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ISRAEL MINISTER REVEALS PLANS UNDER WAY FOR LAUNCHING OF ISRAEL BOND ISSUE IN U.S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Active preparations are under way for launching in the United States a bond issue of the Government of Israel, Eliezer Kaplan, Israel Finance Minister, announced at a press conference here today. Mr. Kaplan also stated that Henry Montor had been selected by Israel to handle the floating of the bond issue.

The Minister emphasized that representatives of major Jewish national organizations in the United States had pledged their fullest cooperation in making the bond issue a success. He drew special attention to the fact that the Zionist Organization of America had taken a sales quota of \$100,000,000 of this issue.

Questioned about Israel's attitude toward private investment, the Minister stated that in addition to the existing machinery for the encouragement of investments, the Government of Israel proposed to enlist the services of a number of American experts in the Government Investment Center. Also, he added, the Investment Center was considering the establishment of an office in the U.S. to assist private individuals interested in making investments in Israel.

Mr. Kaplan denied that there was any discrimination in Israel between cooperative and private investment. He disclosed that charges to this effect were being investigated by a commission headed by Peretz Bernstein, General Zionist leader. Mr. Kaplan promised that the report of this commission would be made public, and expressed confidence that it would show that the charges were unfounded.

Israel's System of Immigrant Camps Will Be Liquidated by Spring

Israel's system of immigrant camps, which at one time housed more than ten per cent of the country's population, is under process of dissolution and will disappear altogether by next spring, it was reported today to the plenary session here of the Jewish Agency executive.

Under a new procedure called "Operation Homestead," evolved by the Absorption Department of the Jewish Agency, the overwhelming majority of the 18,000 newcomers arriving monthly in Israel never see the inside of a camp, except for a few days spent at a transit reception center. Most are sent to a new type of workers village, more than 50 of which have already been established throughout the land, it was stated by Yehuda Braginsky and Zvi Herman, co-directors of the Absorption Department.

At the same time the co-directors stressed that "'Operation Homestead' has not and cannot solve the colossal housing problem facing the Jewish state." Their report pointed out that the new workers villages, although they provide a home, some privacy and productive work for their inhabitants, still consist almost entirely of tents. Moreover the Absorption Department, in transforming 15 of the existing immigrant camps into independent communities, has not had the funds to provide permanent housing, and the camp tents continue to be used.

## GENERAL ZIONISTS IN ISRAEL ISSUE PROCLAMATION DEMANDING NEW PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The Federation of General Zionists, which emerged from last week's municipal elections as the second strongest political party in Israel, today issued a proclamation calling for new Parliamentary elections.

The proclamation says that the municipal elections "revealed a decisive swing in public opinion." It points out that "large numbers of Israel voters expressed confidence in the General Zionist Federation" and that leaders of the Federation are disappointed with the present government coalition "which persists in retaining authority against the wishes of the population."

In Jerusalem, the final distribution of several municipal seats was announced as follows: Five seats to Mapai; four to the General Zionists; six to the Religious groups; two to the Herut; two to the Progressive Party; and one to the Mapam.

The Mapai, Israel's Labor Party, has named Isaac Ben Zvi as its candidate for Jerusalem mayor. The General Zionists offered Eli Eliashar as their candidate, while the candidate of the Religious groups is S.Z. Shragai and the candidate of the Progressive Zionists is the present mayor, Daniel Amster.

## MAPAM ASKS MAPAI FOR UNITY IN AREAS WHERE LABOR GOT MAJORITY IN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The left-wing Socialist Mapam Party today issued an appeal to the Mapai urging a united front in all municipalities and local councils where the combined labor parties gained a majority of the votes in last week's municipal elections. The proclamation calls on the Labor Party to join forces for a "systematic struggle against reaction."

The Mapam statement bases its appeal on the following six-point analysis of the results of the elections: 1. The increase of the "reactionary, bourgeois power which is hidden behind the General Zionist facade"; 2. The decrease in the influence of the Mapai "despite its exploitation of the name, organization and funds belonging to the Histadrut as a whole";

3. The Mapam is the only portion of the labor movement which retained and even consolidated its strength in the towns and villages and among the immigrants; 4. The Herut's "fascist power has been hit but not yet defeated"; 5. The losses suffered by all parties in the government coalition shows that "public confidence in the coalition is shaken"; 6. The increased influence of the Mapam in a larger number of municipalities where labor control is possible.

## U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL REFERS ISRAELI ARAB CHARGES TO MIXED ARMISTICE COMMISSIONS

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The United Nations Security Council this week-end adopted a resolution calling on Israel and its Arab neighbors to settle their charges and counterclaims through the media of the various mixed armistice commissions established in the Palestine armistice agreements. The vote was nine to zero, with the Soviet Union and Egypt, one of the interested parties, abstaining.

The resolution notes the Egyptian, Jordan and Israeli claims of border violations, expulsions of Bedouins and blockade of Israel and the claims for repatriation. It authorizes Gen. William E. Riley, U.N. truce chief in Palestine, to recommend action to control the movement of nomadic Arab tribes and to report to the Security Council in 90 days on compliance with the resolution. Abba S. Eban, Israeli delegate to the U.N., told the Council that despite the fact that Israel supports the action he regrets the Council's "hasty" action and the language of the resolution which he thought was not entirely impartial.

Z.O.A. LEADERS URGE PROGRESSIVE PARTY IN ISRAEL TO REJOIN GENERAL ZIONIST MOVEMENT

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Bailing the General Zionist Party's victories in the municipal elections in Israel last week, topranking leaders of the Zionist Organization of America, speaking at a Z.O.A. National Administrative Committee meeting here today, urged the Progressive Party to rejoin the Israel General Zionist movement. They also stressed the need for coalition in Israel between the Mapai and the General Zionists.

Benjamin Browdy, president of the Z.O.A., reported to the meeting on the cordial relations between the Zionist Organization and the White House as well as the good relations between the organization and the Government of Israel. Besides reporting on his visits to the White House and to Israel, Mr. Browdy outlined the organization's activities in this country in behalf of the Jewish state.

At the same time, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, in a message to the General Zionist Party in Israel, called upon the Progressive Party "to reunite itself with the Organization of General Zionists." The message congratulated the General Zionists on their "extraordinary achievement in the municipal elections."

Predicting that the results of the elections "are certain to have a salutary effect both in Israel and within the world Zionist movement," Dr. Silver said in his message that these results "reinforce the position which was recently taken by the national executive of the Zionist Organization of America when it reasserted its close and fraternal relations with the organization of General Zionists in Israel and expressed the hope that it would fulfill its role as the great center party in the country."

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, former Z.O.A. president, and another speaker at today's meeting termed the General Zionists' vote in the elections as "the most important political development in Israel since the parliamentary elections two years ago. The citizens of Israel have shown remarkable maturity. By their action they have firmly established the General Zionist as the great liberal Center Party and have given it a clear mandate to strengthen the state by steering a middle course between extremes of right and left," he added.

Merger of Both Factions in General Zionist Movement Urged in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- A resolution advocating the merger of the two existing factions in the General Zionist movement was adopted here at a Zionist conference. The conference also adopted a resolution suggesting the convocation in Mexico of a Pan-American convention of General Zionists.

Four delegates will represent the Zionist movement of Mexico at the forthcoming World Zionist Congress. They will be a General Zionist, a Zionist Laborite, a Zionist Revisionist and a Sephardic. The General Zionists received the largest number of votes in the elections for delegates.

CANADIAN ZIONISM'S 13 SEATS TO WORLD CONGRESS ALLOCATED ON BASIS OF INTER-PARTY PACT

MONTREAL, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Canada's 13 delegates to the 23rd World Zionist Congress have been allocated as follows: General Zionists, five; Labor Zionists, four; Mizrahi, three; and Left Poale Zion-Achdut Avoda, one. An agreement for the distribution of the seats was reached after the Central Election Board had unanimously decided to cancel the elections scheduled for November 26th.

BRITISH JEWS ASK FOR GUARANTEES OF FREEDOM IN PROPOSED NEW GERMAN OCCUPATION STATUTE

LONDON, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- A resolution urging the British Government to make certain that the contemplated new occupation statute for Germany contains adequate international guarantees for the maintenance of the fundamental freedoms and equality before the law in Germany was adopted here today at a plenary session of the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

The resolution pointed out that the daily anti-Semitic and Nazi manifestations in Germany constitute a source of concern to Jews and the democracies. Another resolution on Germany deplored the rearmament of Western and Eastern Germany and called it a betrayal of the millions of Jews and non-Jews who died in the Nazi holocaust.

The Board also adopted a report on Israel which declared that the "exaggerated and one-sided accounts of the present economic regime in Israel are responsible in some measure for the lack of adequate support for the building of the Jewish state from the Jewish community of England." The report urged full cooperation in fund-raising campaigns for Israel and in encouraging private investment in the Jewish state.

LONDON JEWISH TIMES, ONLY YIDDISH DAILY IN BRITAIN, SUSPENDED PUBLICATION AFTER 37 YEARS

LONDON, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The London Jewish Times, the only Yiddish-language daily newspaper in Britain, today suspended after 37 years of continuous publication. The newspaper was founded by the late Morris Meyer, one of the first Labor Zionist advocates in this country, who edited it until his death during World War II. His son, Harry, succeeded him as editor and publisher.

In a farewell statement in today's issue, the editor pointed to increasing publication costs and diminishing income as reasons for suspension of the newspaper. The editor disclosed that an appeal to Jewish organizations and individuals to help the paper overcome its difficulties had failed.

The only Yiddish paper now published in London is the Orthodox Agudas Israel's weekly, "Jewish Post."

U.N. BODY CALLS FOR REWRITING OF DRAFT COVENANT ON HUMAN RIGHTS BECAUSE OF OMISSIONS

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The Social Committee of the United Nations General Assembly this week-end voted for a complete revision of the draft covenant on human rights because the committee decided that the document did not include the "most elementary rights."

The committee's decision, which now goes to the Assembly for action, calls for inclusion of the right of individuals and groups to petition the U.N. on violations of human rights. Some countries, including the United States, preferred not to include any such provision at this time, but the Committee specifically asked that consideration be given to special provisions in the covenant, or separate protocols, so that individuals and non-governmental organizations could submit petitions.

WEST GERMAN SOCIALIST LEADER CONVERS WITH HESSE CHIEF RABBI ON CURRENT JEWISH PROBLEMS

FRANKFURT, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Dr. Kurt Schumacher, head of the West German Social Democratic Party, today called on Dr. A. Weintenz, Chief Rabbi of Hesse, to discuss current Jewish problems. Several local Jewish leaders and a representative of the World Jewish Congress participated in the two-hour conference.

ONLY ONE-THIRD OF CONSERVATIVE SYNAGOGUE MEMBERSHIP ATTENDS SERVICES. SURVEY REVEALS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Results of a survey presented to the biennial convention of the United Synagogue of America here reveal a very discouraging picture on attendance at Conservative synagogue services throughout the country.

The survey, conducted by the United Synagogue in cooperation with the Columbia University Bureau of Social Research, indicated that only one-third of the membership of synagogues attends Friday night services. The only bright spot is to be found in the junior congregations, the report says. Dr. Emil Lehman, assistant executive director of the United Synagogue, who directed the survey, suggested to the 800 delegates at the convention that lay hearings be held to discuss the failings of synagogue services and ways to improve attendance.

Adoption of a resolution calling for Israel to end "the present involvement of religion in politics" which was described as "contrary to the best democratic traditions," highlighted the closing session today of the convention. Other resolutions approved this week-end urged support of Israel and asked the American Government to instruct the Voice of America radio program to include readings from Scriptural and other religious sources.

The convention also adopted a resolution calling for repeal of the McCarran Act and asked Congress "to establish and maintain procedures governing all its various committees investigating subversive and un-American activities so as to protect the fundamental rights of all persons." While they condemned Communism, the delegates resolved to petition Congress to repeal the McCarran Act, because "many of its provisions flagrantly depart from American democratic principles and long established practice."

The convention's action followed an address by Rabbi Ira Eisenstein, vice-president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, who called for revival of a joint commission on social action to operate on a national level and for the activation of social action committees for each congregation within the synagogue organization. Rabbi Eisenstein said the synagogue has "failed in the whole field of social action and made to dent in contemporary America."

Dr. Moshe Davis, dean of the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, told the delegates that "there is no doubt that religious leadership, in trying to intensify religious activity in Israel, will seek knowledge of the unique method, organization, and experience of the American synagogue in dealing with the problems of a religious man in a modern world. Maxwell Abbell, of Chicago, was elected president of the United Synagogue and Samuel Rothstein, of New York, was elected honorary president.

COLUMBIA STUDENTS SET DEADLINE FOR COLLEGE ORGANIZATIONS TO ABOLISH BIAS PROVISIONS

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The student board of Columbia College announced it has recommended to Columbia University that October 1, 1956, be set as a deadline for college organizations to abolish written racial and religious barriers in their constitutions. Members of the board said the resolution was aimed specifically at seven of Columbia's 16 fraternities.

Although the resolution did not carry with it suggestions for enforcement, Gene Courtias, chairman of the student board, said the university "if they so desire could take action against groups which violate the deadline by revoking their charters, denying them use of university facilities and privileges--including the name "Columbia" in chapter titles--and by barring such groups from membership in Pamphra-tris, the campus inter-fraternity organization.

15,000 JEWISH VETERANS IN BRITAIN HONOR WAR DEAD AT "REMEMBRANCE DAY" PARADE

LONDON, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Some 15,000 British Jewish veterans today marched in the annual Jewish Remembrance Day parade to pay respects to the Jewish men and women who died in Britain's armed services.

The parade, in which units of Britain's oldest and proudest regiments participated, was reviewed by R.A.F. Air Marshal Sir John Slessor. Services were conducted by British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie and Rev. I. Levy, senior Jewish chaplain of the British armed services. Israel Minister Elisha Elath was one of the guests of honor.

CORNERSTONE LAID FOR U.A.H.C. "HOUSE OF LIVING JUDAISM-BERG MEMORIAL" BUILDING

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The cornerstone-laying ceremony of the House of Living Judaism of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations took place this afternoon. The building, which is now under construction here, was made possible by a gift from the late Dr. Albert A. Berg, noted surgeon and philanthropist, and by funds raised by the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods and will be known as the House of Living Judaism-Moritz and Josephine Berg Memorial.

Highlight of the ceremony was an imposing procession of congregational leaders from all parts of the country who deposited greetings from their congregations in the cornerstone. The procession was led by three-year-old Jonathan Wise, great grandson of Isaac Mayer Wise, pioneer leader of Reform Judaism in the United States.

MONTH-LONG CELEBRATION OF 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF B'NAI JESHURUN SYNAGOGUE ENDS AT DINNER

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- The month-long celebration of the 125th anniversary of B'nai Jeshurun Synagogue here was climaxed tonight at a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel attended by 600 guests. Yesterday some 1,500 members and friends of the congregation, including members of the Jewish Agency executive who are now in New York, attended the 125th anniversary services conducted by Dr. Israel Goldstein, spiritual leader of the congregation since 1918.

Eleanor Roosevelt, Israeli Ambassador to the United States Aubrey Eban, Bishop Charles K. Gilbert and Rt. Rev. Monsignor Philip J. Furlong representing Francis Cardinal Spellman, and Dr. Israel Goldstein were the principal speakers at the dinner. Messages from President Truman, Governor Dewey, U.S. Senators Lehman and Ives, President Chaim Weizmann and other members of the Israeli government, and religious leaders from all over the world hailed the Congregation.

SYNAGOGUES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY MARK "AGRICULTURAL SABBATH" IN HONOR OF JEWISH FARMERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Synagogues throughout the country yesterday observed "Agricultural Sabbath" in honor of Jewish farmers in the United States. The day was proclaimed "Agricultural Sabbath" by the Synagogue Council of America, which represents Orthodox, Reform and Conservative congregations.

DR. SELMAN WAKSMAN, DISCOVERER OF STREPTOMYCIN, HONORED BY RHODE ISLAND STATE COLLEGE

KINGSTON, Rhode Island, Nov. 19. (JTA) -- Dr. Selman Waksman, noted microbiologist and discoverer of streptomycin and other anti-biotics, was this week-end awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree from Rhode Island State College. Dr. Waksman, who is director of the Institute of Microbiology at Rutgers University, was cited as the "foremost authority on the microbiology of the soil."