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Protestant School Board Will Not Oppose Separate Montreal Jewish Schools

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Montreal, Mar. 25—The Protestant School Board will not oppose the plan for separate Jewish schools in Montreal, provided Protestant school rights are not interfered with, declared Dr. James Smyth, chairman of the Protestant Board of School Commissioners, in commenting on the projected government's Jewish school bill. No opposition would be offered by the Protestants, said Dr. Smyth, if the Jews, despite the benefits their children had enjoyed in the Protestant schools, decided to withdraw them.

As a Canadian citizen, however, he deplored the self-segregation of the Jews as not being in the best interests of either the province or the Dominion or of the Jews themselves. He said too that the Protestants desire to have the entire situation finally clarified at the present session of the provincial legislature. Any settlement, Dr. Smyth declared, must have a degree of permanence.

A Protestant school delegation is going to Quebec City to look after Protestant interests in connection with the Jewish school bill.

Jew Named Special Attorney to Federal Trade Board

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Washington, Mar. 25—George J. Feldman, of Boston, for a number of years secretary to Senator David I. Walsh, of Massachusetts, has resigned to accept appointment as special attorney of the Federal Trade Commission, with the New York office of the Commission.

Mr. Feldman, in connection with his Federal Trade Commission duties, will deal particularly with matters connected with prosecutions of restraint of trade, unfair competition, and mergers under the Clayton Act.

In announcing Mr. Feldman's resignation, Senator Walsh referred to him in high terms, stating "he has by his courtesy, ability and industry endeavored himself to those having business with my Washington office."

30,000 Signatures in Poland to Protest Calendar Reform

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 25—The Polish section of the World Committee of Orthodox Rabbis opposed to calendar reform has gathered nearly thirty thousand signatures in Poland against calendar reform. These signatures have been forwarded to the World Committee, which will place them before the League of Nations.

Chicago Jewish Business Men to Study Hebrew at Noon

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Chicago, Mar. 25—Chicago's Jewish business men with offices in the Loop will spend part of their lunch hour studying Hebrew in the Loop Orthodox Synagogue, under the direction of Dr. Elias Gamze, rabbi of the congregation, starting March 31. There will be classes in conversational Hebrew, writing and the study of classical Hebrew. It is said that this is the first time that business men anywhere will take part time off from lunch for such a purpose.

Major Policies in Palestine for Government to Decide MacDonald Tells Commons

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Mar. 25—Major questions of policy are for the government to determine, declared Prime Minister MacDonald, replying to a question from Major Elliot in the House of Commons as to whether the government maintained the view that major questions of policy affecting the future of the Palestine administration were outside the terms of references of the Inquiry Commission and cannot be affected by its report.

It was announced last September, the Prime Minister continued, that when the report of the Commission was received, the government would consider along what lines, within the terms of the Mandate, the future policy in Palestine can be directed. This question, he said, the government still considers, but he was unprepared to say that its conclusions will not be affected by the Commission's report.

Major Elliot further asked whether the government's conclusions would not be affected to the extent of deflecting in any way from the terms of the Mandate. Premier MacDonald replied, "Certainly; I only guard myself because the question is a very, very wide one."

Wardlaw Milne's inquiry as to whether the government had definitely decided against a Royal Commission brought from the Premier the plea for patience in the Commons "for this is one of the points which the government will review when it has finished its study of the Commission's report."

4,051 Get Palestine Citizenship Certificates During 1929

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 25—Of the 5,002 people who applied for Palestine citizenship certificates in 1929, 4,051 were granted the certificates.

Russian Chassidim Outwit Yevsectsia's Scheme to Convert Old Synagogue

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Mar. 25—How a number of chassidim from Ooman succeeded in saving the famous Ooman synagogue, which dates from the time of Reb Nachman Breslaver, was told by a recent arrival from Ooman. When the chassidim learned of the Jewish Communists' campaign for the confiscation of synagogues, they transferred the synagogue building to the name of some Ooman chassidim living in Poland, thus obtaining the intervention of the Polish ambassador for the safety of the synagogue.

The Jewish Communists endeavored to obtain the forced sale of the synagogue "for state purposes," but they were again outwitted by the chassidim, who renovated and redecored the synagogue, investing considerable sums of money in the enterprise, so that if the Communists wanted to buy the building it wouldn't be worth while to pay the sum it would be worth.

Despite difficulties, the chassidim of Ooman continue their annual visit to the grave of Reb Nachman, while thousands of others make the pilgrimage from all parts of Russia, many walking when the officials prohibited the use of trains for the pilgrimage.

Balfour Memorial Meeting Held in Riga by J. N. F.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Riga, Mar. 25—A memorial meeting for the late Earl of Balfour was held here last night under the auspices of the Keren Kayemeth of Latvia. The meeting decided to raise a sum of money among the Latvian Zionists for the purpose of planting trees in the Balfour forest in Palestine.

210 Chalutzim Left Poland for Palestine Last Week

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Mar. 25—Two hundred and ten Chalutzim and Olim (immigrants with money) left Poland for Palestine last week. Immigrants to the number of 306 left Poland for Canada, and 50 for South Africa.

Sheiks Freed of Charge of Murder Threat to Jews

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Mar. 25—The sheiks charged with threatening to murder Jews ploughing land at Wadi Hawareth, the land purchased with funds obtained from Canadian Zionists, have been acquitted by a court in Tulkarem.

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**Home of North Carolina Jew
Becomes Goldsboro Library**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Goldsboro, N. C., Mar. 24—The spacious home of Sol Weil and the late Mrs. Sol Weil was formally accepted and opened this week by the Mayor of Goldsboro as the new home of the Goldsboro Public Library. The home was presented to the city and remodelled for library purposes by Lionel Weil, Mrs. A. Oettinger of Goldsboro, and Mrs. Leon Straus of Cleveland, children of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Weil.

A beautiful bronze tablet was also unveiled at the dedication ceremonies by the Library Board in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Weil. The late Mrs. Sol Weil was also the founder of the Goldsboro Public Library, which until now was housed in the City Hall.

Mayor J. H. Hill, in his address of acceptance, praised highly the generosity and civic spirit shown by the Weil family. The ceremonies were presided over by Judge D. H. Bland and the opening prayer was delivered by Rabbi Iser L. Freund of this city.

**Jew Elected President of
Chicago Suburb for First Time**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Chicago, Mar. 25—Leo W. Chulock of Maywood, a suburb of Chicago, was elected acting president of the village at the last meeting of the village board. Mr. Chulock is the first Jew to be so honored. He has served for a long time as a member of the village board and of the board of education.

**Call Michigan State J. N. F.
Conference for April 27**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Detroit, Mar. 25—The Detroit Jewish National Fund Committee has decided to convene a conference of all friends of and workers for the fund throughout the state of Michigan at a conference to be held in Detroit on April 27. Aaron Kurland, president of the Detroit committee, is chairman of the convention committee.

**ZIONIST EXECUTIVE REJECTS REVISIONISTS' PROPOSAL FOR
ESTABLISHMENT OF EMERGENCY POLITICAL COMMITTEE**

(J. T. A. Mail Service)

London, Feb. 25—The direction of political work has passed from the Executive of the Zionist Organization to the Executive of the Jewish Agency, the Zionist Executive writes in a letter to the Executive Committee of the World Union of Zionist Revisionists, rejecting the proposals submitted in discussion recently by its representatives to the Executive for the convocation, within the next few months, of the 17th Congress, based on accelerated Shekel and Elections, and the establishment of an Emergency Political Committee, to which would be entrusted all political work, the Committee to be composed of an equal number of representatives of the present Zionist Executive and the Opposition, with an additional member nominated by common consent, for the purpose of establishing a united Zionist Front. The correspondence which has passed on the subject has just been released for publication by the Secretariat of the Zionist Revisionist World Union.

A proposal to transfer the conduct of political affairs from the Executive of the Jewish Agency to a special committee, the letter from the Zionist Executive proceeds, could not be finally pronounced upon except by the appropriate organs of the Agency. If any such proposal were to come before the Jewish Agency, the Executive would oppose it.

The Executive, the letter then goes on, is at all times anxious to learn the opinions of all significant sections of the Movement, and to receive and give due consideration to any proposals emanating from them in regard to the conduct of their work. To facilitate this in the political sphere there was constituted the Political Committee. The Executive also has the practice of receiving from time to time responsible members of the Movement and imparting to them information. On such occasions the opportunity is taken of listening to and considering any representations that may be made. The Executive is of the opinion that this mode of procedure is the most advantageous as well as the most free constitutionally. The members would therefore willingly extend an invitation to the Union of Revisionists to nominate a member of the Political Committee and to meet the Executive from time to time for the purposes and in the manner above indicated.

The summoning of a special Congress in 1930, it concludes, would have such obvious and gross disadvantages that it could be carried out only in obedience to an overwhelming demand from Zionists. There is no evidence before the Executive at present of such an overwhelming demand. An opportunity will presumably be afforded of discussing this among other matters at the forthcoming meeting of the General Council.

In a previous letter, the Executive Committee of the Revisionist World Union replying to a question put by

the Zionist Executive on the subject of the Executive's prerogatives, saying that "it is, however, assumed that you still consider yourselves bound by the resolution of your Vienna Conference, which defined these prerogatives as meaning the exclusion of direct submission of political proposals to the executive organs of the Government and the League of Nations". Without going into the question as to the extent to which other action is likely to interfere with and prejudice the Executive's policy, it is desired to point out that in any case the direct submission of political proposals to organs of the British Government or of the League of Nations without the consent of the Executive is not compatible with the discipline which should be maintained within the Zionist Organization," states that they "consider the Revisionist resolution referred to binding upon themselves until such time as it is varied by the World Union of Zionist-Revisionists. The resolution in question was adopted at a time when the Zionist Executive was still a sovereign body in possession of those prerogatives which that resolution defined. Since that time, there has occurred a change that makes it necessary to enquire from your Executive whether they consider that the Zionist Organization, as such, is still possessed of those sovereign prerogatives of political action referred to in the resolution adopted at the Revisionist Conference in Vienna in 1928."

**Five Hitlerites Arrested
for Defiling Synagogue**

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, March 25—Five Hitlerites, members of the anti-Semitic "Sturmabteilung", have been arrested as defilers of the Berlin synagogue at Kottbusdorfer. The names of the five are: Wuestenberg, Ruba, Meckelburg, Doering, Steinke. They are accused of having painted a "Hakenkreuz" on the walls of the synagogue with the words, "Jews, Revenge and Death Is Near". Just before they committed this act, they are supposed to have participated in a Hitlerite ball.

**Zionist Conference Being
Planned for Pacific Coast**

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

San Francisco, Mar. 25—Committees have been named to arrange for a Pacific Coast Zionist Conference which, it is expected, will be held in this city in May. Plans for unifying the Zionist forces in the West will be made and it is hoped that a way will be found for employing a Zionist organizer in the western states.

Leo J. Rabinowitz, chairman of the San Francisco Zionist District; Robert Stark, L. Feldman, Max Ostrow and Rabbi Elliot M. Burstein, make up the arrangements committee.

Rabbi Urges Reawakening of Jewish Consciousness on Part of Jewish Women

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Elizabeth, N. J., Mar. 25—Declaring that "the hundreds of Jewish women in our larger cities, whose chief concern is the kitchen, bridge table or dinner party" represent a serious problem in American Jewish life, Rabbi Mitchell Salem Fisher, of New York, in an address here, urged a re-awakening of Jewish consciousness on the part of feminine members of the race.

Rabbi Fisher addressed the convention dinner of the New Jersey State Conference of the National Council of Jewish Women, now in session here. He declared that the big problem now facing Jewry "is not that of the young intellectual, or skeptics or anti-Semites, but rather the sleepers in Israel—those women in our cities who are intellectually and emotionally too lazy to think about Jewish life."

He asserted that only when terrible catastrophes occur do these women awaken to Jewish life or "only when the husband has been denied admission to a golf club or the son discriminated against at college." Praising the Council of Jewish Women as an agency which seeks to interest womanhood in Jewish affairs, he urged the diners "to take the Shofar of Jewish faith and awaken the sleeping woman; tell her the things that are worthwhile and guide her with clear reason and triumphant faith."

The convention decided "to assist Jewish residents in rural sections of the state, through social service work and religious education. An exhibit of work done for foreign born is being held in connection with the convention.

Seek Funds Here to Insure Palestine Opera

A national campaign among American Jews to raise funds to insure the future of opera in Palestine will begin officially at a concert in Carnegie Hall Monday evening, April 14.

Artists will be Ossip Gabrilowitsch, pianist, and the conductor of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, and Mischa Elman, violinist. Mr. Gabrilowitsch has postponed his trip to Europe to take part in this concert. Mr. Elman, now on a concert tour, will make a special trip to New York in order to play.

The concert will be given under the auspices of the Society of Friends of Palestine Opera. A committee has been formed to organize a countrywide campaign, and includes Felix M. Warburg, honorary chairman; Laurence N. Levine, chairman; Harriett Lowenstein Goldstein, treasurer; Joseph Achron, Susan Brandeis, Sophie Braslau, Dr. Herman E. S. Chayes, Mrs. Herman E. S. Chayes, Mischa Elman, Ossip Gabrilowitsch, George Gershwine, Abraham Goldberg, Rubin Goldmark, Jonah J. Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jonas, Alfred E. Kornfeld, Judge Julian W. Mack and Mrs. Mack, Sidney Matz, David N. Mossosohn, Bernard Shelvin, Dr. David de Sola Pool,

1,500,000 Jews in Eastern Europe Given Means of Livelihood By Extension of Small Credits By J. D. C. Cooperatives

Over one and one-half million Jews in Eastern Europe are being afforded means of livelihood through the extension of small credits by cooperatives fostered and subsidized by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, according to a report by David M. Bressler, a member of the executive committee of that organization, and Joseph C. Hyman, its executive secretary, which was made public yesterday.

Messrs. Bressler and Hyman recently toured thirteen Eastern European countries on behalf of the Joint Distribution Committee to ascertain the present status of the Jews there and the effectiveness of the institutions set up by the Joint Distribution Committee for the reconstruction of the devastated Jewish communities. The countries they visited included Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, the four major sections of Roumania, and Sub-Carpathia and East Slovakia in Czecho-Slovakia.

Their investigation embraced not only the credit cooperatives in these countries, but also the free loan societies conducted by the J. D. C. in Poland, which are the economic bulwark of another 500,000 people whose borrowing capacity is below that of the members of the cooperatives.

"For the Jews of Eastern Europe, the war is by no means over," Messrs. Bressler and Hyman report. "It has been succeeded throughout Eastern Europe by a war after the war, in its economic implications for the Jews, which we fear will continue for many years to come. What saves large masses of the Jewish population from total economic collapse is twofold: the aid rendered by relatives through remittances, and the much stronger organized economic instrumentalities for a self-help through united cooperative action.

"The Jewish credit societies are today, in our opinion, the very life blood of the bulk of Eastern Jewry and constitute the greatest defensive as well as constructive medium for their preservation. Credits have been advanced to 305,000 individuals, each responsible for the support of a family of from four to five persons are members of these cooperatives."

The joint Reconstruction Foundation which took over the credit work of the Joint Distribution Committee in 1924, now contributes funds to 690 cooperative credit societies over a wide territory including Lithuania, Latvia, Poland, Roumania, and Czecho-Slovakia. The figures in the report show that in membership and in number of societies, the credit cooperative movement has more than doubled during the past five years. The Jewish Colonization Association is associated with the Joint Distribution Committee in the Foundation.

"The Joint Distribution Committee officers recognize that the cooperatives directly and indirectly reach into and strengthen the lives and livelihood of

over a million and a half of the Jews of Eastern Europe currently and constantly," declared the investigators. "But to us the interesting factor is not so much the aid by the Foundation itself, and that has been substantial, as the strenuous effort of the Jewish populations themselves to solidify and make permanent these cooperatives by putting into them every available cent of their sorely-tried resources."

One of the most important projects the Foundation maintains in Poland is the network of Free Loan Societies which provides loans averaging from \$11 to \$16 for the group which earnestly labors to maintain itself, but is one degree lower in the economic scale than those able to borrow from the credit cooperatives.

Today in Poland, Messrs. Bressler and Hyman report, "545 of these Free Loan Societies serve regularly no less than 100,000 individuals, heads of families of from four to five, in towns and sections where approximately 80% of the Jewish population of Poland lives." The Free Loan Societies and the credit cooperatives in Poland, taken together, serve 200,000 families, or approximately 1,000,000 individuals.

The credit cooperatives in Austria, Turkey and Latvia are declared by the Joint Distribution Committee officers to be the only media for cheap credits the Jewish population there possess. In Czecho-Slovakia, the cooperatives, together with the institutions for child care of the Joint, form the centers for all Jewish social work.

"That this beneficent piece of constructive activity must be enlarged and extended, seems to us to be a self-evident fact," write Mr. Bressler and Mr. Hyman. "The value of the cooperative movement, stimulated and sustained by the J. D. C., the Ica, and the Foundation, can scarcely be overstated. No other instrumentality has yet been developed which has succeeded in bringing about a union of the local forces of Jewry in Eastern Europe, has so effectively enlisted foreign Jewish aid in the cause of economic reconstruction, and has so intelligently exerted an influence, direct and indirect, upon the governments and municipalities of those lands in behalf of the Jewish populations."

Commenting on the recommendation that the credit-cooperatives and free loan work in Eastern Europe must be enlarged and extended, Paul Baerwald, treasurer of that organization, expressed the hope yesterday that this would become possible through the fund-raising efforts recently launched by the Allied Jewish Campaign, from which the Joint Distribution Committee is to receive \$3,500,000. A very large part of this sum, Mr. Baerwald said, would be utilized for that purpose.

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Leading Zionists Pay Tribute to Topkis

The Jewish Daily Bulletin is in receipt of tributes to the late Louis Topkis, Zionist leader of Wilmington, Delaware, who died early Monday morning, from Mrs. Archibald Silverman, member of the Administrative Committee of the American Zionist Organization; Mrs. Robert Szold, president of Hadassah; and Bernard S. Deutsch and Bernard G. Richards, on behalf of the American Jewish Congress.

"Zionism has lost a staunch friend and loyal supporter in the death of Louis Topkis," declares Mrs. Silverman in her tribute. "He gave of himself and of his means conscientiously and wholeheartedly. His genial personality and ready cooperation will be missed in the councils of Zionist affairs."

"Louis Topkis was a selfless, tireless worker for Zion," declares Mrs. Szold. Messrs. Deutsch and Richards, in their message of sympathy to the Topkis family, say:

"The officers of the American Jewish Congress are shocked and grieved to learn of the untimely death of Louis Topkis, whose deep devotion and generous support of the great task of rebuilding Palestine and the cause of the protection of Jewish rights in Eastern Europe made him a tower of strength to positive forces in Jewish life. His splendid services will live in the annals of our people. Please accept our heartfelt condolences."

Jewess Renamed Member of Baltimore School Board

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Baltimore, Mar. 25—The reappointment of Mrs. Louis H. Levin as a member of the School Board was announced today by Mayor William F. Broening. Her term had expired March 1, but she has been serving as a holdover member since.

In his announcement, the Mayor pointed out that Mrs. Levin, by competent service, had merited continuance in office, and that he had renamed her in accord with his pledge to the people to keep politics out of the school system.

Prior to his death in 1923, Mrs. Levin's husband was one of the most prominent and influential philanthropic workers of the city for fifteen years. He was widely known as executive secretary of the Associated Jewish Charities of Baltimore. Mrs. Levin has had considerable experience with educational matters.

Columbus Jewish Community Chest Raises \$42,000 Fund

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Columbus, O., Mar. 25—Forty-two thousand dollars was raised for the Jewish Community Chest of this city during a 10-day campaign under the leadership of Ed Schanfarber, prominent attorney, who was chairman of the drive. The Lazarus family of Columbus were the largest donors with the sum of \$5,400.

Many Arabs Feel Delegation to London Will Do No Good, Even If It Does No Harm

Many Arabs are of the opinion that the appointment of a special Arab delegation, composed of four Moslems and one Christian, to go to London to defend the Arab cause against Zionism will do no good, even if it does no harm, writes Dr. Alexander Mombelli from Jerusalem to the "National Catholic Welfare Council News Sheet" of March 10. Some Arabs still believe that the delegation would be doing more profitable work if it went to Mecca at the time of the Moslem pilgrimage and collected funds with which to start, in Arab countries, companies which would purchase the lands of Palestine, and to establish religious funds for the benefit of schools and holy places.

There are still other Arabs who, according to Dr. Mombelli, believe that the delegation would do more good if it went to Iraq and Nejd and explained to Ibn Saud and to the Baghdad government the importance in keeping Palestine Arabic. The words which these two kings would address to the British representatives at the coming Arab-British meeting would have more influence than twenty delegations sent by a small Arab community to England, it is argued.

This Arab delegation is opposed by the Jews on the ground that two of its members are Government officials, reports Dr. Mombelli, and they demand that they resign immediately their official places, if they intend to go to London to oppose the interests of the Jewish community recognized by the Mandate. The two members referred to are the Grand Mufti Haj Amin Al Husseini, who is not only a leader of the Arab movement but also one of the senior officials of the Government of Palestine, and Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, Mayor of Jerusalem. The Jews have supported the election of Nashashibi for three years and now they threaten to withdraw their Councilors from the Municipality if he does not withdraw either from the delegation or the office as Mayor. However, the Government, in its recent publication of an ordinance postponing for three years the election of the Palestine Municipal Council, seems to have taken an action supporting the Mayor's decision to go to London. Because of this postponement, says Dr. Mombelli, the Mayor need not fear the threatened opposition of the Jews, which, for him, would be serious if he had to be reconferred in office at this time.

In discussing the Palestine problems as a whole, the Arab press declares openly that the natives are not fighting the Balfour Declaration alone, but the Mandate as well. Dr. Mombelli quotes the following from "Jamia Al Arabia," a leading Arab newspaper:

"Those who spend their energies and their efforts in fighting the Balfour Declaration, without realizing the greatest danger of the Mandate, are not serving their nation in the truest way. The hate which the Arabs feel for the

Organize Club Leaders of Jewish Community Ass'ns

The first step in the attempt of the Metropolitan League of Jewish Community Associations to revitalize club work by organizing the club leaders, was taken Sunday evening, when approximately one hundred men and women club leaders attended the first Metropolitan League Conference of Club Leaders held at the Educational Alliance.

The speakers included Dr. Henry Fleischman, chairman; Dr. Samson Bendorly, Dr. Charles S. Bernheimer, of the Jewish Welfare Board, and Samuel Leff, field secretary in New York for the J. W. B. Dr. Mordecai Soltes and Louis Sobel, assistant director of the Bronx Y. M. H. A., led the discussion.

Among the subjects discussed by the speakers and club leaders attending the meeting were arrangements for periodic conferences, training of leaders to give them a more professional attitude, adequate payment of leaders and training along Jewish lines in history and religion so that club directors can diffuse such knowledge among their club members.

Hadassah in Drive for Linsens for Palestine

The Palestine Supplies Department of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, will make a concerted drive during April for contributions of linens, clothing and hospital supplies to be sent to Palestine. April has been set aside by the national Hadassah headquarters for "linens showers" to be held in all parts of the country by the close to 900 sewing groups under the auspices of the supplies department.

Mandate proves that they are seekers after full independence. We don't want the rule of a foreign government, no matter what that government's colors may be. But, by asking for independence, we do not mean that we cherish in our breasts hate for that government from which this grant of independence is to come. The scrapping of the Mandate would create strong ties of friendship between the Arab nation and the British nation. The Arab nation, as a living nation, has natural and political rights to complete independence. The Arab nation cannot be satisfied with the abolition of the Balfour Declaration alone. The Mandate, too, must go. The Arab nation asks to be free to live free in her own country."

