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PRESIDENT WEIZMANN'S HEALTH CONTINUES TO SHOW IMPROVEMENT

TEL AVIV, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- President Weizmann spent a quiet night according to a bulletin issued this morning by his physicians at Rehovoth. The bulletin added that the improvement noted yesterday continues and is matched by an improvement in the President's heart functioning and blood circulation.

American Ambassador Monnet Davis and his wife today sent flowers to the President's residence with a note to Mrs. Weizmann expressing hope for a speedy recovery for Dr. Weizmann. "We pray for his speedy recovery and hope that for many years to come he will continue to give Israel his wise counsel and inspired leadership," the note said. Flowers were also sent the President by a party of four American Congressmen now visiting the Jewish State. British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden today cabled the President. The message read: "I am distressed at your illness. My thoughts and deepest good wishes are with you."

U.S. ADVANCES ISRAEL $25,700,000 OF FUNDS ALLOCATED FOR AID

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The State of Israel will receive an immediate advance of $25,730,000 on account of the approximately $65,000,000 grant-in-aid appropriated for Israel under the Mutual Security Act, it was announced by the State Department today.

The advance, which is being made because of the critical need for aid by Israel, will be authorized under letters of temporary agreement exchanged by the State Department and the Israel Embassy here. The final agreement will be signed after Technical Cooperation Administrator Bruce McDaniels arrives in Israel.

ISRAEL PREMIER APPROVES BILL ON LEGAL STATUS FOR JEWISH AGENCY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Israel Government today accepted a bill drafted by the Jewish Agency providing for the granting of a legal status to the Agency in Israel. The text, which was approved by Premier David Ben Gurion today in a conference with Agency co-chairmen Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Berl Locker, is expected to be submitted to Parliament next week.

At a meeting of the Agency executive, which gave its final approval of the bill, Dr. Goldmann also reported on his recent talks with American High Commissioner for Germany John J. McCloy, but an Agency communique issued after the meeting does not specify whether the Agency reached any decision as a result of Dr. Goldmann's report. Dr. Goldmann and Mr. Locker are leaving for the U.S. tomorrow morning.

TEL AVIV PRESS REPORTS ISRAEL'S REPLY TO SOVIET WARNING

TEL AVIV, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Israeli Minister at Moscow has handed the Soviet Government the Israel Government's reply to the former's note warning the Jewish State against joining a Western-sponsored Middle East Command, it was reported today in the local evening press here. The Foreign Ministry refused to confirm the text of the Israeli reply as published here.

According to a report in the evening paper Yedioth Achronoth the Israeli memorandum, allegedly signed by Premier David Ben Gurion in his capacity of Acting Foreign Minister, made the following three points, in addition to pointing out that Israel has not been invited to join a Middle East command: 1. The Israel Government is concerned only with the independence and security of Israel; 2. The Israel Government is continuing its policy of "gathering in exiles" and liquidating the Diaspora; 3. Israel would warmly welcome Soviet Government permission for Russian Jews to migrate to Israel.

From Jerusalem it was reported that the Israeli note also stressed Israel's position of non-interference in the East-West conflict.

POTASH PLANT IN ISRAEL TO RESUME WORK; AGREEMENT APPROVED

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Israel Cabinet last night confirmed the agreement reached with the Palestine Potash Company. The agreement is expected to be ratified by Parliament on Wednesday. The work of the Potash plant maintained by the company on the Dead Sea is also expected to be resumed on Wednesday. The plant has remained idle since the outbreak of the Arab-Israeli war.

The Cabinet, at its meeting last night, appointed an inter-ministerial committee to consider plans for the building of a railway in the southern part of the country. The initiative to have such a railway built came from the Ministry of Communications. A group of experts is now engaged in preparing plans for the development of communications between the Negev and the other parts of the country.

ISRAEL AND JORDAN BEGIN JOINT SURVEY OF DISPUTED BORDER LINE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- A mixed team of Israeli and Jordanian surveyors has begun a re-survey of a 55-kilometer stretch of the Jordan-Israeli demarcation line in the Migdal Gad area, following a dispute as to the actual course of the border line. They are expected to complete their assignment next week.

Discussions between Israel and Jordan on arrangements for Christian pilgrims to go to the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem have begun here. Bethlehem is in Jordan territory.

U.N. GROUP TO BUY CLOTHING IN ISRAEL FOR NEEDY CHILDREN IN ITALY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund will purchase $45,000 worth of clothing from Israel for boys and girls, it was announced here. The clothing will be paid for from Israel's contribution of $75,000 to UNICEF.

The announcement pointed out that earlier, when foodstuffs were urgently needed in the Palestine area, Italy advanced wheat and rice which were used by Israel, among other countries, until the Fund could repay Italy from subsequent grain shipments assigned by Australia. It also pointed out that Israel is supplying the clothing despite the fact that its own economy is hard pressed because this is the speediest way of getting the sorely needed supplies to Italy.

KNESSET MAY BE ASKED TO AUTHORIZE DIRECT TALKS WITH GERMANY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- A report on his visit to Germany and his talks with U.S. High Commissioner McCloy on the Jewish claims against Germany was made here today to Premier David Ben Gurion by Dr. Nahum Goldmann upon his arrival from London.

Commenting on the fact that Dr. Goldmann "hurried to Jerusalem instead of returning to the United States," a Foreign Office spokesman here told representatives of the press: "We may face in the very near future important decisions concerning reparations from Germany."

It was learned late today that as a result of Dr. Goldmann's report to Premier Ben Gurion, the Israel Parliament may be asked to authorize direct Jewish negotiations with Germany with regard to reparation claims. It is understood that the Parliament will be urged to decide on such authorization within two weeks.

BRITAIN URGED TO HELP SECURE GERMAN REPARATIONS FOR JEWS

LONDON, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- A resolution urging the British Government to secure the inclusion in any Allied contractual arrangement with Germany of a clause providing for satisfying Jewish claims on Germany for reparations was adopted here today at the conference of the British section of the World Jewish Congress.

Another resolution expressed concern over the revival of the ultra-nationalist reactionary and Nazi elements in Germany. The resolution condemned the glorification of Nazi generals through the mediums of cinema, radio and literature.

The conference also adopted a resolution appealing to the British Government to impress upon Austria the necessity of maintaining its present restitution legislation. It also re-affirmed the W.J.C. traditional policy of close co-operation with the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency.

The State of Israel cannot protect Jews living in the Arab countries, A.L. Easterman, political secretary of the World Jewish Congress, told the conference last night. He stressed the need of the Jews in Arab lands for protection until they decided voluntarily to leave for Israel and other countries where they could find more secure homes but emphasized that Israel cannot act as "a Foreign Office for world Jewry."

SOUTH AFRICAN JEWS APPROVE JEWISH DEMANDS AGAINST GERMANY

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The South African Board of Jewish Deputies today endorsed the decisions on Jewish claims against Germany taken at the recent conference of central Jewish organizations held in New York. A report on the discussions at the conference was submitted to the Board by its chairman E.J. Hurwitz, who represented South African Jewry at the New York parley.

WESTERN POWERS SEEK TO SECURE COMPENSATION FOR NAZI VICTIMS

BONN, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- One of the supplementary treaties to the "contract" now being negotiated between the Western Powers and the Federal German Republic contains provisions governing restitution of identifiable property to victims of the Nazi regime, compensation on a Federal basis for wrongs inflicted by that regime, and the status of displaced persons and refugees, Allied sources disclosed here today.

A warning that all funds required for compensation to survivors of Nazi victims and aged persons may not be forthcoming owing to the Federal budget situation was issued here today by Dr. Lehr, Federal Minister of the Interior. He said the present schedule of payments to persons in these categories was meeting with considerable difficulties.

TERRORISTS MAKE NEW ATTEMPT TO BOMB SYNAGOGUE IN MIAMI AREA

MIAMI, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The police patrols guarding synagogues and Jewish institutions in the Miami area were strengthened today following an unsuccessful attempt yesterday to bomb a synagogue in Coral Gables.

A week after the dynamiting of the Miami Hebrew School and Congregation, the police were apparently still without any clue to the identity of the bomb throwers. The attempt to dynamite the synagogue in Coral Gables was made after the police had been alerted by an anonymous telephone threat. It was the fifth attack on a synagogue in this area, the first in Coral Gables.

The police said that the terrorists hurled a lighted stick of dynamite from a passing car. It struck a tree and did not explode. Coral Gables Police Chief William G. Kimborough today met with Rabbi Morris Skop to arrange for further protection for the synagogue building. The rabbi rejected an offer by Jewish war veterans to guard the Jewish religious center in Coral Gables.

Mr. Kimborough said that a man called his home Saturday night and said: "We are going to blow up the synagogue tonight. The Jews are....." He immediately ordered a policeman to guard the area. The dynamite was later tossed at almost the exact spot where the policeman had stood guard during the night.

AMERICAN JEWS URGED TO ESTABLISH BOARDS FOR ADULT JEWISH EDUCATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Congregations throughout America were urged today to establish and support boards of Jewish education for adults to parallel existing boards of Jewish education for young people by Dr. Rabbi Israel M. Goldmann, director of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Education, and chairman of the two-day national conference on Adult Jewish Education which was concluded tonight at the Jewish Theological Seminary here.

Dr. Goldman called upon 300 rabbis, educators and lay delegates who assembled from all parts of the country "to set aside fixed periods of time for the purpose of pursuing programs of Jewish study."

Dr. Martin Buber, internationally-known philosopher, scholar, author and pioneer in adult Jewish education, who is in America as visiting professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary, told the delegates: "When a particular historical situation demands a particular type of man, it is the task of adult education to create that man. This has been the problem in Israel, where certain historical necessities have made demands for a certain kind of citizen. I believe that this is also the case in America."

"HUMAN RIGHTS DAY" OBSERVED IN U.S.; TRUMAN ISSUES PROCLAMATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Human Rights Day, commemorating the principles on human rights adopted by the United Nations on Dec. 10, 1948, was observed today in the United States following the issuance of a proclamation by President Truman last Saturday.

Frank Goldman, president of the B'nai B'rith, in a statement today, said: "It would be a great stride forward if there were a human rights committee, authorized to operate immediately in concert with all U.N. members, in the investigation of reported violations of human rights under the U.N. Charter. We would like to see the U.N. Commission on Human Rights itself authorized to conduct world-wide, objective surveys on the observance and protection of human rights."

R. S NGALOWSKI ARRIVES IN U.S. TO NEGOTIATE ORT PACT WITH J. D. C.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Aron Syngalowski, chairman of the executive committee of the World ORT Union, arrived here today to report on the need of expanding vocational training in Israel, Iran, North Africa and Western Europe. He will negotiate a 1952 agreement with the Joint Distribution Committee through which the ORT receives its funds from the American Jewish community.

The ORT leader told representatives of the press that his organization today operates 275 trade schools in 19 countries with two to three years' training for adolescents and training workshops for adults. "Last year more than 20,000 persons passed through these institutions," he said. "During the immediate post-war years ORT prepared tens of thousands of refugees and DP's for a productive existence, both in Israel and in other countries of immigration -- with the financial assistance of J. D. C. and the International Refugee Organization."

Emphasizing the important role which the ORT schools are playing in Italy, North Africa, Iran and Israel, and that "American experts have recognized the high technical standard of these schools," Dr. Syngalowski declared: "Nevertheless ORT's network of schools must now be curtailed, despite the present necessity of expanding this constructive work. The reasons for this curtailment are as follows: 1. ORT work is part of the diminishing budget of the J. D. C.; 2. ORT has been unable to obtain assistance for its Israel schools, since their foundation in 1949, either from the J. D. C. or from the United Palestine Appeal.

"A possible solution lies in the discussions with the leaders of the J. D. C. and of other competent bodies, soon to take place," Dr. Syngalowski continued. "The funds now being spent on Jewish vocational training in Israel and in the diaspora constitute a small percentage of the amounts raised in the United States for social relief," he pointed out. The percentage is wholly disproportionate to the scale and to the importance of this vital task," he concluded.

DR. DUBROWSKY REPORTS ON PROBLEMS OF ARGENTINE JEWISH FARMERS

PARIS, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Ricordo Dubrowsky, Professor of Medicine at the University of Buenos Aires and president of the DAIA, central representative body of Argentine Jewry, arrived here for a series of conferences with French medical authorities regarding his findings on cancer.

At a reception given today in his honor by French members of the executive of the World Jewish Congress, Dr. Dubrowsky stated that he will attend the meeting of the Jewish Colonization Association in London this month at which he will suggest a program of solving a number of difficulties besetting the Jewish colonies in Argentina. He will propose to the J. C. A. the purchase of more land in order to increase the holdings of the Jewish colonies and to prevent the children of the settlers from leaving the settlements.

MORGENTHAU LEAVES ISRAEL; IS OPTIMISTIC ON COUNTRY'S ECONOMY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Henry Morgenthau Jr. left Israel today following a two-week stay during which he conferred with Cabinet members and visited various parts of the country.

Prior to his departure, Mr. Morgenthau said he was certain that Israel will reach economic independence within five years "Whoever saw the Kishon development and the Negev industries must understand that the Israel Government uses its money for essential and productive enterprises," he declared. He pledged that he would do his utmost to increase the sale of Israel bonds in the United States.

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