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## JOYOUS CELEBRATIONS SWEEP ISRAEL AS SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF STATEHOOD IS MARKED

JERUSALEM, April 23. (JTA) -- Joyous celebrations marking the second anniversary of the establishment of the Jewish state swept Israel last night and today. Scenes of unparalleled revelry were enacted in every village, town and city as the people of Israel--including the nearly 400,000 immigrants who have arrived here since the proclamation of Israel statehood, as well as the Moslem and Christian citizens of this country--heralded the ushering in of the third year of the independent existence of Israel.

Three artillery salvos fired in Tel Aviv at 8:35 P.M. last night officially opened the nationwide celebration. President Chaim Weizmann, addressing the citizens of Israel and Jews throughout the world in a national broadcast, emphasized that "from Dan to Elath, the country is vibrating with the sound of the hammer and the ploughshare." He added: "We appeal to the sons of our people throughout the world to come to our aid. Our festival is their festival; our anxiety, their anxiety."

The Shofar--the traditional ram's horn--was sounded on loudspeakers throughout the country as the merrymaking got under way. In the Haifa and Tel Aviv harbors, ships at anchor shrilled their sirens as citizens of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa and other parts of Israel turned on every available electric bulb, illuminating the entire country. Hundreds of thousands of Tel Aviv's citizens poured out into the streets last night immediately after dusk marked the end of the Sabbath. Israel flags blew in the breeze from every pole and tree in the city as men, women and children spontaneously seized one another to sing and dance. Horas--Israel's national folk dance--were organized at a second's notice.

Motion picture theatres throughout the Jewish state offered free entertainment; displays of fireworks were featured in many sections of Israel. A group of 1,500 Communists parading in the principal streets of Tel Aviv last night carried banners with portraits of Dr. Weizmann and Soviet Premier Josef Stalin. A chain of torches and a beacon of fires blazed last night on Israel's hills and mountainsides from the new state's borders in the north to the southernmost point at Elath.

## U.S. Tourists Mingle With New Immigrants from North Africa

Thousands of newly-arrived immigrants from North Africa, Yemen, Eastern Europe and Iran mingled with hundreds of American tourists in Jerusalem to watch the display of Israel's armed might on parade. President Weizmann, Premier David Ben Gurion and Chief of Staff Yigal Yadin took the salute as thousands of Israel troops passed by in smart formation to the cheers of tens of thousands of onlookers. The procession included units of the women's services and mounted frontier police seated proudly on Arabian horses. Officers directing the troops could be heard commanding their men in foreign languages, testifying to the fact that many of the troops were recent immigrants.

Synagogues throughout Israel were crowded yesterday when special prayers were offered for the welfare of the new state. Members of the diplomatic corps, who attended various celebrations arranged by the government in Tel Aviv and Hakiryah, sent a message of congratulations to President Weizmann declaring that the anniversary celebration "marks extraordinary progress in the country's two formative years." Congratulatory messages were also received from President Truman, President Chvornik of

the Soviet Union, the Greek Premier and the Foreign Ministers of Australia, Hungary, Poland and Guatemala. British Minister Alexander Knox Helm also conveyed a congratulatory message to Israel.

Aside from a fire in a Jerusalem home in which two persons were seriously hurt, the only untoward incident that marked the celebration was the proclamation issued by the ultra-Orthodox sect, Neturei Karta, declaring that today was to be a day of mourning. Three followers of the sect were arrested after they were found tearing down Israel flags.

(Dispatches reaching the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in New York today reported that Jewish communities in all parts of the world--including London, Paris, Munich, Montreal, Buenos Aires as well as cities in the United States--staged special celebrations marking Israel's second birthday.)

#### TRUMAN CABLES CONGRATULATIONS TO WEIZMANN; SENATE HEARS SPEECH LAUDING ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, April 23. (JTA) -- President Truman sent the following cablegram to President Chaim Weizmann of Israel: "The people of the United States join me on this anniversary of the independence of Israel in expressing to Your Excellency and to the people of Israel sincere congratulations and best wishes."

In a Senate speech lauding the Jewish state on the occasion of her second anniversary, Senator Scott Lucas described Israel as "one of the world's newest and most courageous free nations." He paid tribute to Israel for admitting 400,000 refugees since her proclamation of statehood and said that the new state's example in admitting displaced persons "played an important part in influencing the people of America to press for acceptance here of greater numbers of the homeless of Europe."

#### SECRETARY OF INTERIOR CHAPMAN SAYS ISRAEL IS "BRIGHT CHAPTER IN HISTORY OF MANKIND"

NEW YORK, April 23. (JTA) -- Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman, addressing a mass celebration at the Hotel Astor here marking the second anniversary of Israel's independence, arranged by the American Zionist Council, declared tonight that the "birth of Israel is a bright chapter in the history of mankind."

The war in which Israel fought for her survival immediately following the proclamation of statehood, Secretary Chapman asserted, "was not won by superior military might alone. The people of this new nation won their independence by superior moral forces. They won because they were fighting for the thing that it is dearest to man--freedom." Israel's struggle, he added, "was for the right to dwell in peace, to live amicably with its neighbors and to achieve prosperity and security for its people."

Ambassador Elishu Elath, who was the other principal speaker at the celebration, reviewing the past two years in Israel's history, said that the "need for continued sacrifices for the sake of the ideals to which Israel is devoting her energies will last for years to come. It cannot be met by idealism and devotion alone." Paying tribute to the "sustained help and assistance" the United States has given Israel, Ambassador Elath noted the "readiness of the U.S. and of its people to continue their sympathy with our endeavors and to strengthen the ties of friendship linking the two countries."

Louis Lipsky, chairman of the Council, who presided, stated that the "perverse climate of the United Nations still pervades the land of the people of Israel, which has been subject to constant harassment by U.N. commissions and subcommittees."

ISRAEL LABOR LEADERS CONFER WITH PREMIER BEN GURION ON COOPERATION WITH JEWISH AGENCY

JERUSALEM, April 23. (JTA) -- Leaders of the Mapai, Israel's Labor Party, conferred with Premier David Ben Gurion, leader of the party, on the question of establishing "real productive cooperation" between the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency in the light of the demands which Agency leaders are advancing at the current session of the Zionist Actions Committee here.

It is reported that Premier Ben Gurion favors the existence of a strong Zionist organization throughout the world, but is reluctant to agree to the Agency carrying on separate work in Israel. Mr. Ben Gurion will make public his attitude in an address which he is expected to deliver at the Action Committee session.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Golda Myerson, the only woman member in the Israel Cabinet, told the Actions Committee that there is no rift between the World Zionist Organization and the Israel Government. The main problem, she said, is to find the shortest and most efficient way to coordinate the work of both.

There are two alternatives facing all Jews now, Mrs. Myerson said: Either live in Israel and simultaneously contribute money to assist the bringing into the Jewish state of Jewish immigrants; or, stay outside and financially enable the Jewish state to discharge its obligations toward the Zionist tasks on a decent scale. The task of the World Zionist Organization at present is to identify every willing Jew with Israel, she added.

Mrs. Myerson emphasized that "dangers graver than those before the outbreak of the war face the Jewish state at present." She stressed that these are "actual military dangers besides the economic difficulties necessitating a united effort on the part of world Jewry. She ridiculed the idea that separate budgets be maintained by the Israel Government and the Jewish Agency for the absorption of immigrants in the Jewish state.

Z.O.A. Delegate and Dr. Gruenbaum Differ on Emigration of U.S. Jewish Youth

Zalman Ahronowitz, leader of the Mapai, acknowledged the possibilities which the World Zionist Organization has in mobilizing Jews outside of Israel for assistance to the Jewish state. However, he demanded the liquidation of the Jewish National Fund, declaring that "the program of the Israel Government contains nationalization of land and 90 percent of the land in Israel is now in government possession. It would be absurd to maintain a separate J.N.F. for world Jewry with 2,000,000 dunams of land, after having nationalized 18,000,000,000 dunams," he said.

Unconditional continuation of the world Zionist movement was demanded at the session by Baruch Zuckerman, American Labor Zionist, and Dr. Itzhak Gruenbaum. The latter warned American Jews that Israel will take their children to build, defend, enlarge and strengthen the Jewish state. To this the American delegate, Dr. S. Margoshes, replied: "We will give you our children, but you have first to create suitable conditions for them," He emphasized that "Chaluziut" is not identical with "Kibbutziut."

Dr. I. Shwartsbart, American General Zionist, urged the enlargement of the Jewish Agency and recommended more cooperation with the non-Zionists. He suggested that the Basle program advocating political Zionism be replaced by the program of cultural Zionism advocated by the Zionist philosopher, Achad Haam.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, addressing the session, insisted that the World Zionist Organization must be maintained and that "there are no second-class Jews in the work of the upbuilding of Israel." He also insisted that "there cannot be any separation between the World Zionist Organization and the Israel Government." Rabbi Zeev Gold, Mizrahi leader, defended the sovereignty of the Zionist movement.

SECOND ROUND OF WAR WITH ARABS IS SERIOUS THREAT, EX-CHIEF OF STAFF WARNS ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, April 23. (JTA) -- Brigadier Yaacov Dor, former Chief of Staff of the Israeli Army, warned last night of the existence of a serious threat of a second round of war with the Arabs. He urged Israelis to enroll in maximum numbers in the reserve army.

(King Abdullah of Transjordan was quoted in an Amman dispatch to the New York Times today as stating that he would welcome expulsion from the Arab League, if the League attempted to prevent him from annexing the non-Israel Palestine to Transjordan.)

Nine military ceremonies were held in various parts of the country this week-end as the Israel Army, Navy and Air Force honored their fallen heroes. In cities, towns and settlements--from Rosh Pina, in the north, to Jerusalem, in the center, to Kfar Warburg, in the south, military parades and special services in war cemeteries marked the day of mourning. The families of many of the war dead were present at the ceremonies.

NUMEROUS CASES OF INFANTILE PARALYSIS REPORTED IN ISRAEL; GOVERNMENT TAKES MEASURES

JERUSALEM, April 23. (JTA) -- More than 35 cases of infantile paralysis have been reported in Israel recently, it was revealed here. The Israel Health Ministry announced that steps have been taken to isolate areas in which infantile paralysis has been reported.

The announcement said that the Health Ministry does not believe that the virus was brought from abroad. It is assumed that the carrier is a woman who worked with children. The Ministry emphasized that there is no danger of an epidemic, that such outbreaks are isolated and put under control and that 20 to 30 cases of polio per month corresponds to the rate now prevalent in most civilized countries, including the United States.

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF WARSAW GHETTO REVOLT IS MARKED IN ISRAEL; SURVIVORS JOIN RITES

TEL AVIV, April 23. (JTA) -- The seventh anniversary of the armed revolt of the Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto against the German Army was observed here in a number of settlements including "Ghetto Kibbutz," a settlement whose members are survivors of the historic battle. More than 3,000 people from neighboring settlements gathered in "Ghetto Kibbutz" to honor the memory of the 35,000 Jews who were killed in the uprising.

ISRAEL AND ARGENTINE SIGN \$10,000,000 TRADE AGREEMENT; PERON AND WIFE ATTEND CEREMONY

BUENOS AIRES, April 23. (JTA) -- An Israel-Argentine trade agreement involving \$10,000,000 was signed here at a ceremony attended by President and Senora Juan Peron.

The pact, which provides that Israel shall pay for 70 percent of all purchases in dollars, will be effective for 18 months. It was unofficially reported that most of the Argentine products purchased by Israel will be meat.

"PALESTINE POST" ONLY ENGLISH NEWSPAPER IN ISRAEL, RENAMED "JERUSALEM POST"

JERUSALEM, April 23. (JTA) -- The Palestine Post, the only English-language daily newspaper in Israel, which has been published under its present name for 18 years, today announced that it is changing its masthead to "Jerusalem Post," as of today, the second anniversary of Israel independence.

COUNCIL FOR JUDAISM PARLEY CONDEMNS EFFORTS TO PROMOTE EMIGRATION FROM U.S. TO ISRAEL

CINCINNATI, April 23. (JTA) -- Zionist efforts to stimulate the emigration to Israel of Americans of Jewish faith was condemned today by delegates to the sixth annual conference of the American Council for Judaism. In a series of resolutions adopted at the closing of the three-day session, the Council termed "especially undemocratic" the Hechalutz campaign to increase the population of the state of Israel by creating a sense of insecurity among Jews in the United States.

"Even more vicious is the effort to deprive us of our most precious natural resources, our youth," the resolution said. The Council charged that if the Hechalutz program were successful, "the lives of Jews in America would be simply a waiting period."

Another resolution described as "unwarranted and undemocratic" the attempts by the National Community Relations Advisory Council and the American Jewish Committee to "restrain the Council from publicly expressing its views, especially in the general press." Such action, the resolution continued, "is dangerously close to totalitarian efforts to silence opposition. So long as we act with dignity and speak the truth, we, as well as those whose opinions differ from ours, have every right to make our views known."

The delegates expressed their dedication "to the universal insights which are the heart and soul of Judaism," in the fields of politics, economics, international relations and in daily life. In taking their stand on the structure and policies of the United Jewish Appeal, the Council delegates reiterated their recognition of "the need to contribute generously to humanitarianism and philanthropic causes in Israel and elsewhere." They noted that "the present structure of the U.J.A. and of many local fund-raising organizations is such that those who desire to support philanthropy are compelled also to contribute to Jewish nationalist causes, both in this country and abroad."

The delegates stated that they acknowledged the difficulties in gaining a separation of humanitarian and political funds. They placed the responsibility on the leaders of the U.J.A. and the local funds. The resolution stated that "the recent resolution of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds calling for the establishment of an overall purely philanthropic fund for our needy co-religionists in Israel is a constructive step which we heartily commend."

Lessing J. Rosenwald, who was re-elected to serve a seventh term as president of the Council, was presented with a plaque honoring him for having organized and directed the campaign to liberalize displaced persons legislation. Earlier, in a presidential address he sharply attacked both Zionists and non-Zionists.

"The Zionists," he said, strive to order and to dominate the lives and institutions of American Jews. Some non-Zionist organizations theoretically opposed to Jewish nationalism fail to understand that the Zionists are engaged in a concerted campaign to segregate American Jews from their fellow-Americans by imposing on them separate secular culture," he stated.

The Council president charged the Zionists with seeking to "indoctrinate American Jewish children with the secular national culture of Israel under the guise of 'Jewish' culture." He asserted that there is "a creeping totalitarianism in the institutional life of American Jews," and declared that "we have travelled a far distance down the road toward self-imposed ghettoism." He reiterated that the Council considers American Jews as Americans of Jewish faith who want to be treated as individuals, like any other Americans.

McCARRAN INTRODUCES BILL IN SENATE TO REWRITE U.S. IMMIGRATION NATURALIZATION LAWS

WASHINGTON, April 23. (JTA) -- A bill calling for the complete rewriting of the United States immigration and naturalization laws was introduced in the Senate this week-end by Sen. Pat McCarran, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee's subcommittee on immigration. At the same time, Sen. McCarran filed a report on which he based the bill.

J.W.V. ASKS DEPORTATION OF HUNGARIAN NAZI CHARGED WITH AIDING MURDER OF AMERICANS

NEW YORK, April 23. (JTA) -- The New York chapter of the Jewish War Veterans this week-end offered to provide the U.S. immigration authorities with proof that Lajos Marschalko, a Hungarian immigrant who has been held on Ellis Island since last summer, was responsible for the killing of American airmen who were shot down over Hungary during the war. The J.W.V. offered to produce three witnesses to prove that Marschalko, whom it wants deported, is a Nazi.

\$3,000,000 SUBSCRIBED BY LABOR ORGANIZATIONS TO U.S.-ISRAEL HOUSING CORPORATION

NEW YORK, April 23. (JTA) -- More than \$3,000,000 worth of bonds issued by the non-profit Amun-Israeli Housing Corporation, were subscribed by labor organizations at a luncheon conference attended by 150 A.F.L. and C.I.O. union officials at the Hotel Astor.

Proceeds of the bonds will be used to help finance the construction of large-scale low-cost housing in Israel. The recently-organized corporation is the first joint financial enterprise of business and labor. Persons of all faiths are among its officers and directors.

Speaking for his union, which subscribed \$1,000,000 from its treasury and set \$2,000,000 additional as a goal for purchases by individual members, David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garments Workers Union, said: "This enterprise is soundly conceived as a financial investment and as an investment in human welfare." Jacob S. Potofsky, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, pledged that locals of his union in the New York area alone will purchase \$500,000 in bonds. Israel Ambassador Eliahu Elath spoke of the acute housing shortage in the Jewish state.

CONGRESS GETS BILL PROPOSING ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL POSTAGE STAMP HONORING COL. MARCUS

WASHINGTON, April 23. (JTA) -- A bill introduced by Rep. Abraham J. Multer, providing for the issuance of a special postage stamp honoring the late Col. David Marcus, a hero of the Israel war, has been referred to the House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

Col. Marcus, a West Point graduate and wartime Provost Marshal of the U.S. 27th Infantry Division, was killed on active service with the Israel Army on June 10, 1948. Rep. Multer asked that a stamp bearing Col. Marcus' likeness be issued and placed on sale in Col. Marcus' home borough, Brooklyn, N.Y. one day before it is made available throughout the country.

UNITED RUMANIAN JEWS OF AMERICA HOLD MEMORIAL MEETING FOR DANIEL FRISCH

NEW YORK, April 23. (JTA) -- A memorial meeting honoring the late Daniel Frisch, president of the Zionist Organization of America, was held here under the auspices of the United Rumanian Jews of America, of which Mr. Frisch was a member. Speakers included Dr. Julius I. Klepper, president of the U.R.J.A., and Benjamin R. Browdy, president of the Z.O.A. Leaders of other Jewish organizations also attended the meeting.