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ISRAEL'S CABINET CRISIS DEADLOCKED; MOST PARTIES REJECT BEN GURION'S PROPOSAL

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Cabinet crisis reached a deadlock today when leaders of all major political parties in Israel--with the exception of the pro-government Mapai party--announced in Parliament their rejection of the proposal made last night by David Ben Gurion for the formation of a seven-man "caretaker Cabinet" which would remain in power until new elections. (At the time that the Bulletin went to press a vote had not yet been taken.)

Originally, Ben Gurion suggested the formation of an eight-member Cabinet, seven of whom should be members of the Mapai, the Israel Labor Party, and the eighth to be Behar Shatreet, leader of the Sephardic community. Later however, he altered his proposal limiting it to a seven-member Cabinet all of whom would be Mapai members.

At today's session of the Parliament his proposal was rejected in addresses delivered by Israel Bar Yehudah on behalf of Mapam, the left-wing Socialist Party; Morach Warhaftig on behalf of the Religious Bloc; Menahem Beigin for the Herut Party; Itzhak Harari on behalf of the Progressive Zionists and Yosef Saphir for the General Zionists. Speaking in favor of Mr. Ben Gurion's proposal were Mapai deputies, led by Pinchas Lubianiker.

Mr. Ben Gurion himself last night left the Parliament session to review the military maneuvers in his capacity as Minister of Defense. He was expected to return to Jerusalem in time for the conclusion of today's Parliamentary discussion. Prior to his departure he asked the Parliament to pass without delay a law providing a procedure for new elections. He envisaged that the elections could be carried out after two months.

Weizmann May Ask Minister of Justice to Form A Coalition Cabinet

Informed Parliamentary circles foresee the possibility of President Weizmann asking Pinhas Rosen, Minister of Justice, to form a new Cabinet. Dr. Rosen is a Progressive and it is thought that he may have the support of the Mapai, the General Zionists and the Orthodox groups. Should Dr. Rosen also fail to form a new Cabinet, President Weizmann will dissolve the Parliament and the outgoing Cabinet will continue until after the new elections.

The Religious Bloc last night suggested to Mapai leaders that they influence Mr. Ben Gurion not to bring his proposal for a seven-man Cabinet to the Parliament, and postpone his move at least for one week in order to allow more time for inter-party talks. However, the Mapai leaders rejected the suggestion terming it as "overlate."

In a statement explaining the "background" of the crisis, the Religious Bloc asserted that its leaders were still in session last Sunday discussing the Cabinet situation when they received a summons from President Weizmann to proceed to Rehovot where they learned of Mr. Ben Gurion's resignation. The Orthodox group also charged that in presenting his Cabinet reshuffle, the Premier indicated that it must be accepted or rejected completely, without the "slightest negotiation."

ISRAEL CABINET CRISIS MUST BE SOLVED TO SATISFACTION OF ALL GROUPS, JEWISH PRESS URGES

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The opinion that the Cabinet crisis in Israel must be solved to the satisfaction of all groups in the Jewish state is expressed in editorials published today in the Yiddish press here. The crisis has provoked a great deal of interest among various Jewish groups in the United States, as evidenced by the numerous telephone calls received by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, asking for news of the latest developments from Jerusalem.

The Jewish Morning Journal, reflecting the views of Orthodox Jewry in America, expresses the belief that it would be more advisable for Premier David Ben Gurion to reach an understanding with the Religious Bloc rather than to insist on new Parliamentary elections. The paper says that new elections will bring no absolute majority for any political party in Israel.

"Israel," the editorial says, "will still need a coalition government, and this means that under all circumstances mutual concessions will have to be made on the part of each political party. Such concessions could be made at present. Considering the crisis through which the Jewish state is now passing these concessions would ease the situation. Israel would be spared the luxury of new elections, which must be accompanied by an election campaign and, what is really important, the outlook for real improvement will still remain in doubt."

The Day, reflecting the opinion of General Zionists, says that there is no doubt that Israel will weather the present crisis, providing that the new Cabinet, no matter what its composition, will take a new stand on the political and economic problems facing the country.

"We are confident that the Jewish state will emerge undamaged from the storm in which it is now enveloped," the article says. "However, this can happen only when those who are at the helm do not lose sight of the final aim, which is that Israel must be the land, not of this or that group of political parties but of the entire Jewish people."

The Jewish Daily Forward, in an article by Leon Crystal, reviews the circumstances which led to the resignation of the Ben Gurion Cabinet and concludes with the observation that nobody can foretell where the government crisis in Israel is heading or how it will end.

The New York Times, in an editorial on the Cabinet crisis in which Israel was described as "a refreshing example of real democracy in the Middle East," said: "Reduced to its simplest terms the problem is one of failure of a slowly rising production to keep up with a fantastic growth in population. Since Israel was created, two and a half years ago, the number of its inhabitants has increased by 70 percent (to a total of 1,125,000) but industrial output by only 35 percent."

LEADER OF ISRAEL'S MIZRACHI WARNS AGAINST EXAGGERATING IMPORTANCE OF CABINET CRISIS

LONDON, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The importance of the Cabinet crisis in Israel should not be exaggerated and it would be wrong to believe that it will hamper or retard the progress of the state, according to Rabbi Judah L. Maimon, Minister for Religions and a leading member of the Mizrahi, whose withdrawal from the Cabinet precipitated the fall of the government.

Rabbi Maimon, who arrived in England Sunday for a short visit, spoke at the fifth anniversary dinner of the Jewish Review, Mizrahi publication here. Other speakers included Eliahu Elath, Israel Minister to London, Rabbi Koyl Rosen, president of the British Mizrahi, and Chaim Lewis, editor of the Review.

CARETAKER MANAGEMENT FOR JEWISH AGENCY SET UP AS LOCKER AND ESHKOL LEAVE FOR U.S.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive, at a meeting held here today--prior to the departure for the United States of its chairman, Berl Locker, and its treasurer, Levi Eshkol--elected a "caretaker" management to supervise Agency activities. This group is composed of Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Knesset; Dr. Abraham Granott, head of the Jewish National Fund; and Arthur Hantke, director of the Keren Hayesod.

Locker and Eshkol will participate in the forthcoming National Planning Conference for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation, to be held in Washington October 27-29. It will be attended by some 1,500 Jewish leaders from all sections of the country representing all elements in the U.S. Jewish community.

NEW JORDAN PREMIER SETS PEACE TERMS FOR ISRAEL; WANTS RETURN OF RAMLEH AND LYDDA

LONDON, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Said Pasha El Mufti, new Jordanian Premier, said today: "I am not prepared to conclude peace with Israel unless there is a compensatory surrender, such as the return of Ramleh and Lydda, towns in the Samaria triangle, Hebron suburb lands and a reasonable settlement of the Jerusalem problem, namely, the return of the Arab quarters and compensation for Arab properties falling within the boundaries of the Jewish sector." His statement was reported in a London Times dispatch from Amman.

As for a general peace settlement, the new Arab Premier added, it should follow the Lausanne protocol signed by the Jews and Arabs on May 12, 1949. The Jordan official said his new policy would consist of cooperation with and remaining in the Arab League.

MAGISTRATE ORDERS TRIAL OF ISRAEL IMMIGRANT ACCUSED OF SERVING AS NAZI GUARD

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Elsa Trenk, 26-year-old recent immigrant to Israel, was today ordered to stand trial before a district court on charges of crimes against humanity in 1944 when she served as a supervisory guard in the Nazi death camp at Oswiecim.

Her trial was ordered by a magistrate who, after preliminary hearings over a period of several weeks, decided that there was enough evidence against the woman to warrant her being tried. Among the various crimes of which she was accused by former concentration camp inmates now living in Israel was that she once ordered 800 women prisoners to kneel on a concrete floor for several hours.

JEWISH POPULATION IN ISRAEL REPORTED EXCEEDING 1,100,000 AT THE END OF AUGUST

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Jewish population of Israel at the end of August was approximately 1,132,000, it was revealed here today in official data released by the government statistical bureau.

The Rumanian vessel Transylvania arrived at Haifa today carrying 1,738 Jewish immigrants. The Israel transport Kommuniut docked last night with 103 new arrivals.

TEL AVIV PLUNGED INTO DARKNESS AS ISRAEL AIR FORCE DEFENDS CITY IN AUTUMN MANEUVERS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The city of Tel Aviv was plunged into total darkness last night as sirens shrieked warning of an air attack. Thereafter, for a half-hour, the sky was lit by tracer ammunition and huge searchlights as the defending forces drove off the first air raid of the autumn maneuvers of the Israel Army, Navy and Air Force.

AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR WITHDRAWS ANTI-JEWISH AMENDMENT FOLLOWING U.S. INTERVENTION

VIENNA, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Following a communication from Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes, American commander in Austria, Austrian chancellor Leopold Figl today decided not to propose amendment of the national restitution law.

General Keyes informed the Chancellor that the amendment which in part would have compensated holders of Nazi-confiscated property for losses sustained when the property was returned to its rightful owners, was a violation of the London Declaration of 1943. The General also said that the law would react to the detriment of Austrian refugees who have since become American citizens.

The amendment which was proposed by all Austrian Jews would have used the proceeds of heirless Jewish property to "compensate" the holders of Nazi-confiscated property. It would also have expropriated certain categories of Jewish landowners.

SHANGHAI JEWISH CLUB RENTED TO CHINESE INSTITUTION; COMMUNITY CANNOT SUPPORT IT

HONG KONG, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The Shanghai Jewish Club, valued at \$1,000,000 has been leased to a Chinese institution because the Jewish community can no longer raise the high taxes and maintenance costs required to operate the club, it was revealed here today by Jews from Shanghai.

The property was leased after the Israel Government, which owns the property, advised the community to do so. The property was presented to the Israel Government last May when Club members decided that it was the safest way of guaranteeing that the club remain Jewish property. It was purchased by some 800 Jews in 1945 from an individual.

The club grounds include a vast compound and garden and a spacious building in which is a hall which seats 800. The club membership has shrunk from the original 800 to 80. The Palant, Jewish immigration agency, and other Jewish communal groups which had offices in the building have moved.

MORE JEWS ENTERING CANADA SINCE REMOVAL OF SOME IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS

MONTREAL, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The removal of a number of immigration restrictions has made possible the entry of a larger number of Jewish immigrants in recent months, Jerry Segall, president of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society, said here. Appealing for jobs for Sabbath-observing immigrants, Mr. Segall said that the problem of finding employment for religious Jews is most serious.

The Canadian Jewish Congress, meanwhile, has announced that some 120 of 300 Jewish refugees from Shanghai who came to this country in 1949 to await permission to enter the United States have decided to remain in this country. Permanent residence in Canada for these people has been arranged by the Congress with officials of the Dominion Department of Immigration.

NORTH AFRICAN JEWISH YOUTHS TO BE TRAINED AS RELIGIOUS TEACHERS IN BRITISH YESHIVAH

LONDON, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- A group of 20 young Jewish religious students from North Africa have arrived here for intensive training at the Sunderland Talmudic College. The youths were brought here under a program sponsored by the Agudas Israel and with the cooperation of the UNESCO and the British Home Office.

The youths, who will be joined shortly by an additional contingent from Morocco, will undergo special religious training here prior to returning to North Africa where they will serve as rabbis and teachers in various Sephardic Jewish communities.

"TERRIBLE CHOICE" FACING J.D.C. AS FUND SHORTAGE FORCES PROGRAM CUTS, LEAVITT REPORTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Moses A. Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, reported today upon his return from a two-month survey trip to Europe and Israel that a "terrible choice," which will determine the future of hundreds of thousands of desperate Jews overseas, now faces the J.D.C.

"Today," Mr. Leavitt declared, "because J.D.C.'s funds have been almost entirely exhausted by the vast 1950 emigrations from Europe and the Moslem world, we are faced with a grave dilemma--whether or not to cut off tens of thousands of sick and needy Jews from our relief rolls in order to help thousands of other Jews reach Israel before their emigration deadlines expire." He said there are approximately 75,000 "now or never" emigrants to be moved before the end of the year by the J.D.C.

"Unless additional funds are swiftly forthcoming from the American Jewish community through the United Jewish Appeal, which provides J.D.C. with the funds for its overseas operations, we will be forced to make the decision in the near future," he said. "Either choice may result in disaster for tens of thousands."

Mr. Leavitt returned to this country today after participating in the J.D.C. country directors' conference in Paris last week. At the conference, J.D.C. field directors from 19 countries of Europe, North Africa and the Near East reported on the status and needs of Jews in those areas. While in Israel last month, he was one of the 44 American Jewish leaders invited to meet with Israeli Prime Minister David Ben Gurion and other government officials to discuss the current economic needs of the Jewish state.

The crisis which has virtually depleted J.D.C.'s funds, Mr. Leavitt declared, was the result of emigration opportunities which were suddenly granted this year, for a limited period, to Jews in a number of countries which had not previously permitted legal emigration. "Our growing financial crisis has forced us to hold back the emigration of thousands of men, women and children desperate to leave," he said. "It was heartbreaking to hear country director after country director plead, at the Paris conference, for us to give the Jews of his area a chance to leave, a chance to live."

JEWISH EDUCATION CONFERENCE POSTPONED TO AVERT CONFLICT WITH "LOAN TO ISRAEL" PARTY

NEW YORK, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The first National Conference on Jewish Education, scheduled for October 28-30 under the sponsorship of the American Association for Jewish Education with the cooperation of 32 major national Jewish groups, has been postponed to avert conflict with a special emergency National Planning Conference for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation, to be held on the same week-end in Washington, according to a joint announcement released today by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Planning Conference committee, and Michael A. Stavitsky, president of the Association.

The education conference, which approximately 1,000 delegates representing all Jewish communities and major organizations are expected to attend, will be held at the Hotel Biltmore, New York, on January 13 and 14, 1951, the announcement said. It will be the first delegated nationwide discussion on the institutions and programs of Jewish education in America.

AMERICAN MIZRACHI WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION ADOPTS \$430,000 BUDGET FOR PROJECTS IN ISRAEL

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- A decision to raise \$430,000 for the expansion and development of youth, educational and welfare projects maintained in Israel by the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America was taken here last night at the group's silver jubilee convention, which is being attended by some 1,000 delegates from all parts of the U.S.

SPIRIT OF ISRAEL IS STRONGEST WEAPON IN PRESENT ECONOMIC CRISIS, CHILEAN LEADER SAYS

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The spirit of the people of Israel is the strongest weapon which the Jewish state possesses in its efforts to cope with present economic difficulties, Dr. Astolfo Tapia, vice-president of the Chilean Parliament, said following his arrival here from Israel which he visited for more than a week as the guest of the government. He emphasized that Jerusalem must remain an integral part of the state of Israel.

With the date for elections in this country to the 23rd World Zionist Congress definitely set for November 12, both the Labor and General Zionist factions here have launched their pre-election campaigns. Eliahu Dobkin, Jewish Agency leader and Mapai spokesman, urged at a public meeting that Argentine Jews demonstrate their solidarity with the present Israel Government by casting a ballot for Mapai delegates to the Congress. Dr. Simon Bergman, speaking to a General Zionist gathering, stated that his party's viewpoint is the logical continuation of Herzlian Zionism.

MEXICAN OFFICIALS FROM BEIRUT ARRIVE IN ISRAEL FOR TALKS WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- First Secretary Salvador Pardo-Bolland and Marco A. Almazan, attache with the Mexican Legation at Beirut, Lebanon, have arrived in Israel for consultations with the Foreign Ministry. It is understood that the establishment of full diplomatic relations between Israel and Mexico will be discussed.

ISRAEL LEGATION IN BOMBAY GIVES FIRST RECEPTION AFTER INDIAN RECOGNITION OF JEWISH STATE

BOMBAY, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- More than 200 guests, including members of the government, the consular corps and leading editors, attended the first reception given here by the Israel delegation since India announced its recognition of Israel. The function was held at the Taj Mahal Hotel with F.W. Pollack, Israel Trade Commissioner, as host.

400 SOUTH AFRICAN JEWS EMIGRATED TO ISRAEL IN PAST 18 MONTHS, ZIONISTS REPORT

JOHANNESBURG, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- Four hundred South African Jews have settled in Israel in the past 18 months, Z. Segal, chairman of the immigration department of the South African Zionist Federation, reported here last night.

Speaking at the same meeting, D. J. Vainstein, deputy director of the Jewish Agency immigration department, outlined Israel's immigration problems and made an appeal for the immigration of skilled personnel from English-speaking countries.

107TH ANNIVERSARY OF ESTABLISHMENT OF B'NAI B'RITH MARKED AT JERUSALEM CONFERENCE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- The 107th anniversary of the establishment of B'nai B'rith is being marked in Israel by a national conference attended by the representatives of 34 lodges in this country.

The parley, which opened yesterday, is considering plans to help in the absorption of new immigrants, continuation of the immigration program, the strengthening of moral and civic education and other measures aimed at assisting the country in its present economic situation.

DETROIT MAYOR PROCLAIMS "B'NAI B'RITH DAY" IN HONOR OF ORGANIZATION'S ANNIVERSARY

DETROIT, Oct. 17. (JTA) -- In honor of the "107 years of work toward cultural, civic, patriotic and humanitarian activities" of the B'nai B'rith, Mayor Albert E. Cobb of Detroit proclaimed a "B'nai B'rith Day" here. He also congratulated the local B'nai B'rith council on the 107th anniversary of the organization.

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