

# THE KATOWICE CONFERENCE

The "Chibbat Zion" (Love of Zion) Movement The founding conference of the "Chibbat Zion" movement united all of the secret societies that emerged following the pogroms and growing Anti-Semitism.

The Katowice Conference laid the foundations for the start of organized Jewish national activities. The discussions were held in a festive atmosphere and the sense that a new era in Jewish life was beginning.



# THE FIRST ZIONIST CONGRESS

Theodor Herzl initiated a conference that brought together the representatives of all the Zionist organizations in the city of Basel in Switzerland.

The congress approved the Basel Program, which determined that "Zionism seeks to create safe haven for the Jewish people in Israel "



# THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

The JNF is the “operational arm” of the World Zionist Organization. The JNF works to raise funds to purchase land in Israel and prepare the country for Jewish settlement.



# THE BRITISH MANDATE

The period of temporary British rule over the Land of Israel and Transjordan, which was defined by the League of Nations in the Mandate. During the Mandate period the British reneged on their commitments to prepare the foundation for the establishment of a national home for the Jewish people in Israel.



# NOVEMBER

## 29<sup>th</sup>

### Ka"f Te"t of November

On this historic General Assembly voted in favor of the UN plan Regarding the division of the Land of Israel (Resolution 181). 33 countries voted in favor of approving the plan, 13 countries voted against the resolution and ten abstained. The UN resolution stipulated that the British Mandate end by the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1948, and that the United Kingdom complete the evacuation of its forces from the land Israel within three months thereafter.



# DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

“The Land of Israel was the birthplace of the Jewish people. Here their spiritual, religious and political identity was shaped. Here they first attained to statehood, created cultural values of national and universal significance and gave to the world the eternal Book of Books...”

