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## ISRAEL TO ANNOUNCE NEW ECONOMIC POLICY ON WEDNESDAY

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Announcement of government plans to check inflation and improve the economic situation in the country will be made in Parliament Wednesday by Premier David Ben Gurion, it was officially stated here today. The local press today indicated that no matter what else the government proposes, it will not recommend the devaluation of the Israeli pound.

The entire population is nervously awaiting the Premier's announcement and Parliament's reaction to it. The government's plans have been kept a strict secret against the possibility of leaks.

The Cabinet today continued its deliberations on the recommendations proposed last Thursday by a special Ministerial committee on how to deal with the economic situation. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was announced that the government had appointed a 32-member economic advisory board on which will be represented the various economic groups in the country, including labor, farmers, industrialists, bankers and merchants.

Meanwhile, a special government committee today awarded to the Kaiser-Frazer automobile assembly plant in Haifa the first medal to be given annually to an industrial establishment which contributed the most to the economic development of Israel during the preceding year. The committee making the presentation was composed of representatives of the Ministry of Trade and Industry and the Treasury Department.

A disagreement between the Palestine Potash Company and the Israel Government, which is now a partner of the corporation in the exploitation of Dead Sea mineral resources, may postpone the resumption of activities at the company's plant, it was learned here today. The government has proposed S. Sipstein, former manager of the port of Tel Aviv, as general manager of the company, but he has not been accepted by the company.

## ISRAEL PLANS MILITARY EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Military education is being planned for Israel's secondary schools, it was revealed here today by Army Chief of Staff Yigal Yadin at a public meeting.

It is understood that two alternative proposals for the introduction of military education in the schools have been submitted by the military authorities to the Ministry of Education. One proposal calls for a direct form of military training, while the other recommends military study within the framework of the school curriculum.

U.S. AMBASSADOR IN ISRAEL WARNS OF WAR DANGER IN MIDDLE EAST

TEL AVIV, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- United States Ambassador Monnet B. Davis has voiced a warning here that the "common danger of totalitarianism and aggression is of much greater consequence than the cause of regional dissension" in the Middle East.

Addressing a luncheon of the Tel Aviv Commercial and Industrial Club, he said that the United States is "well aware of the serious character of the problems of the Middle East." He expressed the hope that "the people of this region, realizing that they will gain more by constructive cooperation and will lose everything by failure to cooperate, will share the responsibilities of common defense." He also described the American aid program for Israel.

ISRAEL'S MILITARY STRENGTH CITED; STUDIED BY ARMY LEADERS

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- High tribute to Israel's military strength was paid here today by Congressman Emanuel Celler, chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, at a dinner tendered in his honor by Bnai Zion, fraternal Zionist organization, at the Commodore Hotel. More than 1,500 guests attended the affair.

"Even the military leaders throughout the world are studying the David-Goliath techniques in Israel used to defeat the Arab countries," Rep. Celler said. He emphasized that the Jewish State is the only nation in the Middle East that democratic nations can depend upon in this period of international tension.

Calling attention to Israel's economic potential, he pointed out that her ports and airfields are at a point where three continents meet. "Israel is both a center of world commerce and an ideal warehouse and assembly plant for Europe, Asia and Africa," he said. He drew a sharp contrast between Israel and the surrounding Arab countries and stated that Israel's "stability contrasts vividly with the instability of the Arab nations."

JEWISH PROPERTY VALUED AT \$25,200,000 DAMAGED IN CAIRO RIOTS

LONDON, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Jewish property in Cairo suffered damage estimated at nine million pounds (\$25,200,000) during the recent anti-British riots, it was reported here today.

The report said that the Jewish school in the Abassia district, one of the finest in the Middle East, had been totally destroyed. Nearly all Jewish-owned department stores and shops in the Egyptian capital were also burned to the ground, including the Cicurel department store.

13 ISRAELI SEAMEN ACQUITTED; CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING POLICE

TEL AVIV, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Thirteen of 30 merchant seamen on trial in Haifa on charges of assaulting policemen during the merchant seamen's strike, were acquitted yesterday because of lack of evidence against them. They were arrested following a riot which broke out when strikers attempted to board the freighter Tel Aviv to prevent removal of the crew by the police. The trial of the remaining defendants is continuing.

BERLIN EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR FILING CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION

BERLIN, Feb. 10. (JTA)-- The West Berlin municipal council this week-end extended until October 31, 1952, the deadline for Nazi victims to file claims for compensation for damage and loss resulting from Nazi action. The original deadline expired last Thursday.

U.S. JEWISH LEADERS TO MEET IN PARIS ON CLAIMS AGAINST GERMANY

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency, left by air for Paris yesterday for a series of urgent conferences with European Jewish leaders and Israel officials, including Moshe Sharett, Foreign Minister of Israel. He will be joined in Paris by other American Jewish leaders for talks with Israeli officials on the coordination of claims against Germany and the procedure to be followed in negotiations with Germany.

The other Americans participating in the parley will be: Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee; Frank Goldman, president of B'nai B'rith; Adolph Held, chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee, and Moses Leavitt, executive vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee. Blaustein, Frank Goldman, and Held are members of the praesidium of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany. Dr. Goldmann is presiding officer of the praesidium. Leavitt is honorary secretary of the Conference.

JEWS WILL REFUSE TO SERVE IN GERMAN ARMY, BERLIN LEADER DECLARES

BERLIN, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- German Jews will refuse to serve in any future German Army, Heinz Galinsky, chairman of the Berlin Jewish community, declared there today. "I cannot visualize a German Jew serving under officers who may have taken part in anti-Semitic atrocities a few years ago," he said.

(The New York Times reported from Bonn today that Jewish communal leaders in West Germany have received reports, which they have no way of confirming, that anti-Semitic incidents have occurred in the Soviet zone of Germany. The Times dispatch added that Jews in West Germany have been unable to obtain any information about Jewish communities in the Soviet zone.)

JEWS PROTEST AGAINST AUSTRALIA'S ACCEPTANCE OF GERMAN ENVOY

SYDNEY, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- A sharp protest against the acceptance by the Australian Government of a West German ambassador was issued here today by the Executive Council of Australian Jewry. The protest followed an announcement by the Ministry of External Affairs that Dr. W. Heiss had been appointed West German envoy to Australia.

In a statement today, Ben Green, president of the Jewish representative body, said: "It is surprising to find that the Australian Government is to receive an ambassador from Germany while a peace treaty with that country has not yet been signed. It is difficult to understand what appears to be indecent haste.

"An appointment in these circumstances is unusual when the final details of the peace treaty are not known and when it is not yet known whether Germany has made satisfactory arrangements to pay reparations for damage done to the democratic nations during the war."

I.R.O. COUNCIL MEETS TODAY TO PLAN AGENCY'S LIQUIDATION

GENEVA, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- The general council of the International Refugee Organization, consisting of the 18 member nations of the organization, will meet here tomorrow to plan the liquidation of the I. R. O., which ceased functioning January 31.

Part of the I. R. O. migration machinery will be turned over to the Provisional Intergovernmental Committee for the Movement of Migrants from Europe, which began operations the moment the I. R. O. ceased functioning. George L. Warren, State Department advisor on refugees and displaced persons, has been designated by President Truman as American delegate to the liquidation session.

(The I. R. O. ended all activities this week-end with the arrival in New York of the last immigrant vessel which brought 1,272 DP immigrants to the United States. Aboard the vessel was Florika Remetter, five-year-old Rumanian Jewish girl, who has already given five concerts in Italy and Germany. The child prodigy began playing the violin and the piano at the age of three.)

SECRETARY OF ARMY ASKED FOR EXPLANATION OF BAN ON JEWISH WORKERS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Sen. Herbert H. Lehman yesterday asked Secretary of the Army Frank Pace, Jr., for an explanation of an order issued by the Army to bar American Jewish workers from employment on bases in French Morocco.

"As a matter of principle I must object to discrimination against individuals in recruitment of this kind. We are spending the money of American tax payers for the common defense of freedom. We cannot begin by discriminating against our own citizens on religious grounds," Sen. Lehman wrote to Secretary Pace.

(Major Gen. G. L. Nold, Deputy Chief of Army Engineers, told the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee on February 1 that the Army had asked state employment services to eliminate Jews from employment on construction work at a project in French Morocco because there might be a "racial" problem involving Jews and Arabs. New York State refused to cooperate with the Army and declined the request for the separation of workers on a religious basis. The Army, as a result, by-passed 20,000 eligible New Yorkers, including Jews and non-Jews.)

The New York Senator said he could "readily understand the considerations mentioned by Gen. Nold," but could not "permit to pass unchallenged this discrimination against the State of New York in the face of the critical unemployment situation."

BOSTON PHYSICIANS PROTEST AGAINST NAZI DOCTOR'S PRESENCE IN U.S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Government circles here were today giving attention to a letter from a group of Boston physicians to President Truman asking him to order the "immediate expulsion" from this country of Dr. Walter P. Schreiber, chief medical officer of the Nazi army in World War II, who is currently assigned to the U. S. Air Force School of Aviation Medicine in Texas.

The physicians' letter to the President, made public this week-end, included a digest of testimony given at the Nuremberg War Crimes Trials implicating Dr. Schreiber in the "medical experiments" carried out by Nazi doctors and scientists on concentration camp prisoners at Dachau, Buchenwald, Ravensbrueck and elsewhere. The physicians said they appealed to the President only after a three-months exchange of correspondence with Major General Henry G. Armstrong, Surgeon General of the Air Force, had failed to bring action.

## WARBURG APPEALS TO AMERICAN JEWRY TO MOBILIZE FOR U. J. A. DRIVE

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Pointing out that "Israel today is fighting a desperate battle to achieve victory over austerity, shortages, inflation and under-production," Edward M. M. Warburg, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, today urged American Jewry to help Israel win its fight by making the U. J. A. campaign for 1952 a success.

The campaign this year will be conducted "on a crisis footing to help the people of Israel with their battle for economic survival and freedom," he said in a statement here. He cited the U. J. A. 1952 goal of \$151,500,000, asserting that its adoption was based on the record of American Jews in contributing \$150,000,000 to the U. J. A. in the crucial year of 1948, when Israel won independence.

Mr. Warburg announced that more than 750 Jewish leaders from all parts of the country will attend the U. J. A. inaugural conference in Miami Beach, which opens there on February 23 to launch the \$151,000,000 drive. He stressed that, in addition to providing for programs in Israel, the United Jewish Appeal this year must make possible the movement to Israel of 120,000 Jews from Eastern European and Moslem lands, extend relief, welfare and rehabilitation assistance to 250,000 Jews in distress in Europe, North Africa and the Middle East, and help receive and settle 8,500 displaced persons and refugees who will arrive here before the end of the year.

## U. J. A. PARLEY IN CHICAGO RAISES \$2,000,000 TOWARD 1952 CAMPAIGN

CHICAGO, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- More than \$2,000,000 was made available today to the United Jewish Appeal by Jewish community leaders of 16 midwest states. The money represents an advance instalment on local 1952 campaigns in the midwest and will be used to meet critical food and housing shortages in Israel and to maintain vital relief programs in other areas.

Three hundred leaders participating in the U. J. A. 's midwest leadership conference also heard Acting Israel Ambassador David Goitein warn that "friends of Israel must never forget that unless we become economically strong we shall be tempting bait for our Arab neighbors." Mr. Goitein stressed that "with a strong defense, a determined democracy and a well-established economic life, " Israel will be able to convince her Arab neighbors that "our position is impregnable" and that they would be deluding themselves if "they still hoped to have Israel wiped off the map and its name no longer appear among the United Nations. "

The Israel diplomat paid warm tribute to the United Jewish Appeal for the "splendid humanitarian contribution it is making in helping to put back on their feet the once homeless and oppressed Jews entering Israel from the Moslem lands and Europe." He said that U. J. A. aid to Israel "is very tangible and is seen daily in the form of homes, food, medical institutions and agricultural development." Another principal speaker was Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-chairman of the U. J. A.

The conference delegates approved resolutions calling upon the communities in the midwest to "match this year's critical U. J. A. drive with that of 1948, when the U. J. A. raised over \$150,000,000." The current nationwide U. J. A. campaign, which will be launched officially February 24th in Miami Beach, must raise \$151,500,000.

BRITISH JEWS PREPARE TO PARTICIPATE IN KING'S FUNERAL

LONDON, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- The Jewish community of Britain was preparing today to participate in the funeral ceremonies for the late King George VI which will be held next Friday. Prayers for the late King were recited in all synagogues throughout Britain yesterday.

While the King's body is carried through the streets of London for burial in Windsor Castle next Friday, memorial services will be held at the new West End Synagogue by Dayan I. Grunfeld and Rabbi L. Altmann, deputies for British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie. In addition, special memorial services will be held in all synagogues on Sunday, February 17. On the same day, a special meeting of the United Synagogue Council will meet to adopt a resolution expressing to Queen Elizabeth the sympathy of the members of the United Synagogue on the death of her father and also expressing their congratulations on her accession to the throne.

(In Canada the Jewish community joined with the people of the entire British Commonwealth in mourning the death of the King. Memorial services were held in all synagogues and the major Jewish organizations, including the Canadian Jewish Congress and the Zionist Organization of Canada, sent messages of condolence to the Royal family.)

AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOLDS 50TH ANNUAL MEETING

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- The two-day 50th annual meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society opened here last night with the presentation of a detailed historic survey of Jewish unionism in the United States by Prof. Selig Perlman, of the University of Wisconsin's Department of Economics.

Today, papers were presented on three noteworthy American Jewish historical anniversaries: "The 200th Anniversary of Easton, Pa." by Dr. Joshua Trachtenberg; "The History of Mount Sinai Hospital (1852-1952)" by Dr. Burrill B. Crohn; and "The History of Temple Isaiah Israel, Chicago (1852-1952)" by Dr. Morton Berman.

RACIAL HARMONY IN U.S. URGED BY JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN GROUPS

NEW YORK, Feb. 10. (JTA) -- Messages expressing "moral concern for interracial justice" and asserting that a "new spirit of reconciliation is abroad in the land" were made public here today in connection with the 30th annual observance of "Race Relations Sunday" by the executive committee of the Commission on Religious Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and by the National Council of Churches of Christ in America.

The National Conference's statement declared that "in spite of the evident progress that has been made in race relations in the United States, the recent instances of racial violence make it clear that the virus of prejudice and discrimination still infects our American community." The very peace of the world is at stake in this issue "since millions of men far removed from our shores watch to see how well our actions match our democratic words," it continued.

The National Council asserted that "a revolution in race relations has been taking place in America in the last decade," adding that "the issue of race has become crucial in a time when men must learn to live as brothers if they are to live at all."