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SHARETT INFORMS U.N. TRUCE CHIEF ISRAEL WILL OBEY SECURITY COUNCIL CEASE-FIRE ORDER

TEL AVIV, May 13. (JTA) -- Acting Premier Moshe Sharett this week-end notified Col. Bennet de Ridder, acting United Nations truce chief, that the Israel Government would cooperate to the fullest extent in implementing the Security Council resolution adopted last week calling for an immediate cease fire in the dispute between Israel and Syria.

Meanwhile, it was officially reported here last night that the Israeli-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission has resumed meeting and has drawn up a tentative agreement for the cease-fire and for the restoration of peaceful conditions in the disputed Huleh area. A series of meetings were held all day Friday, it was revealed, and it was interrupted several times while the Syrian delegates communicated with Damascus for further instructions at each stage in the discussion.

The tentative agreement covers three points: 1. Acceptance of the Security Council cease-fire of May 8; 2. Agreement to keep the demilitarized zone between the two nations free of military and para military forces; 3. Ban on aggressive action against either party in the demilitarized zone or across it.

At the last minute the Syrians held up signature of the pact until after a meeting between Col. de Ridder and the Syrian Defense Minister. American Col. Samuel Taxis, who replaced French Col. Georges Boissavy as U.N. chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commission, was present at most of the sessions of the commission this week-end.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN URGED TO BRING ABOUT PERMANENT PEACE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ARAB STATES

NEW YORK, May 13. (JTA) -- An appeal to President Truman "to use his good offices to the end that a firm and lasting peace be concluded between the State of Israel and its Arab neighbors" was made today by Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, addressing a meeting of the National Administrative Council of the Z.O.A. at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, attended by 400 leading Zionists from all over the country.

Mr. Browdy also appealed to members of the U.S. Congress to pass the bill for a grant-in-aid to Israel which is now pending in both Houses. He paid warm tribute to Israel's Premier David Ben Gurion, who is now visiting the United States.

The meeting approved a motion to convene the 54th annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America beginning June 14th through June 17th at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City. The gathering also approved a recommendation to change the name of "The New Palestine," official organ of the Z.O.A., to "The American Zionist." The present name was adopted in 1921. For 20 years prior to that date the publication was known as "The Maccabean."

BEN GURION VISITS PROF. EINSTEIN EN ROUTE TO PHILADELPHIA; DISCUSS RELATIVITY, PHILOSOPHY

PRINCETON, N.J., May 13. (JTA) -- Israel's Premier David Ben Gurion today visited Prof. Albert Einstein here at the latter's residence and spent about two hours with him. No one else was present during their talk.

Emerging from Prof. Einstein's home, Mr. Ben Gurion told reporters that they discussed relativity, freedom, Greek philosophy, Spinoza and similar subjects. "We discussed no politics," he stated. From Princeton he proceeded to Philadelphia to present the Israel flag to Independence Hall there at a special ceremony.

Prior to leaving New York, Mr. Ben Gurion was guest of honor at a luncheon rendered by Ambassador Abba Eban to heads of delegations to the United Nations. He was greeted at the luncheon by Selim Sarper, president of the U.N. Security Council.

Responding to the welcome accorded him, Mr. Ben Gurion emphasized Israel's concern for world peace. The world should not be despondent, he said, if the idea of effective collective security had not been fully realized in the past six years. "If an idea is really compelling by its practical and moral need, then it is bound to win."

Mr. Ben Gurion recalled with appreciation the role played by the United Nations in giving "full recognition and approval" to Israel's right to independence. Israel had rejoiced, he said, when the share of the United Nations in bringing about the armistice agreements between Israel and its Arab neighbors had been symbolized by the award of the Nobel Prize to "the great servant of peace," Dr. Ralph Bunche.

The Israel Premier received Mr. Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America in his suite at the Waldorf Astoria where a thorough discussion on American Zionism was held. Mr. Ben Gurion showed keen interest in the scope of work being undertaken by the Zionist Organization as explained to him by Mr. Browdy. Accompanied by members of his entourage, the Israel Premier attended Sabbath services yesterday morning at the East Fifty-First Street Orthodox Synagogue in New York where he received blessings from Rabbi David B. Kahane.

BEN GURION HONORED BY PHILADELPHIA; PRESENTS ISRAELI FLAG TO CITY AT CEREMONY

PHILADELPHIA, May 13. (JTA) -- The official colors of the state of Israel joined those of the United Nations at Independence Hall today when Israeli Premier David Ben Gurion presented his nation's new flag to the city of Philadelphia. The presentation was made on the steps of Independence Hall at welcoming ceremonies for the Premier whose visit to this city is part of his nationwide tour of the United States on behalf of the \$500,000,000 state of Israel Independence Bond Issue.

Expressing his nation's gratitude to Philadelphia for its aid in helping Israel to achieve independence, the Premier said he was proud to present the Israel flag to the city in which the American Declaration of Independence was signed. He said the signers of the Declaration of Independence had set the standard for true democracy the world over, and that Israel's fight for independence paralleled that of America, a fact which emphasizes the bond of fraternity between the United States and Israel.

The blue-and-white flag of the young state was accepted by City Solicitor Frank M. Truscott, who extended the city's welcome to Mr. Ben Gurion in the absence of Mayor Bernard Samuel, who is out of town. In his welcoming address, Mr. Truscott likened Mr. Ben Gurion to the founding fathers of this country, stressing the Premier's vital part in Israel's struggle for life and its eventual proclamation of independence.

ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATED WORLD OVER: TRUMAN SENDS GREETINGS

WASHINGTON, May 13. (JTA) -- On the occasion of the third anniversary of Israel's independence, President Truman during the week-end sent the following message to President Chaim Weizmann: "The people of the United States and I take great pleasure in sending to Your Excellency and to the people of Israel sincere good wishes and felicitations on this anniversary of the independence of Israel."

LONDON, May 13. (JTA) -- Israel Independence Day celebrations were held throughout the United Kingdom today and will continue throughout the week. In London, Captain R.G. Chatwynd, who recently visited Israel as a member of the British parliamentary delegation, told a Zionist celebration that he considered Israel the "only stable and progressive democratic regime in the Middle East." E.B. Wakefield, conservative member of the delegation, told the assembly he believed in the ultimate success of Israel.

JOHANNESBURG, May 13. (JTA) -- South African Premier Daniel F. Malan, Deputy Premier Haverbeke and other government members were present at the Israel Independence Day reception tendered yesterday by Israel Consul Goitein at Cape Town. Celebrations in Johannesburg were climaxed by a pageant depicting the rise of Israel, held at the City Hall.

MUNICH, May 13. (JTA) -- Leading United States occupation authorities, the consular corps at Munich and leading Jewish personalities attended the celebration of Israel's third anniversary here at the Munich House of Arts at the invitation of Israel Consul Eliahu Livshah. The local Jewish community celebrated the occasion last night at the Munich Jewish Community Center with Chief Rabbi Aaron Ohrenstein as the principal speaker. Similar meetings were held in D.P. camps.

BUDAPEST, May 13. (JTA) -- A reception celebrating the third anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel was tendered here last night by the Israel charge d'affaires, A. Ben Tsur. Members of the diplomatic corps and the Hungarian Government attended.

BUENOS AIRES, May 13. (JTA) -- Top government officials and members of the diplomatic corps here last night attended a reception at the Israel legation given by Yeacov Tsur, Israel Ambassador to Argentina, on the occasion of the third anniversary of Israel's independence. President and Mrs. Peron sent orchids. Last night also marked the opening of the United Jewish campaign which was launched with a convention attended by some 450 delegates from all over the country.

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 13. (JTA) -- President Vargas of Brazil sent a message of felicitations to Dr. Chaim Weizmann of Israel, President of the new state, on the occasion of the Jewish State's third anniversary. President Vargas' message said: "I want to express very sincere wishes in the name of the people of Brazil and in my own behalf for your personal happiness and for the prosperity of the Israel people." A large meeting commemorating the anniversary was held by the Jewish community here.

MONTREAL, May 13. (JTA) -- Celebrations marking the third anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel were held in many cities in Canada today. Among the featured speakers at a meeting in Toronto was Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency executive.

STOCKHOLM, May 13. (JTA) -- Diplomats from the East and West alike, as well as top officials of the Swedish government, yesterday shared the hospitality of Israel Minister Doctor Nissan and Mrs. Nissan, at a reception in their home marking the third anniversary of the Jewish State's independence.

19,000 NEW YORKERS CROWD MADISON SQUARE GARDEN TO CELEBRATE ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

NEW YORK, May 13. (JTA) -- Before a packed and highly enthusiastic audience of 19,000 persons in Madison Square Garden the Zionist Organization of America presented tonight a colorful and dramatic pageant as well as a special television program in celebration of the Third Anniversary of the establishment of Israel. Feature of the event was a special address by David Ben Gurion, Israel's Prime Minister, delivered via screen.

In a pronouncement issued to the assembly, Mr. Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America, hailed the third anniversary of Israel's Independence "as a dramatic testimonial to the capacity of a little nation to build in the face of overwhelming odds." Mr. Browdy's pronouncement underscored the fact that Israel "has set a pattern of democratic life, following closely the traditions of these United States."

In pointing out that the Zionist movement has paced, in this country, all efforts that led to the establishment of Israel as a nation, Mr. Browdy's pronouncement emphasized the role of the Z.O.A. in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and at the present time its concerted campaign for the State of Israel Independence Bond issue of \$500,000,000. Thus far, Mr. Browdy said, the Z.O.A. has sold more than \$25,000,000 in bonds toward its goal of \$100,000,000.

JACOB BLAUSTEIN AWARDED THE GOTTHEIL MEDAL "FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO JEWRY IN 1950"

NEW YORK, May 13. (JTA) -- Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee for the past two years, has been awarded the Gottheil Medal of the Zeta Beta Tau Fraternity "for outstanding service to Jewry in 1950," it was announced yesterday by Harold E. Grotta, national president of the fraternity.

The medal was established by Zeta Beta Tau in 1925 to honor the founder and first president of the fraternity, Dr. Richard J.H. Gottheil, head of the Department of Semitics and Oriental Studies of Columbia University. Last year's recipient of the medal was Bernard Baruch. Other recipients in previous years included President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Judge Julian Mack, Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, Sen. Herbert H. Lehman, Felix M. Warburg and Julius Rosenwald.

EXHIBITION OF ISRAELI PAINTINGS BY JAMES N. ROSENBERG OPENS AT NEW YORK JEWISH MUSEUM

NEW YORK, May 13. (JTA) -- An exhibition of paintings on Israel by James N. Rosenberg, noted American Jewish leader, opened today in the Jewish Museum in commemoration of the third anniversary of the establishment of the Jewish state. The exhibition has been arranged by the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Mr. Rosenberg, whose paintings have been accepted by art museums in a number of American cities, visited Israel last winter. His paintings now displayed at the Jewish Museum include "Irrigating the Negev," "In the Hills of Judea," "Mountains of Galilee" and an unfinished portrait of Premier David Ben Gurion. Mr. Rosenberg's canvases will remain on exhibition at the Museum throughout May and June.

152-YEAR-OLD SYNAGOGUE DAMAGED IN GIBRALTAR EXPLOSION; REMAINS CLOSED

GIBRALTAR, May 13. (JTA) -- The Refutzot Yehuda synagogue here was damaged recently when a British armaments ship, HMS Bedenham, exploded in the harbor. Constructed in 1799, the synagogue will remain closed until repairs can be carried out.

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