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KNESSET OPENS TODAY; ANNOUNCEMENT ON CABINET CHANGES EXPECTED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Israel Parliament will reconvene tomorrow after its summer recess. The question of granting a status to the Jewish Agency is among the first items on the agenda. An announcement is also expected on changes in the Cabinet.

A 21 man political committee of the Mapai, major government party, met this morning to hear a report by Premier David Ben Gurion on the negotiations being conducted with various parties for their joining the Cabinet. In the meantime, it was reported today that the Mapai has reached an understanding with the Agudah Laborites. The report said that the understanding provides that conscripted religious girls are to serve not under the Ministry of Defense but under the Ministry of Labor.

Such an agreement makes it possible for Orthodox girls to complete their period of national service by doing agricultural work in religious settlements. In certain cases they will even be able to live in their own homes while on duty. It thus provides a satisfactory settlement of the problem of the conscription of religious women, against which the Agudah has protested by withdrawing its members from the Cabinet.

ISRAEL LABOR ASKS SOVIET RUSSIA TO PERMIT EMIGRATION OF JEWS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- A resolution calling upon the Soviet Union to permit the emigration of Russian Jews to Israel was adopted here last night at the concluding session of the Histadrut council convention. Another resolution sent greetings and encouragement to the 200 Zionists arrested in Rumania. (A report from Paris today said that a trial of Zionist leaders detained in Rumania will begin soon.)

In the course of the debate preceding the closing of the parley, Mapam delegate Yaacov Rifin, declared that Israel workers would "never fight against the gigantic cradle of Socialism." He made this statement in response to a query by a Mapai delegate asking for a "clear" statement of whether the left-wing Mapam party would fight the U. S. S. R. in the event that it invaded Israel.

The council also voted to admit organized Arab workers into the labor exchanges and the health and other social security programs of the Histadrut. However, the Arab unionists will not be admitted into membership in the Histadrut itself. The resolution on the Arab unionists was opposed only by the Communists, who dominate in one of the two largest Arab trade unions.

GERMANY TO IGNORE ARAB PRESSURE AGAINST PAYMENTS TO ISRAEL

BONN, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- West German governmental circles this week-end repeated assurances that the German Parliament would be asked to ratify the German-Israel reparations pact, despite renewed Arab protests against the agreement.

German spokesmen pointed out to Arab representatives here, who have met recently with several officials, that it is "too late" to change the pact's commitments and that German prestige and goodwill abroad depend upon honoring the pledges made to Israel. The Arabs were also told that Bonn sees no gain in referring the treaty to the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission, as suggested by Arab spokesmen, because the pact pertains to matters between Israel and Germany alone.

Arab representatives here have several times threatened a boycott of German goods and services in the Arab countries if Bonn goes through with the Israel pact which the Arabs claim will aid an "enemy state." The Germans have stressed the fact that none of the goods shipped to Israel as reparations will be military items.

(In London it was reported that the Egyptian Cabinet had decided to call for a meeting of the Arab League political committee to consider German refusal to accede to Arab demands on the reparations pact. It was also reported that a German trade mission in Saudi Arabia has been ordered by the Arab government to cease operations until the issue has been settled between the Arab states and Bonn.)

List of Goods to Be Sent by Germany to Israel Published

LONDON, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- A list of goods and services to be supplied by West Germany to Israel under the German-Israel reparations pact, for the year ending March 1953, was published today in the press here. The list contains the following commodities and values:

Pig iron, valued at 350,000 marks; rolling mill products, 11,500,000 marks; foundry products, 6,250,000 marks; drawn and cold rolled iron and steel products, 3,100,000 marks; semi-finished products of non-ferrous metals and alloys thereof, 5,300,000 marks; products of machine manufacturing industry, 17,000,000 marks; products of motor vehicle and bicycle industries, 4,500,000; products of the structural steel industry, 7,000,000 marks; ship building, 2,000,000 marks; products of electro-technical industry, 9,000,000 marks.

Also, fine mechanical and optical instruments, 1,000,000 marks; products of iron, steel, sheet metal and metal, 4,500,000 marks; rubber and asbestos products, 1,800,000 marks; woodworking and affiliated products, 12,100,000 marks; leather and processed leather goods, 1,800,000 marks; stones and earth, 1,350,000 marks; ceramic and glass products, 1,350,000 marks; mineral, oil and mining products, 1,800,000 marks; agricultural products, 3,500,000 marks; services, including transport and freight insurance, 15,000,000 marks; chemical products, 13,000,000 marks; textile products, 1,800,000 marks.

AUSTRO-ISRAELI MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST DISCUSSED IN VIENNA

VIENNA, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Dr. George Flesh, General Zionist deputy in the Israel Parliament and member of its Foreign Affairs Committee, was received here by Austrian Foreign Minister Karl Gruber. Dr. Flesh is visiting Austria on a tour of various European countries. The two men discussed various matters of mutual interest to Israel and Austria.

ISRAEL NAMES CABINET COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH UJA-BOND COORDINATION

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Israel Government has appointed a committee of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Interior and Finance to deal with the problem of coordination of the Israel bond drive and the United Jewish Appeal campaigns in the United States, it was learned here today.

Meanwhile, Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-chairman of the U. J. A., who arrived here for three days of consultations with Israel Government and Jewish Agency leaders on the U. J. A.-bond drive situation, has conferred with Premier David Ben Gurion.

At a press conference today, Dr. Schwartz revealed that the U. J. A. has already raised \$63,000,000 this year and hopes to raise a total of between \$72,000,000 and \$73,000,000 by the end of the year. Dr. Schwartz, who plans to return to the U. S. Tuesday, said that the chief reason for the anticipated \$10,000,000 drop in U. J. A. collections between this year and last is the crisis which has hit several American industries in which Jews have a considerable share.

U.S. WILL FIND INDISPENSABLE ALLY IN ISRAEL, RABBI MILLER REPORTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- "The United States and Britain will find in Israel an indispensable ally in their search for world peace and security," Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the Zionist Organization of America, said last night, reporting to a joint meeting of the National Executive and Administrative Councils of the Z. O. A. on his recent visit to Israel. He underscored Israel's desire for peace with the Arab states.

Rabbi Miller also announced that both he and Mortimer May, chairman of the Z. O. A. Administrative Council, will again leave for Israel within a fortnight to attend the conference of American Zionist leaders which has been convened for mid-November by Premier David Ben Gurion to discuss methods of strengthening the Zionist movement. The meeting was also addressed by Abraham Goodman, chairman of the Z. O. A. Inner Committee, who just returned from Israel where, together with Rabbi Miller and Dr. Emanuel Neumann, he supervised the arrangements for the completion of the Z. O. A. House in Tel Aviv.

The meeting was highlighted by the first public appearance of the four-man delegation of Israeli General Zionist leaders. The four are: Joseph Saphir, member of the Knesset and former mayor of Petach Tikva; Dr. Elimelech Rimalt, member of the Knesset and head of the public school system of the city of Ramat Gan; Shimon Bejarano, member of the Knesset and vice-president of the Israel Manufacturers' Association; and Samuel Ussishkin, noted attorney and journalist, the son of the late founder of the Jewish National Fund.

Mr. Saphir, in a joint statement to the meeting in behalf of the entire delegation, termed the twofold purpose of their visit as a "goodwill mission and as an instrument to strengthen and cement the link between Israel and American Jewry and the Z. O. A. as well as to strengthen the link between the General Zionists in Israel and like-minded Zionists in America."

The Israel delegate paid tribute to the political and material contributions of American Jewry, the Z. O. A. and its leaders towards the establishment of the State of Israel. He declared that the development of the economy of Israel, the broad basis which private initiative has created for the absorption of immigrants up till now, is at present a very important factor for absorbing additional private capital from the United States and other countries. "Such Jewish capital, with the know-how and experience of American Jews, can play an important part in the improvement of the economy of Israel and the expansion of its potentialities in various economic spheres," he stated.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY STARTS ACADEMIC YEAR TODAY WITH 3,000 STUDENTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Hebrew University of Jerusalem will open its new academic year tomorrow with an anticipated enrollment of 3,000, the largest in its history, it is announced here today by Dr. George S. Wise, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University.

The University has been isolated from its buildings on Mt. Scopus since 1948 by Jordan troops who control the road from Jerusalem. Instruction and research have therefore been transferred to makeshift laboratories and improvised classrooms in some 30 buildings scattered throughout Jerusalem. The anticipated enrollment represents an increase of 500 over the previous semester and an almost threefold growth since 1948, the last term of operation in the University's permanent buildings on Mt. Scopus.

Of the 3,000 students expected for the coming semester, approximately 2,800 will be undergraduates, Dr. Wise said. The remainder will be postgraduate students working toward their doctorate degrees. The Hebrew University is now in its 28th year of existence and its fifth in exile. It comprises schools of science, medicine, agriculture, education, humanities and law.

The New York Chapter of the American Friends will mark the occasion tomorrow with a reception at University House here. The principal speaker will be Professor Nafali H. Tur-Sinai (Torczyner), internationally famous Biblical scholar, Semitic philologist, and chairman of the Hebrew University's Institute of Jewish Studies. Other chapters throughout the country will hold similar celebrations.

The New York Times, in an editorial yesterday, pointed out that for the fifth year the University will operate in "exile," but that despite this handicap "it still manages to flourish" and increase its enrollment. "This great institution looks forward to the day when it can return to its rightful location on Mount Scopus; but meanwhile under the most severe handicaps it will continue to furnish light and leadership to the sons of Israel," the Times added.

J.N.F. ALLOCATES 1,000,000 DUNAMS FOR NEW ISRAEL SETTLEMENTS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Jewish National fund has set aside 1,000,000 dunams (250,000 acres) for the establishment of new agricultural settlements next spring. Joseph Weitz, director of the J.N.F. agricultural department, announced here.

He explained that work is proceeding on the preparation of soil for the new settlements and reported that some 90 kilometers (55 miles) of road has been paved between existing settlements and main roads. Afforestation work continues at top speed, he added, stating that some 5,000,000 saplings will be planted this year, most of them in the Forest of the Martyrs, near Jerusalem, which honors the memory of the 6,000,000 Jews murdered by the Nazis.

The Children's Village operated by the Pioneer Women of America at Ein Karem, west of Jerusalem, was today converted into an agricultural school. Some 250 young Israelis will receive a four-year agricultural training course at the new school.

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE GETS VALUABLE COLLECTION SAVED FROM NAZIS

CINCINNATI, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Valuable volumes of Judaica, collected by the Jews of Mannheim, Germany, over the centuries and dramatically preserved from Nazi looting and Allied bombing during World War II, have been presented to the library of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion at Cincinnati through Col. Henry Tavel, highest ranking Jewish army chaplain, who has just returned from a three-year tour of duty in Germany.

The collection of books, which includes some rare items dating back as early as 1500, had been seized by Hitlerites from Jewish institutions and families and assembled at a central depot. Gestapo officials instructed the custodian of the municipal library at Mannheim to select items of general interest for the city book shelves. The remainder were to be shipped to Nazi institutions for racist study.

The custodian made no selections. Instead, he stamped all the books and told the Gestapo he was incorporating the entire collection in the public library. Actually, he preserved the lot intact. As a result, during the very period when the owners of the books were being dispersed--in death and in concentration camps--their volumes of Jewish learning were preserved together. During Allied bombings, when Mannheim authorities buried city treasures for safety, the Jewish collection was buried too. After liberation, the books were restored to the small community of Jewish survivors, 90 old people, all that remains of a once-thriving Jewish population of 10,000.

To Col. Tavel, who served as their rabbi as well as the rabbi of Jewish GI's, this community, without youth of its own, expressed the desire to pass its library on to an institution where the books might again serve Jewish learning and help in the development of new leaders of Judaism. In selecting the Hebrew Union College, Col. Tavel chose the school where he was ordained in 1929.

Head of H. U. C. Returns from Israel; Discussed Cultural Plans

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- "Archaeologists and American investors in Israel bonds are jointly responsible for opening the way to exploitation of valuable copper deposits at King Solomon's Mines," it was reported here by Dr. Nelson Glueck, noted archaeologist and president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, upon his return this week-end from a month's stay in Israel.

Dr. Glueck, discoverer of King Solomon's Mines 20 years ago, said he had conferred with Israel officials on archaeological findings which may have direct bearing on that country's attempts to exploit the mineral potential of the Negev desert. "New discoveries are constantly bolstering the belief in the enormous potential of the Negev," he pointed out.

While in Israel, Dr. Glueck discussed plans with Premier David Ben Gurion to broaden cultural and spiritual interchange between the centers of Jewish life in the United States and Israel.

President of American Labor Zionists Leaves for Israel

NEW YORK, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- In response to an invitation by Premier David Ben Gurion, Rabbi James G. Heller, president of the Labor Zionist Organization of America left this week-end for a month's stay in Israel. The Prime Minister's invitation was conveyed to Dr. Heller by Abba Eban, Israel Ambassador in Washington.

PERON AGREES TO EXEMPT RABBINICAL STUDENTS FROM MILITARY SERVICE

Buenos Aires, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- President Juan Peron has agreed to a request that students in rabbinical seminaries be exempted from military service, it was reported here today. The request was submitted to him by Rabbi Amram Blum, a member of the DAIA, central representative body of Argentine Jewry.

Gedalia Zakiff, who for the last five years has been directing Israel fund-raising campaigns in Latin America, is leaving shortly for Israel. He was tendered a farewell dinner here by leaders of the Jewish community.

U.S. CONGRESSMEN HONORED AT HISTADRUT DRIVE CONFERENCE IN N.Y.

New York, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- More than 1,500 delegates representing 700 benevolent and fraternal organizations affiliated with the United Organizations for the Israel Histadrut met here today to map a program to aid the 1952-53 Israel Histadrut campaign for \$10,000,000.

Rep. Jacob K. Javits of New York told the meeting that the present United Nations General Assembly session presents a "special opportunity" for the American delegation to help bring about peace in the Middle East. He said that "this is both the time and the opportunity" for U.S. diplomacy to achieve a "marked victory" by bringing about an understanding between Israel and the Arab states. The conference was highlighted by the presentation to Rep. Javits and Congressman Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., of special scrolls in recognition of their aid to Israel and the Histadrut.

NON-JEWISH PUPILS IN CHILE GREET ISRAEL ENVOY WITH "HATIKVAH"

Santiago, Chile, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Israel Minister to Argentina Yaakov Tsur, who is in this country to attend the installation of Chile's new President, Gen. Carlos Ibanez del Campo, has conferred on United Nations matters with Garcia Oldini, the new Foreign Minister, and with the new Chilean representative to the U.N. Yesterday, Mr. Tsur visited the "Republic of Israel" school here, which is attended by non-Jewish children, who greeted him by singing Hatikvah.

WEST GERMAN PRESIDENT ATTENDS UNVEILING OF MEMORIAL TO JEWS

Bonn, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- Dr. Theodor Heuss, President of the West German Federal Republic, this week-end joined Germans representative of all walks of life in presenting a memorial to the Jews murdered by the Nazis. The memorial was unveiled in the local Jewish cemetery.

TEL AVIV MARKS "BALFOUR DAY" BY OPENING NEW CITY PARK

Tel Aviv, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The city of Tel Aviv today opened its newest park, a 25-acre playground for adults and children along the seashore. Officially opened on the 35th anniversary of Balfour Day, it is named "Independence Park." It includes a band stand, special play areas for children and many shade trees.

ISRAEL GOVERNMENT TAKES OVER OPERATION OF PORT OF JAFFA

Tel Aviv, Nov. 2. (JTA) -- The Government of Israel took over operation of the port of Jaffa today from the Tel Aviv Port Authority, which had previously operated the Jaffa port. Equipment formerly used by the Tel Aviv Port Authority for Jaffa was also turned over to the government, under the terms of an agreement between the port authority and the Ministry of Communications.