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BRITAIN REPORTED URGING JORDAN TO CONCLUDE PEACE WITH ISRAEL; INFORMAL TALKS ARRANGED

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- In an attempt to renew peace talks with Israel, the Jordan Government has taken the initiative in arranging for an informal meeting within a few days between Israel and Jordan representatives for the purpose of discussing outstanding problems concerning Jerusalem.

The problems include the granting of permission by Jordan for the passage of Israel convoys to the Hebrew University and the Hadassah Hospital, granting Israelis access to the Irtun area and to the Holy Places in the Old City, including the Walling Wall, all of which are located in Jordan-held territory.

The Jerusalem Post says that behind the new Jordan move are British military circles. The British Army leaders, the paper declares, urge the conclusion of peace between Jordan and Israel as a preliminary to the extension of British military bases in Jordan and the establishment of new bases.

The paper asserts that London believes that if the international situation deteriorates, Israel may oppose the establishment of British military bases on the Jordan side of her frontier, especially since it seems that there are no chances for substantial American arms or other military aid to be sent to the Middle East.

TURKEY REPORTED SEEKING MILITARY ALLIANCE WITH ISRAEL; WANTS ISRAEL TO BE WELL DEFENDED

LONDON, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Informal discussions have been taking place between Israel and Turkey and there is reason to suppose that Turkey places some reliance on a stable, well-defended Israel as a factor in the security of the Middle East region, the London Times reported.

The Bagdad Radio announced today that a delegation of Turkish Army officers will soon visit Israel for the purpose of inducing the Jewish state to conclude a military agreement with Turkey.

Dr. S. Levenberg, representative of the Jewish Agency in London, addressing a conference of the Zionist Federation here, said that according to reliable reports which he received from Israel there is no basis to any of the published reports that Israel has formed a military alliance with Turkey or with Greece.

Israel's foreign policy, Dr. Levenberg said, was laid down clearly by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett at the U.N. General Assembly last month. Since then there has been no change, he emphasized. He pointed out that on some of the major aspects of the world situation Israel is taking the same stand as Britain. "Israel is deeply depressed about the plans for German rearmament," he added.

ISRAEL CABINET DECIDES TO ENLIST JEWISH SCIENTISTS AND TECHNICIANS FROM ABROAD

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A campaign to enlist Jewish scientists and technical experts from abroad to serve in a special scientific section under the authority of the Premier's Office was decided upon today at a meeting of the Cabinet. The body also agreed to increase the government's share in the development of Jerusalem and to establish an "institute" to increase the productivity of labor.

RABBI MAIMON WITHDRAWS HIS RESIGNATION FROM ISRAEL CABINET; FLIES ON MISSION TO U.S.

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet reassembled today following the withdrawal by Rabbi Judah L. Maimon, Minister for Religious Affairs, of his resignation which he submitted last week because of misunderstandings over religious education in the immigrant camps.

Minister Maimon withdrew his resignation following a visit to him by Premier David Ben Gurion during which the Premier promised to personally intervene in the settlement of the religious dispute. The Premier, who visited Rabbi Maimon at his home, asked him not to postpone his scheduled trip to the United States. Rabbi Maimon is expected to leave for New York by plane Wednesday.

A Cabinet committee started consideration yesterday of the various religious demands presented by the Religious Bloc to the government. It is expected that agreement will be reached on all points. Meanwhile, a group of about 400 Orthodox Jews today held a street demonstration in Jerusalem, demanding more religious education for children in the immigrant camps.

ISRAEL MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE TO FLY TO UNITED STATES; WILL SPEED SHIPMENTS OF FOOD

TEL AVIV, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Pinhas Lubianiker, Israel Minister of Agriculture, will fly within a few days to the United States on an official mission connected with the upbuilding of Israel's food reserves, it was learned here today.

The Israel Minister will also endeavor, during his stay in the United States, to accelerate the shipment of American agricultural machinery and implements acquired by Israel under the recent \$35,000,000 loan granted by the U.S. Export-Import Bank to the Jewish state.

JEWISH AGENCY PLANS MOVEMENT OF 45,000 IMMIGRANTS TO ISRAEL IN NEXT THREE MONTHS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency has prepared plans for the movement and reception of immigrants in Israel for only the next three months, Dr. Itzhak Raphael revealed here today at a press conference.

The three-month project is expected to bring some 45,000 immigrants to this country--15,000 are expected from Iraq, 12,000 from Rumania and the remainder from a number of countries. Dr. Raphael pointed out, however, that as a result of the international situation many other Jewish communities are appealing for immediate rescue.

FIRST MINING TOWN TO BE FOUNDED IN ISRAEL AT SITE OF RICH MINERAL DEPOSITS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The first mining village in Israel will be founded within a few days near Tel Hiram, in the southern part of Israel, where rich deposits of minerals have been discovered, it was announced here today.

ISRAEL AND AUSTRIA NEGOTIATING OVER PENSIONS OF JEWS NOW IN ISRAEL WHO FLED AUSTRIA

VIENNA, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The Israel consulate in Vienna and the Austrian authorities are negotiating for the payment of pensions due from the Austrian Government and private firms to Austrian citizens who fled the country after the Anschluss with Germany in 1938 and are now residing in Israel. Israel Consul Arie Eshel, who revealed the status of the negotiations, said that they are being conducted in a "friendly spirit" and are likely to produce positive results.

ANTI-SEMITIC SLOGAN SHOUTED AT GERMAN MEETING PROTESTING CONDEMNATION OF 24 NAZIS

MUNICH, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitic shouts were heard yesterday at a mass meeting of some 3,000 Germans protesting the death sentences imposed on 24 Nazi offenders over a year ago.

During the demonstration, which was held outside Landsberg prison, some 300 displaced Jews in the audience began to shout "down with the murderers," whose scheduled execution in the jail has been postponed several times. Police ejected several of the DP's and the Germans took up the favorite Nazi chant of "Juden, raus" -- "Jews, get out."

FIVE FORMER NAZIS SENTENCED FOR DESTROYING SYNAGOGUE AND LOOTING JEWISH HOMES

FRANKFURT, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Five former members of the Nazi party charged with destroying the synagogue in the town of Jever and with looting Jewish homes in 1938 were sentenced today to prison terms varying from 18 months to three years.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF U.S. TO SPEAK ON ISRAEL'S STRATEGIC POSITION IN NEAR EAST

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Israel's strategic position in maintaining peace in the Near East will be the subject of an address by Vice President Alben W. Barkley at the Golden Jubilee Conference of the Jewish National Fund which will open here on January 19, it was announced today. The Vice-President of the United States, who will be one of the principal speakers at the conference, will also touch upon Israel's role in America's global policy of strengthening democracy.

2,000 ATTEND FIRST NEW YORK CONCERT OF ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA; \$200,000 RAISED

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- More than 2,000 guests jammed the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria tonight for the inaugural dinner-concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra presented by the American Fund for Israel Institutions. Leonard Bernstein conducted the orchestra. About \$200,000 was raised at the function for the American Fund.

Preceding the concert, speeches were delivered by Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter, Israel Ambassador Abba Eban, Edward A. Norman, president of the American Fund for Israel Institutions, and others. Mr. Eban pointed out that the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra represents the "ardent strivings of the population of the Jewish state for high standard of cultural achievement."

The premiere performance of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra was given last night in Washington at Constitution Hall. The entire Washington press today hailed the performance as an outstanding event and critics agreed that the orchestra was superb. Serge Koussevitzky, who conducted the orchestra in Washington last night, was honored together with the members of the orchestra after the concert at a reception tendered by Ambassador Eban. Government officials, members of Congress and foreign diplomats were among those in attendance.

HADASSAH HOLDS THREE-DAY CONFERENCE; ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR NEW JERUSALEM MEDICAL CENTER

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A three-day Hadassah conference, called to survey emergency problems faced by the organization and to map expansion of Hadassah's health and welfare program in Israel, opened here today.

Addressing the opening session, Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, Hadassah president, announced the establishment of a committee on the planning and construction for a new medical center to be built in Jerusalem. Dr. J.J. Golub, director of the Hospital for Joint Diseases, has been named chairman of the committee. Joseph Newfeld, of New York, has been selected as the architect who will design the new medical center.

Mrs. Halprin called upon Hadassah's 300,000 members to support the forthcoming bond issue which will be floated by the Israel Government in the United States. "By investing in Israel bonds, just as we invest in American bonds, we will in reality be investing in democracy," she said.

BNAI ZION CONVENTION URGES MEMBERS TO SUPPORT TRUMAN'S STATE OF EMERGENCY PROGRAM

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A resolution calling upon the members of the Bnai Zion, fraternal Zionist Organization, to extend full support to President Truman's state of emergency program, was adopted here last night at the semi-annual conference of the organization attended by 500 delegates.

The conference also adopted a resolution urging the members to give maximum assistance to the four-point program of economic aid now being undertaken by American Jewry in behalf of Israel. Confidence that Israel will stand firm against all forms of aggression from whatever quarter was voiced at the conference by Yosef Nevo, senior Israel Consul in New York, who was one of the principal speakers.

NEW ENGLAND ZIONISTS PLEDGE SUPPORT TO TRUMAN IN PRESENT EMERGENCY SITUATION

BOSTON, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A resolution pledging "all-out support" of the New England Zionist Region's membership to "President Truman in the present emergency" was adopted here this week-end at the annual mid-winter roll call of the New England region. Another resolution reaffirmed the membership's "devotion to the Zionist movement and the state of Israel."

Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the World Confederation of General Zionists, the featured speaker at the meeting, spoke of the "overshadowing tension in the world today and the threat of a new world war affecting a million Jews living in Moslem lands and large numbers in other lands where dictatorships and the time of tension is particularly hard on minority groups."

MEXICAN JEWISH LEADERS PAY VISIT TO U.S. AMBASSADOR WILLIAM O'DWYER

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A delegation of Mexican Jewish leaders today visited U.S. Ambassador William O'Dwyer and congratulated him on behalf of the Jewish Central Committee on his assumption of his new post. Ambassador O'Dwyer expressed his thanks to the delegation and emphasized that he has always been a good friend of the Jews.