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BEN GURION PLANS TO GIVE UP PREMIERSHIP BY NOVEMBER 20TH

JERUSALEM, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The intention of Premier David Ben Gurion to give up his office by November 20th was indicated here today as he began his "final round" of negotiations with leaders of his own party and with other parties of the coalition government regarding the future of the Cabinet following his withdrawal.

The Premier said he expects replies from the government parties during the week in order to be able to report to the President of Israel his plans, as well as the composition of the reconstructed Cabinet, by next week-end. There is much speculation as to who will succeed him. It is reported that Levi Eshkol, Finance Minister, is favored by Mr. Ben Gurion as his successor.

Premier Ben Gurion's desire to give up his office has been known for some time. It has also been known that his move is not motivated by political considerations but by a personal desire to devote himself to other work.

U. S. WEIGHS BRITISH REQUEST TO CENSURE ISRAEL AT UNITED NATIONS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The question of whether the United Nations Security Council should adopt a resolution censuring Israel for the recent retaliation raid on Kibya continued to be a matter of discussion today among the delegates of the United States, Britain and France while the members of the Council were awaiting clarification from Gen. Vagn Bennike, UN Palestine truce chief, on a number of questions concerning the Arab-Israel border situation.

While Britain is pressing for the adoption of such a resolution, it became known here today that the United States is of the opinion that pressure must be exerted on both Israel and the Arab countries if there is to be progress toward peace in the Middle East.

Pro-Israel sentiment waxed stronger in U. N. circles over the week-end following the presentation made at the Security Council by Ambassador Abba Eban, head of the Israel delegation. Mr. Eban dealt specifically with Syria's charge that Israel is attempting to divert water from the Jordan River at the expense of Arabs.

The Israeli delegate stressed Israel's dependence on the Jordan River, pledged that Israel would guarantee that the project would be "reconciled with the full satisfaction of all existing irrigation rights" and insisted that the project encroached on the rights of no Arab land owners.

ISRAEL MINISTER REJECTS U.S. PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF JORDAN WATERS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The American-sponsored Tennessee Valley Authority plan for regional development of the Jordan River is "unpracticable" and is aimed not at development of the river's resources but at preventing Israel's use of them, Pinchas Lavon, Israel Minister without portfolio, charged last night. He spoke at the second annual meeting of the representatives of Mapei settlements.

Continuing his criticism of the United States, Minister Lavon declared: "A certain nation which used to speak in high-sounding words of the development of under-developed areas suddenly doubted Israel's right to use the little natural resources in her possession."

He asserted that Israel was prepared for "every conciliation" but stressed that it would not give up its "very right to existence." He emphasized that Israel has always wanted United States friendship, but not as "friendship by dictate."

(The New York Times reported from Jerusalem that Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's personal envoy to the Near East, who has been visiting Israel and the Arab states in an attempt to sell them the TVA plan for development of the Jordan's water resources, believes that "skillful diplomacy" could obtain Jordan's and Syria's support of the plan. Mr. Johnston was reported as believing that it is the political climate in the Arab countries which forbids their leaders from supporting the regional development plan.)

Levi Eshkol, Finance Minister, called for the settlement of 40,000 additional families on the land to solve Israel's agricultural problem. He urged heavy settlement in the Jerusalem area.

Premier Ben Gurion devoted most of his address to the problems of youth and the immigration of pioneers to Israel. He called for an increase in the size of the average Israeli family, asserting that it should have at least four children. He also stated that there were 100,000 Israeli youths being "neglected" in towns and immigrant villages who could be educated for productive farm work.

ISRAEL AND JORDAN COMMANDERS RESUME SUSPENDED MEETINGS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The meetings of local commanders in the Israel-Jordan borders areas, which were halted after the Kibya incident, have been resumed along the entire length of the demarcation line.

Meanwhile, Jordan officials have defended the action of Arab Legion troops who last Thursday fired on an Israeli officer who entered no-man's area near Budrus while en route to a meeting of local commanders. The officials insisted that the Jordan forces had not been given advance warning that the Israeli was coming.

An Israeli military spokesman reported that two attacks had taken place this week-end on Israel security forces on a road near the Lebanese frontier, within the space of 48 hours. One Israeli soldier was wounded in the first incident when snipers opened fire on an Israeli vehicle. There were no casualties in the second attack. Israeli authorities investigating the two incidents noted that the attacks came immediately after truce supervision chief Maj. Gen. Vagn Bennike had reported to the United Nations Security Council that there was a comparatively quiet situation along the Lebanese-Israel border.

GOLDMANN CALLS FOR ALERTNESS; CITES RECENT U.S. MOVE AGAINST ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The conflict between Israel and the United States which led the latter to order temporary suspension of economic aid to the Jewish State was important "as an indication of what can happen again" and as a warning to the Jewish people of the "inherent gravity of Israel's political situation," Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency, said here addressing a dinner in honor of delegates to the Jerusalem economic conference.

The dispute, Dr. Goldmann stressed, "showed that, in reality, the major political problems are far from solution and, I am afraid, will remain so for some time to come. That means that all of us who worked for the establishment of the Jewish State must be ready, even on the political scene, to mobilize our strength and influence to enable Israel to solve its political problems.

"There may be many crises to come," Dr. Goldmann continued, "and Israel will require full support from the world Jewish communities. In this respect, this momentary conflict, with all its negative aspects, may also have a salutary effect in awakening the people of Israel and the Jews of the world to face the reality.

"It will require years of supreme effort, great wisdom, statesmanship and courage," he warned, "until Israel is politically consolidated, has achieved full peace with the Arab world and is integrated on a basis of full equality and sovereignty as a member of the family of nations of this part of the world."

Sees Encouragement in the Jerusalem Economic Conference

Referring to the economic conference, Dr. Goldmann called it an encouraging manifestation of the determination of a vast number of the Jewish people "to fulfil the task to help consolidate Israel." He commented that there was no sign of fear either in Israel or in Jewish public opinion abroad over the sudden political crisis.

"On the contrary," he declared, "all signs point to a strengthening of our determination to stand by Israel and to a renewed enthusiasm aroused by the threat appearing on the horizon. It was good and useful that the leaders of Israel gave this conference a true and full picture of the political, economic and financial situation," he added. "It is good that we finally began to learn the truth that the consolidation of a new state is a long process requiring more patience, stamina and stubbornness than the heroic effort to establish the state."

The Jewish Agency leader recalled that Premier David Ben Gurion's opening address to the conference was based on the fundamental idea of a partnership between the Jewish people and Israel. The conference accepted this principle, he said, and he voiced confidence that Israel would accept it.

"It should be clear to all," he said, "that without such a partnership, the task of consolidation of Israel will remain unfulfilled, but it involves understanding and obligations for both. It means solidarity and common responsibility. It means taking Israel in as part of our life, both collectively and individually, but partnership means something for Israel, too. It cannot mean only demanding, asking, claiming and accepting things. It means solidarity and joint responsibility in Israel both as regards vital Jewish interests and the needs of the Jewish people as a whole.

"It means for Israel to keep always in mind the feelings and opinion of Jews outside Israel. In every great decision, Israel cannot act solely from the viewpoint of

its own interest but has to bear in mind the wellbeing and position of the Jewish people as a whole.

"The methods of this partnership have not yet been worked out," Dr. Goldmann noted, "and it will take some time to find the form of structure in which to realize this partnership in day-to-day cooperation, but the essential thing is to develop and strengthen the spirit of such a partnership both outside and inside Israel itself."

Dr. Goldmann made an unexpected reference to the rumored resignation of Premier Ben Gurion and praised him as giving "the appearance of greatness in our age. Mr. Ben Gurion told the guests: "I have received from you a great gift--the strengthening of the age-long sense of Jewish fraternity. It is the mission of our generation to build up the State, to bring freedom and to establish peace - in Israel and throughout the world."

WEIZMANN PARK OPENED; BEN GURION LIKENS WEIZMANN TO KINGS OF OLD

TEL AVIV, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- "Weizmann's place in Jewish history is alongside the great rulers and kings of old and as the foremost architect of our sovereign statehood in these times," Premier David Ben Gurion told several thousand persons who gathered at the grave of Israel's first President to mark the formal opening of Yad Weizmann, the Weizmann memorial park which will include his home at Rehovoth, the grounds of the Weizmann Institute of Science and his tomb and a specially built archive to house his papers.

The Premier's audience included members of the Weizmann family, virtually every Jewish leader from abroad who attended the Jerusalem economic conference which closed last week, Jewish personalities connected with the Weizmann Institute, representatives from every city, town, village and settlement in Israel, and educators, scholars and scientists from this country and abroad--Jewish and non-Jewish. Also in the audience were members of the diplomatic corps and Arab and Christian notables. Before his address, the Premier, members of the Cabinet and of the Knesset joined Mrs. Vera Weizmann in laying a wreath on the grave.

The Premier declared that Dr. Weizmann, during his working lifetime, had discerned a "triple reality"--the reality of the land, the reality of the Jewish people and the reality of the international scene with all its complications. Mr. Ben Gurion recalled that it had been Dr. Weizmann--"the only practical man among all the Zionist leaders"--who, when Hitler came to power, had demanded that the gates of Palestine be opened to European Jews. He also spoke of the "political tragedy" which occurred to Dr. Weizmann when Britain, in whom he had had deep faith, reversed itself on its promise to help the Jews build a homeland.

Analyzing the differences between Theodor Herzl, founder of modern Zionism, and Dr. Weizmann, Mr. Ben Gurion declared that the former served his people during the abstract phase of Zionism, while the latter was a seer and a man of action, thus being forced to grapple with all the obstacles which face a man of action. The "historic providence" of the Jewish people rewarded Dr. Weizmann, the Premier said, because he was privileged to see the fruits of his life of toil: the state.

Canadian Jews Observe First Anniversary of Weizmann's Death

MONTREAL, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The chief legacy from the late Dr. Chaim Weizmann to world Jewry is faith, Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress, declared here this week-end at a memorial meeting marking the first anniversary of the death of Israel's first President. The meeting was called by the United Zionist Council and coincided with world-wide observance of Dr. Weizmann's death.

U. J. A. TO HOLD ITS THREE-DAY ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE NEXT MONTH

JERUSALEM, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The annual national conference of the United Jewish Appeal, which will last three days, will open in New York on December 11, it was announced here today by Edward M. M. Warburg, general chairman of the UJA, prior to his departure from Israel where he participated in the extraordinary economic discussions which took place here last week.

Mr. Warburg emphasized that in the light of these discussions, the forthcoming UJA conference will be "one of the most important UJA meetings ever held." He urged maximum attendance at the parley at which reports will be made on the week-long economic deliberations here and on the 1954 budgetary needs of the beneficiary agencies of the UJA.

5,000 NEW YORKERS URGE U. S. TO ACT FOR ARAB-ISRAEL PEACE

NEW YORK, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The United States and the United Nations were urged to take prompt action to bring about an immediate Arab-Israel peace at a meeting here tonight at Manhattan Center attended by more than 5,000 people. The rally also launched an emergency campaign for State of Israel Bonds.

Major speakers at the rally included Congressmen Emanuel Celler, Jacob K. Javits and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr.; and Avraham Harmon, Consul General of Israel; Dr. Israel Goldstein, chairman of the executive committee of the New York bond drive, and Benjamin Abrams, chairman of the Greater New York Committee for State of Israel Bonds.

Declaring that Israel had made major gains during the past five years despite an economic, political and military siege on the part of the Arab countries, Mr. Harmon said "this Arab siege is entirely inconsistent with the spirit and the letter of the armistice agreement which calls for advance toward peaceful settlement. The United Nations rests on the concept that world conflict must be avoided by the promotion of peaceful cooperation among the nations of the world." He insisted that it is inconceivable that Arab hostility which has evoked Security Council condemnation in the past should be held to justify the denial to Israel of the rights to utilize its resources for its economic progress without harm to others."

U. S. Is Urged to Seek Arab-Israel Peace Through Mediator

NEW YORK, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The American Government was urged today to seek an Arab-Israel peace through the appointment of a special United Nations mediator. The request was voiced by Congressman Jacob K. Javits, addressing a conference of the Histadrut drive at the Hotel Commodore, attended by more than 1,000 delegates.

The conference was also addressed by Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz who said: "I think that the United States is taking Israel for granted. The State Department knows full well that Israel will never become part and parcel of the Kremlin orbit. The United States is trying to curry favor with the Arabs on the pretext that it wants to insure that we get an ally, but that type of ally will stab us in the back at the first opportunity it gets."

MIRACHI LEADER CALLS FOR "ARMISTICE" AMONG ZIONIST GROUPS

NEW YORK, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- Rabbi Mordecai Nurok, Mirachi leader and member of the Israel Parliament, who is now visiting the United States, today issued a call for a "political armistice" among all Zionist groups in Israel and outside of the Jewish State. He emphasized that all groups must request Premier David Ben Gurion to retain his post "because we have nobody who can replace him."

JOHANNESBURG COURT ACTS TO END ATTACKS ON JEWISH LEADERS

JOHANNESBURG, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- An agreement to withdraw defamatory allegations against a leading South African Jewish communal official and pay token damages and costs has marked the end of a court action in which Gus Saron, General Secretary of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies sued S. Datt, a Johannesburg businessman, for defamation arising from the publication by Mr. Datt of a sheet termed "The Jewish Newsletter."

Published at irregular intervals over the last two years the newsletter is largely devoted to a campaign against the Board of Deputies and leading persons associated with it. Mr. Datt mailed his newsletter gratis to a large number of people, and urged readers not to contribute money to the United Communal Fund, which meets the Board's budget and that of several other Jewish organizations.

Several attempts were made by leaders of the Board to persuade Mr. Datt to stop his campaign, but without result. Finally Mr. Saron brought legal action for 5,000 pounds damages in connection with the defamation of himself as general secretary of the Board of Deputies. Approaches were made by Mr. Datt to settle the matter out of court and an agreement was finally achieved this week-end in terms of which Mr. Datt withdraws his allegations, undertakes to apologize in writing in the Jewish press, and pay 350 pounds in token damages and the costs of the action.

JUDGE SIMON SOBELOFF TO BE APPOINTED U. S. SOLICITOR GENERAL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- The appointment of Chief Judge Simon E. Sobeloff of the Maryland Court of Appeals as the United States Solicitor General was indicated here this week-end. The announcement of his appointment is expected shortly.

The Solicitor General's duties include representing the government in cases before the U. S. Supreme Court to which the government is a party, authorization of the intervention by the government in cases involving Constitutional questions or matters of Federal law, authorizes appeals by the government from decisions in lower Federal courts to higher courts including the Supreme Court - in such matters his decision is final. In legal circles, the position is considered the most important legal job in the government.

Judge Sobeloff was brought to this country as a child in 1893 by his parents who emigrated from Russia. During his long legal career he has acted as City Solicitor for Baltimore, United States Attorney for Maryland and last year was appointed to head Maryland's highest court by Gov. Theodore McKeldin, becoming the first Jew to hold so high a post in Maryland. He is a director of the Associated Jewish Charities of Baltimore.

BRANDEIS MEDALS AWARDED TO DR. WAKSMAN AND PROF. KILPATRICK

NEW YORK, Nov. 1. (JTA) -- Dr. Selman Waksman, discoverer of streptomycin, and Prof. William H. Kilpatrick, noted educator, received Justice Louis D. Brandeis gold medals of the Jewish Forum this week-end. The presentations were part of the 35th anniversary observance of the Jewish Forum Foundation. The awards were made "in recognition for services to humanity."