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British, Palestine Govt's, Zionists Deny Reports as Nazis Reveal Orange Deal

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BERLIN, Aug. 28—Negotiations for the import into Germany of Palestine oranges and for the export of German goods in German vessels to Palestine are being conducted between the Reich's ministry for food and the foreign department of the Palestine Government, the Deutsche Landhandelsbund, the Nazi department for agrarian trade and industry, informed the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. The agreement, as announced yesterday in the Berlin press, has not yet been concluded, it was said, but this is likely within the next few days.

The agreement provides for the import from Palestine of oranges to the value of eight to ten million marks and the purchase in Palestine of double that amount in German products, all shipping to be done in German bottoms.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

LONDON, Aug. 28—Considerable mystification exists here as to the purported Nazi-Palestine agreement providing an outlet for Palestine oranges and a market in Palestine for German goods, with the general impression being that reports of the agreement are incorrect and an attempt to create feeling among the Jews that will lead to a breaking down of the boycott.

Inquiries by Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondents in Palestine have failed to reveal the identity of any parties negotiating with the German Government. The Palestine Government and the British Colonial Office here deny any knowledge of the reported negotiations. It is believed that the reports may have some basis in the possible attempt of some individual orange-grower to obtain a German market.

The World Zionist Organization offices here, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and other sources of information received scores of inquiries over the week-end for details of this astonishing and ambiguous agreement. It is pointed out that even were the reports true, apart from the moral aspect of the deal on the anti-Nazi boycott, the agree-

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LEAGUE AID, WORLD LOAN TO RESETTLE JEWS OF REICH IN PALESTINE URGED BY ROTHENBERG

Geneva Official Brings Greetings—U. S. Leader Says World Must Aid
Solve Problem It Creates—Lord Melchett, Lady Erleigh
Cheered at Prague

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Aug. 28—An international loan through the League of Nations, with the nations of the world participating, to finance the settlement of German Jews in Palestine, was urged upon the Eighteenth World Zionist Congress here today by Morris Rothenberg, of New York, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

Mr. Rothenberg proposed that the loan be modeled after that floated by the League of Nations for the repatriation of Greeks. American Zionists, he declared, had reason to believe that the United States Government would find a means to cooperate in any practical measures undertaken.

Mr. Rothenberg's address followed one by Vito Catastani, director of the Mandates section of the League of Nations, who was introduced to the congress by Dr. Leo Motzkin, presiding officer. In his introductory remarks, Dr. Motzkin pointed out that Zionists consider it the duty of the League of Nations to German Jews to support the Jewish demand for an opening of Palestine's gates to a larger Jewish immigration.

M. Catastani declared he brought the greetings of the League and the Mandates Commission to the Congress and declared that the international bodies were watching the work of the congress and the

"heroic" Zionist activities with deep interest.

What has been done until now for the relief of the Jews of Germany, is insignificant, Mr. Rothenberg told the assembled Zionists.

"The doors of Palestine must be opened not only for capitalists," he declared, "but chiefly for those people without the means to remain in Germany."

"World Jewry, even American Jewry, cannot now contribute much for the large repatriation of German Jews. However, an international loan could be secured if the sympathetic interest of the League of Nations and the Mandatory Power would be enlisted.

"We are aware," he continued, "that the present economic position of the European countries is not too favorable for such an appeal. We refuse, however, to believe that when a large part of the Jewish people is deliberately crushed, mankind will decline to come to its aid. The world that created the Jewish problem must help to solve it," he declared.

"American Zionists are also encouraged to believe," Mr. Rothenberg revealed, "that the United States Government, which has shown great interest in the Jewish national home with its endorsing of the Balfour Declaration, will find a way as it did in the case of the Greek repatriation, to cooperate in any practical scheme that may be undertaken for the solution of the tragic problem of Jewish homelessness."

"This congress must assure itself before adjourning that definite, vigorous measures will be taken, either by the executive or by a special committee elected by the congress, to secure international cooperation in the solution of the problem of Jewish refugees and that the question will be placed before the world on that high level which this acute problem deserves."

The morning session of the congress opened with short greetings

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Bernstein Gives Up Post

In Albania; Coming Home

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

TIRANA, Albania, Aug. 28—Herman Bernstein has resigned as American Minister to Albania. He will return to his home in New York the latter part of September. Mr. Bernstein, noted publicist and journalist, was appointed to the post by President Hoover in 1930. It had been reported that President Roosevelt had wished to retain Mr. Bernstein as American representative at Albania although Mr. Bernstein is a Republican.

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Revisionists in Palestine Seek to Explain Away Incriminating Testimony

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JERUSALEM, Aug. 28.—In a statement issued today denying the import of testimony introduced last Friday by the prosecution at the hearing of the three Revisionists accused of the murder of Dr. Chaim Arlosoroff—Revisionist headquarters in Palestine today declared that no Revisionist Council meeting had ever been held at Petach Tikva, that no Revisionist Council or meeting had ever discussed terroristic acts and that Achmeir's notes on the murder, which the prosecution claimed substantiated the charges against him, was merely one of numerous notes in regard to widespread rumors prepared by Achmeir for a projected article in Chazit Ha'am, Revisionist newspaper.

The reports of the testimony had created a great sensation at the Zionist Congress at Prague and led to the appointment of a commission to go to Palestine to gather testimony on certain acts of the Revisionist groups there.

Gurion, secretary of the Revisionist Labor group, and Guzman, member of the Grossmanist Revisionist headquarters staff, who were interrogated by the police under oath for eight hours, testified that they had been with Achmeir a fortnight after the murder when he made the notes on the rumors about the murder of Arlosoroff that were spreading all over Palestine.

The note on the Revisionist Council meeting in Petach Tikva, they said, was made by Achmeir as an example of the fantastic rumors that were being spread.

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UNTERMYER URGES B'NAI B'RITH JOIN BOYCOTT; CRITICIZES ZIONIST CONGRESS FOR NAZI DEAL

(Jewish Daily Bulletin)

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Aug. 27.—Characterizing the present rulers of Germany as "fiends in human form who are leading a once great nation back into the Dark Ages," Samuel Untermyer of New York, addressing the annual reunion of tri-state lodges of the B'nai B'rith, Jewish fraternal organization, in a speech broadcast over a Columbia network, called for an unyielding war against Hitlerism by means of a complete boycott of Germany until it overthrows the Nazi regime.

The noted attorney criticized the League of Nations for its "Rip Van Winkle" attitude in not having sent a commission to investigate conditions in Germany.

Negotiations reported to the Eighteenth World Congress at Prague, Czechoslovakia, providing for the removal of German Jews from the Reich and the export of part of their capital in the form of German goods, were roundly criticized by Mr. Untermyer as well as the failure of the congress to adopt the boycott.

"The Zionist Organization had no business to enter upon any such negotiations," he declared. "If they accede to any such terms, or to any terms other than to offer to take care of the very limited number of German Jews whom they can locate in Palestine or care for, they will rightly destroy their organization in this country."

Delegates Warned Against Boycott

Referring to the Congress's failure to adopt the boycott, Mr. Untermyer ascribed this to a reason "unworthy, though doubtless well-intentioned." The delegates, he said, "had been warned that if they voted for a boycott, the absurd abortive negotiations above referred to, now under way, to permit German Jews to be taken out of Germany, would be terminated. I wish they were. The sooner the better. Whilst I am unwilling to oppose them or any other movement that will put our helpless brethren out of their present misery, I am wondering whether the well-intentioned gentlemen who are championing this program realize its peril."

"First," he declared, "it involves an abject surrender of the principle for which we are fighting and shall continue to fight to the bitter end and until Hitlerism and the hatred, bigotry and savagery for which it stands are obliterated from the face of the earth."

"Second, it is playing into the hands of the enemy and destroying the only opportunity that will ever

come to us to liberate their victims by bringing about the certain economic downfall of the Hitler regime through the boycott, which I feel sure can be accomplished within six or twelve months, if vigorously prosecuted, and

"Third. Lastly and most important, let us consider what is going to be the effect upon anti-Semitism, anti-Catholicism and the many other forms of racial and religious bigotry and fanaticism throughout the world of such a contemptible surrender to the most evil forces ever aroused in the most violent form in which a recognized Government has ever dared assert itself within a thousand years.

"It would be a disaster almost equal in its proportions to the one we are now combatting," he declared. "It is simply inconceivable that we should ever become parties to such an unholy compact."

"Grave Mistake"

Appealing to the B'nai B'rith to adopt the boycott, Mr. Untermyer declared that "your representatives in the East, doubtless with the best intentions, made a grave mistake in aligning you with the American Jewish Committee in opposing the promotion of the boycott, which is the only weapon available to the Jews and non-Jews of the world against the incredibly barbarous campaign of extermination. You are thereby unwittingly denying to your stricken brethren in Germany what I shall try to demonstrate to you is our only hope of effective relief," he pointed out.

"The fact that they were joined, assisted and supported by your great organization in this unfortunate venture would lend authority; but the leadership and support of the American Jewish Committee, in and of itself, means little. These gentlemen," he asserted, "are a self-appointed, self-perpetuating body who represent no constituents other than themselves. Unlike your organization, they have no specific mandate from any section of the Jewish people and are therefore accountable to no one for their self-appointed task."

He said that the American Jewish Congress had "seen the error of its ways and has had the courage to break away from its unfortunate alliance with the American Jewish Committee" to join the boycott ranks.

He paid tribute to the work of the American Jewish Committee in behalf of the Jews of the world and expressed admiration for "some of their plans to relieve the present

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South Africans Resent Premier's Plea to Keep on Buying Goods in Germany

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Aug. 28—Resentment at the action of Premier Hertzog Saturday in appealing to the Jews of South Africa not to prosecute a boycott against Germany stirred the South African Jewish community today and drew much criticism to the premier from non-Jewish as well as from Jewish citizens. Indignation was expressed at the premier's attitude that South Africans had no basis for protesting over the way "a state treats its own nationals."

"The premier must always receive the respectful attention of the citizens," Morris Kentridge, a member of parliament, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "At the same time it cannot be regarded as unreasonable or harmful for South Africa if the Jewish people are impelled with justifiable resentment and ordinary self-respect, to refuse to have commercial relations with a country which refuses to have anything to do with Jews."

Profound dissent from the views registered by Premier Hertzog was expressed by Tielman Roos, leading South African statesman.

"It must always remain the duty of civilization to protest against methods of cruelty and oppression," he declared. "He attacked the South African Government for its stand and concluded that 'the interests of the oppressed and of Germany itself, necessitate condemnation of the present attitude against minorities.'"

Samuel Untermeyer Urges B'nai B'rith Join Boycott

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crisis, even though I disagree with certain features of their program as being not only timid, dilatory and ineffective, but perilous to the cause of World Jewry.

Discussing Nazi propaganda efforts, Mr. Untermeyer vigorously denounced publication in this country of the Hitler autobiography, "Mein Kampf," and assailed the American publishers who are soon to bring the book out.

"These people were warned, and they knew, that the publication of that book, which is being promoted by the Nazi propagandists in this country, was intended to arouse anti-Semitism in this country," he asserted, "but the prospective profit was apparently too great a temptation to overcome. Anyone, Jew or non-Jew, who hereafter buys a book or other publication of that company, is thereby contributing to the prosperity of a business that is dedicated to the spread of hatred, bigotry, anti-Semitism and falsehood."

LABORITES RENEW DRIVE ON REVISIONISTS AT WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS; EVIDENCE AT JAFFA TRIAL HELD TO INCRIMINATE PARTY

Democratic Revisionists to Be Known as Jewish State Party—Right Wingers Refuse to Appear Before Prague Commission of Inquiry
—Group May Go to Palestine to Investigate

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Aug. 27—Testimony revealed in the magistrate's court at Jaffa, Palestine, Friday, alleging that Revisionist extremists had contemplated recourse to murder, overshadowed all other issues here as the Eighteenth World Zionist Congress entered its second week of deliberations with a determined drive on the part of Zionist Laborites to have the Revisionists, who form the extreme right-wing of the Zionist movement, expelled from the World Zionist Organization.

The testimony was brought out in the preliminary hearing of the case of three Revisionists, Aba Achimeir, Abraham Stavsky and Zvi Rosenblatt, who are accused of the murder, on the night of June 16, of Dr. Chaim Arlosoroff, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and one of the leaders of the Zionist labor movement.

In view of Rosenblatt's reported confession, and extracts purportedly from a diary kept by Achimeir that his group contemplated murder, the telegraph and telephone systems between Prague and Palestine were kept busy all day today as leaders of all factions at the congress sought to establish further details in the case.

Presidium in Secret Session

The congress presidium held a secret session today with the special commission of inquiry appointed by the Zionist Actions Committee to investigate Laborite charges against the Revisionists. The Revisionists, who first announced their non-confidence in the commission and their refusal to appear before it, later announced they would do so only as individuals, not as representatives of the party, and then reversed their stand again and refused to do even this as it might denote their recognition of the commission. The commission, it is known, wishes to question only the Palestine Revisionists who are now at Prague for the congress.

A cable from Achimeir's attorney in Palestine, stating on behalf of the defendant that the remarks read to the court as extracts from his diary were, in reality, just notes on gossip and comment in Palestine taken down after the murder of Dr. Arlosoroff, was submitted to the investigating body.

The underlying tension of the congress over the Arlosoroff case was heightened early today when, just before dawn, Dr. Leo Motzkin,

president of the congress, interrupted the long drawn-out session for a consultation of the presidium as to whether to admit a declaration by Berl Katzenelson, Palestine Labor leader, on developments in the hearing of the three men accused of the murder.

Delay Until Monday

After deliberation, he announced that the declaration would be postponed until tonight (Sunday) while the presidium obtained authoritative information from Palestine. It was later announced that tonight's session would be put over until Monday, with today being given over to special sessions of the presidium and the various congress commissions.

Should Katzenelson's declaration be read to the congress, it is expected that Vladimir Jabotinsky, leader of the Revisionists and one of the most powerful orators in Zionist ranks, will reply.

It was learned today that the Democratic Revisionists, a faction of the Revisionist Party headed by Meer Grossman, had abandoned the Revisionist title and would henceforth be known as the Jewish State Party. Establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine is the chief Revisionist goal.

A recommendation that a special investigating body be sent to Palestine immediately after the adjournment of the congress to examine charges against a certain Revisionist organization was made to the Actions Committee tonight by the commission of inquiry appointed to hear charges preferred by the Laborites against the Revisionists.

The commission reported that no proof had been presented to it establishing any connection between the suspected group in Palestine and the World Revisionist executive body.

Subject of Debate

Whether the proposed investigating body should be appointed by the Actions Committee or elected by the full congress, was the subject of heated debate at the Actions Committee session which was expected to last throughout the entire night.

Professor Selig Brodetsky, of Leeds, England, delivering the first half of the report of the political commission, severely attacked the Revisionists, accusing them of acts harmful to Zionist policy. He expressed himself as pessimistic over

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Melchett, Sokolow Review March of Nations Ending Maccabiade at Prague

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Aug. 28.—The march of the nations in Belvedere Stadium here yesterday afternoon marked the close of the Maccabiade, Jewish Olympics sports festival. Sturdy Jewish athletes of a score of nations, filed past the reviewing stand behind the Czechoslovakian flag and under a veritable sea of blue and white pennants—Zionist colors.

Lord Melchett of England, honorary president of the world Maccabee organization, Lady Erleigh, his sister, and Nahum Sokolow, president of the World Zionist Organization, reviewed the athletes' march. Lord Melchett wore the blue and white Maccabean uniform.

Trophies to the winning Austrian, Czechoslovakian, British, Polish, Hungarian and Palestinian Maccabee squads were presented by Lord Melchett and Lady Erleigh. In brief addresses, Dr. Sokolow and Lord Melchett congratulated the contestants for their display of athletic prowess and Jewish muscle. The entire scene was filmed by motion picture cameras.

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ment would represent a bad bargain since the Palestinian negotiators would have undertaken to buy twice as much as they would sell and would have to entrust the shipping to German concerns only.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Aug. 28.—Zionist circles here have no information regarding the report in the Berliner Tageblatt of an agreement to carry Palestine oranges in German vessels. The agreement for the import of German goods into Palestine to the extent of three-million marks definitely does not contain any deal involving oranges, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency is reliably informed.

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Laborites Renew Drive On Revisionists at World Zionist Congress

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the improvement of Zionist relations with England.

Emanuel Neumann, of New York, will present the second section of the report which will be concerned mainly with developments in connection with the Transjordan area.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

PRAGUE, Aug. 26.—The executive of the World Zionist Organization had nothing to do with the negotiations which led to an agreement with the German Government for the export to Palestine, in the form of German goods, of three million marks of capital of Jewish emigrants, Berl Locker of New York, member of the executive, told the Eighteenth World Zionist Congress here tonight.

Locker's statement was in reply to a sharp demand by Meer Grossman, leader of the Democratic Revisionists for a report on the activities of the Zionist executive in connection with the agreement which he denounced as meaning the breakdown of the world-wide Jewish anti-Nazi boycott.

A coalition administration to guide the affairs of the World Zionist Organization during the next two years was being sought in negotiations among the leaders of the Zionist factions. The coalition set-up, as it took shape during the negotiating today, provides for an administrative body of seven, consisting of three Laborites, two General Zionists, one Radical Zionist, and the president.

A combination such as this would make possible the return to leadership of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, former world president of the Zionist Organization, now believed awaiting the call at a suburb of Prague.

The Mizrahi (Orthodox Zionists) is not inclined to join this executive, but may agree to do so at the last moment, however. The Revisionists (extreme right-wing Zionists) are completely out of any proposed coalition administration.

The Revisionist party, defeated in its attempt to force a vigorous attitude on the German situation upon the Congress, was preparing today to make itself a central world body to guide and stimulate the boycott and to mobilize its hundred thousand members into a militant boycott body.

Vladimir Jabotinsky, leader of the Revisionists, announced this plan in an interview with newspapermen last night. He declared that since the Congress had failed to take over the boycott leadership, the Revisionists felt they must.

League Aid, World Loan To Resettle Reich Jews In Palestine Is Urged

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from Lord Melchett of England, honorary president of the World Maccabean organization, who arrived in Prague yesterday to witness the Maccabiade, Jewish sports festival, and from his sister, Lady Erleigh. Both were greeted with prolonged cheers.

A general debate on the labor problems of Palestine, followed Mr. Rothenberg's address, with representatives of the Laborites, the Revisionists (extreme right-wing Zionists), General Zionists (centrists) and Hapoel Mizrahi (orthodox Labor) participating.

The Zionist commissions are meeting this afternoon with no general session of the congress scheduled. A night session of the congress will begin at eleven o'clock.

The Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization was in all-night session debating on a number of questions that have arisen, especially in connection with the recommendation of the special commission of inquiry investigating charges brought by the Laborites against a certain Palestine Revisionist group, that an investigating body be dispatched to Palestine.

Gentile Group Sends Greetings

A cablegram in behalf of the Pro-Palestine Federation of America, signed by Charles Edward Russell, Wendell P. Stafford, John Haynes Holmes, Frederick B. Robinson, William Cocke and Harry Allen Overstreet, was sent to the Eighteenth World Zionist Congress at Prague yesterday greeting the delegates "in name Gentile Americans believing noble historical mission Jewish people fighting for progress and humanity."

The cablegram expressed the hope that the civilized nations of the world will aid in the rescue of victims of persecution in Germany by assisting their settlement in Palestine.

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Abraham Stavsky, Zvi Rosenblatt and Aba Achmeir, charged with the murder of Dr. Arlosoroff, the prosecution read passages and extracts from the diary of Achmeir, which the prosecution claimed established Achmeir's complicity in the murder. One of the notes told of a party held in the home of Achmeir immediately after the killing to celebrate the "great victory." The prosecution laid particular stress on the inverted quotes in this passage.