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Israel trip, correspondence, notes, and speeches, 1958.

Israel - The People

While I was in Israel two important foreign dignitaries toured the land almost simultaneously upon Mr. R. N. Bell, the Paris Minister of Education and Mr. Grenville Harrison, Governor of the ^{State} of N.Y. A week prior to their arrival in Israel a planned tour for U.I.P.'s. One of the stops is the Youth Aliyah Village of Beit Shimon where the officials can see how orphan and emotionally disturbed children among the newly arrived immigrants are made to feel at home and a part of the land. Here under expert guidance and instruction these little island good hearts and children who have never known the meaning of love and security are taught to be self confident and freed of their fears. It is a dramatic and moving sight. One of which Israel can be reasonably proud. To welcome the visitors the children are brought out to line the sides of the road and to wave their hands & shout Shalom to the guest. For Mr. N. Bell's appearance they were well trained and he was greeted with smiling faces and a well rehearsed Shalom U.N. Hello Mr. N. Bell. Somehow the children were not told the names of the new dignitaries who arrived there weeks later. So when they were sent from their nurseries to the road side - quite proud of their memorized and practiced they greeted Gov. Harrison Shalom U.N. Hello - Welcome U.N.

Israel - The People

I came to Israel just two weeks before the elections. The men as hotly and heatedly contested as any state - with elections in the U.S. Every available building was crisscrossed with the slogan and pictures and platform of the various parties. One morning shortly before Election Day I set out to visit the beautiful garden town of Ramat Gan near Tel Aviv of which my father-in-law is an honorary citizen. I stopped at the INAYAH the city hall to pay my respects to Mr. Kinnik, the noted highly popular gentleman, who has been the mayor of the town of 60,000 people ^{for} over twenty years. After a pleasant visit, he invited me to sit in on a meeting of the Town Council. It was a real privilege. They discussed guiding & regulating business almost delays in the postal service and a proposed change in the zoning laws. Then a luncheon on a lovely private house. An excellent

who represented the General Zionist Party came and accused
the Mayor of the greatest conspiracy. It seemed that these gentlemen
had outlined the plans for the mass meeting of these General Zionists
by the mass device of bombarding the town with flyers which
boldly announced that due to the illness of the scheduled speaker the
meeting had been cancelled. A flood of flyers & posters dangled
in the air. I was reminded of that wonderful piece of political strategy
which Mr. Roosevelt was thinking the night before he was elected to
his third term. Each party, as you know, seeks to have the last word
before mid-night (when all electioneering must stop) to get in
the last word. The Republican party had been successful in this, up
to the network from 11:30 to 12:00. The Democrats felt out of favor. FDR
advised them to buy the time from 11 to 11:30. He would speak. He did
til 11:25. The stopped. No one spoke for two minutes. It is estimated
that 5, million people turned off their sets during that two-minute feeling
that the main stations were off the air for the night.

Israel the people -

I told you these two stories because they are interesting, and have human
interest - because we have to learn to think of the Jew not
as refugees; charity cases, untalented Jewish appeal statistics, only as other
such impersonal objectified, terms - but as people with hopes,
dreams, plans and frustration much like our own. They are not
problems but people, not statistics or statistics, but human beings
and women flesh. If you would understand Israel and its people - if
we would learn to live with Israel and develop cultural
well as charity relations with her - we must learn to respect their
personality, prayer, individuality & common humanity - as we
would our own.

Israel - the people

There are to-day 1,700,000 men, women, children living in and on
the Promised Land. Of these 1,500,000 are Jews - the remainder
Moslems, Druses, and Christians. All are equal citizens. The
Arab and the Muslim Arab both have duly elected
representation in the Knesset. All are free to worship when &

as they please. The journal states repeatedly the injustice of making
such a book must it mean to suffer the sting and arrow of
religious hate. Those who suffered are resolved to keep their
face free from the inclusion of such hate.

Donal - The Pevensie

How do these 1,200,000 men, women, & children look and act?

Israel reminded me so often of the Kubrick cap I used to play with as a child. You remember those eight laced tiles filled with colorful bits of glass and carefully placed mirrors that we used to put to our eyes & then take away & look while the piece rearranged themselves in fitting symmetrical patterns. Israel has a good bit of the same colorful complexity. If you look carefully you will find gems of every color & culture and from every strata and epoch of life. 2 most of German scientists and Vietnamese songsters - Polish merchants & Russian revolutionaries - Russian revolutionaries and Lithuanian intellectuals - Yiddish ^{criticism} and Persian ^{criticism} - Moroccan ^{criticism} ^{criticism} and South African ^{criticism} ^{criticism} and even an occasional American intellectual.

When I landed at Lydd it was early of a Tuesday morning. A drive
directly to the modern air conditioned Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv which
is so often the first step - the introduction - of the tourist to the land.
The past, good example of Israel's cultural and national complexity. The
door man was obviously and of Egyptian birth. The desk clerk a
dark haired young man from Warsaw. The elevator boy a blue
eyed Persian. The room maid was once a Frankfurt matron.
The valet was thin and had the distinguished features of the
Yemenite. The waiter was quarrelsome and Lebanese. The bar
boy high nosed + Moroccan. The dinner manager and concierge.
Few hotels ^{in the world} could boast such a cosmopolitan staff and few run
so efficiently.

Israel expose the nation not only to a variety of body types and pigmentation but to a struggle and sharp contrast of cultures. In Israel you are vividly reminded that much of the world is ignorant of the intellectual and intellectual Revolution of the last few centuries. In Israel medieval and modern ways of thinking + living are often striking juxtaposed

Dr. Chaim Weizmann was not only one of the pioneers of Zionism and a great world figure and first President of his beloved land - but a chemist of the first rank. The Balfour Declaration ^{of 1917} in ⁱⁿ England planned the ^{idea} of the creation of a Jewish state was in part payment to the significant decisions which Weizmann had presented to his adopted land during the First World War. Weizmann maintained his professional interests in Israel. He felt that with the resources at his disposal in Israel, he could create a national center of Jewish culture. This he did at Rehovoth near Tel Aviv. I went to see what was being done in this promising institution. I was taken about the premises by a young Oxford Phil in nuclear physics. Though I could not understand all the technical information he supplied, the art of explanation + the training + equipment which the Rehovoth Institute represented made a deep + lasting impression. Yet what I shall most remember is our going back to his office for coffee. There I was introduced to his secretary - a young quite attractive Yemite girl. The vertical was striking. Only five years ago the girl had been living in a hut + a home which thought of as a world on that sort of it being the center of their universe. Now, in almost a small way, she was reaching out + reaching which are beyond the ken of most ordinary people. In Israel the step from medieval to modern is one split not in centuries or generations but in months.

We spoke about much of the few hundred of hospitalized Jews who live in the small Jewish quarter of Jerusalem patiently paying for the wages of the medical and nursing staffs who created the state with their own effort. This world is impoverished both spiritually and physically. It is a world of medical superstition and inadequate diet and health. Yet just a block to the north of this quarter lies the Office of Governmental Scientific Research

and from this office it was announced this past week that Israel
first among all nations of the world. Israel found a way to harness
solar energy to large scale, efficient and low cost production of
power & steam.

Israel is having one of the most rapid transitions from medievalism
to modernity in world has ever seen. It takes only 5 hours to
drive from the ghetto quarters of Tiberias and Nazareth
with their petty trade, ancient religious, and feudal enclaves to
a Western oriented democracy where the frontier of science are being
enthusiastically explored and where all are confused, curious of
modern intellectual culture are freely & openly discussed &
analyzed.

All this cannot be done without stress and strain on the families
involved. Think back for a moment of the problems of adjustment
which your families underwent when they came to America. Recall
the older folks who never felt really at home and of the night
generations who always needed to feel too much at home. Remember
the rebellion, the breaking of all ways, the indecision, the sense of
inadequacy that accompanied our fathers or grandfathers as they
entered American melting pot.

Israel is not only a melting pot but a pressure cooker. As America
used to adjust or urban people to a new form of urban life.
In Israel the immigrant must adjust himself not only to the city
but to the land - not only to work but to working with his hands. ~~The~~
~~immigrant must adjust to the line with his hands.~~ In Israel
~~that is not the case~~ an American who had to learn to live as White
Europeans with among fellow white Europeans. In Israel
the refugee must not only adjust to white Europeans but to
Jewish Jews from Arab countries, black Jews from Abyssinia
& India & even yellow Jews from China & Japan. The
immigrant must learn that in Israel inherited racial & national
prejudice have no place. He must learn to take his place
on an equal with a White or Negro or Jewish brother -
and since there is not an overabundance - he must learn to
be satisfied only with his share.

At is not easy!

I was on the docks of Haifa when the S.S. Cuttyhunk brought in 750 Jewish
from the gutters of the Tsimis ghetto. The welcome was warm and
sincere but there was a look of gloom in the eyes of the old men. The
children were dancing with pagan exultation. This would be their home.
They would gladly and willingly accept it. But what of the parents?
and grand parents? Would there be work? What kind of work? Would their
home life be as close as it once was? What would their children do to their
children? They had come here from their father - but would the parents
any longer really understand what the children were doing or why.

I read while I was in Israel a very sensitive account by a young
Yemenite boy who had come to Israel in 1949 and who is in his early teens.
His whole family - his whole tribe had made the trip. They had gone there
in the comfort of an airplane then there was the pit to settle in
Israel. While there he had gone to school. He had learned Hebrew and
Arabic. His parents went out to settle a new colony. He went with
them - but he continued going to school and finally he had to go into
the army. He learned a new way of life - what education is for and
is working, to be some one engineer. To do as he has had to learn in
home - talk physics, mathematics. They cling to at least the material
contact of the old. He is feeling desperate to feel psychologically at
home with the new.

It is not only the Jew from the East who would like something would not
fully make the adjustment. Indeed, for the most part the Yemenite
Yemenite Jew have taken to their new world with a gratitude
which exceeded the far and dream of those who planned
the settlement. There were among them who came from Europe
some who were too old or too shocked or too emotionally scarred
to adjust. If you walk around the base of Mt. Carmel in Haifa
and wander into the wigs of the immigrant section you will see
old couples reminiscing of the middle class cultural opportunities of
the WWI Germany - Berlin and comparing long letters to friends
in America & South Africa seeking financial assistance and
complaining about the inconvenience of life in Israel.

Fortunately, there were men too old or too shocked or too emotionally
disturbed to be set in these ways to adjust successfully one or a small
mishap. I walked into one of the Jewish War Reliefs - or temporary
immigrant camp. The conditions are the most primitive and unhygienic
the greatest problems. The immigrant is still not really a part of the
people. Fortunately, by now most of these camps have been closed,
100,000 would have been down ~~24,000~~ - less than 50,000
remain. The Director disingenuously himself in a guide. If I am
with you they may be afraid to tell. So I began to walk
the muddy street down rows of tin huts. There was poverty but
no lack of food, clothing, or shelter. One old man began to weep
the official who had ordered that he remain in the camp till he was
used of dysentery. A mother pointed proudly to the well equipped
school her children were attending. She said her husband had already
found work with a railway collection. Mostly the people smiled
and kept their confidence in the future - even they seemed to
moved to their final place of settlement then all seemed so well - it
was already better than the way they had left.

Indeed is determined not to allow line of animosity to be one
fixed between the various immigrant groups. This should be
completely integrated. The camp & the board or provisionary care
of these ages mix quite purposefully all the sorts and has a broad
& well thought out program designed to explain the various
cultures to the young people while they are working & living together.
The new immigrants have been divorced from nearly separate
political parties which might formalize antagonism and the
existing parties have been asked to give representation and voice to
the new group. Antisemitic studies are being made by teams of
sociologists, social anthropologists, & medical personnel as to
how best to handle the new arrival. As a result some need
study it was found desirable to discontinue sending most
women to the temporary immigrant camps when despite
the medical care & temporary support offered the newly arriving
citizen still felt his welcome & uprightness ~~of the~~
~~immigrant camp the older settlement had at first~~
~~problems related to people. They are now taking~~
from sleep to settlement, in this way the new immigrant is

not made to feel himself an unwanted outsider and the Jewish
citizens come to look on him rather as a problem but as a fellow
neighbour. But most important he is an & good with outside
rules - It will much because as my one English rule of
20.

You see the new Jewish - the adjusted Jewish - the Jewish who have
& cultural differences have melted & blended in the young - they
will, drift, & experience have given them culture their energy &
reminded him of

I remember you to a long recreation benches near the beach
walk on T.A. beach. Several hundred youngsters - turned -
told from all parts of Jewish & the world. I talked to many tried
to guess their origins. A few more after many than tried.

Common of Jewish - description to melting, as they people together -

What number of youth are there? Tall - lean - confident - perhaps a little
overconfident - yet mostly with the voice & the face of young people who
could win.

Yachin - calculation - afraid of nothing - but their mother

If The old description blend into the new uniformity -

What is the new - Salmon

Distinctive personality - confidence in energy yet cautious (proud, at times) Proud of power, accomplishment

Yash Yashini - C. H. Khar - Captain of volleyball
but his name

III What kind of life are they making?

Life of Land & Labour & of social spirit

4020 on land - was to be then to move land & put on a mark - how
quickly the green to decide fast, but are not giving up legals of will

1) Compare old loan of 2,000 to new loan

11. Lat. - great bodies - ugni

2) $\frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{1}{2}$

2) *Ulmus* (Asian species - mulberry)

31 folk down

4) مراجعة

The ~~bottom~~

1) The other

2) cut the head - manual junction
taped

3) ~~more~~

4, min. new hole

IV Economic Info

استخرج من الآتي 16 - 11

1) hist. - by 16 ulatizant
2) cooperative features - Town with
submerged feller, out of pop. even when left empty.

It often makes sense to spend time

Agency on minority biz

1) But no relationship - unimportant - in building, found out that we
had in commercial of 1946 only

2) Problem of old & new (rel. importance) for the

3) The diff. views of synagogue

4) The building

1) Very Shulish at bottom

2) Home scene

3) When Shulish scene

Have to find own route - method - (consideration) - for
studies - but not mission only.

V Not added - motives necessary // but building & history

~~1) 1946~~

2) Train

3) (way)

4) (way)



VI Not added - but going - all you can do

1) Ben Zvi meeting

for our people - a very diff. had to react -

People of whom we can be for the most part proud - because they
are according to best of good life - a good society - which is
on the obligation of right mind now everywhere.

A pole of hope as having brought me to land. I found accomplishment
there. I found much to justify my faith in Jewish history & accomplishment.
The promised land is once again promised!

Have had political frustration must be removed

" " internal independence " " accomplished

" " Jewish Colonies



I of Ref. has meaning to it is imperative that we assure
it secured

If to do so we must remember, as with the suspension, financial
support, concern with ~~educational~~ institutional growth and
a small part of picture

"NOTHING FAILS IN RELIGION LIKE
SUCCESS!" WE WANT NOT JUST REFORM JEWS but BELIEVING

REFORM JEWS

III We must deeper as we build

Remain personalized as we grow

Grow relevant as we institutionalize

Emphasize always the end + the goal - Remind ourselves always of
our truth:

and of the need of finding new ways of achieving these goals:

① condemns

⑤ adult education

+ self education

② retreat

④ parent children

partnership in rel. school

③ new service + activities

⑥ participates

⑦ social action

committees

If we so commit ourselves WE CAN SPREAD WIDE OUR
ADVENTURING SAILS AND PLON RESOLUTELY INTO
THE SURGE AND THUNDER OF OUR WONDERFUL,
MEANINGFUL THOUGH UNPREDICTABLE OPESSEY,
CONFIDENT THAT OUR HIGH HOPES WILL, FROM TIME
TO TIME, FIND THEIR BLESSED ANCHORAGE IN
SOME HARBOR OF OUR DESIRE:

A visitor's first impression is the sensory aspect with which Israel is building and directing only engineering and scheduling and planning.

- 1) Yarkon - Water removal
- 2) Hula - Paved 30,000 acres
- 3) Yarmouk Oil
- 4) Helwan Reservoirs - Technology
- 5) Cultural Center in Beer Sheva
- 6) Rose Mill and Ramat Gan

Cited - Beer Sheva - Paved

2) Amalgamation of Jewish communities

All that can be done with the existing, more or less is being done - (the attempt to keep an army, navy, & air force)

A visitor's second impression is the stirring growth of the youth - born of aspiration & aspiration growing, tall & proud, based on a material.

1) Concern with human problems

- 1) Cleanliness & order
- 2) Cultural relations / Education / Trade
- 3) Yarmouk & Yarkon
- 4) ~~Yarmouk & Yarkon~~ Yarmouk



H.U. Tel. Beer Sheva

Yarmouk
secretary
Yarmouk

A visitor's third impression is the social concern & political behavior of country.

- 1) Cooperation & order 70% of people
- 2) election & freedom of speech
- 3) open immigration
- 4) minimum wages

social security
old-age pension
health insurance

} all the policies of order and justice

5) freedom of mind & freedom of speech

2 hours in Israel mostly with typewriters - Because people are remembering the journey (Jerusalem - Yarkon etc) - ~~not without problems~~

Need from of U.S. for what has been done! Broad building which should never be forgotten

The day by day growth of a young Moroccan child from associated and material hyperactivity
 fought to relevant good health and self confidence has not in the matter, newspaper, but it is a part of the discipline we can collect on an investment. The headlines follow with the news of the few who full during border clashes. They are silent about the ^{thousands} who enter each month, pass through the mining camps, learn new skills, make the necessary adjustment, and take on the roles of good contributors, citizens. 700,000 have come in in 7 years. 700,000 have begun to take up new lives and have learnt that their one place in life which do come but and hopes which can be realized.

I can offer you the afternoon no presence to social problems. A simple want to introduce you to the people and the promise behind the political boundaries.

3) What is the Israeli role? How does he live? Is he a saint or a sinner? Is he strong or weak? Is he a sense of humor? What number of men or women in he?

Cotop might illustrate what I want to say here. Gushkat is a beautiful sea side town built along the line of a non-demarcation. S. Gushkat village. Near Gushkat on the beautiful bit of med. beach lies an Arab Rest Camp in which the young men who have been patrolling the desert borders can relax and ease the tension of constant patrol. Yigdal Yadin the 37 year old general of the Israeli army took us through the camp. We passed behind a tent and listened to the younger men's sound in one another of their hair heads. Yadin smiled. "You know he said our young people are good soldiers - they are afraid of nothing - except their mothers."

People in the world over are concerned for peace. They have the same needs and dreams, families and families. They react to danger and danger, governmental ^{election} ~~heaven~~ and the difficulties of learning another language with the same enthusiasm and concern and good humor as we might.

① Govt. inefficiency + bureaucracy

- a) Crisis = 200
- b) Wahid U Nae To Hamman

② Taxes

Left my deduction on a table my wife

③ election

"Call said Out"
 "Try Blo & model ally"

Scene in Ministry office at Ramat Gan

④ Langmuir
 Leaning Helms

④ German included
 Eyes - Eyes
 Umwelt hat du gelernt & Deiner
 Willest du dann sein

Leaning English

I AM KILLING MYSELF TWICE DAILY
 WOMEN CAN HAVE FITS HERE BY
 APPOINTMENT

SPECIALIST IN WOMEN AND OTHER
 DISEASES

CORSETS MADE TO ORDER - ENTER
 FROM THE REAR

⑤ 2nd Reichsleiter

(Ours synagogue about 300)
 1) Truman - W. region - Total
 " " " 1,400,000. provided



2) Technical school - even to first
 yr. student.



3) They laugh at their themselves. They laugh at us

1) Story of "When do you have time for Zionist work?"

2) Do Re Mi. Pansy vs Curran King

We Can Learn to Dance with them

1) List:
 from London France
 W. in Spanish Desert
 W. in Spain England
 W. in Scotland America

2) The proposed complicated monetary system || continued 2 -
 1 \$ 100 cents 1000 mills || money people
 price - dollars
 gold
 private
 etc

Bondhus

Clue of ~~substitution~~ ^{inclusion} + inclusion

Phd is nuclear protein

mao Shami + 0.250 y ~~100~~ Remond

6) 200,000 in 7 yrs.

~~these~~ - present work -

Next numbers had up to power, each.

after 2 ~~more~~ ^{more} misplaced - not not making any instructions

6) H₂ - uillets - een van de rupsen

۱) عسل

מדבר מדבר

2) D-mannose

3) Printing

4) removibility - Why are we here - all of them

Direct & Indirect Taxes

① Cherry with water
what is doing

7) no population - numbers, to select them - Ben Zvi

1. Generalization with some of the names of subjects.

— also in 1900

acc. - history - neg, oriented

pub. - unpub. - literature

2-10-1944

21 Israel is a pioneering country. 37% of its population live on & work the land. It's not so much that when you consider that the fathers of Palastine & Israel were hardly agricutural trainers, & herds. The cities and towns that you see on the ground and in the army camps are impressive. But what is equally striking is the cultural level which has been achieved and maintained.

Think of a small Ohio farming town or two or three thousand souls say Dublin or Salem. Think of its school, its movie theater and its club. Let me take you to the valley of Ein Khir in the upper Jezreel valley near the mt. of Samaria. A farming colony of three thousand inhabitants who also maintain a small ~~farm~~ ^{pottery} factory plant. Here you ~~will find~~ ^{will find} a beautiful birth museum of modern art which has several good classes and is provided with walls. Here you will see a fine ~~collection~~ ^{museum} of national history. You will learn that the colony has an active cultural program. It has its own theater group. They were doing a splendid play the day I was there. It was modern drama & such. Several painting classes and a good book course. If you visit the small town of any of the settlers you will find a place full, some good classical records, and two or three shelves of good English & Hebrew paper books - Tolstoy, Dostoevsky and Strindberg.

^{Septimist}
The Tal Amir support more theater than does Cleveland. There is the classical and Janan Holm's (who you may have seen do the Dybbuk which he has a few years back in the U.S.) A saw a sensitive performance of King Lear and a gay and light attempt in Hebrew at Ten Houses of the Carpenter's Man. Unlike over over the Israeli theater has not seen one play consecutively. Two or three pieces will take them two or three weeks, or even more so that the greatest variety possible can be achieved. Beside Holm's there is a young highly talented group of actors and director working at the Cameri or Chamber Theater. This group - like our playhouse operates two theaters at all times. A saw performance of All Well That Ends Well, an interesting play called The Good Soul of Szechuan, a western melodrama which I saw The Ruins Came, and a delightful evening of satirical pantomime. It was all thanks to our first order. There are there other legitimate theaters in operation in Tel Aviv and two more well known examples.

One of the interesting features of the Israeli stage is that it literally goes on to the country. Almost any major colony sees at least

a much of the major Tel Aviv production. Of the colony must present
its own theatre. ^{Mutany} produced while I was there an adequate
portrayal of Arthur Miller. Death of a Salesman must only be a talent.

Indeed, one of the features of a Jewish community life is the
N.Y. 1273 3224 which is a colony with itself in. Each
farm colony has such a cultural center - usually an
auditorium where dance festivals can be held, folk opera
sing, lecture held, religious meetings held, and American
movies shown. This 1273 3224 is the focal point of
a settlement so called intellectual life and the level of the
production is quite substantial.

Moreover, you have welcomed to Cleveland the Israeli Philharmonic and
so you know the level of its competence. What is impressive to the
tourist is the rich Jewish culture is presented to the public eye today. Every
major Harkel or Tel Aviv festival is conducted
in full open
to the public
is almost ritualistic. Indeed, it is
a thing of spirit.

Dancing and music are a colorful pattern of Israeli life. The boys & girls
of the army, the border settlements have taken to interpretation folk and
colorful group dancing.

I remember an evening in the dance. A group of ten years from the
nearby settlement put on a variety show. A short satire on
political condition, a religious, but best of all - a long all -
costumed by children of the dance which their father had brought
with them from Yemen & Persia and North Africa & Central Europe.
There was a part of the past that must not be forgotten.

Now is not forgotten. In the country it is glorious. The soul of
the hundred old men have disappeared from the new consciousness. You feel
the artistic genius of the people reach for new colors & expression.

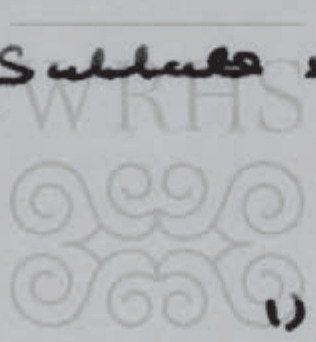
Moshe Janow was one of the founders of the ^{Hebrew} ~~Hebrew~~ movement
in the ^{Hebrew} ~~Hebrew~~ of the land. He filled the meaning
of life in the intellectual Europe. It does not fit the position
of a Jewish self awareness of Israel. Moshe Janow is now
a gain a founder. This time of a small artistic colony of

Ein Hod on a beautiful mt. slope just S. of Haifa overlooking the med.
 as you walk thru the museum of this art. - indeed as you
 walk thru museum in Safed, Jerusalem - Tel Aviv you sense -
 search for beauty alone - strong desire to express the new mood of
 the new country. It is not uniformly successful. It is uniformly
 significant.

- 2) Intellectual work is growing & increasing - 1) The literary criticism
 and schools
- 2) the book publishers, writers,
 - " Hebrew Engl.
 - " Tel "
 - " Bialik "
 - 3) Resolutions, & standard work
 - Translation of the values of major works of other
 countries from S. to Spelling
 book store founded, well, & thrived

3) Subtitle and - not aligned - at Guttman

3) Speed & concern



1) 100,000 - 77m
 50,000 - 6m
 8000 - 1m

2) meeting with Ben Zvi - not formal meeting but concerned
 question about Amer. Union & Civil Pop. & vote

3) The Promise of the Road to Ben Shimon

- 1) Trees
- 2) Pipes
- 3) Land & water

2) 2) Land & water

- 1) Homeland
- 2) Holy Land
- 3) Home Land

Hopeful Land // to American
 Jewish community

means to reunite
 Release of survivors.

fund-raiser to help & push!

*Don't count on me
me I for a d
What I can do*

Dear friends, I should like to explore with you this evening a question which has been bothering many of us for the last two years or so- the question of 'why we need affiliate ourselves at this time with the Zionist movement'. The problem of what Zionism means to you and me now that the state has been established. Five years ago there would have been no need for this speech. Then elementary decency and humanity demanded that one actively affiliate himself with the only movement which could offer any form of concrete aid to the destitute and any ~~security~~ ^{real hope} to the homeless wandering victims of Nazi brutality. Israel was both the object of their ~~hopes~~ ^{religious aspirations} and the ~~one~~ ^{possible} haven of safety- here alone a new life could be started for the greater number of our brethren- so Jewry throughout the world pitched in and helped realize this dream, helped create this sanctuary. One need but consult the record to see how unstintingly ~~and unhesitatingly~~ ^{and selflessly} the average American Jew responded to this appeal for active support- Our community in ~~America~~ gave freely and graciously of its wealth and resources, of its time, of its leadership, and of its political ~~influence~~ ^{influence}. Of this record we can all be proud, for in many ways it has been rarely paralleled in range and scope.

Yet every problem which deals with the needs of human beings in time becomes settled ~~in one way or another~~. Fortunately for us - and due in ^{no} small measure to the dedicated determination of the Jewry of America- this issue was successfully completed. Our battle for a Jewish state ended in victory, in the glorious days of state building, in the celebrations of May 15th. I need not and I do not propose to recount the saga of courage and vision and consecration by ~~an almost completely united Jewry~~ which made this denouement possible. It is too well known to require repetition. I should merely like to remind you of that feeling of great pride, that sense of spiritual elation, that burning crusading spirit, that certainty that we were in the right and had acted

as any self respecting human being must- that range of emotions which tied us closely together during the heat of the Zionist struggle, and welded us into a powerful, dedicated army of crusading souls- which in the final test proved equal to the task at hand.

An army, Napoleon once observed, is at its peak just before the moment of final victory. It is imbued with a spirit of determination, with the pride of accomplishment, with a real esprit de corps. Once the battle is won, however, this high level of morale can no longer be maintained ~~as the same enthusiastic involvement can not be brought out in people for the comparatively undramatic tasks of peacetime as in the emotionally overcharged arena of battle.~~ An example of this is the manifest inferiority in spirit, in morale, in manhood of our present armies of occupation in comparison to the troops which won the war, So too the Zionist movement ~~has~~ experienced a period of emotional let down after May 15th. The primary, the all important victory seemed to have been secured for all times. Of course the land had to be filled with those for whom it had been won and made economically productive- but this was bound to come in time- These were problems of administration and organization- why need ~~the troops~~ ^{we} remain mobilized? It were better that ~~they~~ ^{we} turn ~~their~~ ^{our} attention to problems closer to home and enjoy a well earned rest. So little by little the last ~~these~~ ^{Two} years have seen a disintegration of Zionist morale, a diminishing number of affiliated members- ~~for~~ it was hard to ~~get~~ ^{build up} excited ^{ment} over the less ~~challenging~~ ^{challenging} problems of state building, of securing ~~what~~ ^{what} had been ~~won~~ ^{won}, of long range planning, of protecting Israel's interests abroad. ~~ZOA~~ ^{Became of this} membership has slowly but surely waned ~~and~~ ^{and} certainly interest on the part of the average Zionist is not ~~what~~ ^{at the level} it was before. ~~The funds~~ ^{the} are no longer raising the same **REFLECTION NOW WIDESPREAD THE LOSS OF INTEREST HAS STRONG DECOME** type of money. Few were willing to pledge themselves to the anti-climactic job-the nameless job- of caring ~~tenderly~~ ^{devotionally} for the still young and weak state.

One of the great tragedies of human history is how men have time and again allowed seeming victory to be dissipated because the necessary resoluteness could not be mustered for an adequate long range program to secure ~~peace~~ the aims for which the war had been fought. I am afraid that we must admit that the Zionist movement also made inadequate provisions for exploiting and extending the victories of the summer of 1948. Factionalism, personality frictions, doctrinaire highhandedness were allowed again to ~~disturb~~ ^{and destroy} Zionist unity and ~~thus~~ prevented any long range positive practical planning. Uninterested in these struggles for power, leaderless at the very moment when a compelling dynamic guide was most needed - the average Zionist, feeling that the moment of ~~greatest~~ ^{pressing} need had been past, lost interest, ~~he~~ experienced an emotional let down, ~~he was no longer so sure why he should continue his affiliation with the Zionist organizations~~ ^{AND} Inevitably the disintegration of Zionist morale and dissipation of Zionist strength ^{WEAKENED AND UNDERMINED THE SITUATION} of the still young state of Israel. Indeed it is important for all of us to-day to ^{TAKE COGNIZANCE OF} recognize the full gravity of the situation which has been allowed to develop - to recognize that though the boundaries of Israel have been kept inviolate and the border open to steady immigration; Israel's political situation has deteriorated to the point where her very existence is imperiled - an unfavorable balance of power ~~is~~ being raised against her at that very moment when her economic plight has reached alarming proportions,

It might be well for us to examine for a few moments just what has taken place. ~~In point of danger~~ the most pressing problem is a military one. The United Kingdom has continued to ^{pour} ~~send~~ arms, tanks, and planes into the Levantine states, Trans Jordan, and Iraq - on the plea that these are necessary to maintain the ^{INTERNAL SECURITY} ~~domestic peace~~ of these countries while Israel has been deprived of any new arms because of a U.N. Convention. An unfavorable military

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Israeli and Agency protests over this manifestly unfriendly and belligerent policy of England points to the nadir, the low level, to which the stock of friendship for Israel has slipped at the United Nations and in Washington. This is due in part to the anti-Israel campaign directed from the Vatican and aimed at securing the internationalization of Jerusalem and partially because the so called Arab refugee question has offered a golden opportunity for our enemies to cloak their arguments in the guise of morality. There are other causes - yet most of them revolve around one point. We, the Zionists of the Diaspora and the Israeli government, have allowed those effective organs of propaganda and pressure to disintegrate to such a degree, we have so weakened our defenses, that we can no longer exert any effective counter pressure. It is a dangerous situation, one which can but bring added difficulties to the new state - but it is a situation which even at this late date can in part be remedied - Indeed this very problem affords us the first answer to our question of this evening 'why continue our affiliation with the Zionist Organization'

Our first answer then is simply that the job which we took upon ourselves a decade ago ^{has} not yet completed to our satisfaction. Much yet remains for us to do or perhaps it would be better to say ^{to} undo.

Zionist strength needs to be reformed in this country to assure Israel on such issues as a general near East Peace Settlement and the Jerusalem of the friendliness and good wishes of the U.S. Government / ~~the only~~ ^{the only} government which can assure that ~~peace is maintained by the Arab world.~~

Zionists must again as a group become the leaders of the funds to secure ^{adequate} ~~proper~~ financial support during these trying ^{days - when the cost of} ~~years - to seek to receive~~

IMMIGRATION ALONE IS STAGGERING -

~~further Export-Import loans or EPC loans. The press of this country must~~ ^{THE COMMUNITY OF INTERESTS BETWEEN} again be made aware of all the facts and of their full import - that Israel ^{OUR TWO SOCIAL DEMOCRACIES THAT FURTHER ABOUT LOANS MAY BE SECURED} ~~new won friendship be not forgotten by the American people. We must do~~

^{QUOTE} all in our power then to secure the breaches which had been dangerously weakened for two years. We must do this because it is our duty and our

obligation. Because good common sense requires that what we created so willingly be not weakened or cut off--because every thing newly born requires time and care before it can stand on its own two feet and **BE** ~~confidently~~ ^{ON ITS OWN IN THIS UNFRIENDLY WORLD} face the world--because if we do not adequately protect Israel now we may have a much worse problem of human suffering ^{IN TIME} on our hands later- This then is my first answer to the problem before us to-night. The political and economic tasks for which a world Zionist movement ~~was~~ ^{has} organized have not been completed- and they must be finished before we can lean back and say- 'How beautiful and how secure is the flower of my planting'.

It is not enough, however, merely to say that ~~having planted~~ ^{IT IS OUR DUTY} ~~you must watch over and care for the seedling~~ ^{you must watch over and care for the seedling} ~~adequate provision for its program~~ ^{adequate provision for its program} over a plant because in the end its bloom will give him real pleasure.

American Zionists have every right to feel that they will receive something in return for their aid- something more than a mere pat on the back and a thank you. Much of the dissatisfaction which is spreading in our movement ~~to-day~~ ^{today} arises because we have given- and have been expected to give- ~~but have received nothing in return~~ ^{little thought has been spent on what we should receive in return}. For too long now the Yishuv has thought of us as the munificent benefactor, the rich uncle bountiful whose duty it was to give unquestioningly whatever the prodigal nephew requires. Eluntly there are circles in Israel who feel that they have ^{every} right to demand supreme financial efforts on the part of Diaspora Jewry, ^{SINCE} ~~that~~ after all, and here I quote from the Mizrachi paper Hatzofeh, "the financial sacrifices asked of American Jewry are nothing in comparison with those made by the Yishuv". ~~And in a real sense they~~ ^{LARGE NUMBER} are right, for it was their bravery and courage and ~~blood~~ ^{but} which fought the pitched battles- Yet even forgetting for the moment the role World Zionist funds and leaders and political influence played- these ^{DEMANDS} ~~demands~~ ^{EVIDENCE} ~~the nature of these demands~~ a spirit which can be extremely detrimental

to the continuing existence of a dynamic world zionist movement. The Zionist Organizations can not exist long merely as tools to be exploited by the Government if and when it sees fit. It needs a program of activities commensurate with its size and ^{its} resources and the delegation of responsibility and of control over these fields. Men need a task which can be visualized, a goal which is realizable, the sense that they are important enough to have control over the means of achieving these ends. This is just human nature. The man responsible for a project is always more enthusiastic about it than the hired hand. Unfortunately for political and party reasons the Government in Israel saw fit to strip the ZOA and other World Zionist organizations of their areas of control and competence. They left the ZOA without a program, without any reason for continuing existence- they left it a demoralized body casting around for some way to put its membership to fruitful work. This is a discouraging state of affairs as any body who attended the last two Conventions will admit. It is frustrating and dissatisfying.

Israel will have to recognize that if it wants to reap the benefit of having a strong, organized body of Diaspora Zionist opinion it will have to embark with it on a program of cooperative effort and delegate to it certain powers. The WZO and the ZOA will have to be given specific tasks; the control, planning and financing of immigration, the securing of foreign loan capital, the attracting of ~~the~~ foreign industrialists, the procurement of needed skilled technicians, of scarce commodities and raw materials- all these and many other tasks world Zionists are prepared and well equipped to do- and in the doing much of the spirit of purposefulness ^{the spirit of} of accomplishment, ^{and} of ^{mature} participation without which no Zionist movement can long survive will be recaptured. ^{The whole movement will be on new}

We might call this a program for revitalization. ^{It is the only way to do more} and I believe that there is increasing pressure being brought on the Government to create such a program- for the Yishuv can no longer physically do without

WITHOUT the investments, the skills, the machinery, the funds, the men which
COUNTS such a program would be expected to attract. ^{IF THE GOVERNMENT} Without strengthening
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worsen, her balance of trade become increasingly less favorable, her
economic picture worsen

There is a lesson for us in this situation also. Unless we
begin to interest ourselves and our movement in specific projects such
as say the PEC, Chalutzit, the Technikon, the Zionist House- ^{STUDENT EXCHANGES} too mention
only a few at random- we will find that the program of speeches, mass
meetings, and ^(WHICH WERE SUFFICIENT IN THE PAST) appeals for funds ^{are no longer} will not be sufficient to maintain an
appreciable level of interest- Our people need to become increasingly
personally involved and attached; ^{TO SPECIFIC SCHEMES} the interests need to be channelled
towards specific projects from which they can derive a healthy sense of
identification and accomplishment. ~~Attachments our people need badly~~
~~to day - this is not a project method and with~~
~~will be employed by such agencies~~
Nor will we have been artificially concocting activities merely
to revivify an otherwise dying body. Israel can no longer get along
without the successful undertaking of many of these economic projects.
^{Certainly not without the support of a strong Jewish Diaspora WZO}
In fact economically her position is even worse than her political one.
Capital is scarce, the cost of living high, the trade balance unfavorable,
the income from funds used up with little more in sight- the emergency
meeting of American Zionists last month, the unprecedented austerity
program ^{WHICH REACHED ITS CUMMEX IN UNPRECEDENTLY SEVERE CLOTHES RATIONING} institute last month with ~~and clothes and shoe rationing~~, the fall
of the ministry of Ben Gurion over this very issue show how dire ^{AND URGENT} the
problem has become.

Such underwriting and care of specific Israeli institutions will
then contribute materially to the strength of the Yishuv, but ~~even~~
^{and it has a vital function} ~~more important~~ it will revitalize the whole WZO. It will ^{bind} ~~be~~ more tightly
the ties of common interest, the bonds which unite all Jews. It will

be a step forward in fulfilling the full Zionist program. After all the Zionism of Herzl and Nordau as well as that of Achad ha Am was never conceived ^{SOLELY} ~~merely~~ ^{SOLUTION TO} as a ~~program to solve~~ the issue of the Jewish refugees. Zionism was created ^{TO BE} as a partial solution to the Jewish problem, the problem of homelessness, of the incapacities of minority status, of the feelings of inferiority and dependence which this status breeds. Zionism was to help the Jew regain his self ^{esteem} ~~pride~~, infuse him -whether in the Diaspora or in Israel- with a positive pride in the nature of the Jewish way of life and the accomplishments of the Jewish people. ^{MAKE HIM PROUD OF AFFIRMING HER JEW}

The creation of the state was the catalyst which was to bring all this

The establishment of the Jewish state
about. ~~Herzl~~, Herzl felt, would give world Jewry an added sense of security, a new self confidence, a group pride, ^{or more normal tone long wanting in Jewish experience -} which would permit it

to overcome the corroding influences of their environment. ^{with its tension and insecurity, its obscurity with anti-Semitism, apologetics, to defend itself.}
How then would such a program of active interest in and care

for specific Israeli institutions help bring this about? In this manner The range and scope of interconnections would have been increased- There would be a heightened interest in things Israeli and therefore in the new emerging life of Palestinian Jewry. ⁱⁿ That pattern of life which we all hope will in time achieve a tenor of dignity and security, a normal tone long wanting in Jewish experience, which we from our contacts, will be able to admire, and admiring ^{to appreciate} emulate. We desire to eliminate the tensions and strains of our lives, our obsession as a group with anti-semitism and apologetics- to formulate a pattern of normal human behavior- perhaps we may catch the necessary spark from the Israeli citizens who are unburdened with the problems of living in a foreign surrounding. All this will not come quickly, nor is it sure. Yet ^{on} ~~however~~ we increase our personal contacts with ^{its culture} ~~things Israeli~~, ^{to} that extent we have increased our possibility of being personally influenced by this new emergent culture, ^{of deriving benefit from it} by actively championing and building up her political, cultural, scientific and spiritual institutions and

We have arrived then at the second and basic reason for continuing our affiliation with and interest in the Zionist movement. It is because a democratic, economically sound, culturally productive Israel ^{can} ~~will~~ give us all a sense of pride, a sense of accomplishment. It will help all of us get rid of our ^{these} ~~our~~ inferiority feelings - born of our continuing minority and dependent status. It will give us a new sense of pride in our Jewish affiliations. It will help us become ~~more~~ sounder and happier human beings.

Zionism is not a one way street. We owe our fellow Jews to-day our fullest support in their hour of difficulties - By affirming Zionism we pledge this aid. But even more creative, flowering, state means that all of us as Jews will be able to hold our heads higher and to live as Jews following a Jewish way of life with less of a sense of shame and apartness. We affirm our Zionist ~~affiliations~~ ^{affiliations} then because of its vital importance to us as ~~people, as personalities in need of just that~~ ^{individuals - because we all have found} ~~to the stimulus, influence and example which Zion offers.~~ ^{pride and purpose which Zion offers.}

our debts will be returned to us many fold.