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60,000 ATTEND PRESIDENT BEN-ZVI'S FUNERAL; BEN-GURION DELIVERS EULOGY

JERUSALEM, April 24. (JTA) -- Izhak Ben-Zvi, second President of Israel, statesman, scholar, and Zionist pioneer, was laid to rest today after a funeral procession watched by more than 100,000 saddened Israelis.

Interment of Israel's beloved President took place in the simple family plot of the public cemetery of Jerusalem. It was preceded by wailing sirens and two minutes of silence throughout Israel which ushered in a nationwide cessation of activities until interment was completed. All places of entertainment have been closed since yesterday, the start of a country-wide seven-day period of mourning.

Before the funeral procession began from Jerusalem's Convention Hall, Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, a life-long associate of the President's Zionist career, pronounced a eulogy on behalf of the Government. Visibly moved, Mr. Ben-Gurion recalled Mr. Ben-Zvi's activities from his student days in Czarist Russia in 1904 when he organized the Jewish self-defense units for which his father and mother were exiled to Siberia.

Mr. Ben-Gurion described him as a man whom the people chose and loved, a faithful servant of "all tribes and communities of the House of Israel," Jews and non-Jews. "He on the love of the entire Jewish people as was vouchsafed to no other man in our generation or in those to come, a privilege to which there is no parallel among our people, divided as it is by a multitude of parties, communities and tribes," he said.

"He symbolized more than any other man in his days the love and unity of Israel and the true people felt this," the Prime Minister continued. "His words, ways, customs and attitudes were the essence of simplicity and modesty, true sincerity and purity of heart. Yesterday, the most esteemed, most beloved Jew in Israel departed from us and entered the eternal shrine of Jewish history."

Coffin Carried by Commanders of Army, Air and Naval Units

Thousands of Israelis, in a virtually non-stop march, filed by the bier where it lay in the compound of Convention Hall. The Army cantor chanted the doxology and Amram Ben-Zvi, the President's son, recited Kaddish, which was followed by the Prime Minister's eulogy.

Then the funeral procession to the cemetery was started, passing through streets fully lined by the citizens paying their final respects. It was led by police and army units, mounted police and vans bearing scores of black-draped wreaths, and then the Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren and other rabbis. The coffin was carried by commanders of the army, air and naval units.

Behind it walked Mrs. Ben-Zvi and members of the immediate family, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, Chief Justice Yitzhak Olshan, Dr. Nahum Goldmann in his capacity as president of the World Zionist Organization; Mrs. Vera Weizmann, widow of Israel's first president, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, Cabinet members; Moshe Sharett, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, and Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Bodrov, the dean of the diplomatic corps, heading the foreign diplomats.

Outside Parliament Square the procession halted for a brief eulogy by a Knesset speaker. The procession halted briefly at Jeshurun Synagogue where Mrs. Ben-Zvi and Amram Ben-Zvi had their garments torn in the traditional Kriah. Chief Rabbi Isaac Nissim pronounced a eulogy.

The immediate family, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion and Cabinet members were the mourners to proceed to the Har Hamenuhot (Hill of Repose), the public cemetery where the burial took place in accordance with Mr. Ben-Zvi's final wishes. The body was lowered into the newly dug grave near the President's father.

After the brief and simple burial ceremony, a 21-gun salute echoed through the Judean hills as all stood at solemn attention before the grave of the President which was soon covered with wreaths. A small temporary marker was placed on the grave which read: "He lies buried Izhak Ben-Zvi, President of the State of Israel."

STATESMEN ALL OVER THE WORLD EXPRESS SCORROW OVER BEN-ZVI'S DEATH

JERUSALEM, April 24. (JTA) -- Expressions of sympathy and sorrow from world leaders over the passing of President Ben-Zvi continued to pour into Israel today.

Messages have been received from United States Secretary General U Thant, the White House, French President Charles de Gaulle, King Gustav of Sweden, Queen Juliana of Holland, Queen Mother Elizabeth of Belgium, West German President Heinrich Luebbe and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany, presidents of many African states and many others.

Italian Foreign Minister Attilio Piccioni cabled "profound and deep regret." A message also was received from Belgium's Foreign Minister Paul Henri-Spaak, whose scheduled visit to Israel on April 21 was canceled because of President Ben-Zvi's fatal illness.

Soviet Ambassador Mikhail Bodrov, the dean of the diplomatic corps, and heads of various foreign missions called at the President's residence and the Israel Foreign Office to sign condolence books. Messages also were sent by Israel's Christian, Druze and Moslem communities.

BUENOS AIRES, April 24. (JTA) -- The Government of Argentina decreed today a day of national mourning for Israel's President Ben-Zvi and the Argentine flag was lowered to half-mast on all public buildings and all military naval and Air Force establishments.

Dr. Jose Maria Guido, the President of Argentina, sent a message to Acting President Kaddush Luz, saying: "I express to Your Excellency the deep condolences of the Argentine Government and people over the death of President Ben-Zvi whose passing marks a severe loss for a friendly country."

The passing of Israel's President evoked general mourning among Argentine Jews. The Buenos Aires Kehilla held an emergency session last night at which it was decided to suspend classes of all Jewish schools during the funeral today. Resolutions of condolence were adopted by the Kehilla and by other Jewish and Zionist bodies.

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 24. (JTA) -- The United Nations flag was flown at half-mast today to mark the death yesterday of Israel's President Izhak Ben-Zvi.

VIENNA, April 24. (JTA) -- Austrian President Adolf Schaerf and Chancellor Alfons Gorbach today sent to Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion messages of condolence over the death of President Izhak Ben-Zvi. Both Austrian leaders expressed their deepest sympathy.

THE HAGUE, April 24. (JTA) -- Both chambers of the Dutch Parliament today adopted solemn resolutions of condolence over the death of Israel's President Izhak Ben-Zvi, sending cables expressing their sentiments to the Knesset, Israel's Parliament. Dr. Joseph Luns, the Foreign Minister, issued a statement saying "the Government of the Netherlands mourns with Israel." In the Senate, Dr. Jan Jonkman eulogized Mr. Ben-Zvi as "Israel's courageous second President."

BRUSSELS, April 24. (JTA) -- All Belgian office buildings and the building housing the Commission of the European Economic Community flew their flags at half-mast today to honor the memory of President Ben-Zvi who died yesterday. Expressions of condolences continued to be brought to the Israel Embassy by many Belgian and Jewish personalities.

LONDON, April 24. (JTA) -- The Board of Deputies of British Jews sent a message today to Israel on behalf of British Jewry, expressing "our profound sorrow on the passing of the revered President Ben-Zvi, whose distinction of mind and character maintained the high dignity of his office and enhanced the prestige of the state and the people of which he was the head."

A reception at the Israel Embassy on Israel's 15th Independence Day was canceled today because of the death of President Ben-Zvi. A memorial meeting was held by the Zionist Federation today at which tributes were paid by Chairman J. Halevi, Sir Barnett Janner, and Dr. S. Levenberg of the Jewish Agency.

PARIS, April 24. (JTA) -- The French press paid warm tribute today to Israel's late President Ben-Zvi, lauding him as "the good Samaritan whose home was always open to all, as humble as they may have been," and as a great and courageous statesman and scholar. Some 30 of the leading personalities of the country went to the Israel Embassy here today to inscribe their names in a "book of condolence." Jewish communities throughout the country telegraphed and telephoned their condolences to the Embassy.

JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT U.S. MOURN DEATH OF PRESIDENT BEN-ZVI

NEW YORK, April 24. (JTA) -- Jewish communities throughout the United States and Canada today mourned the passing of President Izhak Ben-Zvi of Israel. The Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds cabled a message of condolence to Israel's Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion. The message was signed by Louis Stern, CJFVW president.

A memorial service for Mr. Ben-Zvi was held today at the Jewish Agency offices here. Mr. Ben-Zvi was eulogized by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency executive, and Katriel Katz, Consul General of Israel. The El Moleh Rachmim was chanted by Cantor Robert H. Segal, of Congregation Bnai Jeshurun.

All offices of the Israel Bond Organization closed early in memory of President Ben-Zvi, the New York headquarters announced.

The American Zionist Council, sponsor of the 15th Anniversary observance of Israel's Independence Day, announced that a memorial tribute to President Ben-Zvi will be incorporated into the observance next Sunday evening here at the new Lincoln Center.

The World Confederation of General Zionists, in a cable signed by the co-chairmen, Mrs. Rose Halprin and Dr. Israel Goldstein, described the late President as "the personification of the noblest aspirations of early chalutzit and modern Zionism."

Dr. David de Sola Pool, president of the Union of Sephardic Congregations, described Mr. Ben-Zvi as a great scholar and an authority on the historic culture and civilization of the Sephardic world. His "special dedication to the Oriental Jewish communities, who were but little known, was in many ways a fulfillment of his love for the underprivileged," he stressed in his message.

Other messages of condolence were sent by the New York Board of Rabbis, the Rabbinical Council of America, the World Council of Synagogues, and the United Synagogue of America.

THREE JEWS SENTENCED IN MOROCCO FOR 'FALSE PASSPORTS'; 12 ACQUITTED

CASABLANCA, April 24. (JTA) -- The court in Rabat today sentenced three Jews to varying terms of imprisonment on charges of using false passports with the intention of leaving the country.

Joseph Harrar was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment, while Baba Cohen and Chava Barchchat were each given one-year prison terms. Twelve other Jews involved in the case were acquitted.

RETURN OF ARABS TO ISRAEL IS AIM OF NEW ARAB FEDERATION; DIPLOMAT SAYS

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., April 24. (JTA) -- Mahmoud Riad, United Arab Republic permanent representative to the United Nations, said today that one of the aims of the new federation of Egypt, Syria and Iraq is to bring back into Israel all of the Arab refugees. He made that statement in reply to a question at a luncheon of the United Nations Correspondents Association.

"When we talk of Arab unity," he said, "we believe that one day we can come to a real solution of the Palestine problem when the real owners of that land--the refugees--can go back to their own country."

Mr. Riad made a long statement in which he acknowledged that German scientists are at work in Egypt. However, he maintained, they are working only on the use of atomic energy for peaceful purposes and on the development of Egypt's own jet planes. On the other hand, he accused Israel of developing the use of atomic energy for war purposes, declaring that Israel may have ready by this year enough material to manufacture one atomic bomb every year.

200 AMERICAN FIRMS STARTED OPERATIONS IN ISRAEL DURING DECADE

NEW YORK, April 24. (JTA) -- More than 200 American companies started operations in Israel in the decade since the American-Israel Chamber of Commerce was organized, Nathan Strauss III, president, declared tonight at the 10th anniversary dinner of the Chamber.

Reporting that two-way trade between the United States and Israel had passed the \$215,000,000 mark, he said the American business operations have been in the form of branches, subsidiaries or licensing agreements with companies in Israel.

Gottlieb Hammer, president of the American-Israeli Shipping Company, who was dinner chairman, called the meeting to a minute of silence to honor the memory of President Ben-Zvi. Festive parts of the dinner program, to mark the chamber's tenth anniversary, were omitted and presentation of an honorary membership to Israel Ambassador Avraham Harman was postponed.

JEWISH COMMUNITY OF ARUBA BUILDS FIRST SYNAGOGUE ON THE ISLAND

NEW YORK, April 24. (JTA) -- The tiny Jewish community of Aruba, consisting of only 35 families, has just built its first synagogue and center, S. L. Berlinski, president of the community, reported today in New York. Aruba is an island north of Venezuela. The community is affiliated with the World Jewish Congress.

PRCMINENCE OF JEWS IN U. S. ANALYZED AT JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

NEW YORK, April 24. (JTA) -- An analysis of all Jews recorded in the Dictionary of American Biography shows that 25 percent of American Jews listed in the dictionary earned their right to such listing in the 40 years between 1900 and 1940, according to a report to the 61st annual meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society.

Dr. Abram Kanof, president of the society, indesccribing his findings, said that "as the Jewish story unfolds in American history, the numerical importance of merchants, physicians, rabbis and writers diminishes, while that of musicians, general scholars, reformers, politicians, entertainers and bankers increases."

Professor Salo W. Baron of Columbia University, a former president of the Society, received the Lee Max Friedman Award Medal for distinction in American Jewish Historiography. A number of individual members were cited for their association as members of the Society for at least 40 years. They included Rabbi David de Sola Pool, former Senator Herbert H. Lehman, Lessing J. Rosenwald and former Adm. Lewis L. Strauss. The Harvard University Library and Shearith Israel Congregation were cited for the same reason.

An exhibit was opened in connection with the annual meeting dealing with early American portraiture. On display at the Jewish Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, the exhibit will be open to the public until the end of June.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY OPENS HEBRAIC STUDIES DEPARTMENT; HONORS SCHOLARS

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., April 24. (JTA) -- Rutgers University honored three Jewish scholars last night during the inauguration of the school's new Hebraic Studies Department.

Dr. Salo W. Baron, director of the Center of Israeli and Jewish Studies at Columbia University, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters degree. Rabbi Julius J. Funk, director of B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Rutgers for 20 years, and Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky of Ohav Shalom Congregation of South Orange, an instructor in the humanities at the Newark Colleges, were given Rutgers Awards for outstanding service to the Jewish people and to the State University.

Dr. Baron said that the growth of Hebraic studies in the United States in a few decades had been "startling." He said that in 1940 a total of 124 American schools of higher learning included Hebrew in their curricula of which 47 were theological seminaries. Ten years later the total number increased to 206 institutions, rising again to 245 in 1957, the last year for which figures are available. These 245 institutions include 61 undergraduate colleges, 72 universities and 112 seminaries, Dr. Baron said.

EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION ADDRESSED BY RABBI FOR THE FIRST TIME

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 24. (JTA) -- An expression of appreciation to the National Association of Evangelicals for its support for Jewish protests against the denial of religious rights to Jews in the Soviet Union was presented by Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, director of the Inter-Religious Affairs Department of the American Jewish Committee.

The Evangelical group backed a recent protest by the American Jewish Committee to the Soviet Union. Rabbi Tanenbaum, the first Jew ever to appear at a meeting of the Christian sect, urged greater communication between Jews and Evangelicals to end the widespread belief among sect members that Jews are "disinherited by God" and live "barren unredeemed existences."

Such communication, he said, would show the sect that Jews were an increasingly highly literate community "with growing concern for social justice as much as for individual salvation," that Judaism was "an increasingly vital force in the lives of millions of Jews and that Jews continue to have precious spiritual riches to contribute to mankind."

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY RECEIVES \$89,500 FROM NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

NEW YORK, April 24. (JTA) -- Yeshiva University has received a National Science Foundation grant of \$89,500 for support of an "In-Service Institute in Science and Mathematics for Secondary School Teachers," it was announced here today. The grant will terminate in June 1964. Under the grant, high school mathematics and physics teachers, selected by the university, will be able to continue advanced studies in their specialties.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE GRANTS \$101,000 TO ISRAEL INSTITUTION

WASHINGTON, April 24. (JTA) -- The United States Department of Agriculture announced today that a four-year grant, equivalent to \$101,160 in Israeli pounds, was awarded to the National and University Institute of Agriculture, Rehovot, Israel, to finance studies of seedling emergence and establishment of forage plants in areas where rainfall averages eight to 12 inches annually.

Israeli scientists will determine how forage plants respond to spacing, seeding depth, soil compaction, moisture conditions, types of cultivation, and climatic variations. The research will be under technical supervision of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service.