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**425,000 CAST THEIR BALLOTS IN ISRAEL'S MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS; RESULTS DUE TODAY**

JERUSALEM, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Nearly 425,000 persons today went to the polls to cast their ballots in Israel's municipal elections. A total of 527 municipal councilors will be elected by direct, secret ballot on the basis of a proportional representation system. The results are expected to be known tomorrow.

The number of slates in the field varies from city to city and from region to region, extending all the way from a single list in some regions to as many as 14 in Jerusalem. Tel Aviv has 13 competing parties and slates, Haifa has ten and Tiberias seven. Arabs voted in all cities where they reside and in Jerusalem some 90 percent of the Arab electorate had cast ballots by early morning.

The cost of the elections must be borne locally and Jerusalem has set a top limit of 24,500 pounds, while Haifa will spend 12,000 pounds and Tel Aviv's budget is unlimited. The total sum spent by the various parties on this election was estimated here today to be 1,000,000 pounds.

President Weismann cast his ballot in Rehovot, prior to commencing a four-day tour of the country. Premier David Ben Gurion voted in Tel Aviv as did the other members of the Cabinet who resided in Tel Aviv at the time they registered to vote in the 1949 election.

In Jerusalem the special registration cards were put to an additional use. They will be used as a census index to record changes in the Jewish population and to obtain official records of recent newcomers.

**VATICAN STILL FAVORS INTERNATIONALIZATION OF JERUSALEM; NOT SATISFIED WITH NEW PROPOSAL**

ROME, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The Vatican still favors the internationalization of Jerusalem, it was indicated here today in Osservatore Romano, the publication which mirrors the sentiments of the Holy See.

The newspaper carries a report by the Catholic News Agency that a Dutch-Canadian proposal for the extra-territoriality of the Holy Places in Palestine is based on the assumption that the Vatican merely wishes to guarantee the security of the Holy Places.

In comment, Osservatore Romano declares that "it is not the first time that similar attitudes have been attributed to the Catholic Church" in relation to the Holy Places in Palestine. It adds that it appears to be "useless to recall that the Holy See thesis remains as stated in solemn pontifical documents."

**REPORT OF SHIPMENT OF 16 HEAVY BRITISH TANKS TO EGYPT IS CONFIRMED IN LONDON**

LONDON, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Authoritative quarters here today confirmed that 16 heavy Centurian tanks were delivered recently by British manufacturers to Egypt.

A delegation of the Histadrut in Israel will arrive here December 3 as official guests of the British Labor Party, the Trades Union Congress and the Cooperative Union, it was announced here today. The Israelis will remain in Britain for about two weeks and will visit a number of industrial areas.

YOUTH ALIYAH HEAD SEEKS PERMISSION FROM JEWISH AGENCY FOR LAUNCHING OF SEPARATE DRIVES

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Permission to conduct separate Youth Aliyah fund-raising drives throughout the world was asked today at the plenary session of the Jewish Agency executive by Moshe Kol, director of the Youth Aliyah movement conducted by the Agency. Mr. Kol said that this was necessary in view of the increasing needs and decreasing funds for youth immigration.

The session today was devoted to problems of the Economic Department of the Jewish Agency which is charged with encouraging and assisting the flow of investment capital to Israel. Finance Minister Eliezer Kaplan of Israel and Robert R. Nathan, director of the Agency's Economic Department, participated in the debate. Detailed budgetary problems are now being discussed by a special committee appointed by the executive. This committee will soon report its recommendations to the Agency's plenary session.

In his report today, Mr. Kol pointed out that at present separate campaigns for Youth Aliyah are being conducted solely through Hadassah in the United States, the Canadian Hadassah and a special Youth Aliyah Commission in Great Britain. Elsewhere, Youth Aliyah receives 10 percent of the proceeds of local united Israel fund campaigns. He reported that about 17,000 children and youths up to 17 years of age are presently under Youth care in 240 centers in Israel.

Says Movement Can Also Get Support from Non-Zionist and Non-Jewish Circles

"Agricultural settlements have stressed their readiness to absorb 5,000 youths as soon as we can provide them," Mr. Kol continued. "But because of fund shortages Youth Aliyah has been forced to limit its care to youths between the ages of 14 and 17 except in the case of orphans for whom there is no age limit. The movement is absorbing between 600 and 700 children monthly, mostly from Eastern Europe, neighboring Arab countries and North Africa.

"More recent arrivals show a greater number of youngsters in need of special care," Mr. Kol reported. Fifteen to twenty percent of all children from Arab countries are mental cases of one kind or another and require care in institutions manned by psychiatrists and special workers. Hadassah's Lasker Mental Hygiene and Child Guidance Center is cooperating in this work as is Malben, the social welfare organization established recently with the backing of the Jewish Agency, the Joint Distribution Committee and the Israel Government.

"On the other hand," Mr. Kol said, "the J.D.C.--pleading lack of funds--has instituted a policy of cutting its maintenance of Youth Aliyah centers in France by ten percent each month. It is here that children from the Arab ghettos are brought for initial rehabilitation and training before being sent to Israel. Negotiations with the J.D.C. on this matter are still under way.

"It is our feeling," Mr. Kol said, "that the Youth Aliyah movement could get considerably more support, not only in Zionist circles but in non-Zionist and non-Jewish circles, were it permitted to conduct separate campaigns in such areas as Latin America and Western Europe. This is strictly a humanitarian project in which there is widespread interest which has not yet been fully exploited by existing United Israel Appeals."

ISRAEL WITHDRAWS RESOLUTION ON SUEZ CANAL BAN; U.N. ASKS LOCAL SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Abba Eban, Israel's representative to the United Nations, last night withdrew his resolution before the Security Council demanding that Egypt end its Suez Canal blockade of Israel vessels and Israel-bound goods. The withdrawal followed the introduction of a three-power resolution calling on Israel, Egypt and Jordan to settle their charges and countercharges through the media of the mixed armistice commissions.

The resolution, introduced by Warren Austin of the United States and concurred by Britain and France, also expressed the hope that the countries involved will carry out that section of the Israel-Jordan armistice pact which deals with the guaranteeing of free access to a number of places and roads in the Jerusalem area including Mt. Scopus. It also instructed Brig. Gen. William Riley, U.N. armistice chief, to control the movement of nomadic Arab tribes across the various borders and armistice lines and took note of Israel's pledge to evacuate the disputed Beir Katar area. Gen. Riley was asked to report back to the Security Council within 90 days.

During the debate yesterday the British representative on the Council stressed his government's concern over Egyptian restrictions of shipping through the Suez Canal and the consequent shutting of the British-owned Haifa oil refinery. He added, however, that his delegation would like to wait and study the results of a study of the matter by a special Egyptian-Israeli commission before going into the substance of the matter.

Israel voted with the majority today to continue the United Nations Special Committee on the Balkans, but its representative on the Political Committee--Gideon Raphael--criticized UNSCOP's report to the General Assembly, questioning whether the maintenance of charges against Greece's northern neighbors was fully justified at the present time and conducive to the creation of a climate of conciliation and conference. Israel voted against a Soviet resolution calling for the dissolution of UNSCOP.

TURKEY'S STAND ON ISRAEL REPORTED TO PARLIAMENT BY TURKISH PRESIDENT

ISTANBUL, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The attitude of Turkey towards Israel was outlined here by President Celal Bayar in a report presented to the Parliament on Turkey's basic policies. This was President Bayar's first major policy speech to the Turkish Parliament since assuming office in May, 1950.

"Our normal relations with the state of Israel are in process of development," he reported. "We have exchanged ministers with Israel, and have also signed a commercial agreement. As a member of the Palestine Conciliation Commission, we are continuing our efforts to arrive at a solution of the intricate problems between the disputing parties that will be satisfactory for all concerned."

JORDAN ARAB CONVICTED OF ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN ISRAEL SECRETS GETS SEVEN-YEAR JAIL TERM

HAIFA, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Shawket Mohamed Shalabi, an Arab residing in a Jordan village bordering on the Arab triangle area, who went on trial here last week on charges of attempting to obtain "information valuable to the enemy," was sentenced to a seven-year prison term today in Haifa District Court.

SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN ISRAEL LEAVES FOR VISIT HOME; HIS DEPARTURE IS SUDDEN

TEL AVIV, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Pavel Yershov, Soviet Minister to Israel, boarded the Constanza-bound Rumanian liner Transylvania today en route home to Moscow for a leave. The Russian diplomat only yesterday notified the Israel Foreign Ministry that he was leaving the country for a visit home.

J.W.V. COMMANDER CALLS ON TRUMAN; PRESIDENT LAUDS GROUP'S FOREIGN POLICY POSITION

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- President Truman today received Henry Albert, commander of the Jewish War Veterans, who reported to him on the stand which the members of his organization have taken with regard to America's foreign policy.

The President expressed satisfaction with the J.W.V.'s position and said he was pleased to hear of the adoption of a resolution by the Jewish War Veterans which lauded the work of Secretary of State Dean Acheson and of the United States delegation at the United Nations.

INCREASED ACCEPTANCE OF RITUAL BY REFORM JEWS IS REPORTED AT U.A.H.C. ASSEMBLY

CLEVELAND, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- A report of increased acceptance by Reform Jewish congregations and their members of ritual practice and ceremonial observance in the synagogue and in the home was made last night by Rabbi Morton M. Berman of Chicago, chairman of the Committee on Reform Practices, at the 41st biennial assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

With more than 90 percent of the 425 Reform congregations surveyed revealing this trend, Rabbi Berman indicated that Liberal Judaism has undertaken "to correct an error" made by early anti-ritualistic leaders who looked upon ceremonials as "trivializing the noble teachings of Judaism." Innovations introduced by the Reform movement have enriched all branches of Judaism, he reported. The consecration to Judaism on the last day of Sukkoth and the confirmation of Jewish youth on Shavuoth are two of the outstanding innovations in Jewish religious life, he said.

The practice of congregations adopting rituals and ceremonials in accordance with their individual needs, the report stated, has resulted in an uneven development of ritual practice, which now calls for standardization and codification among congregations.

Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, of Pittsburgh, chairman of the workshop on Jewish education, reported on recent advances in Jewish religious schools, while Alexander Frieder noted an increase in synagogue attendance and wider participation by members in congregational life. He said this was reflected in greater programming and in greater civic, social and religious activity.

Dr. Nelson Glueck, president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, warned that spiritual rearmament was as necessary to the welfare of America as military preparedness. Dr. Glueck accepted a scroll presented to the College by the U.A.H.C. on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of its establishment.

TEMPLE SISTERHOODS ESTABLISH LOAN FUND TO HELP NEW REFORM CONGREGATIONS IN U.S.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, which is meeting here concurrently with the U.A.H.C. assembly, today heard a report by Jane Evans, executive director of the organization, on a loan fund set up this year by the group to help new congregations become established.

She reported to the 700 delegates attending the conference that during the past fiscal year, three congregations were awarded loans from the Federation fund. Mrs. Louis A. Rosett, of New Rochelle, N.Y., Federation president, urged the sisterhoods to consider selection of representatives to the seventh international biennial conference of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, which will be held in London in July, 1951.

UNITED SYNAGOGUE WOMEN'S CONVENTION HEARS PLEA FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF "JEWISH ASSEMBLY"

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Dr. Louis Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, addressing the convention here of the Women's League of the United Synagogue of America, last night called for the creation of a "Jewish assembly" for the benefit of modern spiritual life.

Rabbi Finkelstein told the convention delegates representing 100,000 members in 494 Conservative sisterhoods that "Judaism needs, for a spiritual life, a Jewish assembly of scholars, rabbis, laymen and laywomen." Rabbinic Judaism, he added, requires interpretation to meet the challenges of our time. "Judaism needs today an institution which will do for our generation what the men of the Great Synagogue did for theirs," he declared.

"Just as the men of the Great Synagogue constituted an assembly which was the bridge between prophecy and Rabbinic Judaism, so we now have to have an institution which might serve as a bridge between Rabbinical Judaism and the spiritual world in which our children have to live," he pointed out.

The League, meanwhile, announced the launching of a nationwide program designed to "teach young Jewish mothers how to train their children in Jewish religious values and observances." It also adopted a budget of \$84,000 to cover educational, programmatical and maintenance projects.

The session of the convention opened with a religious service which was conducted entirely by the women delegates. Under the leadership of Mrs. David A. Goldstein, of Philadelphia, the women served in the roles of rabbi, cantor, reader of the Torah, and performed all of the religious functions normally conducted only by men.

JEWISH DOCTOR REPORTS ON PROGRESS MADE IN TREATMENT OF DISEASE THAT AFFLICTED JOB

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- A new use for two of the wonder drugs--Cortisone and ACTH--in the treatment of the very deadly disease, pemphigus, was reported today by Dr. David I. Macht of Sinai Hospital, Baltimore, at the 44th annual meeting of the Southern Medical Association held here. Pemphigus is an inflammatory disease marked by blotches on the skin and mucous membranes.

Dr. Macht reported "definite hope of saving or prolonging the lives of patients suffering from pemphigus," one of the oldest diseases known to mankind, and the disease, according to Dr. Macht, with which Job was afflicted. Dr. Macht reported that the use of Cortisone and ACTH has been successful in reducing the toxicity of pemphigus in patients.

NEW YORK JEWISH PHYSICIAN DEVELOPS NEW METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID ARTERITIS

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Persons suffering from rheumatoid arthritis may now be restored to normal life as a result of a new treatment developed by Dr. Louis Granirer, a Jew, it was revealed here last night at the New York Academy of Medicine. Dr. Granirer is associate physician in charge of the arthritis clinic of the Queens General Hospital.

The new method of treatment originated by Dr. Granirer consists of administering plasma taken from mothers 48 hours after childbirth to sufferers of arthritis. Patients treated with the new method are able to walk and even jump rope after having in many cases been bed-ridden for years. The plasma treatment is said to be effective for as long as two years, in contrast to the Cortisone and ACTH remedies, which often wear off in a few days or weeks.

WARBURG WARNS U.S. JEWS ON PACE OF 35,000 "NOW OR NEVER" IMMIGRANTS TO JEWISH STATE

EVANSTON, Ill., Nov. 14. (JTA) -- Edward M.M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, warned here that the safety of 35,000 "now or never" Jewish immigrants who must leave for Israel immediately or remain where they are hangs in the balance.

Mr. Warburg issued his warning to 400 delegates and guests at the combined "West Central Regional Conference" sponsored by the J.D.C. and United Service for New Americans. He appealed for additional funds so that the agencies could continue their work of helping the emigration of Jews from European and Moslem countries to Israel.

Other speakers at the conference included Walter H. Dieringer, president of U.S.N.A.; Moses Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the J.D.C.; and Arthur Greenleigh, executive director of U.S.N.A.

SAN FRANCISCO JEWISH HOSPITAL DEDICATES NEW \$4,500,000 BUILDING; SERVES JEWS, NON-JEWS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The \$4,500,000 addition to Mt. Zion Hospital here was thrown open to public inspection this week in an open house that served as a dedication of the modern, six-story building.

Equipped with the latest in technical development, the building makes Mt. Zion the most modern hospital in San Francisco, and one of the most modern in the country. It adds 150 beds to the 60-year-old institution. Financed by the Jewish community of San Francisco, the hospital is open to the entire community.

NEW YORK JEWISH FEDERATION RAISES \$3,317,666 DURING FIRST MONTH OF ITS CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- A record sum of \$3,317,666 has been raised in the first month of the \$20,000,000 campaign now being conducted by the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York on behalf of its 116 affiliated hospitals and social service institutions, Harry Zeitz, campaign chairman for November, announced today.

11 ISRAELIS ARRIVE IN U.S. ON SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED BY NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

NEW YORK, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The National Council of Jewish Women announced today that 15 students--11 of them from Israel--have arrived in the U.S. on Council scholarships. Mrs. Irving M. Engel, Council president, said the Israelis will return home after receiving the "most advanced training in social work, nursery guidance and teaching developed in this country."

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF CANADA OPENS "MATERIALS FOR ISRAEL" DRIVE TO AID IMMIGRANTS

MONTREAL, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- The Zionist Organization today announced the opening of a Dominion-wide "materials for Israel" drive. The campaign committee plans to approach manufacturers, wholesalers, retailers and individuals to obtain clothing and other goods to alleviate the plight of many thousands of destitute immigrants arriving in the Jewish state.

MEMORIAL TO JEWISH MARTYRS OF WORLD WAR II ERECTED BY BUND IS CONSECRATED IN PARIS

PARIS, Nov. 14. (JTA) -- A memorial to Jewish martyrs of World War II erected by the Jewish Socialist Bund in Bagneux cemetery here was consecrated today. Speakers at the ceremonies included Louis Jacquinot, Minister for War Veterans and War Victims, Solomon Grumbach, Jewish member of the French Parliament, and several Bund leaders.

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