,000,000 worth of Canadian wheat for Israel.

The order, placed by the Jewish Agency, is being paid for from funds of the United Israel Appeal and is part of a program for the purchase of food and other commodities in Canada for Israel, Mr. Zacks said.

ISRAELI REPRESENTATIVE STUDIES TRADE POSSIBILITIES IN CANADA; OFFERS EXCHANGE OF GOODS

MONTREAL, June 30. (JTA) -- The possibilities for increased trading between Canada and Israel are being studied here by Abraham Kahane, vice-president of a Tel Aviv bank and member of the Customs Tariff Board of Israel.

"Israel needs Canada's lumber, paper, milk, powder, canned meats and fish, as well as building materials," Mr. Kahane declared to representatives of the press here. "In return, it is prepared to export to Canada its wines, liquors, chocolate and other products." He officially represented the Jewish state at the twelfth international congress of the World Chambers of Commerce, held in the city of Quebec.

RESPONSE OF AMERICAN JEWRY TO U.J.A. CAN AVOID CRISIS IN ISRAEL, GOLDSTEIN SAYS

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Israel Goldstein, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, returned by plane to Israel after spending several weeks in the United States. In a statement issued prior to his departure, he warned that "the Jewish state will face its greatest crisis since the Arab invasion unless American Jewry responds to the United Jewish Appeal's current drive for \$250,000,000."

Declaring that "the internal stability of the new state is at stake," Dr. Goldstein said: "That stability depends upon the provision of homes and jobs for the 218,000 Jews who entered Israel during its first year of statehood and the 18,000 to 20,000 a month who are continuing to come in."

ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL ADDED DIGNITY TO JEWS, RABBI TELLS INSTITUTE ON RACE RELATIONS

NASHVILLE, June 30. (JTA) -- The situation of Jews the world over has taken on "added dignity and meaning" as a result of the establishment of Israel, Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg of this city declared today at the sixth annual Institute of Race Relations at Fisk University. "While there will be no political connection between Israel and Jews in other countries," Rabbi Hertzberg asserted, "there will be a tremendous religious and cultural bond."

DR. BENJAMIN AKKIN APPOINTED PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY

NEW YORK, June 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Benjamin Akkin has been appointed Associate Professor of Political Science at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, according to an announcement today by Dr. Israel S. Wechsler, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. Dr. Akkin, who has taught at the College of the City of New York, the Portia Law School and College in Boston, and the University of Paris, served as political secretary for the American Zionist Emergency Council.

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