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### COUNCIL TO HAVE 26 MEMBERS; OPENS APRIL, ARAB PRESS REPORTS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19. (JTA) ☉- Apparently authentic details as to the composition of the legislative council for Palestine, which will be officially proclaimed Saturday, are published in the Arab press today. According to the press, the council will be formally established in April and will comprise twenty-six members in addition to the president.

High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope has invited Jewish leaders to meet with him Sunday, it was learned today, to hear announcement of the new assembly which will rule Palestine. Arab leaders are scheduled to be informed of the long-expected and frequently deferred development on Saturday at a meeting with the High Commissioner.

Of the twenty-six council members, the Arab press reports, sixteen will be elected and ten will be appointed, probably by the High Commissioner. Eight of the elective seats are slated to go to Moslems, three to Christian Arabs and five to Jews.

The ten appointive seats will be apportioned among three or four mayors of the larger cities of Palestine, members of the High Commissioner's present advisory council and heads of Government departments.

The president of the assembly, according to the Arab press, will be an Englishman. The assembly will have two vice-presidents, one an Arab and the other a Jew.

According to El Islamiah, Arab daily, immigration and sale of land will be exempt from jurisdiction of the assembly.

### COLORFUL RITES MARK FIRST PLANTING OF JUBILEE FOREST

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The Jubilee Forest in honor of King George V of England was inaugurated today with the planting of

twenty-five trees, one for each year of his reign, atop a high hill opposite the Jewish colony of Nahalal in the hills of Nazareth, with Government officials and Zionist leaders participating in the ceremonies.

Palestine High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope placed into the freshly dug soil the oriental cypress tree presented by King George, the only one of its kind in the Windsor Great Park in London and the first tree to be shipped from Britain to Palestine.

The remaining trees, which mark the beginning of the most ambitious of forestation attempt in the Holy Land, aiming to restore to the hills of Nazareth their one-time forest beauty, were planed by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization; Menachem M. Ussishkin, 71-year-old president of the Jewish National Fund; David Ben-Gurion, head of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, and other Zionist leaders.

The speeches were broadcast to England.

Sir Arthur stressed the importance of afforestation projects in Palestine and promised to convey to the King the message that the forest expresses British Jewry's homage to the throne.

Speaking in Hebrew, Mr. Ussishkin emphasized the historical importance of the forest as a future symbol of Britain's role in Jewish history.

Chaim Solomon, member of the Jerusalem Municipal Council, then presented the forest in the name of British Jewry to the Jubilee Committee as a "symbol of loyalty to the throne and a token of gratitude for the freedom the Jews have enjoyed in Britain during the King's reign."

The forest was termed a "symbol binding Jewry to the throne" in an address by Dr. Weizmann.

Before the tree-planting ceremony, the party visited the forest planted in honor of Lord Balfour, British Parliamentary leader who drafted the proclamation making Palestine a Jewish homeland. Sir Arthur evinced interest particularly in the tree planted in his honor.

During the visit, members of the party were presented with baskets laden with produce of the forest by children from the Ganigar settlement.

#### BRITISH LABOR SPORTS BODY SEEKS NEW VOTE ON OLYMPICS

LONDON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- A drive to secure a meeting of the British Amateur Athletic Union for the purpose of reconsidering its previous decision to participate in the 1936 Berlin Olympics was launched today by the National Workers Sports Association.

The association cited evidence of "political perversion" of sports in Germany and pointed out that the Reich authorities had prohibited visits of the labor teams to Germany.

CZECH JEWISH ATHLETES PREPARING TO COMPETE IN BERLIN

VIENNA (JTA) -- A number of Jewish swimmers are preparing to participate in the 1936 Berlin Olympics despite the decision of the parent Jewish sports body to boycott the games, Professor Ernst Vogel of Bruenn, Czechoslovakia, charges in the newspaper Die Neue Welt.

Prof. Vogel gives Czechoslovakian newspapers as authority for the statement that eight men and one woman, members of the Bar Kochba and Hagibor Jewish sports clubs, are training for the games.

He points out that under the resolution adopted by the Bruenn world congress of the Maccabi Jewish sports association, Olympic committees are called upon not to send Jews to the games, but Jewish athletes are not specifically forbidden to participate.

VIENNA MAYOR DENIES CITY HOSPITALS FIRE JEWISH DOCTORS

VIENNA, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The Mayor of Vienna denies today that Jewish physicians are being dismissed from municipal hospitals in reply to an interpellation during a debate on the budget in the Municipal Council. He cited figures showing that large numbers of Jews are applying for positions to prove that a great number are employed.

The interpellation was made by Councillor Ehrlich, who denounced dismissal of Jewish doctors as unconstitutional.

BOSTON ZIONISTS PLAN PALESTINE FOREST TO HONOR STONE

BOSTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The twenty-five years of Zionist service rendered by Elihu D. Stone, founder of the New England Zionist Region, will be commemorated by the establishment of a \$10,000 afforestation project in Palestine, bearing his name, it was announced last night at a dinner in his honor under the auspices of the Kadimah Club.

Mr. Stone, national vice president of the Zionist Organization of America and president of the New England region thirteen years, received at the dinner the tributes of Morris Rothenberg, president and Louis Lipsky, honorary president of the Z.O.A.; Eldar Markson, Boston chairman of the Jewish National Fund; Robert Silverman and Mendel N. Fisher, campaign directors of the United Palestine Appeal and Rabbi H. H. Rubenovitz of Temple Mishkan Tefillah.

Twenty per cent of the necessary \$10,000 was pledged by Mr. Markson. A number of messages of greeting were received from points throughout the country and Palestine.

It was recalled by speakers that Mr. Stone was largely instrumental in securing passage of the Congressional resolution favoring the Jewish homeland. He visited Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, then chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and convinced him of the necessity and propriety of the resolution, which was passed jointly by the Senate and House.

K. OF C. CITES THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S ACTION IN KISHINEFF CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- President Theodore Roosevelt's attitude favoring an official protest in the case of the anti-Jewish pogroms of 1905 in Kishineff, Russia, is cited by the Knights of Columbus in a letter answering the rejection of President Franklin D. Roosevelt of a plea for action in religious persecution of Mexico.

The letter challenges the impression which it says President Franklin D. Roosevelt had created that the late President was opposed to action against foreign nations in such cases.

The letter, signed by Martin H. Carmody, president, and William J. McGinley, secretary of the K. of C., comments on the use by the incumbent President of a short extract from the 1904 annual message of President Theodore Roosevelt, in which the latter said that under ordinary circumstances it was better for a nation to strive to correct its own sins at home rather than "try to better the conditions of things in other countries." The letter contends that the quotation was inadequate and that it misrepresented Theodore Roosevelt's policy.

In this connection the letter states:

"You ignore that statement of President Theodore Roosevelt in his 1904 message to Congress and you select two sentences from a subsequent paragraph of the same message as giving support to your position.

"However, if you had used all that President Theodore Roosevelt said in that same portion of his message to Congress it would have been apparent to all those who read your letter that instead of supporting the policy which you have adopted, President Theodore Roosevelt supported an exactly opposite policy, for immediately following the two sentences quoted by you he said:

"Nevertheless there are occasional crimes committed on so vast a scale and of such peculiar horror as to make us doubt whether it is not our manifest duty to endeavor at least to show our disapproval of the deed and our sympathy with those who have suffered by it. The cases must be extreme in which such a course is justifiable. There must be no effort made to remove the mote from our brother's eye if we refuse to remove the beam from our own. But in extreme cases action may be justifiable and proper \* \* \*

"Yet it is not to be expected that a people like ours, which in spite of certain very obvious shortcomings, nevertheless as a whole shows by its consistent practice its belief in the principles of civil and religious liberty and of orderly freedom, a people among whom even the worst crime, like the crime of lynching, is never more than sporadic, so that such a nation should desire eagerly to give expression to its horror on an occasion like that of the massacre of the Jews in Kisheneff, or when it

witnesses such systematic and long extended cruelty and oppression as the cruelty and oppression of which the Armenians have been the victims, and which have won for them the indignant pity of the civilized world.'"

DR. WILENSKY SEES PALESTINE HUB OF JEWISH CULTURE

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- "Palestine is becoming the hub of Jewish scholarly life," declared Dr. Michael Wilensky, Hebrew scholar formerly of Berlin, arriving here to catalogue the Hebrew Union College's manuscript collection.

"America's Jewish scholarly career," he said, is still in the process of being formed, holding that America offers opportunity for great development.

Dr. Wilensky, who is known for his contributions to Hebrew grammar study, has for years conducted research in the great libraries of Europe. His works fill four huge volumes, two of which are still unpublished.

REFUSED TO SHAKE HANDS WITH "ARYAN" GIRLS, JEW IS JAILED

BERLIN, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- An official communique disclosed today that a Jewish traveling salesman has been jailed in Magdeburg for refusing to shake hands with "Aryan" sales girls in a store in which he was soliciting orders for fear that he would be arrested for "Rassenschande" (race defilement).

The salesman, whose name was not revealed, stated that his fear of arrest had been aroused by the arrest of the Jewish employes of the Bachrach Brothers department store on "Rassenschande" charges, the communique said.

PALESTINIAN CITIZEN DEPORTED BY NAZIS

BERLIN, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- A Palestinian citizen named Ben Aaron, who had been here three months advising German leaders of the Hechalutz movement (the movement for training German youth for pioneer work in Palestine) left Germany today upon receipt of a deportation order.

REICH ZIONISTS TO HOLD NATIONAL PARLEY JAN. 2

BERLIN, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Zionist leaders have obtained permission to hold on January 2 the first all-German Zionist convention since the accession of Hitler to power. It was announced today. The parley will last three days.

NEWMAN WILL LEAVES \$25,000 TO ORPHAN ASYLUM

NEW YORK, Dec. 19, (JTA) -- A bequest of \$25,000 to the Hebrew Orphan Asylum was included in the will of Abraham L. Newman, retired corset manufacturer, who died Dec. 18, 1933, according to a tax appraisal filed today. The total estate was \$791,665 net.

GERMAN JUDGES FORBIDDEN TO QUOTE JEWISH JURISTS

BERLIN, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Legal interpretations by Jewish jurists lost all standing in German courts today when the President of the Reich Chamber of Jurists issued a decree ordering all German jurists not to quote Jews or to cite comments and interpretations printed in "Jewish law journals" since they are not in accordance with the Nazi spirit now ruling the German courts.

WEIZMANN, BEN-GURION, SHERTOK TO MEET WITH WAUCHOPE SUNDAY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The Government tonight confirmed the fact that a number of Zionist leaders have been invited by High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope to attend a conference Sunday and hear the announcement of the representative legislative council for Palestine.

The Zionist leaders, who will meet the day after Arab leaders convene to hear a similar announcement, are Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization; David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine; Moshe Shertok, head of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency; Isaac ben-Zvi, president of the Jewish National Council of Palestine and Rabbi Blau.