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WEIZMANN BURIED IN REHOVOTH; 250,000 PERSONS PASS BIER

TEL AVIV, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Israel's first President, was this afternoon laid to rest in the garden of his home at Rehovoth in an impressive ceremony. In the two days before the funeral that the President lay in state on a platform in front of his home about 250,000 Israelis filed past to take their last view of their beloved President.

Present at the funeral itself were about 400 persons, including members of the family, personal friends from various countries of the world and members of the government, Parliament, diplomatic corps and national institutions. The mourners passed through two lines of fully armed paratroopers and approached the coffin which was guarded by high officers of the Israel armed services.

Among those who arrived for the funeral were the Chief Rabbis of Israel and the Chief Rabbis of the major cities, as well as Arab clergy in traditional Moslem garb and representatives of various Christian churches in Israel. Each of the mourners passed the coffin and then took up his position in a square in front of the platform.

Shortly before 2:30 P. M. members of the President's family and close friends of the late President came outdoors and began assembling for the services. Behind them came the members of the government, heads of the Jewish Agency executive and others. Ten Lieutenant Colonels and ten Brigadier Generals of the Israel Army took up positions around the coffin. The religious services were begun by Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog and were concluded by the prayer for the dead by Chief Rabbi BenZion Uziel. The Chief Army Chaplain also participated.

When the services came to a close, a siren sounded in Rehovoth. Simultaneously, sirens sounded throughout the length and breadth of the land and all movement came to a halt as the people of Israel maintained a two-minute period of silence in memory of their dead chief.

Heads of Various Governments Send Floral Wreaths

In the square in front of the President's home the silence continued as the ten Lieutenant Colonels hoisted the coffin to their shoulders and, in measured steps, began the procession through the green woods to the nearby grave which had previously been sanctified by the Army's Chief Chaplain. Army and police units at the grave presented arms as the coffin was lowered into its final resting place.

Dr. Weizmann's son Benjamin recited the prayer for the dead, and turned the first shovel of earth onto the coffin. Friends and intimates in the government

followed him to the grave to add their shovel of earth. Moments later a 21-gun salute by a battery nearby roared out the signal that the ceremony had ended. Air Force planes flew overhead during the services.

At the end of the ceremony more than 50 wreaths which had been sent to the President's home by the heads of various governments, by friends and others were laid on the grave by soldiers from the unit guarding the President's residence. The first wreath was laid by Mrs. Vera Weizmann and bore the legend, in Hebrew and in English: "To My Beloved Husband." Among the wreaths was that of Queen Juliana of Holland, which was flown to Israel in a special plane, of President Peron of Argentina, of President Einaudi of Italy and from the widow of Gen. Orde Wingate, beloved British organizer of the Haganah and personal friend of the Weizmanns.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mrs. Weizmann went to the British military cemetery to mark Armistice Day by placing wreaths on the graves of her son Michael, who died as an RAF pilot in the Battle for Britain in the second World War, and of a friend of her son's who was killed in Palestine while serving in the British forces during the Arab riots of 1936-39.

All factories, offices and shops closed down between noon and 4 P. M. today. In the schools children were assembled to hear eulogies of the late President. Yesterday, all local councils held special sessions in memory of the President, and many of them decided to name their main streets for him.

Messages from all corners of the world continued to pour into government offices and into the President's home. Among them was one from Dr. Ralph Bunche, former U. N. mediator for Palestine, who succeeded in establishing an armistice between the Arab states and Israel. The Soviet charge d'affaires in Tel Aviv called at the Foreign Ministry to express his government's condolences. The Minister, Pavel Yershov, was prevented from calling by illness.

NEW ISRAEL PRESIDENT TO BE CHOSEN WITHIN THIRTY DAYS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The next President of Israel will not be chosen until the end of the 30-day period following Dr. Weizmann's death during which a new President must be named under Israeli law, it was indicated in informed political circles today.

It was pointed out that the Presidency will be decided upon at the same time as the current Cabinet "crisis" is solved by the expansion or other form of stabilization of the government coalition. This problem is not expected to be solved in less than the next month.

A number of names have been put forward unofficially for the Presidency, but none of the parties has made any official decision nor, as far as can be learned, made an approach to any other party on the matter. Prominent among those being discussed are Joseph Sprinzak, Acting President and Speaker of the Knesset, a leader of the Mapai Party. A second possible choice is said to be Dr. Pinchas Rosen, leader of the centrist Progressive Party.

Also mentioned by some newspapers as possible choices for the Presidency are Dr. Moshe Smoira, Chief Justice of the Israel Supreme Court; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, co-chairman of the Jewish Agency executive; and Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett. It is suggested that if Mr. Sharett is elected President, Abba Eban, Israel delegate to the United Nations, might be named Foreign Minister.

EISENHOWER PAYS TRIBUTE TO DR. WEIZMANN; SENDS CONDOLENCES

AUGUSTA, Ga., Nov. 11. (JTA) -- President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower today made public a message of tribute to the late Dr. Weizmann. The statement said: "The free Republic of Israel has suffered an irreparable loss in the passing of its first citizen - Dr. Chaim Weizmann. Under his distinguished leadership, the new republic became a haven for oppressed peoples from many lands. I join with all Americans and all peoples of good will everywhere in the world in mourning his death."

Gen. Eisenhower also sent to Mrs. Weizmann the following message: "Mrs. Eisenhower and I extend to you our deepest sympathy in the tragic loss you have sustained in the passing of your beloved husband, the President of Israel, Dr. Chaim Weizmann. Millions of people throughout the world who shared his love of humanity will mourn his passing."

AMBASSADOR EBAN EULOGIZES DR. WEIZMANN AT U. N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 11. (JTA) -- An impressive eulogy of Dr. Chaim Weizmann was delivered today at the United Nations General Assembly by Ambassador Abba Eban, head of the Israeli delegation, who expressed "deep gratitude" for the homage paid by the Assembly yesterday to the memory of the President of Israel who, he said, "is being laid to rest at this very hour."

Mr. Eban spoke of President Weizmann as "the embodiment in modern times of the kingly and prophetic tradition which once flourished in Israel and became the most abiding source of light and redemption for successive generations of men."

"He led Israel for 40 years," the Israeli delegate said, "through a wilderness of martyrdom and anguish, of savage oppression and frustrated hope, across the sharpest agony which has ever beset the life of any people; and at the end of his days he entered in triumph upon his due inheritance of honor as the first President of Israel."

Mr. Eban's voice was full of emotion as he paid this final tribute to his late chief on the podium of the United Nations. "His Presidency," he said, "symbolized the swift journey of the Jewish people, in this its most awesome decade, from the horrors and depredations of European slaughterhouses and Oriental ghettos to the shelter and freedom of the sovereign state securely established in the international family."

"During years of deep darkness and little hope our people looked with pride and longing upon his erect and majestic bearing, his dignity of mind and spirit, his scientific intellect refined and ordered as a cultivated garden; and his profound moral influence in every free country upon the best minds and hearts of his generation."

"In all our enterprises, in our effort to preserve ancient moral values in modern scientific truths, in our national ambition and international pride we were uplifted by the presence of his revered and paternal figure in our midst." Mr. Eban thanked all delegates who had offered their condolences.

"We are sorely bereaved," he said, "but we may serve the Hebrew tradition worthily if we can establish the life of our Founder-President as the standard which Israel should aspire to obtain in all the expressions of its national spirit, as deed and thought and word. The waves of sympathy and respect which flow abundantly from all corners of the earth will sustain our people in this solemn hour of remembrance and grief," Mr. Eban concluded.

ISRAEL AND ZIONIST OFFICES IN U.S. CLOSED; MARK WEIZMANN'S FUNERAL

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) — All Israel Government offices in the United States, as well as all offices of Zionist groups, were closed today in respect to Dr. Weizmann. Memorial services were held in various agencies.

Officials of the Israeli Consulate, the Jewish Agency and other organizations met at the consulate today for services led by Ambassador Abba Eban. A memorial service for Dr. Weizmann was also held at the offices of the Jewish Agency and Louis Lipsky, chairman of the American Zionist Council, and Gottlieb Hammer, the Agency's executive director, delivered eulogies. The Kaddish prayer was recited by Rabbi Zevi Tabory.

Memorial services were also held at the headquarters of Hadassah where eulogies were delivered by Mrs. Siegfried Kramarsky and Mrs. Rebecca Shulman, leader of the Women's Zionist Organization of America. The national board of Hadassah voted to name the new Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center which is being built at Ein Kerem, outside of Jerusalem, for Dr. Weizmann.

The American Zionist Council, in which all Zionist groups are represented, today announced it would hold a meeting of all Zionist organizations in this country in about 30 days in memory of Dr. Weizmann. The Zionist Organization of America announced that it would be represented at Dr. Weizmann's funeral by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, American member of the Jewish Agency executive.

Memorial services were also held today by the American and World Jewish Congresses at the Stephen Wise Congress House. The executive bodies and staffs of the Labor Zionist Organization of America, the Pioneer Women's Organization and the Farband-Labor Zionist Order held memorial services at their headquarters where leaders of the Zionist labor groups delivered brief eulogies.

The offices of the State of Israel Bond organization were closed today in tribute to Dr. Weizmann. The organization issued a statement saying: "We mourn the passing of one of the great statesmen of our era. He belongs with Wilson, Masaryk, Roosevelt and Churchill as a master builder of democracy and world brotherhood. He practiced statesmanship in terms of the highest human values. He practiced science as a true benefactor of humanity. He led the Jewish people to independence and statehood as an unrelenting crusader for democracy."

The Jewish Telegraphic Agency today continued to receive statements from all parts of the world reflecting the deep impression which Dr. Weizmann's death made in many countries. The American Jewish organizations which today issued statements of condolence included the Labor Zionist Organization of America, American Fund for Israel Institutions, Rabbinical Council of America, Jewish Theological Seminary and others.

Diplomats in Washington Express Condolence at Israel Embassy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 12. (JTA) — Diplomats and others have visited the Israel Embassy to sign a register of condolence. Among those who have signed so far are the diplomatic representatives of Germany, Japan, South Africa, Great Britain, Norway, Belgium, France, Dominican Republic, Yugoslavia, Luxemburg, Liberia, Turkey, Argentina, and Chile.

ARGENTINA HONORS WEIZMANN'S MEMORY; OBSERVES NATIONAL MOURNING

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Argentina today observed a day of national mourning for the late President Weizmann of Israel. Flags on all national buildings, at army installations and on naval vessels were lowered to half-mast by official government order. Dr. Pablo Manguel, Argentine Minister to Tel Aviv, was instructed as President Peron's personal representative at the funeral to place a wreath of flowers on the bier of Dr. Weizmann.

Representatives of President Juan Peron and the Foreign Ministry yesterday called on Yancov Tsur, Israel Minister to Argentina, to express official condolences on the death of President Chaim Weizmann. Many diplomats, including the envoys of the Soviet Union, Canada and Norway called to extend their sympathy.

At an emergency meeting of the DAIA, central representative body of Argentine Jews, the Central Zionist Council and the Buenos Aires Jewish Community a period of mourning for the Argentine Jewish community was set from Dr. Weizmann's death Sunday until Nov. 19. All Jewish organizations were closed today, during the funeral in Israel, while Jewish owned businesses were asked to close down for several hours and no Jewish theatres will be open until Thursday. On the evening of the last day of the mourning period a community-wide memorial meeting will be held here.

State of Italy Observers Official Day of Mourning

ROME, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The State of Italy today observed an official day of mourning in memory of Israel President Weizmann who was this afternoon buried at Rehovoth.

Premier Alcide de Gasperi, in a cable to Premier David Ben Gurion, offered his personal condolences and those of the Italian Government over the death of President Weizmann. Yesterday, Italian President Luigi Einaudi cabled Joseph Spivizak, Acting President of Israel, that "the sorrowful news of the death of your illustrious President deeply affects the Italian people, who join me in the mourning of the nation of Israel."

French Government Joins in Mourning Dr. Weizmann

PARIS, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- President Vincent Auriol today telephoned Israel Ambassador Maurice Fischer to express his personal condolences on the death of President Weizmann. An official Foreign Office statement declared that "the Government of France joins the Government and people of Israel in mourning the death of President Weizmann."

An emergency meeting of representatives of all major Jewish organizations in France called for the observance of a 30-day mourning period by the French Jewish community, to be capped by a mass meeting in Paris at the conclusion of the month. The meeting also called on Jews throughout the country to spend the hours of the Weizmann funeral in Israel in contemplation and prayer.

Austrian President Sends Condolences to Israel

VIENNA, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Austrian President Theodor Koerner and Foreign Minister Dr. Karl Gruber today sent condolences to the Israel Government on the death of President Weizmann. A meeting of the Vienna Jewish community to mark the 18th anniversary of the burning of the city's synagogues by the Nazis was converted into a memorial meeting for Dr. Weizmann. At a religious service here today, representatives of the Allied Occupation authorities, of the Austrian Government and of the Jewish community heard Chief Rabbi L. Eisenberg eulogize Dr. Weizmann as the "symbol of the Jewish people."

AUSTRIAN CABINET REAGRES COURT OF REPARATIONS TALKS WITH JEWS

VIENNA, Nov. 11. (JTA) — Despite assurances by Chancellor Leopold Figl and Foreign Minister Karl Gruber that the Austrian Government was prepared to start discussions on Jewish reparations claims with representatives of major Jewish organizations, it was announced here today that the Cabinet had definitely decided not to undertake such discussions.

An official announcement said that the decision was taken in view of the fact that the present government considers itself provisional and does not want to initiate any binding agreements until after the national elections early next year. It was indicated that Foreign Minister Gruber will explain to Jewish organizations in the United States the reason for the postponement when he arrives in New York early next month.

Observers here believe that the reason for the postponement is that the two leading parties — the Peoples Party and the Social Democratic Party — which compose the Cabinet do not want to antagonize non-Jewish voters during the election campaign. The government is also afraid that Arab delegates at the United Nations may vote against Austria during the debate on Austria's fate at the United Nations next month, should the Austrian Cabinet agree to discuss the payment of reparations to Jews.

GERMANY MAY DELAY PARLIAMENTARY RATIFICATION OF PACT WITH ISRAEL

BONN, Nov. 11. (JTA) — The possibility of a six to eight week delay in German Parliamentary ratification of the West German-Israel reparations agreement as a result of stubborn Arab protests against the pact and threats of an Arab boycott of German trade if the treaty is approved, was indicated in government circles here today. However, some government circles continue to assert that Bonn has no intention of yielding to the Arabs on the pact.

It was reported that Bonn would seek United Nations help in attempting to steer a course between Israel and the Arab world, by asking for a U.N. commission to inspect goods sent to Israel as reparations to see that no military supplies are included. It was indicated here that Bonn was seeking a cooling-off period as far as the Arabs were concerned, and the Arab League decision to delay the threatened boycott in the face of a German refusal to scrap the reparations treaty was seen as evidence of such a policy.

It was emphasized, by Bonn spokesmen, that the West German Government intends to take no step on the reparations agreement without the consultation and consent of Israel. The Arab threats of boycott seem to have made an impression in some quarters in West Germany.

JUVENILE CLUB OF "NAZI STORM TROOPERS" DISCOVERED IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 11. (JTA) — Local police yesterday announced the discovery and breaking up of a juvenile club of "Nazi Storm Troopers" whose membership cards were printed in English and German. Police believe that adults are responsible for the organization of the club, at whose hideout a considerable quantity of ammunition and knives were found.

BEHOR SHITREET, ISRAELI CABINET MINISTER, ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 11. (JTA) — Israel Minister of Police Behor Shitreet, a member of Israel's Cabinet since 1948, arrived here today to inaugurate a nationwide speaking tour in behalf of the State of Israel bond drive. He was accompanied by Josef Naiman, Israel's Deputy Inspector General of Police.