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FIRST PHASE OF U.N. ECONOMIC MISSION'S WORK COMES TO END; REPORT TO U.N. DUE NOV. 1

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The first phase of the work of the U.N. Economic Survey mission set up by the Palestine Conciliation Commission will come to an end this week when the mission visits Bagdad. It is expected to report and make recommendations to the United Nations about Nov. 1, it was stated here today.

According to advices reaching U.N. headquarters, Gordon R. Clapp, head of the mission, told a press conference in Beirut yesterday that the conversations of the mission with the Arab and Israel governments had dealt primarily with "the urgent problem of the plight of Arab refugees." He said that with this in mind the mission's engineering and agricultural experts had begun technical examination of local public works programs in Transjordan, Arab Palestine, the Gaza area and Israel, where the need was for both Arab and Jewish refugees. Mr. Clapp emphasized, however, that temporary work relief was not meant to prejudice any rights Arab refugees may have for repatriation and compensation under the General Assembly resolution of Dec. 11, 1948.

After completion of its present report, Mr. Clapp added, longer-range economic development projects would be examined with the governments concerned and a later report "will give consideration to the need of establishing an international agency through which technical counsel and financial assistance may be made available to interested countries."

At Lake Success today Israel spoke out strongly against the continuation of the General Assembly's interim "watchdog" committee and suggested that an association of the permanent representatives of the United Nations with an expanded social and cultural program would be greatly more desirable. Speaking before the Ad Hoc Political Committee, which is considering the proposal to prolong the life of the "Little Assembly" indefinitely, Dr. Jacob Robinson, legal expert of the Israel Consul General in New York and member of the Israel delegation, called it the "problem child of the U.N. from its very inception," and was "certain to widen the chasm between the great powers and thus jeopardize chances of international cooperation," while failing to register any substantial advantages for the work of the U.N. period.

FATE OF LIBERALIZED DP IMMIGRATION ACT IN BALANCE IN SENATE AFTER LENGTHY DEBATE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Opponents of displaced persons legislation sought to return the House-approved Celler Bill to Sen. Pat McCarran's Judiciary Committee. The bill has been debated in the Upper House for the past two days.

The bill, which would remove anti-Jewish and anti-Catholic restrictions from the present DP law, came under heavy fire today as Senators for and against the measure rallied strength for a possible showdown vote tomorrow at a special session on whether to send the bill back to committee until 1950.

The absent Sen. McCarran, sent the Senate a message today saying that any move to admit more displaced persons was "a gigantic fraud" to let into the United States a flood of "certain select groups who would discriminate against others." Sen. Edwin C. Johnson read the message in which McCarran denied that present DP legislation is discriminatory to Jews. McCarran said that he had received testimony that "all Jews will be out of DP camps by August of next year."

ABDULLAH SAYS HE WILL OPPOSE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM; ENDS PALESTINE TOUR

JERUSALEM, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- King Abdullah of Transjordan, who has just completed a six-day tour of non-Israel Palestine--which he refers to as "Western Jordan"--declared today that he would oppose internationalization of Jerusalem, Reuters reported from Amman.

Speaking of Jerusalem and Bethlehem, he said "there are some who advocate an international regime for these cities, but they are Arab cities and graves of Christians and Moslems lie scattered over them. We shall not give up for we are unmistakably linked with this land," the Transjordan monarch asserted.

Transjordan has called off the meeting of the special Israel-Transjordan committee on Jerusalem which was expected this week. Although no reason for the postponement was given it is believed King Abdullah's recent remarks on Jerusalem are responsible for the move. The ultra-Orthodox Neturei Karta members who were arrested yesterday following clashes with Jerusalem police over the holding of public festivities in this city were today released.

BRITISH-OWNED OIL REFINERIES IN HAIFA RESUME OPERATIONS; CLOSED SINCE WAR BEGAN

HAIFA, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The British-owned Consolidated Oil Refineries which have been shut down since the outbreak of hostilities in this city on the eve of the proclamation of the Jewish state today resumed operations. The British owners kept the plants, which have a capacity of 3,000 tons of oil, shut for 18 months on the excuse that Iraq would not pipe oil to Haifa nor would Egypt permit tankers to bring oil to the Israel port via the Suez Canal.

Meanwhile, the cornerstone of a new housing suburb of this city was yesterday laid in the Haifa Bay section. The project, which has the support of the General Zionists, will be established on land purchased by Transylvanian Jews 25 years ago. A group of young Jews from South Africa and other English-speaking lands celebrated the establishment of their collective village, Kfar Lam, on a hill south of Athlit.

"SPIRITUAL WARFARE" NOW BEING WAGED AGAINST JEWS, BEN GURION TELLS LABOR YOUTH PARLEY

TEL AVIV, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The 25th anniversary of the formation of the Labor Zionist youth movement was celebrated throughout this city last night at impressive ceremonies attended by youths who came here from all parts of Israel.

Premier David Ben Gurion, who extended greetings to the youth delegates at the opening of their conference, declared that the two "striking episodes" which marked the history of the Jewish people during the past quarter of a century were the "disastrous destruction of millions of Jews" and the establishment of the Jewish state, which "will guarantee the future existence of the Jewish people."

The Israel Premier stated that the end of the chapter in which Jews were wiped out is not yet in sight, since "not physical but spiritual warfare is currently being waged against Jewry." He also said that the threats "menacing the country's independence have not yet been dispelled."

Premier Ben Gurion made a bitter attack on the Communist Party for the "hand it extended in the 1929 disturbances," which, he said, "were aimed at destruction of the country's settlements." He urged Israel's youth to "cooperate in the upbuilding of the state--which is based on true freedom, equality of rights and true brotherhood."

JEWISH CULTURE GROUP IN POLAND HOLDS FIRST CONVENTION; TO PLAN MASS EDUCATION PROGRAM

WARSAW, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- The Jewish Association for Culture is organizing a nationwide movement for the spreading of Jewish culture among the Jewish population of this country, it was reported here today. One of the first steps in this program is the convening this week-end in Wroclaw of the first general meeting of groups which will plan the mass educational program.

At the meeting in Wroclaw various writers and artists will present a picture of Jewish culture as it exists today, as well as consider a future program. This year has been designated "Jewish Culture Year" in the Jewish community of Poland, and special teams of Jewish writers are already travelling from village to village and from city to city to lecture to the Jews and give public recitations and readings of Jewish literature--both modern and classical.

The Association, which began with a membership of 3,000, has now grown to 14,000 members--one-quarter of the adult Jewish population. It has established 50 local branches in the past two years since it was founded, 43 libraries, some of which have as many as 6,000 volumes, 17 amateur dramatic groups, six orchestras and ten choirs.

RUMANIAN PAPER PRINTS SHARP ATTACK ON CONDITIONS IN ISRAEL; CHARGES WORKERS EXPLOITED

BUCHAREST, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- A sharp attack on present conditions in Israel, based on letters received in Rumania by the families of three immigrants who recently proceeded to the Jewish state, was published today in "Scanteia," organ of the Rumanian Workers Party and the most widely-circulated publication in this country.

Accusing Israel of "merciless exploitation of the working people and racial discrimination against Jews whose skin is of a dark color," the writer of one letter describes conditions in the "immigrant camp at Atlit." His missive says: "There are two rows of children (in the camp) getting meals. One row is for white children and another is for children from Morocco and Tripoli, whose skin is a little darker."

The paper also printed a letter from another immigrant who wrote that there are "daily, huge demonstrations for work and bread, but the government--which sold out to the imperialists in Washington--sends police with clubs and tear gas to scatter the demonstrators."

LONDON PAPER CRITICIZES ASSIGNMENT OF FORMER PALESTINE POLICE OFFICERS TO JEWISH AREAS

LONDON, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Twenty-seven members of the Mandate-period Palestine police force are now serving as police officers in Jewish areas in London, particularly in the East End, it was revealed today in a letter published in the New Statesman and Nation by Frederick W. Skinnard, Laborite M.P. He said that this was "not an undue proportion" of the 168 former Palestine policemen who are now serving in the metropolitan police force.

Mr. Skinnard was replying to a New Statesman and Nation editorial which said that sending of "any of these men to predominantly Jewish areas seems to be asking for trouble." The majority of the former Palestine police officials who returned to England, the paper added, came back in a "state of mind which made them unfit for service in Jewish areas." An earlier letter in the publication charged that police in the East End were "openly anti-Semitic and Fascist."

NO. AFRICAN JEWS IN DANGER OF THEIR LIVES GET MIGRATION PRIORITY, J.D.C. PARLEY TOLD

PARIS, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Immigration priority for North African Jews is given to those in actual danger of their lives, it was disclosed today at the conference of Joint Distribution Committee directors stationed in 18 European and North African countries, which is now taking place here.

The denial in many North African areas of political and judicial rights to Jews, coupled with Arab hostility, has often resulted in anti-Jewish violence and panic-stricken flights of Jews to Israel, the J.D.C. parley was told. The work of OSE, Jewish health society through which the J.D.C. carries out its medical program in North Africa, was widely lauded as were the educational and other programs of the Alliance Israelite Universelle.

ISRAEL CONTINUES TO LEAD NATIONS IN ACCEPTANCE OF REFUGEE IMMIGRANTS, I.R.O. REPORTS

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Israel continued to lead the nations of the world in the number of refugees accepted as immigrants, according to the August report of the International Refugee Organization, which was made public here today. The Jewish state had admitted a total of 113,122 former charges of the I.R.O. up to the end of August.

The latest statistical report from the I.R.O. also reveals that the number of refugees and displaced persons receiving care and maintenance from the I.R.O. fell below 400,000 during August for the first time since the agency began operations.

Meanwhile, a proposal to extend the work of the International Refugee Organization for one year was submitted last night to the General Council of the I.R.O., now in session in Geneva, by Director-General J. Donald Kingsley; it was reported here. The I.R.O. is scheduled to terminate its activities in June, 1950. The proposal carried with it a recommendation for a greatly-reduced budget for the organization which would at the same time enable it to complete the job of resettling displaced persons.

Mr. Kingsley's request followed a re-examination of the problem of the so-called group of "hard-core" refugees, whose numbers were previously estimated at 150,000. According to a new study, he said, there appear now to be only some 50,000 DP's in this grouping. It is generally believed here that the U.S. supports Mr. Kingsley's action.

USA LEADERS FLYING TO ISRAEL; EBAN SAYS IMMIGRATION WILL CONTINUE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION

NEW YORK, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Despite the economic difficulties under which the Israel Government is laboring at this time as a result of the influx of immigrants it will not "close the doors upon them for a single moment," Aubrey S. Eban, Israel's permanent delegate to the United Nations, today told a group of American Jewish communal leaders who will fly to Israel tomorrow night to discuss the present immigration crisis and the aid required of American Jews in 1950, through the United Jewish Appeal.

Speaking at a reception for the group at the Israel Consulate, Mr. Eban reported that the 300,000th homeless Jew to be admitted to Israel since May 14, 1948, had arrived on an immigrant ship from Europe which docked at Haifa early this week. He described the record immigration program as "a notable achievement of rescue and rehabilitation that represents the highest example of cooperative effort between the people of Israel and the Jews of the United States." However, he stressed, "our rejoicing in this momentous accomplishment is overshadowed by the critical situation in the immigrant reception camps where 85,000 newcomers must live under the most difficult conditions because of the lack of funds to give them a decent home."

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300,000 CHILDREN THROUGHOUT ISRAEL WILL UNDERGO EXAMINATIONS FOR TUBERCULOSIS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- A total of 300,000 children throughout the country, between the ages of one and 18 years, will undergo an examination for tuberculosis in a six-months* project starting next month organized by the International Tuberculosis Campaign and the Israel Health Ministry, it was announced today.

Dr. Knud Winge, director of Copenhagen's Central Anti-Tuberculosis Dispensary, who is now in Israel to help launch the drive, said that the rate of the disease dropped 70 to 80 percent among persons inoculated with the special "BCG" serum developed in Scandinavian countries. Dr. Ben Zion Pinkenson has been appointed by the Israel Health Ministry to head the campaign. He said that the government has earmarked about \$70,000 for the cost of inoculations.

Kay Simenson, general secretary of the Danish Red Cross, arrived here today accompanied by members of a special mission from the Copenhagen Government and representatives of the United Nations International Emergency Children's Fund to discuss with Israel officials the best way to assist Jewish children here. The Danish Government has consented to contribute a half million kronen (approximately \$70,000) to the United Jewish Appeal of Denmark provided another 500,000 Kronen is donated by the public. Of this sum, Danish Jews expect to collect 250,000 kronen among their own people.

A group of 147 Arab children, accompanied by seven Arab adult attendants, crossed today from Lebanon to Israel, through the Ras el Naqura frontier post. The party included orphans and children of Arab families residing in Israel. The orphans will be cared for by religious institutions in Nazareth and the others will be returned to their homes. Archbishop George Hakim and representatives of the Christian community, the Red Cross and the Israel Immigration Ministry welcomed the children.

MRS. MARK ETHRIDGE JOINS "HOLYLAND EMERGENCY LIAISON PROGRAM" EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Mrs. Mark Ethridge, wife of the former American member of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission, was named today to membership on the executive committee of H.E.L.P.--Holyland Emergency Liaison Program. At the time of her husband's resignation from the Conciliation Commission, Mrs. Ethridge publicly stated that she regretted Israel's admission to membership in the United Nations.

JEWISH INMATES OF CALIFORNIA PRISONS MAKE UP 1.4 PERCENT OF TOTAL JAIL POPULATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Jewish inmates of California prisons make up 1.4 percent of the total prison population, it was revealed in a report made public here by the Jewish Committee for Public Service on the basis of a survey by Dr. Rudolph I. Coffee, Jewish chaplain for state prisons. The Jewish community makes up five percent of the total population of California.

GROUP TO PRODUCE JEWISH PLAYS IN SPANISH FORMED IN ARGENTINA; IS FIRST OF ITS KIND

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 14. (JTA) -- Establishment of "Teatro Judio en Castellano" (Jewish Theatre in Spanish), which will present Jewish dramas in Spanish, was announced here today. It is the first group of its kind. The Theatre's first production, "The Three Gifts," by I.L. Peretz, will open next week.