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OPPORTUNITIES FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COMMERCE INDUSTRY  
AND AGRICULTURE IN PALESTINE EMPHASISED BY HIGH  
COMMISSIONER IN OPENING TEL AVIV LEVANT TRADE FAIR:  
ORGANISATION OF FAIR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EXAMPLE OF  
ENERGY AND INDUSTRY OF TEL AVIV PEOPLE HE SAYS: OPEN-  
ING MADE FORMAL STATE CEREMONY WITH ATTENDANCE OF  
GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT HEADS FOREIGN CONSULS AND DEPU-  
TATIONS FROM FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS AND TRADE ORGANISA-  
TIONS: FLAGS OF 24 COUNTRIES FLYING OVER EXHIBITION  
BUILDING.

Jerusalem, Apl. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Palestine and Levant Trade Fair and Near East Exhibition was opened this afternoon at Tel Aviv by the Palestine High Commissioner, General Sir Arthur Wauchope, the opening being arranged as an official State ceremony, in the presence of all the heads of Palestine Government Departments, the foreign Consuls in Palestine, representatives of the Jewish organisations and institutions in Palestine, and deputations on behalf of foreign Governments, and foreign trade organisations. The flags of 24 different countries were flying over the main Exhibition hall, in which about 2,000 invited guests from all over Palestine had assembled.

In inspecting the pavilions, the High Commissioner said in his opening speech, after he had welcomed in the name of the Government the deputations present on behalf of foreign Governments, he had observed the variety and excellence of the local and foreign manufactures on exhibition. This Fair is another successful example of the energy and industry of the people of Tel Aviv, he continued. You have every right to be proud of it. But this Fair also fulfils a wider purpose, the High Commissioner went on, in showing what opportunities exist for the further development of commerce, industry and agriculture in Palestine.

Tel Aviv Becoming Centre Not Only Of Palestine Jewry But Of  
All Jewry Mayor Of Tel Aviv Says: Previous Fairs Were Only  
Palestinian But Present Fair Is International.

Mr. Mayer Dizengoff, the Mayor of Tel Aviv, who had preceded the High Commissioner, by announcing the opening from the radio station building in the Fair, the first Hebrew broadcasting station in the world, dwelt on the significance of three events, the recent big Purim festivities held in the town, the Maccabiade, which has just concluded, and now the Levant Fair, and said that all three were linked together, and went to prove what great and youthful creative forces they had there, and that it was only necessary to organise and direct them.

Tel Aviv, is becoming the centre not only of Palestine Jewry, but of all Jewry, Mr. Dizengoff claimed.

This Fair is international, he pointed out, while all the previous trade Fairs held in Palestine had been exclusively Palestinian. There are in this Fair 1,200 exhibitors from 24 countries, compared with 609 at the previous Fair, he said, and the following Governments are officially represented: Palestine, Egypt, Switzerland, Russia, Cyprus, Roumania, Bulgaria, Latvia, and Poland. British industries are very largely represented.

Mr. Dizengoff welcomed the visitors in the name of the town and thanked the High Commissioner for the interest he was taking in the Fair and for acting as its Patron. He also thanked the Palestine Government Departments for the assistance they had given to the organisers of the Fair.

He concluded by asking the visitors from other countries to convey to the Jews of the Diaspora the happiness of the Jews of Palestine, that they were there in their Fatherland, building their national home.

The speeches delivered by the High Commissioner and by the Mayor were both translated into all the three official languages of the country, English, Hebrew and Arabic.

A message was read out to the gathering from Sir Ronald Storrs, the Governor of Cyprus, and former Governor of Jerusalem, who during his period of office, helped a great deal in advancing Palestine commercial interests.

The military orchestra closed the proceedings by playing the British national anthem and then the Hatikvah.

The Polish Consul-General in Palestine, speaking at the opening of the Polish Pavilion in the Levant Fair, expressed himself enthusiastically about the upbuilding work in Palestine and stressed the important part played by Polish Jews in the upbuilding of Tel Aviv.

The United States Consul-General also praised the Jewish achievements in Palestine when he spoke to-night at a reception given to six hundred General Zionist tourists. His recent tour of Palestine had convinced him, the Consul-General said, of the great Jewish achievements in Palestine, both economic and spiritual.

AMERICAN JEWRY BEEN MISLED AND UNDERMINED BY DEFEATIST PROPAGANDA AND CONSTANT CRY OF BETRAYAL BY MANDATORY DR. WEIZMANN SAYS AT JOHANNESBURG FAREWELL RECEPTION IN CONTRASTING SOUTH AFRICAN AND AMERICAN ACHIEVEMENTS: DESPITE ECONOMIC BLIZZARD THERE IS STILL ENORMOUS RESERVE OF SENTIMENT AND EVEN MONEY AMONG AMERICAN JEWISH MASSES HE BELIEVES: MACDONALD LETTER NOT YET CARRIED INTO EFFECT DR. WEIZMANN SAYS AND TESTING TIME NOW COMING TO DETERMINE WHETHER LETTER IS TO BE CONVERTED INTO REALITIES: ALL JEWRY IRRESPECTIVE OF PARTY OR VIEWPOINT WILL RESIST TO UTMOST ALL ATTEMPTS TO CURTAIL ACTIVITIES OR CRYSTALLISE JEWISH NATIONAL HOME.

Johannesburg, Apl. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Despite the economic blizzard, there is still an enormous reserve of sentiment and even of money among the American Jewish masses, Dr. Ch. Weizmann said in contrasting South African Jewry with American Jewry, which, he said, had so far let down Palestine, in the course of a speech which he delivered last night at a farewell reception given in the Johannesburg City Hall in honour of himself and Mrs. Weizmann. But the American Jewish masses had been misled and undermined in the last few years, he complained, by defeatist propaganda and the constant cry of betrayal by the Mandatory.

More than a thousand people were present at the reception. Mr. Braude, the Chairman of the Zionist Executive, who presided, reported that so far £53,000 had been raised in the Keren Hayesod campaign, and gave figures showing that there had been an improvement in the collections in nearly every centre, as compared with the previous campaign.

Chief Rabbi Dr. J. L. Landau, Honorary President of the South African Zionist Federation, and Mr. Justice Greenberg, Honorary President of the Keren Hayesod of South Africa, also spoke, and Mr. Hillman, the President of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, presented Dr. and Mrs. Weizmann with an illuminated address from the Board.

Dr. Alexander Goldstein described the ineffaceable impression which Dr. Weizmann had made on South African Jewry.

In thanking the provincial, civic and university authorities, the Zionist Organisation, and its workers, the South African Jewish Board of Deputies and all the Jewish Communities he had so far visited, Dr. Weizmann paid a warm tribute to the loyalty of the response of South African Jewry to the cause of Palestine.

Going on to deal with the Palestine situation, Dr. Weizmann expressed his apprehension that the French report might prove a re-introduction through the back door of the pseudo-scientific principles of the Simpson report. But on the fundamental questions of land and immigration, he added, all Jewry, irrespective of Party or of viewpoint, would resist to the utmost all attempts to curtail Jewish activities, or to crystallise the Jewish National Home.

The greater a nation, Dr. Weizmann went on, the less it can afford to tamper with the solemn promise given to an oppressed race.

The MacDonald letter of authoritative interpretation had so far not been carried into effect, Dr. Weizmann said, but now the testing time is coming to determine whether this letter is to be converted into realities.

#### Palestine To-day Economically Sounder Than Most Other Countries

Dr. Weizmann Claims Revealing Jewish Agency's Request For Four Thousand New Labour Immigration Certificates: Whether All This Number Granted Or Not He Says He Hopes New High Commissioner's Immigration Policy Be More Liberal Than His Predecessors': Private Enterprise Can Be Built Up Only On Basis Of Labour Immigration: Britain Can Make It Harder Or Easier For Us Dr. Weizmann Concludes But No One Can Stop Our Movement.

Palestine is to-day economically sounder than most other countries, Dr. Weizmann claimed. Hence, the Jewish Agency, he said, has felt justified in asking for 4,000 new labour immigration certificates.

He had confidence in the fair mindedness of the new High Commissioner, Dr. Weizmann continued, and he hoped that whether the whole of this number of Labour Schedule Immigration certificates were granted or not, the new High Commissioner's immigration policy would be more liberal than the immigration policies of his predecessors.

While fully recognising the importance of the Mandatory Power's attitude towards Palestine questions, it must be our own efforts, in and outside Palestine, Dr. Weizmann went on, that will build up the Jewish National Home.

Proceeding to analyse the position with regard to the introduction of private initiative in the Palestine up-building work, Dr. Weizmann urged that this must not be used as a cry to cover the shortcomings of the Keren Hayesod. Private enterprise could be built up only on the basis of the Haluzim immigration, of which the Keren Hayesod was the instrument, Dr. Weizmann contended.

Britain can make it harder or easier for us, Dr. Weizmann concluded, but no one can stop our movement. The foundations are firmly laid, and friends and enemies alike must understand that Jews go to Palestine of right, a right that we shall never forego.

DISRUPTION OF BERLIN JEWISH COMMUNITY: STORMY SCENES FOLLOW LIBERAL MAJORITY'S REFUSAL TO RESTORE SUBSIDY FOR HALUZIM: "WE ARE UNDER NAZI DICTATORSHIP" ZIONIST LEADERS PROTEST FROM GALLERY OF MEETING HALL: WILL CALL JEWISH ELECTORS TO FORCE NEW COMMUNITY ELECTIONS OR CONSTITUTE SEPARATIST COMMUNITY.

Berlin, 4pl. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The disruption of the Berlin Jewish Community, threatened at the meeting held on February 12th., took place to-day, when the Zionist members left the meeting of the Community Council as a protest against the refusal of the President, Herr Wilhelm Kleeman, one of the Liberal leaders, to reply to an interpellation put by the Zionist Party, demanding the annulment of the decision withdrawing the annual subvention of 2,000 Marks which was paid to the Keholuz, the organisation for training Haluzim for Palestine, under the former Zionist Administration, and complaining of the attitude of the Board of the Community in ignoring the wishes of the Zionist members, and ruling out everything that has to do with Zionism.

The Liberal majority on the Council refused to allow any discussion on the interpellation, and carried a motion for the closure.

Headed by Advocate Dr. Klee, the leader of the Zionist People's Party, who had warned the Liberals at the meeting held on February 12th. that if they went on ignoring the wishes of the Zionist representatives, the Zionists would secede and form a separatist national religious Jewish community, the Zionist members left the hall, and the visitors in the galleries started a tremendous uproar, shouting denunciations of the Liberal majority. Three of the Zionist leaders, Dr. Heinrich Loewe, Dr. Oscar Olfsberg, and Herr Alfred Berger, went up into the gallery and from there delivered fiery protest speeches, in which phrases occurred like "we are living under Nazi dictatorship, under a Hitlerist regime".

The Zionist People's Party is determined now to call to the Jewish electors to compel the Community leaders to arrange for fresh elections, failing which they will proceed to constitute a separatist Jewish community.

The subsidy was refused not for economy reasons, the Zionist leader, Dr. Klee, said when the question was under discussion in February, but on grounds of principle, in order to hit at our idea. Thousands of Jews are to-day thinking of leaving the community because they believe that the community burdens them with taxes without giving them any equivalent. The attitude adopted by the Liberals towards us is like an axe laid at the root of the united Jewish community. "Why should the promotion of Jewish agriculture in Gross Gadow, in the Argentine and elsewhere be a religious matter and the

promotion of colonisation in Palestine not a religious matter? Eretz Israel is not a political but a religious matter, even if it must be attained by political means. If you exclude Eretz Israel from the community, you exclude one of the fundamentals of Jewish teaching. Eretz Israel is under the League of Nations, and is not the League of Nations a victory of Jewish thought? No Jew can deny Palestine from the religious point of view. The Jewish community is a religious community, but Palestine, too, is a religious matter. Leading Liberal Jews all over the world are active in promoting the Palestine work.

For some time, Dr. Klee went on, there has been a dead set at the meetings of our Representative Assembly against everything that we bring forward, beginning with the Chair at the Hebrew University, our school demands, and now our demand for the Rehovuz. The very serious question, therefore, arises in our minds whether there is any purpose in our further participation in this body. What is the use of going on when everything that is dear to us is rejected without even hearing our arguments?

It is possible, said Dr. Klee, that I am speaking here for the last time. Remember that there are 30,000 Jews in Berlin who voted for our party, and they are not a negligible quantity. We do not say that we shall leave the community to-morrow, but we do say, what does this community still mean to us? What are we here for, if we can never get anything done that we want?

### The Liberal Position.

The Chairman of the Liberal Fraction, Dr. Kurt Fleischer, replied on that occasion: To Dr. Klee's question - what is the use of our stopping here? we Liberals, he said, say: We respect everyone's conviction, but we demand just as much respect for our own conviction, because we represent here the great majority of the Berlin Jews. Our chief task here is to maintain the Jewish community: and to protect the exercise of our faith. We take account of the interests of every single member of our community, in all social and economic relations and in the protection of life and limb. The United Jewish Community will and must be maintained, and it can be maintained if we uphold our neutrality and respect every conviction. We respect also the Jewish Nationalist conviction. We give no privileges to any standpoint, knowing that in our final goal we are all at one. Our road to the goal, however, does not lead along national Judaism and Palestine. The majority of the members of this community see the support of the Rehovuz as support given to a Party movement, and party movements we as a religious community must not support. We understand and we recognise the endeavours of these young people, but they are not our endeavours. If the majority of this community direct the affairs of the community according to their will, it is not a violation of the feelings of the minority. In an hour like this, fraught with so much peril to Jews and Judaism, it is a dangerous thing to raise the cry of secession from the community. You speak of your 30,000 voters. We place against these our 60,000 voters. We know the gravity of the hour and the issue before us is to maintain our united community. Nevertheless, we are not going to yield to a demand that would mean sacrificing our own convictions.

Dr. Bruno "oyda, another of the leaders of the Liberals, said: We recognise the justification of every point of view, but here it is a matter which affects the very foundation of the community. Have we no common work outside the Beholuz and Palestine? Do we stand together in our religious and social work? One thing must be made clear. The last election campaign was fought on this very question, of restricting the scope of the community, to make it a religious community, and the decision given by the electors cannot be thrown overboard at the demand of the minority. It is not the duty of a united community to accept the fundamentals of the minority. The work of the Beholuz is not only national colonisation, but also national cultural. If you Zionists feel that you belong to the Jewish nation, we belong to the German nation.

GERMAN JEWS LIVING IN FEAR OF POGROMS SAYS ENGLISH PRESSMAN:  
SINISTER SHADOW OF HITLER.

London, 4pl. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The sinister shadow of Adolf Hitler lies across German Jewry, Mr. H. J. Greenwall, the "Daily Express" correspondent in Germany, writes in a message in to-day's issue of his paper. This morning, he says, I was walking in the Pragerstrasse when I met an old man, with his shoulders bent and his big grey eyes fixed in sorrowful reflection, who seemed to carry the sorrows of his Jewish race across his back. This aged Jew was typical of his fellows all over Germany; men who fear that a Hitler regime will mean pogroms and the death of Jewish men, women, and children.

During the worst of the inflation period a few years ago, he proceeds, I witnessed in the Jewish quarter of Berlin scenes which, ugly as they were, would pale before what will happen in Germany should Hitler win next Sunday.

I have been visiting some of the chief provincial cities of Germany, and I find a brooding uncertainty such as I have never known before. People are fearful of talking politics to each other. The Communists watch the Hitlerites; the Hitlerites watch the Communists; and the Government watches both. How are you going to vote? one German asks another. How are you going to vote? counters his friend. The very cafe walls have ears to-day.

You notice a group of Jews sitting in a cafe; their coffee has grown cold, their cigars have gone out. Tragic groups - but typical of the tragedy through which Germany is passing.

The victory of Hindenburg on Sunday - and I firmly believe that the Grand Old Man of Germany will achieve his last victory - will be a mere palliative.

The President is eighty-four; his days are numbered. But the real tragedy of Germany is that it lacks men of the Stresemann calibre. Hitler, the ex-Austrian house painter, promises "freedom and bread", and the workmen rub their eyes confusedly. The anti-Hitlerites speak of "Hitler's dictatorship".

The result is confusion. Rumours of another invasion of the Ruhr if Hitler wins; rumours of civil war in six months if Hindenburg wins and then dies. Rumours ... and fears.

A motor tyre bursts and people jump because they fear a bomb - Jews who fear pogroms and Gentiles who fear "the Jewish revenge".

Rumours and lies - and a terrible fear that makes women stay in their houses and men walk abroad with pale faces. Poor, tragic Germany.

Only In His hatred Of The Jews Is Hitler Consistent Says  
"Manchester Guardian".

Hitler, so as to secure all the votes needed for success in the presidential election and in the even more important Prussian election, has gradually universalised his appeal, the "Manchester Guardian" correspondent in Germany writes in to-day's issue of his paper. He has told the house-owner that he will raise rents and the tenant that he will lower them. In "estphalia, where there is a Catholic population, his newspapers proclaim him a protector of religion (Catholic as well as Protestant), but in Pomerania and East Prussia, where the population is almost entirely Protestant, he refers to Catholicism as "the black plague", and to the Vatican as "a claw of Rome". In certain districts he has preached the expropriation of the landed gentry, and in Schleswig-Holstein he has worked up agricultural labour into a Communist mood.

In his autobiography he refers in terms of loathing to officialdom, and he has roused all the latent hatred of officials that exists in Germany. But he has himself become an official so as to be made a German subject, and on his election placard he proclaims that he will defend the rights of the bureaucracy.

His movement calls itself a "Labour movement", and when the audience is made up of poor people he and his agents are almost Muscovite in their denunciations of Capitalism. At the same time he is a champion of private property and obtains support from capitalists great and small. He gives assurances that he will abstain from all but legal methods, and at the same time prepares an armed insurrection for the overthrow of the State and the illegal seizure of power.

Only in his hatred of the Jews, the correspondent says, is he consistent, for they are but a fraction of the population. In a large and divided country like Germany, where public opinion is divided amongst irreconcilable factions and where few newspapers give the other side, such demagogy is possible for a while.

DAY BEFORE SALONICA POGROM GOVERNOR-GENERAL ASSURED PREMIER  
VENIZELOS THERE WOULD BE NO DISORDERS: DISCLOSURE BY  
SALONICA JEWISH SENATOR IN EVIDENCE AT TRIAL OF POGROM  
INSTIGATORS: SENATOR MALLAH SAYS HE WENT TO JEWISH  
QUARTER AFTER POGROM AND SAW CHARRED AND BLOODSTAINED  
SCROLLS OF LAW.

Salonica, Apl. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The day before the pogrom broke out in Salonica, in which the Campbell Jewish quarter was burnt down, the Governor-General of Salonica, M. Gonatas, assured the Prime Minister, M. Venizelos, in reply to enquiries made of him in view of the violent anti-Jewish agitation that was being carried on in the city, that there would be no disturbances, Senator Asher Mallah, the Jewish representative from Salonica in the Greek Senate, who is the President of the Zionist Federation in Greece, revealed when he gave evidence to-day before the law court at Verria, where a number of the instigators and participants in the pogrom are now standing their trial.

Senator Mallah said that after the fire which had destroyed the Campbell quarter, he had gone there with Governor-General Gonatas, and he described to the court the scenes of devastation he had witnessed, and how he had seen charred and bloodstained fragments of Scrolls of the Law lying about, which had been taken by the vandals out of the synagogues and desecrated.

He was convinced, Senator Mallah said, that the pogrom was the work of the Greek Macedonian Nationalist Organisation.

POLISH MINISTERS OF INTERIOR AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS CONGRATULATE  
POLISH WINNERS OF MACCABIADE: COMMITTEE FORMED IN WARSAW  
TO RECEIVE RETURNING VICTORS.

Warsaw, Apl. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Ministers of the Interior and of Foreign Affairs and other members of the Government and high officials have sent messages of congratulation to the Polish Maccabee organization on the achievement of its team, which has come first in the Palestine Maccabiade. The Foreign Ministry has also sent a telegram direct to the team in Palestine.

A committee of important persons has been formed here to arrange a big public reception for the victors when they return.

ATTEMPT TO LINK UP JERUSALEM AND LONDON TELEPHONICALLY.

London, Apl. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Post Office in England and in Egypt are trying to establish radio-telephone communication between Cairo and London in time to transmit a radio programme which it is planned to broadcast from Jerusalem on April 17th. as part of the celebration of the seventh anniversary of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

The plan is to transmit the programme by land line from Jerusalem to Cairo, by radio telephone from Cairo to London, and thence by radio telephone to New York, where it will be broadcast.

Attempts made last night to connect Jerusalem and London proved unsuccessful, however. London was able to hear parts of the Jerusalem conversation, but London failed completely to make itself audible in Jerusalem.

The postal authorities express great doubt as to whether it will be possible to make the necessary arrangements for successful transmission in time for the ceremony on April 17th.

MAYOR OF JEPUSALEM ASKS GOVERNMENT TO BAN SYBIL THORNDYKE  
PLAYING SHAW'S "SAINT JOAN" IN HOLY CITY.

Jerusalem, Apl. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, the Arab Mayor of Jerusalem, has complained to the Palestine Government against Bernard Shaw's "Saint Joan" being allowed to be played in Jerusalem by Dame Sybil Thorndyke.

Dame Sybil Thorndyke, who arrived in Palestine at the end of March with her husband, Mr. Lewis Casson, their son and daughter, Ann and Christopher Casson, and the members of her company, gave her first performance of "Saint Joan" on Wednesday evening at the Zion Hall in Jerusalem, under the patronage of the High Commissioner, General Sir Arthur Auchincloss.

The Mayor of Jerusalem complains that Shaw's play contains expressions which are insulting to Islam.

The Government has promised him that it will order these expressions to be taken out of the play when it is performed in Jerusalem.

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