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PRESENTATION OF NEW ISRAEL CABINET WILL AWAIT BEN GURION'S RECOVERY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Formal presentation of Premier-designate David Ben Gurion's four-party coalition Cabinet to Parliament will not take place tomorrow as scheduled, but will be postponed pending the recovery of Mr. Ben Gurion who became ill last Thursday night. This was announced today by President Itzhak Ben Zvi when he was asked by newsmen whether the new Mapai-Mapam-Achdut Avodah-Progressive government would be presented for a vote of confidence when the Knesset resumes its session tomorrow with a debate on foreign policy.

Meanwhile, Mr. Ben Gurion, 69, spent another restless night and continued to show improvement. Last night, for the first time since Mr. Ben Gurion became ill, the physicians attending him explained what had happened. The bulletin, signed by Profs. M. Rachmilevitz and Lipmann Halprin, said that the Premier-designate had been "subjected to an attack of vertigo" and that the origin of the disturbance was localized in the inner ear. The bulletin stressed that Mr. Ben Gurion needs complete rest until he recovers.

An earlier bulletin issued by Prof. Halprin said that the Premier-designate needed rest because he was greatly fatigued. Mr. Ben Gurion's overwork in recent months is a matter of common knowledge in Israel. Prof. Halprin told the JTA yesterday that "we are satisfied that he will recover, but we will not let him work in the future at the tempo he has in the past."

Messages of sympathy were received at Mr. Ben Gurion's home from leading figures in all parts of the world, including one from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles which said that the Secretary was "deeply disturbed" by Mr. Ben Gurion's illness.

Meanwhile, the caretaker Sharett Cabinet met today to discuss the debate in Parliament tomorrow and to hear reports on the discussions between Mr. Sharett and Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's personal envoy, on the Jordan River development proposals before Ambassador Johnston left this week-end for Washington. The Cabinet also heard a report on latest developments in the Egyptian-Czech arms deal.

ERIC JOHNSTON RETURNING TO WASHINGTON FROM MIDDLE EAST CONFERENCES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's personal envoy to the Middle East, has returned by plane to Washington this week-end to consult with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles on the progress of talks for a regional water development plan.

Before leaving here he said that Israel has displayed a constructive approach to the problem and added that the differences between Israel and the Arab states on technical questions had been reduced to small particulars of no great importance. Mr. Johnston said that the future course of the talks would be determined by his consultation with Secretary Dulles.

It was understood here, however, that the principal blocks to successful negotiations are political rather than technical. The Presidential envoy confirmed reports that Israel has asked that a definite time limit be set for acceptance or rejection of the plan, while reports from Cairo had indicated that the Arabs--who have been stalling for a long time already--want even more time to consider the matter.

Mr. Johnston had met with Prime Minister Moshe Sharett and informed him of the course of his most recent talks with the Arabs, who had "not yet reached any final conclusion." The proposal for a definite time limit on the plan was put forward at a meeting of the Johnston and Israel negotiating teams by Levi Eshkol, Israel's Minister of Finance. Mr. Johnston promised to convey this proposal to the United States Government. Messrs. Johnston and Eshkol then agreed that all efforts should be made to conclude the negotiations favorably.

STATE DEPARTMENT FEARS ISRAEL MAY RESUME DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. (JT.) In the wake of Arab opposition to the Johnston Plan for regional water cooperation, State Department sources expressed concern this week-end lest Israel resume work on the Bnot Yaacov development project. These sources fear that a resumption of work by Israel, even in Israel territory, may start a war.

Israel ceased work at Bnot Yaacov when Syria brought about United Nations intercession highlighted by a temporary American suspension of economic aid as a punitive measure against Israel. An Israel spokesman said recently that Israel could not wait indefinitely for Arab agreement to the Johnston plan. Reports from Cairo described the plan, conceived as a formula for peace, as on the verge of collapse because of Arab hostility.

Meanwhile, the flow of Communist arms to Egypt is seen by State Department leaders as indicative of much greater danger than a new Jordan River incident. Sec. Dulles is known to view the Communist-Egyptian deal as one of the most dangerous world events since World War II.

George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, indicated in an address here this week that the likelihood of an Egyptian attack on Israel is increased by current developments. Department officials previously held that no danger existed of an Arab invasion of Israel.

Despite Israel's admitted jeopardy, State Department circles indicated this week-end that they do not expect the State Department to take immediate action to aid Israel by repressing the imbalance in military power. Nor will the State Department grant a security pact to Israel outside the framework of Arab agreement to Israel's boundaries, as outlined by Dulles in his August 26 speech. In that speech, Mr. Dulles conditioned a security pact to prior Arab-Israel agreement on frontiers. An Administration spokesman said last week that the Dulles proposals achieved "added urgency" in the light of recent events.

While there is grave concern in the State Department that harm may come to Israel from Egypt's new weapons, the main consideration today is an American attempt to counter Soviet strategy by an American policy aimed at regaining the favor of Egypt and the other states of the Arab League.

Circles in the State Department hold the belief that the Arab world would be further alienated from the West if a move on behalf of Israel were made at this point. Israel is being reassured that America may make arms available at some future time. But Israelis remember similar assurances regarding a security pact for Israel which came to naught.

Secretary Dulles reportedly told the National Security Council last week that Israel is stronger than all the Arab states combined. In his view there would be time to take action when and if the Department is convinced the balance of power has definitely shifted. State Department circles have reminded individuals of Israel's reprisal raids and cited past claims by Zionist spokesmen that Israel, excepting Turkey, is the strongest state in the Middle East.

Meanwhile, it was reported here that the Egyptians had already deposited with Czechoslovakia 1,000,000 pounds toward the delivery of weapons. A State Department official, however, said that the United States had not received any reports that Czechoslovakian arms had already been delivered to Egypt. This comment was made in response to questions about published report that the first delivery had already been made.

CAIRO TO DRAFT 18-YEAR-OLDS; ARMS FUNDS RAISED BY CONTRIBUTIONS

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The Egyptian Council of Ministers has approved a new military service law providing for compulsory military service for all male citizens at age 18, it was reported here today.

Cairo dispatches also reported that a fund-raising drive to obtain money from Egyptians for purchase of arms under contract from Communist countries is being conducted by the government. Government officials, led by Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser, are reportedly contributing a month's salary to the campaign, university faculty members and sports organizations have announced donations to the fund, and the army says that the first day's contributions totalled close to \$1,500,000.

All local Jewish Masonic lodges in Egypt have been ordered dissolved by the Grand Masonic Lodge for Egypt and the Arab countries, "for the safety of the Arabs," according to a report received here from Cairo. The Grand Lodge also passed resolutions supporting the Egyptian government's policy for arming the country and denouncing "Zionism, imperialism and their agents."

SYRIAN TROOPS AND ISRAEL SETTLERS CLASH THREE TIMES

TEL AVIV, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Three clashes took place over the week-end between Jewish settlers at Kibbutz Hagovrim, near the Syrian border, and Syrian soldiers, resulting in the wounding of one Syrian, according to an announcement by the Israel Army spokesman today.

An Egyptian patrol crossed the Israel border near the settlement of Mazen today, but rapidly recrossed it when an Israel frontier unit opened fire.

J. D. C. COUNTRY DIRECTORS MEET IN PARIS; U. J. A. MISSION MEMBERS ATTEND

PARIS, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The tenth annual country directors' conference of the Joint Distribution Committee opened at UNESCO House here today with more than 100 Jewish community leaders from all over the world in attendance for the sessions, which are scheduled to last four days.

In addition to hearing reports from JDC directors in 21 European countries as well as reports from North Africa, the United States, South Africa and South America, the conference will discuss 1956 needs all over the world, Israel's ability to absorb large-scale immigration from North Africa, the future of Jewish communities in Moslem countries, and the progress of Jews in European communities.

Attending the conference are 54 members of a study mission sent abroad last week by the United Jewish Appeal of the United States. Among those in attendance are Edward M. M. Warburg, William Rosenwald, Moses M. Leavitt and Rabbi Herbert Friedman, all of New York; Sir Henry Davigdor Goldsmid of London, a member of the British Parliament; Heinz Galinski, head of the Jewish community in West Berlin; Dr. Giora Josephthal, of Jerusalem, treasurer of the Jewish Agency; Dr. Emil Maurer, of Vienna; Baron Guy de Rothschild, of Paris; and Abel Shaban, of Johannesbrug.

SITUATION OF JEWS IN MOROCCO ANALYZED BY BRITISH BOARD OF DEPUTIES

LONDON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The French Moroccan struggle for national autonomy has aggravated the position of the Jews in Morocco, according to a report presented today to the Board of Deputies of British Jews.

Some of the Moroccan Jews, "more advanced economically and socially," are "assumed" to be siding with France, while "large groups of Jews" support the nationalist movement, but the net result is that Jews often suffer attacks "for allegedly supporting one side or the other, and their position has become gravely unsettled," the report states.

Pointing out that most of Morocco's 240,000 Jews who live in the larger cities are in ghetto districts, the report declares that only "the small upper class" has been granted French citizenship rights. The majority, according to the report, are "in a peculiar way dependent on the authority of the Sultan who rules under Moslem religious law which does not treat so-called 'infidels' with much consideration and imposes a good many restrictions on them."

To gain support of world opinion, the report continues, nationalist parties declare that they are not anti-Jewish. But, the report points out, "whenever nationalist demonstrations against the French occur, Jews and Jewish shops are among those attacked. A number of Jews have been killed, and much Jewish property has been destroyed. Although the French military forces in Morocco have tried to suppress outbreaks, they were unable to protect the Jewish population adequately."

Declaring that it is impossible to foresee how long the present tensions will persist and what further outbreaks may take place, the report states: "It is under the pressure of this dangerous position that an ever-increasing number of Moroccan Jews is becoming increasingly and anxiously interested in immigration to Israel whose government and Parliament are now devising means of taking in as many of them as possible." The report adds that in other North African territories under French jurisdiction "the position of the Jews is much better."

CASABLANCA, Oct. 16, (JTA) -- A. L. Easterman, political director of the World Jewish Congress, has arrived here with Dr. G. M. Riegner and M. Caplan for what was termed an "information visit." They will meet with French and Moroccan leaders.

W. J. C. AIDE CHARGES "MOSCOW-CAIRO AXIS" BEHIND MOROCCAN SITUATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 16, (JTA) -- The conflict in French Morocco "represents only one front in a war being fomented throughout North Africa and the Middle East" by a Moscow-Cairo Axis which "has long been in preparation," Dr. Maurice L. Perlzweig, director of the International Affairs Department of the World Jewish Congress, declared here today. Dr. Perlzweig addressed the closing session of the two-day meeting of the administrative and executive committees of the American Jewish Congress which convened here over the week-end.

The Moscow-Cairo alignment, he declared, "revealed itself overtly with the projected sale of Communist arms to Egypt" but has been evident "for many months in French Morocco, particularly in the form of incessant incitement by Radio Cairo and Radio Budapest."

The United States Government was called upon by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the AJC, addressing the opening session, to declare its "unequivocal guarantee of Israel's integrity" in order to prevent armed conflict in the Middle East. "In the light of the arms agreements which Egypt has reached with Communist nations," he stated, "the urgency of a guarantee for Israel's security has become the more pressing."

Dr. Goldstein urged the State Department to act now on the "constructive proposals" for Middle East peace and security made by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles in his policy speech of last August. "The interests of our country dictate that, if we cannot deter Egypt from beginning a disastrous arms race in the Middle East, then we must supply Israel with sufficient arms to rectify the balance. In addition, we must guarantee Israel's borders. Such a bilateral or multilateral security guarantee should be projected without delay," he said.

A resolution protesting the cancellation of scheduled hearings on religious freedoms in the United States by a Senate subcommittee on constitutional rights, and another resolution calling upon Congress to revise the security program for government employees were adopted by the conference.

WOMEN'S ORT CONVENTION GETS PROPOSAL TO BUILD CENTER IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A proposal for the erection of a large, "comprehensive," vocational training center in Tel Aviv was made here tonight before the biennial convention of Women's American ORT, and was backed strongly by the organization's leadership. The proposal was part of the report given the 1,000 delegates and alternates who convened here for their four-day meeting by Mrs. Ludwig Kaphan, national president of the organization. The convention will last through Wednesday.

The Tel Aviv project as outlined by Mrs. Kaphan would comprise six new buildings on an eight-acre tract. A four-story main structure would house classrooms, a physics laboratory, and other teaching, administrative and secretariat facilities. A separate, two-story building would house an electrical department and a section for precision mechanics. Four other buildings would contain machine shops, other workshops and warehouse facilities.

Women's American ORT chapters have increased since 1952 from 150 to 240, Mrs. Kaphan reported, while the individual membership has grown fourfold to 40,000. The organization has aided the World ORT Union's programs which have included student health work in seven countries in the Middle East, North Africa and Europe; accelerated apprenticeship programs for destitute youths; the opening of a teachers' training center for girls in Paris; and the equipping of a modern vocational training center in Nathanya, Israel, where latest American and Swiss machinery was installed.

NEW YORK STATE REFORM TEMPLE SISTERHOODS HOLD CONVENTION

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- The 14th biennial convention of the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods opened here today with some 250 leaders of Reform Jewish sisterhoods representing 95 groups in this state affiliated with the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods attending. The three-day convention will feature a panel on "Thruways to Sisterhood Via Religion, Education and Humanitarian Services."

AFL-CIO COUNCIL FOR HISTADRUT ESTABLISHED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A joint AFL-CIO Trade Union Council for Histadrut, to aid the work of Israel's general Federation of Labor, was established here this week-end by representatives of nearly 1,000,000 members of organized labor groups in Los Angeles County.

Albert T. Lunsford, secretary of the CIO Council of Greater Los Angeles, was elected chairman of the Council for Histadrut at the founding session. Secretary-treasurer of the new Council is W. J. Bassett, who is secretary-treasurer of the AFL Central Council here.

AMBASSADOR EBAN GREETS PRESIDENT EISENHOWER ON HIS BIRTHDAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Israel Ambassador Abba Eban this week-end sent the following birthday greeting to President Eisenhower: "Please accept, Mr. President, my best wishes on your birthday and my sincerest hope for your early restoration to complete health."

DR. FAITLOWITCH, EXPLORER, DIES IN ISRAEL; FIRST CONTACTED FALASHA JEWS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- Professor Jacques Faitlowitch, famous explorer who was the first to establish contact between world Jewry and the "Falashas," the Jews of Ethiopia, died here last night at the age of 74.

Dr. Faitlowitch conducted four exploratory expeditions among the Falashas between 1904 and 1911, gaining the confidence of the dark-skinned Jews who had been cut off from Jewry for thousands of years and thought themselves the only remaining Jews in the world.

C. C. N. Y. BREAKS GROUND FOR LIBRARY HONORING MORRIS RAPHAEL COHEN

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. (JTA) -- A new \$3,500,000 library with a book capacity of 600,000 volumes and a seating capacity of 1,500 readers will be built by the City College of New York in memory of the late Professor Morris Raphael Cohen, American philosopher. Ground-breaking ceremonies will be held at the site of the new library Thursday.