



Social & Personal

... arrival in Jerusalem of His Excellency the High Commissioner was announced in a Gazette Extraordinary yesterday which also gave the Royal Commission of Appointment signed at Buckingham Palace on November 16, and a proclamation by His Excellency that he had entered upon his duties as from yesterday, enjoining "all officers of the Government, civil and military, and all the inhabitants of Palestine to take notice thereof and to give their ready obedience accordingly." Staff appointments to the High Commissioner as gazetted were of Major John Proussamp Gordon Duff, M.B.E., the Rifle Brigade, as Liaison Officer; Major Gordon George Reinhold, M.C., The Queen's Royal Regiment, as Military Assistant; and the Hon. Alexander Pascoe Hovell-Thurlow-Warning-Bruce as Private Secretary.

... the G.O.C. British Troops in Palestine and Trans-Jordan. Major-General John Conyers Arcey, M.C., was this week promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General.

... the Honorary Lebanese Consul Haifa will be At Home to friends at the Windsor Hotel from 11-1 today, on the occasion of the Independence Day

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ALTERNATIVE MATRIC FOR JEWISH CANDIDATES

Special alternative papers

RAINFALL

FIGURES, IN MMS.	RAINFALL		TOTAL FOR THE YEAR TO THE SAME
	FOR THE 24 HOURS TO 8 A.M.	FROM 1.6.45 TO 21.11.45	
Mt. Canaan	1	62	75
Acre	3	116	84
Haifa Air P.	6	77	—
Mt. Carmel	2	89	97
Tiberias	0.2	68	49
Ramat David	0.3	68	—
Jenin	3	20	48
Natanyah	3	61	79
Tel Aviv	3	142	79
Lydda Air P.	13	131	63
Ramleh	12	133	64
Ramallah	10	132	76
Jerusalem	8	110	49
Kaflia	1	26	—
Beit Jibrin	15	68	—
Hebron	22	82	47
Gaza	11	152	49
Beersheba	1	50	20

Where to Go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 3-7: Exhibition of "Two Millennia of Jewellery;" Antiquary Art Gallery Marcin; Zion Square
 9-5: Industries and Handicrafts in Ancient Palestine; I. Litwinowsky; The Month's Exhibition; Bezalel Museum.
 7.30 p.m.: RAOE Gerard Lodge near Orion Cinema.
 8 p.m.: "Plastics etc. (war-time inventions);" Dr. A. Kachaisky; Beth Mitrash Amami, 3 Mamill Rd.
 8.15 p.m.: "Music Calling;" records; Y.M.C.A. Lecture Hall
SERVICES CLUB: 9.30 a.m. To an agricultural collective settlement; 10: To Bethlehem; Rachel's Tomb; 10.15: To the Kidassah; 2 p.m.: To the O. City.

TEL AVIV

8 a.m.—10 p.m.: Exhibition of Palestine Painters' & Sculptors' Association; Allenby Rd., corner Rothschild Blvd.
 10-1; 3-7: Handicraft Exhibition of Gina Komarin, Arieli, 38 Be Yehuda Rd.
 10-1, 3-7: Exhibition of Maurus pictures by Beda Mayer Sauer's; 12 Ben Yehuda St.
 10 a.m. — 4 p.m.: Exhibition of Russian Art; Auspices: "V League; Tel Aviv Museum.
 8 p.m.: "In Green Fields;" Habimah; Habimah Bldg.

HAIFA

WELFARE ENTERTAINMENT
 8 p.m.: Padre's At Home (S

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