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JERUSALEM PARLEY PROPOSES FLOATING $75,000,000 LOAN IN U.S.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- A plan for flotation of a $75,000,000 five-year loan in the United States to consolidate Israel's short-term obligations was submitted here today to the conference of world Jewish leaders, assembled at Premier David Ben Gurion's invitation to review the economic progress of the Jewish State, and accepted by acclaim.

The plan was submitted by Morris W. Berinstein, of Syracuse, N.Y., national campaign chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, who pointed out that present financing of this indebtedness involves Israel and the American Jewish community in an expenditure of $10,000,000 a year.

Col. Jacob Arvey, of Chicago, read out of the conference's declaration to the nation which called for unfailing efforts, devotion and help to Israel at this critical time when her security is endangered, and for a supreme effort to meet Israel's needs.

The declaration stressed that "the Jerusalem conference, keenly aware of the central role of American Jewry in Israel's future development, calls for the fullest measure of devotion and service to the task of strengthening Israel's economic foundations. We further urge that a supreme effort be undertaken with mutual cooperation and understanding to meet Israel's increased needs through the principal financial channels of the United Jewish Appeal and the Israel Bond drive."

Premier David Ben Gurion presided over the concluding session of the conference at which the entire Israel Cabinet and members of the Jewish Agency Executive were present. He lauded the "solemn spirit of unity which has been our main source of strength here and elsewhere."

CONTINUANCE OF U.S. AID DEPENDS ON ISRAEL'S ACTIONS, OFFICIALS SAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- United States officials said today that economic aid to Israel is contingent on the state's good conduct and that this principle also applies to the Arab states.

Officials said Israel should have been sufficiently warned by the temporary suspension of funds. They reported that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is ready to withhold American aid to Israel or the Arabs the minute either acts to displease the State Department. Israel, it was said, will get between $52,000,000 and $56,000,000 during this fiscal year. Last year's total was approximately $70,000,000.

BENNIKE QUESTIONED AT SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION ON PALESTINE REPORT

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Oct. 29. (JTA) -- Security Council consideration of the Palestine security situation was deferred today until next Wednesday after several members of the Council, and the Israel delegate, submitted a series of questions to Major Gen. Vagn Bennike, United Nations truce observance chief in Palestine, on the report he made to the Council earlier this week.

Gen. Bennike will submit written replies to these questions to the new Council President for November, Henri Hoppenot of France, in advance of the meeting. Questions were asked today by Britain, France, the United States, Greece, Israel and the Lebanon.

Sir Gladwyn Jebb of Britain asked the truce chief to comment on Israel Premier David Ben Gurion's categorical statement that Jewish settlers, not Israeli Army regulars, had carried out the raid on Kibya and also asked what investigations were made of the prior incident in which a Jewish woman and two small children were slain by Arab infiltrators.

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., American delegate, asked a number of questions about organization of infiltration, damages suffered by Israel as a result of infiltration and, as did the British and French delegates, sought further information on the workings of the truce supervision machinery. The Greek representative asked whether General Bennike would advise strengthening the observer corps so that it could play a preventive role.

Abba S. Eban, Israel delegate, asked for information whether the truce investigators had examined arms held by the border settlements to ascertain whether or not they were of the same type used by the Israel Army, the use of which in the raid on Kibya was taken as evidence that regular Army units had participated in the raid.

The Security Council will meet again tomorrow afternoon to consider the Syrian complaint against Israel over alleged diversion of the waters of the Jordan.

JOHNSTON, SHARETT DISCUSS AMERICAN PLAN FOR JORDAN DEVELOPMENT

TEL AVIV, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's personal envoy to the Near East, today conferred with Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and a party of American and Israeli water resources experts on the details of a plan for regional development of the Jordan River which was drafted by the Tennessee Valley Authority at the request of the State Department. The plan would give Jordan and Syria the larger share of the river's water.

The conferees, who also included American Embassy officials and Israel Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and Trade Minister Peretz Bernstein, held what was described by official circles as an "informal technical discussion." After Mr. Johnston had presented the plan at length and the Israelis had asked a number of questions and offered some objections to details, it was agreed that the Israel Government would study the scheme and Mr. Johnston would report to President Eisenhower on today's discussion.

After the meeting, Mr. Johnston expressed satisfaction with the talks--today and yesterday--and described them as "fruitful." He will leave Israel for Damascus tomorrow and may return next week.

ISRAELI OFFICER EN ROUTE TO MIXED TALKS FIRED ON BY ARABS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- An Israeli officer approaching the Israel-Jordan border near Budrus on his way to attend a meeting of local commanders of the two sides, was fired on today by Jordanians. He was not hurt. No meeting was held as a result, and the Israeli authorities have complained to the Mixed Armistice Commission.

JEWISH GROUPS LAUD U.S. RESUMPTION OF ECONOMIC AID TO ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- Jewish groups and leading personalities today issued statements expressing satisfaction with the fact that the U.S. Government had decided to resume its financial aid to Israel.

The American Zionist Council, representing all Zionist groups in this country, sent a telegram to President Eisenhower expressing the "appreciation of American friends of Israel" for his decision to restore economic assistance to Israel. "We trust that our government will continue, in the Security Council, to uphold the cause of peaceful economic development in the Middle East and to use its great moral authority and prestige to hasten peace and cooperation between Israel and the Arab states," said the telegram which was signed by Louis Lipsky, AZC chairman.

Senator Herbert H. Lehman, lauding the government's decision to restore American aid to Israel, said: "I hope the Security Council--and the United States Government within the UN and through normal diplomatic channels--will proceed to devote themselves to bringing real peace and security to this troubled area. This can be done by patience, persistence and constructive diplomacy. It cannot be done by intemperate outbursts designed to curry favor with one party or another."

Philip M. Klutznick, president of B'nai B'rith, said in a telegram to the President: "B'nai B'rith warmly applauds your decision to resume United States economic aid program to the State of Israel. Your statement that our government does not prejudge any situation but acts only to support the United Nations once again emphasizes your devotion to the cause of justice and peace."

The Jewish War Veterans hailed the Amdinistration's decision as "a welcome reemphasis of American traditions of fair play and impartial dealing with small nations that look to us for aid in preserving their freedom and independence." In a statement issued by its national commander, Harry T. Madison, the JWV attributed recent misunderstandings between the United States and Israel to "inaccurate and even biased information being fed the State Department by its representatives in the Middle East."

The American Council for Judaism sent a telegram to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles congratulating him on his success "despite tremendous pressures of special pleading groups" in "putting the full weight of the United States behind respect for United Nations findings in the present Israel-Arab crisis."

C.I.O. Recommends "Constructive Program" on Arab-Israel Issue

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- A "constructive program" for the United States Government in handling the Arab-Israel problem was recommended here today by the executive committee of the Congress of Industrial Organizations which criticized the suspension of U.S. aid to Israel.

The CIO recommendation urged a "constructive program for Arabs and Jews alike, to develop a peace in the Middle East that will make possible a settlement of the current disputes over the borders of Israel, over the development of the Jordan River valley and over other existing problems in that area." Such a program, said the CIO, would be in the best tradition of our foreign policy. (In New York, Adolph Held, chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee, lauded the CIO declaration.)

U.J.A. AND ISRAEL BOND LEADERS PROCLAIM "NEW ERA" OF HARMONY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- A "new era" of harmony and unity among all elements in American Jewry supporting Israel, particularly between the United Jewish Appeal and the Israel Bond Organization, was proclaimed jointly by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, executive vice-chairman of the UJA, and Henry Montor, executive vice-chairman of the Bond Organization, at a press conference here today.

Dr. Schwartz declared that the deliberations of the current economic conference here against the background of recent political developments had "assumed a new light and an important rising in the spirit of unity from which new actions spring up."

In almost identical words, Mr. Montor stressed that all divergencies must be subordinated to the "supreme necessity of aiding Israel to achieve economic independence" without which, he warned, political independence cannot be gained.

The outlook for fund-raising in the United States through the UJA was outlined here last night by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Jewish Agency chairman, to a meeting of the Agency. He also reported on the political situation in the United States as it affects Israel and on current developments in the American Zionist movement, dwelling on preparations for the forthcoming American Zionist Assembly in New York.

U.S. EXPORTS TO ISRAEL TOTALLED $363,000,000 IN FOUR YEARS

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- American exports to Israel totalled $363,000,000 during the past four years, while American imports from Israel amounted to $38,000,000 in the same period, it was reported here today by Nathan Straus III, president of the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, addressing the first members' luncheon meeting of the Chamber at the Hotel Roosevelt.

"The American-Israel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, while dealing with day-to-day matters, is preparing a program calling for $250,000,000 in American purchases from Israel over the next ten years," Mr. Straus revealed. "I believe this is a goal that can be achieved, since Israel now sells us goods for some $12,000,000 a year. At the same time, we shall work toward the objective of $750,000,000 in exports to Israel during this ten-year period.

"A major part of Israel's purchases here have been paid for with Mutual Security funds. American businessmen have always believed that such assistance should be free of any 'strings.' Many of us, therefore, regarded with much regret and apprehension the action of our State Department in withholding this year's grant-in-aid to Israel. As Americans and as businessmen interested in maintaining exports to Israel, we welcome the speedy resumption of this economic assistance which should be granted free of political or outside considerations," Mr. Straus said.

Arieh Manor, director of the Government of Israel Supply Mission in New York, said that "the United States Mutual Security funds have helped to create a continuing market for American goods and services in Israel, and have produced in the Middle East a show-window for the products of American industry. Haim Ariav, member of the Israel Parliament, reported that Israel's plan for purchases abroad calls for an expenditure of $233,000,000 during a nine-month period ending March 31, 1954.

AUSTRIA EXPECTS JEWISH GROUPS INITIATIVE ON CLAIMS TALKS

VIENNA, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- The Austrian Government sees no reason for renewing its invitation to the world Jewish groups to negotiate over claims for compensation and restitution to Jewish victims of the Nazis, Austrian Finance Minister Reinhardt Kamitz declared today. He added that the government is waiting to hear from the Jewish groups when they will resume the negotiations.

He revealed that a deadlock has developed over the Jewish demand for a lump sum payment for heirless property--a sum which the Jews consider small but the government considers too large. The Minister said that in his last conversation with Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish negotiators, he had given him the Austrian counteroffer, but Dr. Goldmann's reply was that it was unacceptable.

Dr. Kamitz revealed that Austria was willing to pay a lump sum for all "traceable" property plus a certain additional sum--still to be fixed--to cover all other heirless claims. Austria could not pay for all heirless Jewish property because to do so would be to set a precedent which would lead to other groups claiming property confiscated by the Nazis, the Minister asserted.

In Parliament today a Socialist deputy asked the government to report on the status of the negotiations with the Jewish groups, stressing that the discussions were of great interest to the Austrian people. Mr. Kamitz will reply in Parliament next week.

Meanwhile, "Neue Welt," organ of the Vienna Jewish Community, has scored the government for its attempt to beat down the Jewish negotiators. It condemns the government position in view of the Jewish offer to cut the original demand by two-thirds.

GERMAN FIRMS GET ISRAEL LIST FOR $4,000,000 WORTH OF GOODS

COLOGNE, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- The Israel purchasing mission here today sent to German manufacturers a list of some $4,000,000 worth of products which will be supplied to Israel as reparations goods. This is the fourth list to be sent out since the reparations program went into effect and brings the total value of German goods to $25,700,000.

The latest list includes orders for ferrous and non-ferrous metals, semi-finished steel products, chemicals, textiles, leather goods, agricultural products and woodworking products. It is understood that after months of laborious negotiations, the purchasing mission is ready to place orders for cargo ships, fishing vessels, machine tools, machinery and structural steel.

210 JEWS PERMITTED TO LEAVE HUNGARY; 32 JEWS QUIT BULGARIA

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- A party of 210 Hungarian Jews bound for Israel will leave Budapest November 15 for Marseilles where the immigrants will board a vessel for Haifa, according to information received here today. The group is part of 3,000 Jews who several years ago received permission from the Hungarian Government to emigrate.

A party of 32 Jews from Bulgaria and another party of 13 from the Greek island of Zakinthos, all survivors of the recent disastrous Aegean earthquakes, arrived in Haifa today among 142 immigrants. The Bulgarian Jews, who were permitted to bring all their belongings with them, reported that another party of 40 will arrive from Bulgaria next month.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF DR. WEIZMANN'S DEATH OBSERVED IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- President Ben Zvi today formally dedicated the Weizmann Memorial area at Rehovoth, known as Yad Weizmann, in the opening of a week of ceremonies connected with the observance of the first anniversary of the death of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, first President of Israel. The month of November will be observed as memorial month throughout the country.

This evening President Ben Zvi laid a wreath on the grave of Dr. Weizmann after a pilgrimage to the tomb by members of the family and close friends of the late President. Several hundred schoolchildren journeyed to the grave later in a torchlight parade. Religious services were held at the graveside.

Tomorrow, the memorial area will be formally opened when Mrs. Vera Weizmann cuts a ribbon across a road leading to the grounds from the nearby Tel Aviv-Rehovoth highway. This ceremony will be followed by a memorial assembly on the grounds, which will be addressed by Premier David Ben Gurion.

The project of constructing the central monument and other buildings in the memorial area is expected to take from five to seven years to complete. Beside various scientific establishments, the memorial park will include an archive of Weizmann papers and a tomb which will be constructed in the form of a cave--much like the tombs of the ancient Israelite kings. A simple tombstone will carry only the name "Chaim Weizmann." The cost of the project will be borne by the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency.

U.S. Jews to Commemorate Anniversary of Dr. Weizmann's Death

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- Commemorative assemblies on the first anniversary of the death of Dr. Chaim Weizmann will be held throughout the United States the week beginning tomorrow, it was announced here today by Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, acting chairman of the World Zionist Executive.

A special proclamation issued on this occasion by Mrs. Halprin on behalf of the Executive said: "Zionist groups, Jewish community councils, rabbis and educators are respectfully requested to hold memorial meetings and services at which excerpts should be read from the speeches and writings of this great visionary of the Restoration of Zion. These occasions should solemnly demonstrate American Jewry's continued devotion and abiding commitment to the cause which Dr. Weizmann so magnificently symbolized in his person and his works."

TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF JEWISH BOOK MONTH STARTS TODAY

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA) -- The tenth annual observance of Jewish Book Month will be celebrated this year from October 30th to November 30th, it was announced by Dr. Sol Liptzin, president of the National Jewish Welfare Board-sponsored Jewish Book Council of America. The Jewish Book Council of America is the coordinator of the annual Jewish literary festival which is celebrated in the United States, Canada, Latin-America and in a number of European countries outside the Iron Curtain, Dr. Liptzin said.

The Jewish Book Council's program materials include "Jewish Book Programs," a guide to community, organization and group activities; "Jewish Book Month in Public Libraries," by Gertrude Finkel; and a home Jewish book festival ceremony, published in English and Yiddish editions under the title, "Jewish Book Festival."

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