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TWO JEWISH SENATORS, ELEVEN CONGRESSMEN TO SIT IN 84TH CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Two members of the Jewish faith will serve simultaneously in the United States Senate for the first time in 43 years as a result of the election of Richard L. Neuberger in Oregon.

Mr. Neuberger, a 41-year-old writer and authority on water-power development, won election after a bitter campaign marked by anti-Semitic appeals. He is the first Jew to represent Oregon in the Senate since Joseph Simon's term ended in 1903 and the first Democrat to be sent to the Upper House from Oregon in 40 years. He has been a member of the Oregon State Senate since 1948.

Neuberger's Election Gives Democrats Control of Senate

Mr. Neuberger's election gave the Democrats 48 Senate seats in the 84th Congress and enabled the party to organize the Senate. The Democrats will organize the House of Representatives. Rep. Emanuel Celler, of New York, is scheduled to resume chairmanship of the important House Judiciary Committee.

In the capital, Mr. Neuberger will join Sen. Herbert H. Lehman of New York and 11 Jewish members of the House of Representatives, all of them Democrats. For the first time in several years there will be no Jewish Republican member of the House. Rep. Jacob K. Javits, New York Republican, did not run for Congress this year but was elected Attorney General of New York.

In New York, in addition to Rep. Javits, Col. Arthur Levitt was elected to state office. A Democrat, he was elected Controller.

Mrs. Allen Elected State Secretary of Connecticut

In Connecticut, where Abraham A. Ribicoff, a Democrat, was elected Governor--the first time a Jew has ever won that post in the history of the State--Mrs. Mildred Pomerantz Allen, a Republican, was elected Secretary of State. Mrs. Allen, wife of the retiring Lieutenant Governor, is the mother of two children and is known as a civic worker and musician.

A feature of the Neuberger campaign in Oregon was the fact that Mrs. Neuberger, a member of the State House of Representatives, campaigned alongside her husband, seeking election to the State Senate. She won with pluralities exceeding those given her husband in his campaign.

The last time two Jews served simultaneously in the U.S. Senate was in 1912 when Simon Guggenheim, of Colorado, and Isador Rayner, of Maryland, occupied seats in the Upper House.

J.D.C. DIRECTORS CONCLUDE FIVE-DAY CONFERENCE

PARIS, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The ninth annual conference of Joint Distribution Committee country directors concluded here today after five days of activity during which the directors and their aides evaluated the work of the agency in various countries during the past year and planned for the next year's activities. This conference was the largest of its kind to date, with 118 delegates and visitors from countries on five continents participating.

Moses W. Beckelman, director general of the JDC, closing the parley, said that the year 1954 had seen advances in the rehabilitation and revitalization of Jewish life.

Speaking for the Conference on Jewish Material Claims, Mr. Beckelman warned the JDC officials against the "improper" use of Claims Conference funds, defining "improper" as that use of claims conference funds which substitutes for and discourages local fund-raising activities under the illusion that local efforts are no longer needed. Such a development, he stressed, can seriously weaken efforts at communal rebuilding.

GERMAN JEWISH GROUP REJOINS SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION

PARIS, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The Jewish Restitution Successor Organization and the Council for the Protection of the Rights and Interests of Jews from Germany announced here today the conclusion of an agreement under which the Council will resume membership in the JRSO and will receive a portion of the funds distributed by the JRSO from heirless and communal assets recovered from Germany.

Earlier this year, after a series of unsatisfactory exchanges, the Council withdrew from participation in the activities of the JRSO charging that the JRSO had not given due weight to its requests for allocations.

STATE DEPT. ACTS ON RESTRICTIONS ON JEWISH WORSHIP IN SPAIN

NEW YORK, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The State Department has intervened with the Spanish Government over the restrictions imposed on Jewish religious worship in Madrid during the High Holy Days last month, it was revealed in a letter to Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the American Jewish Congress, which the AJC made public here today.

In reply to a telegram from the AJC asking the State Department to use its "good offices" with the Spanish authorities in this matter, the State Department said that "on behalf of a group of Americans of Jewish faith" the U.S. Embassy in Madrid had questioned the restrictions, and had been told that the Spanish authorities felt if they granted this request they must accede to similar pleas from other religions.

Noting the difficulty of intervention, the State Department nevertheless pledged that "our government will continue to exercise its good offices at every possible opportunity to the end that all persons may enjoy full freedom of religious worship in Spain."

DELEGATION DISCUSSES SECURITY, RIGHTS OF MOROCCAN JEWS

PARIS, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- An American Jewish Committee delegation visiting Morocco, was received at Rabat yesterday by the Resident General, Jean Lacoste; the French Minister, Pierre Siraud, and other French officials. The delegation expressed concern for the security of the Jews of Morocco and urged that Moroccan Jews be given full equality in any reform program that may be established.

The delegation, currently visiting Marrakesh and neighboring hill villages, met earlier with the council of the Jewish communities of Morocco in Casablanca, where it received the thanks of Council president Jacques Dahan for the efforts of American Jewry on behalf of Moroccan Jewry.

TURKEY PERMITS ESTABLISHMENT OF RABBINICAL SEMINARY

ISTANBUL, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The Grand Rabbinate here has received permission from the Turkish Government to establish a rabbinical seminary. The school, which will have six classes and grant a diploma equivalent to high school graduation here, is scheduled to be open by the end of this year.

Thirteen students have already been enrolled in the school which will obtain some teachers from Israel. It will be located in the building in Haskoy, Istanbul suburb, once the site of a school that produced a number of well-known rabbinical scholars in the last century.

SEEK FURTHER SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION ON BAT GALIM CASE

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Members of the Israel delegation conferred today with the president and members of the Security Council on arrangements to continue Council consideration of Israel's complaint against Egypt in the Bat Galim case.

The Council's discussion of the Israel complaint was abruptly ended last night when Dr. Mahmoud Azmi, the Egyptian delegate, collapsed in the Council chamber and died later in the UN infirmary. The Council at the time was considering a proposal to call for a report from the Israel-Egypt Mixed Armistice Commission before the end of the month.

Abba S. Eban, head of the Israel delegation, voiced his delegation's "profoundest sorrow" today at Dr. Azmi's death. He said Dr. Azmi was considered "not only an able representative of his country, but also a man of integrity and ability." He was also described as a "progressive" force among the leaders of the Arab bloc delegations.

LABORITE ENDORSES EDEN'S AID PLEDGE TO ISRAEL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Earl Jowitt, former Lord Chancellor in the late Labor Government of Britain, in a speech here, endorsed the statement by Sir Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, that the Tripartite Declaration of 1950 guaranteed that Britain, France and the United States would come to Israel's aid in the event she is attacked by the Arab states.

Earl Jowitt, together with Fredric R. Mann of Philadelphia, vice-president of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science, was honored at a dinner here commemorating the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Chaim Weizmann. Hosts at the affair were President Itzhak Ben Zvi of Israel and Premier Moshe Sharett.

The British Laborite stressed that all of Britain, particularly his party, will continue to press for a peaceful solution of the Israel-Arab conflict. The day will come, he predicted, when the Arabs and Israel will sit down at a roundtable conference and reach a compromise for the sake of peace.

MRS. MYERSON ENDS AMERICAN BOND DRIVE TOUR

NEW YORK, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Mrs. Golda Myerson, Israel Minister of Labor, left for home last night after four weeks here on a nationwide tour for the Israel bond campaign.

She said the "enthusiastic response" of Americans to the bond drive reflects American understanding of Israel's role as a "decisive force for democracy in the Middle East." She referred to the relations between Israel's people and American Jews as a "pact of understanding, interest and devotion."

'OUR FAITH IS IN AMERICAN JEWS', ESHKOL TELLS U. J. A. MISSION

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Israel will not accept a secondary role in the Middle East and is determined to overcome those tendencies in the present situation which would give the Arab states military supremacy, Premier Moshe Sharett told a "study mission" of 35 American Jewish leaders here today. The mission is sponsored by the United Jewish Appeal.

Arming of the Arab states by the West represents a grave threat to Israel's safety in view of continued Arab truculence, Mr. Sharett said. He emphasized that arms should be withheld from the Arab states because of the constant incursions across Israel's borders, because of Egypt's blockade of the Suez Canal and because of the Arab refusal to make peace with Israel.

He insisted that the grant of such arms would be interpreted by the Arab states as an "endorsement" of their anti-Israel policy and might lead to an attack on Israel.

Pleds for Maximum Effort by American Jewry

At a dinner tonight, given by the Premier for the members of the UJA mission, Levi Eshkol, Finance Minister, paid tribute to the financial assistance given the Jewish State by American Jewry. He called for further and greater efforts on the part of American Jews to help Israel consolidate its position in the face of what he termed a "real danger" that the military and economic equilibrium of the Middle East may be upset adversely for Israel.

"We have put our faith in the American Jews and trust that they will recognize the vital need for added giving, even at the expense of sacrificing some of their activities in the United States," the Finance Minister said. He warned that any reduction of the UJA's income in 1955 would seriously undermine the economic programs made by Israel in 1954.

In a comprehensive review of Israel's economic situation, Mr. Eshkol hailed the UJA's \$65,000,000 "consolidation loan" in behalf of the Jewish Agency. The response to the UJA's loan campaign was "one of the most glorious episodes in the history of the American Jewish active partnership in building Israel," he said. Because of the \$65,000,000 thus raised, he continued, Israel is now in a position to conduct its financial affairs in a "sensible" fashion.

Warburg Pledges Renewed Effort

Edward M. M. Warburg, UJA general chairman and leader of the "study mission," replying to Mr. Eshkol, said, "we are encouraged by the fact of all our previous successes. We have had troubles before, great troubles, and somehow we have overcome them not only with dollars but with faith, courage and determination.

"And that is also why we are here. Because we share the same faith and freedom, because we admire your courage and because we are determined to stand with you in your efforts for human betterment."

Mr. Warburg summed up the task facing the UJA as follows: "Our present job is a constructive job of upbuilding all who have been brought to freedom, and of freedom itself. As long as those goals stand, none of us will relax, none of us will get tired, none will fail to assume his proper share of responsibility."

Mr. Warburg told the Israel Ministers that "we have been drawn here not only because Israel is a refuge and a sanctuary for the oppressed and homeless, but also because it is the lamplight of freedom in this part of the world." After touring Israel, the mission will leave for Tunisia and Morocco to investigate the situation of Jews there.

BRITISH ZIONIST FEDERATION MARKS BALFOUR DAY

LONDON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Hope that future relationships between Britain and Israel will develop in the spirit of the Balfour Declaration, was expressed here in a Balfour Day statement by the officers of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland.

The statement expressed "appreciation" to the British Government for the document and paid tribute to the memory of Dr. Chaim Weizmann who obtained the pledge of British support of a Jewish homeland contained in the Balfour Declaration. The statement hailed the State of Israel and pledged British Jewry's support of Israel's struggle for peace and development in the Middle East.

WASHINGTON COMMUNITY PROTESTS AGAINST ARMS TO ARABS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington has adopted a resolution urging the government to review its Near Eastern policy and to suspend military aid to the Arab States until those states declare their readiness "to join, definitely and without ambiguity, in the defense of the free world against Communist aggression."

The resolution also asked that America "utilize to the fullest extent the defense potential of Israel." The council voiced grave concern "over the wide-spread propaganda attacks against Israel and their promotion as part of a continuing deliberate attack against the American Jewish community."

ISRAEL NEWS BRIEFS

LONDON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Ambassadors of the Arab States called at the Foreign Office tonight to protest presentation by John Walter Nicholls, new British envoy to Israel, of his credentials in Jerusalem. They were informed by Minister of State Anthony Nutting that this did not mean recognition of Jerusalem as capital of Israel.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Fadhil Al Jamali, chief of the Iraq delegation to the United Nations, had a 45-minute meeting today with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles on topics "of mutual interest to the two countries."

LONDON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The Humanitarian Trust has announced a grant of 100,000 pounds to the Technion at Haifa for technological education and research. The contribution is in tribute to the late Michael Polak, Israel industrialist, who founded the trust.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- The Foreign Operations Administration, announcing simplification of rules governing its investment guaranty program, said it hopes thus to encourage a larger flow of private capital to Israel and 19 other nations participating in the program.

BRUSSELS, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Luxembourg and Israel have signed a convention eliminating the requirement for visas on diplomatic passports and service passports. Israel has similar agreements with Belgium and Holland.

TEL AVIV, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Plans for a proposed "Palace of Peace" to be constructed in Jerusalem with the contributions of Freemasons throughout the world were discussed here by the Israel Grand Lodge of the Masonic Order.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Sen. Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana, member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, asserted here on his return from a Middle East trip that Israel "can't make a go of it" without indefinite subsidization. He asserted that Israel had started the war against the Arabs and that the United States cannot "appease" both the Arabs and Israel.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY HOLDS JEWISH TRICENTENARY CONVOCAION

NEWARK, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Representatives of 23 colleges and of numerous civic, cultural and religious organizations will join officers and members of the faculty of Rutgers University Sunday in the University's special convocation in honor of the American Jewish Tercentenary.

Dr. Lewis W. Jones, Rutgers University president, will preside at the ceremony, whose purpose is to pay tribute to the cultural contributions and achievements of the American Jewish Community. Principal addresses at the convocation will be delivered by James G. McDonald, first United States Ambassador to Israel, who will speak on "The Jewish Heritage: Some Aspects of its Enrichment of Western Civilization," and Dr. Salo Baron, president of the American Jewish Historical Society, who will speak on "Jewish Contributions to Culture."

The University will confer an honorary degree of Doctor of Letters on Dr. Milton Konvitz, Cornell University professor of industrial and labor relations, and an honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters on Michael A. Stavitsky, honorary president of the American Association for Jewish Education. Aaron Lasser and Henry S. Puder, both of Newark, will receive University awards.

APPROVE PLANS FOR NEW SINAI HOSPITAL COMPLEX IN BALTIMORE

BALTIMORE, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Plans for the new Sinai Hospital, a seven-building, 423-bed hospital costing \$16,000,000 according to the "fundamental design" of its architects, have been approved by the boards of both the Associated Jewish Charities and Sinai Hospital.

The new Sinai, which will be part of an \$18,000,000 Jewish Medical Center in Northwest Baltimore, will be located on an 130-acre plot which is already the site of the Levindale Hebrew Home and Infirmary and the Mount Pleasant Sanatorium.

The Medical Center will have a total bed capacity of 709, and the seven buildings comprising the Sinai unit will be a 324-bed general hospital, a 99-bed obstetrical and gynecological building, a staff building for internes and residents, a nurses' training school, an auditorium, a service building, and a nurses' residence.

INDUCT EIGHT AS EINSTEIN COLLEGE OVERSEERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Eight business and community leaders were inducted today as members of the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, at the first meeting of the newly constituted board. New York Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein of New York was installed as chairman of the board by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University.

Others, installed by Mr. Goldstein, were Walter Annenberg, George Alpert, Joseph Cherner, George Frankel, William S. Lasdon, Cecil D. Kaufman and Frank C. Moore.

TO CONDUCT RETREATS FOR JEWISH CHAPLAINS IN FAR EAST

NEW YORK, Nov. 4. (JTA) -- Rabbi A. Elihu Michelson, educational consultant of the Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy of the National Jewish Welfare Board, has been designated by the Department of Defense to conduct a retreat for Jewish chaplains in the Far East. Twelve chaplains from Japan, Okinawa, Guam, the Philippines and possibly Hawaii and Alaska will participate in a Tokyo retreat, and seven chaplains will participate in a later Korean retreat.