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ARAB BOYCOTT PALESTINIAN ELECTIONS TODAY.

LONDON, Feb. 21, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Members of the Arab Delegation here have received word from Jerusalem that the President of the Moslem-Christian Union has decided to proceed with the boycott of the elections for the Legislative Council beginning today. The Arabs in calling for the boycott charge that the new Palestinian constitution does not adequately safeguard their rights that the Legislative Council will be unrepresentative and that the elections are a "sham".

VAAD LEUMI INSISTS ON ACTION BY SAMUEL.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 21, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A delegation of the Vaad Leumi (National Council of Palestine Jews) visited Sir Herbert Samuel and stressed the importance of the legalization of the Jewish communities before the election of the Legislative Council. Sir Herbert promised to do all in his power to expedite the legalization.

Leaders of the Vaad are complaining that all of their demands are being rejected by the High Commissioner, whereas, they declare, the Arab proposals receive cordial consideration and even approval.

CHARGES WEIZMANN AGREED TO ARAB GOVERNMENT.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 21, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Dr. Weizmann has agreed to an Arab proposal that an Arab Government be formed in Palestine, in return for which the Arabs will guarantee to the Jews all rights now accorded them under the British Mandate. This unconfirmed declaration was made by Abdullah, the editor of the Arab paper, "Philistine".

Before giving his final consent, the Arab editor declares, Dr. Weizmann said he would first have to consult with American Zionists during his approaching visit to the United States.

MANUFACTURERS URGE LIBERAL IMMIGRATION LAWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Leaders in various American industries today appeared before the Senate Immigration Committee and urged the adoption of more liberal immigration laws, to permit a greater influx of laborers of whom they declared there is at present a shortage.

James A. Emery, general counsel of the National Association of Manufacturers testified before the Committee that the present immigration restrictions were proving a great burden on industry. The present tendency of immigration laws toward "prohibition" rather than "restriction" he declared.

The Construction industry, R.C. Marshall, Jr. General Manager of the Associated General Contractors testified "will be in need of 300,000 more men than they were going to have this spring." Representatives of the steel industry testified to a similar shortage of workmen. Representatives of the railroad lines said they would be in need of 300,000 more men also this Spring.

The testimony was given at the hearing of the immigration bill introduced by Senator Colt of Rhode Island, which provides that the immigration quota be figured on the net instead of the inflexible 3% and that the Secretary of Labor have power to admit immigrants in excess of the quota when such necessity is made clear to meet certain industrial requirements.

Following the hearing Senate leaders, it was said, decided that there would be no change either towards liberizing or making more drastic immigration laws at this session of Congress.

ANTI-IMMIGRATIONIST GETS SETBACK.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Representative Johnson, father of the new House immigration bill, received a setback today when he was refused a special rule by the rules committee which would have permitted immediate consideration of his measure before the House. Johnson will probably make another attempt this week.

Senator Colt today expressed the opinion that the Johnson bill even if passed in the House would probably be rejected by the Senate. Colt added that he was personally very much opposed to the bill contending that under its 1890 clause and other restrictions, few Jews would be admissible. The more liberal relative exemption clause, in his opinion, would not materially relieve the situation, as the number who would be exempt from the quota restrictions is uncertain and may be comparatively negligible.

JEWISH TELEGRAPH WORKMEN DISMISSED.

JERUSALEM, Feb. 20, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Twenty-five Jews and three Arabs employed by the Palestine telegraph lines have been dismissed by the Administration in an attempt to reduce expenditures.

JERUSALEM GOVERNOR PRAISES FORD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) "Henry Ford is a remarkable man and is deeply interested in the Palestinian question", Ronald Storrs, Governor of Jerusalem said yesterday as he boarded the Cunarder Berengaria to return to Palestine.

Storrs, who had been in the U.S. nearly a month visited Ford at Detroit. While here Storrs refused to be quoted on Zionism. "I find everywhere in America great interest and kind feeling for the problems of reconstruction", he said. "Leaving I can only say that all American visitors who come to the Holy Land will receive a most hearty welcome. The City of Jerusalem is 2,500 feet above sea level and is much cooler than Cairo, so that tourists can visit Palestine after they have finished their trip up the Nile. April and May are delightful months to spend in Palestine."

JEWISH REFUGEES EXILED FROM POLAND ARE HOMELESS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) 8,000 Jewish refugees of the 25,000 from Russia and Ukraine who have been ordered expelled from Poland by April 1, have already been forced out of the country, and are on the Russian frontier "between the devil and the deep sea." Driven out of Poland, they are unable to re-enter Russia, as they have forfeited their Russian citizenship in not returning by January 1. The refugees are suffering acute distress.

This information is contained in a cable to the office of the American Jewish Congress which inquired as to the exact position of the refugees. The remainder of the 25,000 have been ordered to leave April 10th. An agreement had originally been entered into by the Polish Government with the Jewish Deputies, whereby the Polish Government agreed to delay the expulsion until arrangements could be made for their departure to and admission to other countries. Officials of the government, however, rescinded their decision and ordered the exile to take place on the dates originally set.

FIND TEMPLE IN ABRAHAM'S CITY.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 21, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) An ancient temple whose history antedates by many centuries the reign of Pharaoh Tut-ankhamen has been found in Ur, the Chaldean city which was the home of patriarch, Abraham. The excavations were made jointly by the British Museum and the University of Pennsylvania Museum. The work is at present at its early stages, and it is impossible to say at present, the Museum officials declare, how much history it will reveal.

TRACES PREJUDICE TO SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) The basic cause of prejudice against the Jews is the way biblical history is taught to Christians in their childhood, is the contention of H.M. Kallen in an coming article in the "Nation" for February 28.