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## BEN-GURION DISCUSSES WITH EISENHOWER VARIOUS ISRAELI PROBLEMS

WASHINGTON, March 10, (JTA) -- Israel Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion today spent more than two hours with President Eisenhower discussing various aspects of the Israel situation. The meeting was extremely long, even for a session with a Prime Minister, it was noted.

While the two leading statesmen were in session, members of the American Nazi Party, with swastika bands on their arms, and about 50 Arabs picketed the White House. Police and secret service squads dispersed the anti-Israel demonstration. The pickets bore anti-Israel and anti-Jewish signs.

Mr. Ben-Gurion issued a formal statement after his meeting with the President. He evaded questions about the Suez Canal issue, arms supply, and whether he would meet in America with German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer. In response to questions, he said he was encouraged when he met Mr. Eisenhower as a general in 1945 and he was encouraged to meet him today as President. "Can a man not be encouraged?" he asked. He said that "whenever a man of peace meets President Eisenhower, he is encouraged."

The prepared statement issued by Mr. Ben-Gurion declared: "This was the first opportunity I have had of seeing President Eisenhower since I last saw him in Frankfurt in 1945 immediately after the liberation of Europe. I was able to express to him the gratitude which is felt towards President Eisenhower in my country by those whom the armies under his command liberated 15 years ago from the jaws of death.

"We had private and informal talks and I was very interested to learn from the President of his recent visits in various countries and of his impressions. Our talks touched on many world problems and, of course, we discussed United States-Israel relations in their broad scope."

Mr. Ben-Gurion presented the President with a gift album showing how the survivors of the concentration camps became free citizens of Israel. The album depicts the movement of DP's from Germany to Israel and their integration into the life of the State. The silver emblem of Israel adorned the cover of the album. Its pages were of parchment.

Secretary of State Christian Herter was stricken ill of a digestive upset today and was unable to participate in the White House meeting. Undersecretary of State C. Douglas Dillon sat in instead of the Secretary. Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman and Lewis Jones, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs also participated.

### State Department Tenders Luncheon in Honor of Mr. Ben-Gurion

Later, Mr. Ben-Gurion had a lengthy meeting with Undersecretary Dillon at the State Department after which the Israeli Prime Minister said that he had found a great deal of identity of views on many essential things. Asked if he wanted a reaffirmation of the 1950 Tripartite Declaration which guarantees the present Arab Israel borders, Mr. Ben-Gurion told newspapermen: "I am not a great believer in statements; I believe in deeds."

The State Department tendered a luncheon in honor of Mr. Ben-Gurion at Blair House. Among those attending were Chief Justice Earl Warren; Treasury Secretary Robert Anderson; Agriculture Secretary Ezra Benson; Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell; Allen Dulles, director of the Central Intelligence Agency; James Riddleberger, director of the International Cooperation Administration; Eric Johnston, one-time Presidential trouble-shooter; General Curtis Le May, Vice-Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force, and John N. Irwin, assistant Chief of Defense for International Security Affairs.

Senator Albert Gore, chairman of the Near Eastern Subcommittee, made known that his body would meet informally tomorrow with Mr. Ben-Gurion. The Tennessee Democrat said that Senators wanted to hear Ben-Gurion's views and question him. He indicated that all 16 members of the Foreign Relations Committee have been invited to attend the session.

## 'SUMMIT MEETING' MAY DISCUSS MIDDLE EAST, BRITISH PREMIER HINTS

LONDON, March 10. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, replying to a question in the House of Commons on whether he would discuss at the May summit meeting the Middle East situation, said today that it had been agreed there would not be a formal agenda. He added that he could not therefore say in advance whether the subject would be discussed.

The question was asked by Laborite Arthur Henderson, who asked whether it was not essential to the stabilization of the Middle East that there should be understanding and cooperation between the Soviet Union and the three Western Powers. He asked also whether it could be assumed that the three Western Powers were going to the summit meeting with a common policy on the Middle East.

The Prime Minister said, in his reply, that discussion of the Middle East at the summit was "certainly a consideration to be borne in mind." He also said "we have a very high degree of common agreement as to our Middle East policy." Another Labor deputy, Dennis Healey, asked whether the Prime Minister intended to discuss maintenance of the balance of arms among the Middle East countries. The Prime Minister said this also was one of the "considerations to be borne in mind."

## ISRAELI PARCELS CONTAINING RELIGIOUS OBJECTS RETURNED BY MOSCOW

TEL AVIV, March 10. (JTA) -- Israelis sending parcels to Russia containing religious objects like prayer shawls and phylacteries have had the parcels returned to them, it was disclosed here today.

Soviet authorities even returned a package of ritual objects sent by the Israel Chief Rabbinate to the Moscow Jewish community. The returned parcels were stamped "undeliverable." Parcels containing non-religious items were delivered to intended recipients in Russia.

## U. N. EXPERT OUTLINES PROGRAM FOR MAGNESIUM INDUSTRY IN ISRAEL

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., March 10. (JTA) -- A program of research leading to the production and industrial application of magnesium and its compounds, to be extracted from the salts of the Dead Sea, has been proposed by a United Nations Technical Assistance expert who returned to New York this week after a three-month detailed study of the situation in Israel.

In his report to the Government of Israel, Samuel A. Abrahams, a chemical engineer from San Francisco, recommends a broad program of research to devise manufacturing processes in Israel that can compete in the existing world market, and to develop new uses and applications of magnesium compounds in industry.

He suggests, for instance, product research to produce a sound-and-heat-insulating material, utilizing fibers native to Israel; the development, in cooperation with a local refractory concern of suitable refractory bricks for use in the steel, cement, copper, lead and other industries.

A small pilot plant capable of producing and testing a wide variety of magnesium compounds has already been put into operation by Israel mining industries, Mr. Abrahams reported. The pilot plant, he added, would serve as a forerunner for the construction of a full-scale plant when sufficient knowledge and experience have been gained. At the appropriate time, he has suggested that a large United States concern experienced in designing, building and operating this type of plant, be consulted.

Mr. Abrahams has also suggested a basic research program on magnesium compounds and has recommended the awarding of research grants at two Israeli institutions--the Technion Institute and Hebrew University--for basic research on the physical and chemical properties and decomposition of the compounds.

## JEWISH CHILDREN RESCUED FROM AGADIR RUINS TEN DAYS AFTER EARTHQUAKE

AGADIR, Morocco, March 10. (JTA) -- Rescue workers miraculously pulled four Jewish children from the ruins of Agadir today, almost ten days after the city was destroyed by an earthquake that killed over 12,000 persons.

The Jewish children were given immediate medical attention. They are Alice Kalfon, 16; Jacqueline Kalfon, 15; Armand Kalfon, 6; and Cadiz Gonzales, 13. The four Jewish children were among eight survivors rescued today. The rest were Moslem.

## COMPROMISE REACHED ON BILLY ROSE'S SCULPTURE GARDEN IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, March 10. (JTA) -- Billy Rose, New York impresario, disclosed today he had reached a compromise agreement with Orthodox elements of Jerusalem who felt that some of the pieces in the sculpture garden he has contributed to Israel might be in violation of the Biblical ban on graven images.

Mr. Rose said that the compromise was based on the understanding that if any of the non-abstract items proved to be "too literal" they would be moved indoors and out of general sight.

### GERMANY DOES NOT WANT DIPLOMATIC TIES WITH ISRAEL, OFFICIAL SAYS

BONN, March 10. (JTA) -- The West German Government has no intention of establishing diplomatic relations with Israel at this time, fearing "deterioration" of the Middle East situation might result from such a step, A. Hilger van Scherpenberg, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said here today. He is Foreign Minister Henrich von Brentano's ranking aide.

Germany, said Mr. van Scherpenberg, is in a "frankly delicate" position in the Middle East now. On the one hand, he said, Germany has had very friendly relations with Middle East peoples for one hundred years, regardless of two world wars. On the other hand, he affirmed, this country "owes a very strong debt of honor" to Israel, and Germany is "ready and willing" to pay that "moral debt."

Establishment of diplomatic relations with Israel now, however, said the ranking Foreign Office official, might contribute to the "deterioration" of the situation in the Middle East. For that reason, he stated, West Germany "will not take that risk of deterioration" now. Mr. van Scherpenberg at the same time revealed that he had held a conference with the personal emissary of Jordan's King Hussein, Bahjad Talhouni and said that Germany is now working out plans for offering Jordan "very large-scale" investment help, to aid the Amman Government in developing its economy.

### TWO NAZIS SENTENCED IN BERLIN FOR POGROM ON JEWS IN ZHITOMIR

BERLIN, March 10. (JTA) -- A West Berlin court sentenced today two former Nazi police officials to prison terms for the murder of 300 Jews in Zhitomir in the Ukraine in 1942.

Fritz Huelsduenker was given three and a half years and Fritz Knop was sentenced to seven years. Huelsduenker testified in his own defense that he had no alternative but to act as he had done. He said while he deplored the Nazi killings, he could not have helped the victims. The prosecution had demanded life sentences for both.

### LEADING NAZI 'SCIENTIST' ON RACE THEORY ENGAGED BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT

BONN, March 10. (JTA) -- Political sources here expressed astonishment today over a decision of the Federal Ministry of Labor to engage Prof. Valentin Mueller, a former leading Nazi race ideologist, for a major research assignment for the Federal Government.

The Ministry asked the Nuremberg Institute for Sociology and Social Anthropology, headed by Prof. Mueller, to make a survey of the social position of the white collar employee in West Germany.

Prof. Mueller in 1935 and in 1941 published "scientific studies" in which he glorified the "leadership ability" and "blood superiority" of the "Nordic working man." During the post-war period, he once described the total of 6,000,000 Nazi-murdered Jews as "statistics dominated by political circumstances."

### CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS IN LONDON DISCUSSES ANTI-SEMITISM

LONDON, March 10. (JTA) -- Deep-rooted anti-Semitic prejudice was manifested during the January epidemic of incidents in "quite unexpected places," the Rev. W. W. Simpson, general secretary of the Council of Christians and Jews, said today at the organization's annual meeting.

He said that even if anti-Semitism was not organized in Britain, "there are curious discriminations." He said he was thinking of bias in social and sports clubs and particularly in golf clubs. The promptness of public protest against the anti-Semitic incidents was gratifying but it would be foolish to suppose that there is not further ground for anxiety on this score," he stated.

Cambridge University authorities issued a statement aimed at refuting charges of anti-Semitism by the university's appointments board. The official statement claimed that a private investigation carried out last October by university officials, satisfied Jewish organizations and the board's critics by producing "impressive evidence of the confidential relations established with Jewish students, the solicitude shown for them and the gratitude they expressed for the sympathetic treatment they received."

### ALGIERS RABBI DISCUSSES JEWISH PROBLEMS WITH DELEGATE GENERAL

ALGIERS, March 10. (JTA) -- Rabbi David Ashkenazi, Chief Rabbi of Algiers, described today to Delegate General Paul Delouvrier some of the problems of the Algerian Jewish community. The rabbi, accompanied by M. Saffar, president of the Algiers Jewish Consistory, paid a courtesy call on the Delegate General.

The official induction of Rabbi Ashkenazi as Chief Rabbi was held yesterday in the presence of the Chief Rabbi of France, Jacob Kaplan, officials of civilian and military agencies, rabbis from many parts of Algeria and representatives of Jewish and non-Jewish organizations. Chief Rabbi Kaplan made a special trip to preside at the induction.

## U. S. MARINE ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPEDITION TO EXPLORE ISRAEL'S COAST

WASHINGTON, March 10. (JTA) -- A marine archaeological expedition will explore the coastal waters of Israel this spring under the direction of Edwin A. Link, it was announced today by the America-Israel society and Princeton Theological Seminary, the institutions jointly sponsoring the project.

The expedition, in preparation nearly three years, will use a specially equipped diesel ship. It will seek to recover ancient objects from the bottom of the sea that may shed new light on the early sea routes of the ships of King Solomon and other ancient rulers. A principal point of the exploration will be the sunken harbor of Caesarea.

## HEBREW LETTER, WRITTEN 2,700 YEARS AGO ON EARTHEN POT, DISCOVERED

JERUSALEM, March 10. (JTA) -- Portions of a letter from an Israelite peasant written some 2,700 years ago, which were found by Israel archaeologists on the coastal plain, may be part of the oldest Hebrew letter ever discovered, the Israel Antiquities Department said today. The discovery of this letter was reported by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in January.

The fragments of an earthen pot, on which the letter was written, were found on the site of an ancient fort a mile south of Yavne Yam near the coast. Scientists have completed assembling the fragments and have deciphered about half of the text which has been tentatively dated as having been written in the Seventh Century before the Common Era. The letter is an appeal from the peasant to his prince for return of a cloak which, in accordance with customs of the period, had been confiscated for a bad debt which the writer denied.

Scientists said here last night that besides including at least one word which has not been found in any other known Hebrew text, the letter seemed to indicate that King Josiah had extended his sovereignty to the coastal plain and had settled the area with Judean peasants. It had been known that Josiah conquered northern Israel and parts of the Negev but the coastal plain had been thought to be an Assyrian province at that time. The new evidence indicated that Josiah took advantage of the decline of the Assyrian empire and conquered the coastal plain.

The scientists pointed out that the letter was written in a very skilled script but in clumsy language, suggesting that the letter was dictated by the peasant to a professional scribe, typical of the scribes who sat near city gates to handle such writing chores. Other fragments included Hebrew inscriptions on pottery which indicated that the letter was not misplaced but originated in the Israelite population resident in the area at that time.

## PRAYERS FOR RAIN HELD IN PACKED SYNAGOGUES IN ISRAEL; DROUGHT CONTINUES

JERUSALEM, March 10. (JTA) -- Prayers normally recited on other Jewish Holy Days were intoned in packed synagogues throughout Israel today, the Fast of Esther, as Israel's worst drought, continued with no relief in sight.

The Tefilath Hageshem, the prayer for rain from the Shemini Atzereth liturgy, usually recited at the end of Succoth, and the Avinu Malkenu, a fast day prayer, were recited on instructions of the Chief Rabbinate to coincide with the Fast of Esther.

## NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD VOTES FOUR WEIL AWARDS FOR 1960

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- The 1960 Frank L. Weil Awards of the National Jewish Welfare Board have been voted to Mrs. Hugo Dalsheimer, chairman of the Building Fund Committee of the Jerusalem YM & YWHA; Mrs. Leonard H. Bernheim, chairman of the JWB's Women's Organizations' Division; Dr. A. W. Binder, music director of New York's 92nd Street, YM & YWHA, and H. Leivick, noted Yiddish poet and playwright, it was announced here today.

Presentation of the awards--bronze medallions and engraved citations--will be made Saturday evening, April 2, at the banquet session of the JWB's biennial national convention in St. Louis.

## NEW ENGLAND ZIONISTS NAME ROBBINS AS CANDIDATE FOR Z. O. A. PRESIDENCY

BOSTON, March 10. (JTA) -- The New England Zionist Region honored Dr. Morton J. Robbins by naming him as its "favorite son" candidate for the national presidency of the Zionist Organization of America, it was announced today by Laurence S. Wolk, president of the New England Zionist Region. The resolution was adopted unanimously at a meeting of the executive committee of the New England Zionist Region.

## FUNERAL SERVICES FOR SEN. NEUBERGER TO BE HELD IN PORTLAND SUNDAY

PORTLAND, Ore., March 10. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held Sunday at Temple Beth Israel here for Senator Richard L. Neuberger who died from a cerebral hemorrhage yesterday at the age of 47. President Eisenhower sent a personal message of sympathy to Mrs. Neuberger.