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RATIONING WILL CONTINUE UNTIL ISRAEL ACHIEVES SELF-SUFFICIENCY, BEN GURION ANNOUNCES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The system of rationing food and other commodities will continue in Israel until the country achieves self-sufficiency, Premier David Ben Gurion told parliament today. "Until then, we will not allow much for few, but everybody will receive a just share" he added.

The new Cabinet held its first meeting today at the residence of President Chaim Weizmann in Rehovot. The President was greeted by Premier Ben Gurion on behalf of all members of the new government. In response Dr. Weizmann congratulated Mr. Ben Gurion and all Ministers of the new Cabinet on their successfully overcoming the recent Cabinet crisis.

At today's Cabinet meeting it was decided to submit to parliament the draft of a bill on the term of life of the present parliament. The Cabinet today also appointed ministerial committees to deal with urgent problems facing the Jewish state.

At a press conference here today Isaac Geri, Minister of Trade and Industry, and Pinhas Lubianiker, Minister of Agriculture, announced that pending a reorganization, their Ministries will continue to function as in the past. Mr. Lubianiker said that his Ministry will be transferred to Jerusalem where he will take up residence. Minister Geri said he has not decided as yet where his headquarters will be established.

In a press interview, Moshe Shapiro, Minister of Interior and Immigration, expressed satisfaction that the Cabinet crisis had been resolved. The Mizrahi laborite minister claimed that the bulk of the demands advanced by the Religious Bloc had been accepted.

It was established today that the 42 votes cast in parliament yesterday against Premier Ben Gurion's new Cabinet represented members of the Mapam, Herut, General Zionist and Communist parties.

Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett of Israel left by air last night for Lake Success to participate in sessions of the U.N. General Assembly. He will make a stop-off at Paris.

Weizmann Congratulates Truman on "Providential Escape" from Assassination

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- President Chaim Weizmann of Israel today cabled President Truman congratulations on his escape from an attempt on his life, which was made yesterday by two Puerto Rican nationalists. The cable reads:

"May accept the heartfelt congratulations of the Israel people and of myself on your Providential escape. With the warmest personal wishes to Mrs. Truman and yourself."

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ISRAEL EXCLUDED FROM UNITED NATIONS BARLEY ON FOOD WHICH OPENS TODAY IN EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Israel will protest against the exclusion of its delegates by the Egyptian Government from a United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization conference which opens in Cairo tomorrow, it was learned today.

Since the establishment of a F.A.O. regional office in Cairo, the Egyptians have denied access to the Israelis. The Israel protest will be based on the tolerance by the United Nations F.A.O. of discrimination by one U.N. member against another, behavior which is contrary to the principles of the world organization.

Israel has been forced to look to the Rome F.A.O. office for services she would normally obtain from the Cairo office which handles the problems of the Near Eastern region.

AMERICAN PETROLEUM GROUP PROTESTS SENDING STEEL FOR NEW PIPELINE TO BY-PASS ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Russell B. Brown, general counsel of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, protested today against the construction of a 555-mile oil pipeline which would by-pass Israel and duplicate present facilities now terminating at Haifa. The Haifa line is unused because the Arabs refuse to pump oil across Israel territory.

Mr. Brown said that the export of steel piping for the new line was "a diversion of steel from home needs; and that the steel situation is "critical" in the oil producing industry in the United States. The Commerce Department admitted the issuance of export licenses for the steel several days ago.

U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECIDES TO INVITE ARAB LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVES AS OBSERVERS

LAIE SUCCESS, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- A decision to extend a permanent invitation to the Arab League to send representatives to the sessions of the United Nations as observers was adopted late yesterday by the U.N. General Assembly.

Israel was the only delegation to vote against the proposal, which was submitted by Syria. The Soviet group, with five votes, abstained from voting. The proposal was adopted after 49 countries voted in favor of sending an invitation to the Arab League.

MIZRACHI PRESIDENT REFUTES CHARGES RELIGIOUS BLOC SEEKS THEOCRACY IN ISRAEL

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Charges that the Religious Bloc in Israel is seeking to impose a theocratic government in Israel were termed here last night at the 30th annual convention of the Mizrahi Organization of America "grotesque, absurd and baseless" by Dr. Pinhas Churgin, president of the group. Addressing 1,000 delegates and guests attending the opening session of the five-day meeting, Dr. Churgin said:

"Greater clarity and frankness are necessary on the part of the Israel Government in its relations with the world Zionist movement." The Mizrahi leader added that his organization "expresses solidarity with the Religious Bloc in Israel, which is a vigilant advocate of the highest ideals and best interests of the Jewish state." He also issued a call for a "three-year moratorium on all local communal building to enable the maximum success of the billion-dollar campaign for Israel." He said, however, that religious and educational institutions should be exempted from the moratorium.

Plans for the establishment of the first religious agricultural community in Israel for 100 middle-class Jewish families from the United States were outlined by Rabbi Max Kirshblum, executive vice-president of the Mizrahi.

ISRAEL'S CHILDREN TO AID KOREAN YOUNGSTERS; CULTIVATION OF ABANDONED GROVES STARTED

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Israel's children will participate in international aid for the children of Korea, it was announced here today. The announcement said that the children of the Jewish state will send to the children of Korea large quantities of orange juice.

Cultivation of 7,000 dunams of abandoned groves that have been neglected for the last three years because of the shortage of irrigation equipment was begun by the office of the Custodian for Abandoned Property in Israel.

It is hoped that the citrus groves will yield 500,000 cases of citrus products for export next season. Groves supervised by the Custodian's office last season provided a half-million workdays for new immigrants in Israel.

JORDAN PRESENTS NEW DEMANDS TO ISRAEL ON CONTROL OF CONVOYS SENT TO MOUNT SCORUS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- An Israel military spokesman announced today that the regular fortnightly convoys to Mt. Scopus--site of the Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital, which is in Arab hands--did not leave today because the Arab Legion has made new demands, "which deviate from the present procedure, approved by Gen. William Riley, U.N. Palestine truce chief."

The Israel spokesman said that the Jordanians now demand control of the convoy stationed in the Hadassah Hospital courtyard, as well as those going to and returning from Mt. Scopus.

KOUSSEVITZKI WILL DIRECT MUSICAL PROGRAM AT FESTIVAL MARKING JERUSALEM'S ANNIVERSARY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Serge Koussevitzki, world-renowned conductor, revealed at a press conference today that he has agreed to direct the musical program of the forthcoming Jerusalem Festival, which will commemorate the 3,000th anniversary of the Holy City. He said that he would invite a number of outstanding conductors to the festival, including Dmitri Mitropoulos, Leonard Bernstein and Sharon Kaplan.

Mr. Koussevitzki, who plans to return to the United States on November 8, also revealed that the famed La Scala orchestra of Milan, Italy, will be asked to play at the festival. Special musical scores are being composed for the occasion, including one that will depict the era of King David.

TWO ISRAEL TRAWLERS NETTED 600 TONS OF FISH; SAVED ON FOREIGN CURRENCY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Two Israel trawlers netted 600 tons of fish this year, saving the government 40 percent on foreign currency expended on fish imports, Ezra Danin, managing director of the Ezra Deep Sea Fishing Company of Petach Tikvah, said at a press conference today.

The vessels were named by Belgian seamen, who will be replaced by Israelis just as soon as their training is completed, he said. The trawlers will operate during the coming fishing season in waters off Iceland. Israel's present annual fish consumption is 22,000 tons, Mr. Danin reported.

NEARLY 20,000 JEWISH IMMIGRANTS ARRIVED IN ISRAEL DURING MONTH OF OCTOBER

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- A total of 19,596 Jewish immigrants arrived in Israel during the month of October, it was announced today.

U.N. DELEGATES PESSIMISTIC ON FUTURE OF HUMAN RIGHTS COVENANT; DOUBT ITS RATIFICATION

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Key members of the U.N. General Assembly's Social and Human Rights Commission are pessimistic about the future of the Human Rights Covenant, which the group has been discussing for the past week. One top delegate expressed the opinion today that none of the world's leading powers could be expected to ratify the covenant.

This view is inspired by the difficulties over three aspects of the document which have dogged its drafting for almost a year. Although no votes have yet been taken in the Assembly committee, discussion has shown that a majority of small powers strongly favor: 1. Full application of the Covenant to dependent territories; 2. Exclusion of any "escape" clause relieving federal states of responsibility for the covenant's provisions in their semi-autonomous states and provinces; 3. An implementation scheme allowing for individual or group petitioning against alleged violations of the international pact.

Without these three elements, most groups concerned with the human rights question believe that the document would be very ineffectual; that stringing along with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights--and its moral authority--would be preferable. On the other hand, federal states, such as the United States, Canada, Australia and Brazil, and colonial powers such as Britain, Holland and France, are implacably opposed to exclusion of the escape clauses and have hinted from time to time that without their ratification would be a serious problem.

The Soviet Union is expected to shun the treaty because of the absence in its terms of reference to economic and social rights, which the current debate has shown are not wanted. This debate is a discussion of these principles and after decisions on them have been taken by the Assembly, the covenant will go back to the Human Rights Commission for re-drafting on the basis of those decisions.

GERMAN EDITOR CALLS FOR BOYCOTT OF FILMS BY VEIT HARLAN, PRODUCER OF "JEW SUSS"

FRANKFURT, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Erich Lueth, head of the official press agency in Hamburg, today called for a German-wide boycott of a new film by Veit Harlan, who was recently acquitted in a Hamburg court of crimes against humanity based on his production of the Nazi propaganda film "Jew Suss."

In a letter to the editor of the Frankfurt Neue Zeitung, Mr. Lueth pleads that Germany's "moral reputation" must not be destroyed by "ruthless moneymakers" who permit Harlan to produce more films. Referring to a film just produced by Harlan, the editor urged "every decent German to fight against and boycott this unworthy representative of the German film industry."

ISRAEL MINISTER TO ARGENTINA LAUDS PERON FOR HIS FIGHT AGAINST INTOLERANCE

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The sympathies displayed by President Juan Peron towards Israel and his fight against racial intolerance in Argentina were praised today by Israel Minister Yacov Tsur, addressing a reception tendered in his honor by the Committee to Plant a San Martin Forest in Israel.

The Israel Minister stressed that Argentina was the first Latin American country to establish a Legation in the Jewish state. He also praised Mrs. Peron for sending clothes to children in Israel through the social foundation of which she is president.

THOMAS SAUDS AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE AND ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF B'NAI B'RITH

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- President Truman today called on the National Council of the Joint Defense Appeal to continue its efforts "in mobilizing nationwide support" for the programs of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

The President's statement came in connection with the opening in Cincinnati on November 10 of the fifth annual national council three-day meeting of the Joint Defense Appeal, which is the fund-raising arm of the Anti-Defamation League and the American Jewish Committee.

In a letter to the J.D.A., the President conveyed his "heartiest congratulations" on the approaching tenth anniversary of the organization and hailed the two J.D.A. agencies as the "type of voluntary, responsible, public-spirited agencies that are uniquely part of the democratic scene."

"Their unselfish devotion to the creation of a better America, their untiring efforts to promote goodwill and mutual respect among Americans of every race and creed, are the very essence of the American way of life," the President declared. "In these critical times, when the dark forces of communism threaten the liberties of the world, all Americans can be proud of the leadership and practical efforts of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Committee in fostering an understanding of democratic rights and responsibilities."

ANNUAL JEWISH BOOK MONTH STARTS TODAY; TO BE OBSERVED BY COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT U.S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Jewish community centers and educational institutions throughout the United States will start tomorrow the observance of the 10th annual Jewish Book Month which is sponsored by the National Jewish Welfare Board. The Month aims to stimulate the widest possible interest in and appreciation of Jewish books and authors and to encourage Jewish literary creativity.

Synagogues affiliated with the Synagogue Council of America have set aside December 2 as Jewish Book Sabbath. Appropriate book programs will be conducted in Jewish homes on December 3, to be marked as Jewish Book Festival. Among the variety of celebrations are those commemorating the birth and death of great Jewish writers, poets, statesmen and philosophers. Major Jewish libraries throughout the country--along with hundreds of public libraries--will sponsor exhibits featuring rare books and manuscripts of the past along with recently published works, including those from Israel.

A Jewish Book Month proclamation was issued by Acting Mayor of New York Vincent Impellitteri. The proclamation called on "all our fellow citizens, Jew and non-Jew, to respond to the call of the Jewish Book Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board by appropriate observances throughout the Month."

PHILADELPHIA JEWISH COUNCIL PROTESTS FORMATION OF "REPUBLICAN JEWISH CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE"

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Republican State Committee of Pennsylvania advised the Philadelphia Jewish Community Relations Council, which had protested against the formation of a "State Republican Jewish Campaign Committee," that it "does not have nor will it tolerate religious campaign committees."

The reported formation of such a committee--because its title included a religious designation--was immediately denounced by the Jewish Community Relations Council as a violation of its "Statement of Principles to Govern the Conduct of Political Campaigns." The "Statement of Principles" was originally formulated in 1944 by a non-partisan committee. "The whole matter was an unfortunate error and we deeply regret its happening," said Kenneth F. Kressler, director of campaign headquarters for the Republican State Committee.

CONFEDERATION OF GENERAL ZIONISTS PRESENTS WORLD DELEGATES LIST TO ZIONIST CONGRESS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The World Confederation of General Zionists announced here today that it presented a world list of candidates and issued an election platform to the forthcoming World Zionist Congress. The list is headed by Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists, and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency.

Dr. Pinchas Rosen, Minister of Justice, of Israel, as well as Dr. Perez Bernstein, president of the General Zionist Party in Israel, and Dr. Abraham Granot, president of the Progressive Party in Israel; Mrs. Rose Halprin, president of Hadassah; and Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, are among the other leaders of General Zionism whose names appear on the list, followed by the names of General Zionist leaders of Jewish communities throughout the world and the General Zionist members of the world Zionist actions committee.

ITALIAN JEWRY TO BE REPRESENTED AT 23RD WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS BY FOUR DELEGATES

ROME, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Italian Jewry will be represented by four delegates at the forthcoming 23rd World Zionist Congress, it was revealed today. The delegates named in the recently-concluded elections to the Congress are Prof. David Prato, Chief Rabbi of Rome, Mizrahi; Carlo Alberto Viterbo, General Zionists; Raffaele Cantoni, president of the Union of Italian Jewish Communities, Democratic Group; and Leone Carpi, Revisionists.

ELECTIONS TO WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS IN ARGENTINA ARE POSTPONED; WILL BE HELD NOV. 19

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Elections to the forthcoming 23rd World Zionist Congress, which were scheduled to be held in Argentina on November 12, have been advanced to November 19, it was announced here today. Efforts by the Argentine Zionist Council to avoid an election and send a delegation to the Congress representing the entire Zionist movement in this country were unsuccessful.

PERUVIAN JEWS TO BE REPRESENTED BY GENERAL ZIONIST DELEGATE AT WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS

LIMA, Peru, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Elections to the World Zionist Congress have been completed in Peru and a General Zionist has been named to represent the Peruvian Zionist movement at the forthcoming parley, it was announced here today.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION IN PHILADELPHIA ASSUMES SPONSORSHIP OF TRADE SCHOOL IN ISRAEL

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Philadelphia Zionist Organization assumed sponsorship of a needle trade school in an Israel "youth village," it was announced at a dinner last night marking the opening of the Philadelphia Zionist Fund campaign.

The village, named for Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists, and a former Philadelphian, will be known as the Israel Goldstein Youth Village, a needle trade school at Katamon, a suburb of Jerusalem.

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