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### 6 ARABS KILLED, 24 WOUNDED IN NEW PALESTINE DISORDERS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- Expectations of an early peace in the strife-torn Holy Land were dimmed today when Arab disorders flared anew in various parts of the country, resulting in the death of six Arabs and the wounding of 24 others.

An official communique said an Arab band suffered twelve casualties in an encounter with British troops east of Nablus and Jenin. Planes helped rout the rebels, who had attacked a military patrol.

Two Arabs were found dead and ten wounded this morning in the vicinity of Beit Vegan. Two others were found dead on the road to Petach Tichvah.

British soldiers killed two Arabs who had fired on them in the Jabalish quarter of Jaffa.

Two Arabs were seriously wounded by a Jew near the Tel Aviv railway station. Police were investigating tonight. A bomb damaged a water tower at Beit Vegan.

### Troops Seize 30 with Bomb Cache

British troops today arrested thirty Arab youths, members of prominent families, after a search of the Jaffa Football club disclosed a cache of bombs and infernal machines, which explode when tampered with.

Similar explosives carefully packaged and addressed to Jewish residents were discovered by the Criminal Investigation Department in the Tel Aviv railway station before delivery.

Following the revelations, police broadcast warnings against opening packages received from unknown sources.

Arabs during the night destroyed about fifteen acres of trees on a grove near Beit Dagan, owned by Mrs. Solomon Lamport of New York, the widow of the noted Zionist and philanthropist, it was reported today.

Several thousand trees owned by Cantor Kvarthen, formerly of New York, were destroyed near Tiberias by a party of vandals, which numbered about 100 judging from the tracks.

A Jewish watchman was stabbed by an Arab shepherd in a dispute over grazing rights at Kfar Hassidim. He was reported in a serious condition.

#### PALESTINE GROUPS ASK UNITED FRONT WITH REVISIONISTS AND AGUDAH

JERUSALEM, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- Seven Jewish organizations today urged uncompromising defense of Zionism and mobilization of world Jewry to save the Jewish National Home, in a cable to the World Zionist Organization Actions Committee in Zurich.

"Any compromise now," the cable said, "means catastrophe in the future."

The message asked that the Revisionists, right wing Zionists who bolted the World Zionist Organization in 1933, be invited to return, and called upon the Actions Committee to secure adherence to the united front of the Agudath Israel, non-Zionist extreme orthodox group.

The seven signatories are the General Zionist Federation, the Miz-rachi, orthodox Zionists; the Jewish State Party, moderate right wing Zionist group within the World Zionist Organization; the Bnei Benjamin, the Artisans Federation, the Landlords Union and the Federation of Yemenite Jews,

#### AGUDAH REGRETS LACK OF UNITED FRONT

JERUSALEM, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- A conference of the Palestine Agudath Israel, orthodox Jewish organization, today adopted a resolution appealing to "the civilized world to assist the persecuted Jewish people and to prevent the robbery of the promised land." The resolution voices regret at the lack of a united front among Jews and appeals to orthodox Jewry for funds.

The Tel Aviv Federation of Rabbis sent a memorandum to High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope demanding radical measures to restore order.

# ZIONIST LEADERS EXPECT SERIOUS DEVELOPMENTS ON IMMIGRATION IN FEW DAYS

ZURICH, Switzerland, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government has not yet been authorized by Great Britain to announce temporary suspension of Jewish immigration into the Holy Land, it was revealed today by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization and the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

Dr. Weizmann said he had been informed from London that an official announcement, if any, of such action was not expected before next Wednesday.

The office of the Actions Committee of the World Zionist Organization, now in special session here, announced there was no question of suspension action by Friday, as reported from Jerusalem last night by a news agency.

The report, according to committee members, emanated from Arab sources and was definitely not authentic. However, they expressed the fear that the next few days may bring the most serious developments with respect to immigration.

Dr. Weizmann announced the Jewish Agency for Palestine intended to fight to the end to prevent suspension.

"The executive," he said, "will do everything in its power to fight against stoppage of Jewish immigration."

## Asks 2-Month Fund Campaign

A report on the economic damages resulting from the nineteen-week-old disorders was presented at today's session of the committee by Eliezer Kaplan, treasurer of the Palestine Executive of the Jewish Agency.

Mr. Kaplan said great sums would be required to hold the Jewish economic position and safeguard Jewish lives and property. He urged the Actions Committee to proclaim a two-months campaign for funds to continue the upbuilding of the Jewish national home and provide safety.

Jewish buying power has decreased and purchasing is now restricted to essentials, Mr. Kaplan reported. He charged the Government with failing to meet Jewish requirements for road construction in certain districts where roads are necessary for security purposes. Such roads, he said, would have to be constructed from funds raised by the proposed campaign.

The Jewish Agency for Palestine expended through the Palestine Foundation Fund \$1,250,000 for colonization work, including \$750,000 for settlement of German Jews, Mr. Kaplan reported.

He revealed that when current Palestine disturbances broke out last April the Agency had been in the midst of negotiations bearing "most importantly" on the Jewish homeland work, which were broken off for a time.

The work of building the Jewish homeland, has not been interrupted for a day despite the disorders, he said.

In reference to Palestine's economic position, he stated that "though there is a heavy depression in the country, there cannot be any talk of a crisis."

#### Ussishkin Stresses Land-Buying

Menachem Mendel Ussishkin, world president of the Jewish National Fund, stressed the need for buying land in another report to the committee.

America was first and Germany second in contributions to the Jewish National Fund, land-purchasing agency in Palestine, he reported. The total income for the year was \$2,000,000, representing a 16 per cent increase over the previous year, he said.

Members of the Jewish State Party, the Mizrachi Organization and the "B" section of the General Zionists, formed a political bloc to demand formation of a special political committee to supplement the Jewish Agency's political department, with full rights to decide on issues affecting Palestine.

#### Ben-Gurion Asks United Front

An appeal for a united Zionist front to safeguard Jewish rights in the Holy Land was sounded by David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Palestine Executive of the Jewish Agency.

Previous to his three-hour speech, which touched upon Jewish relations with the Arabs and the British Royal Commission, representatives of Zionist factions agreed that the expected stoppage of immigration into Palestine, even temporarily, would be a violation of Jewish rights. Mr. Ben-Gurion's address wound up the political debate.

Delegates agreed that there was a necessity for activating Jewish masses the world over and for raising funds to strengthen the Jewish community in Palestine.

Mr. Ussishkin announced formation of a special political committee of eighteen to take up the political questions raised in the previous debate.

#### LONDON HEARS ARABS ENDING STRIKE

LONDON, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- The Exchange Telegraph Agency reported today that Arab leaders decided to issue a proclamation within the next few days calling off the nineteen-week-old Arab general strike in Palestine.

The decision came after assurances were received from Nuri Pasha es-Said, Foreign Minister of Iraq, that the British government would halt Jewish immigration when violence ceases, the despatch said.



The Daily Telegraph reported from Jerusalem that Arab leaders had issued a proclamation calling off the strike following assurances by Iraq's Foreign Minister, that the Government would consider Arab demands sympathetically.

According to this report, Arabs are expected to return to work Sunday in obedience to the proclamation.

#### PEACE REPORTS BOOST PALESTINE STOCKS IN LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- Palestine stock issues on the London Stock Exchange enjoyed a minor boom today on reports that peace was imminent in the Holy Land.

Gains of from one to two shillings were registered by such stocks as the Anglo-Palestine Bank and the Palestine Electric Corp., Ltd.

The issues were actively traded in from the opening and maintained their gains to the close of the market.

#### POLISH JEWS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST IMMIGRATION HALT

WARSAW, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- Jews throughout Poland today held meetings and staged demonstrations in protest against the threatened suspension by Great Britain of Jewish immigration into Palestine.

Polish Jewry, which has been contributing the bulk of immigrants to Palestine, would be severely affected by even temporary stoppage of immigration. In the first six months of 1936, more than 6,000 Polish Jews went to the Holy Land as permanent settlers.

Resolutions condemning efforts to liquidate the disorders at the expense of the Jews were adopted by meetings in many cities and towns throughout the country.

The resolutions described the threatened suspension as a reward for Arab violence and charged it would undermine the League of Nations mandate under which Great Britain rules the Holy Land.

Tribute was paid to the Palestine Jews and pledges were given supporting the Jewish Agency for Palestine in its fight against suspension.

Havas News Agency said a delegation called on the British Ambassador at Warsaw to present the resolutions, which were supplemented by telegraphed protests sent to the British Colonial Office in London. Immigration suspension is reportedly scheduled to become effective Oct. 1, according to Havas.

Following the meetings, special services were held in synagogues.

DR. WISE SEES PALESTINE DISORDERS STRENGTHENING YISHUE

NEW YORK, Aug. 27. (JTA) -- Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, returning on the Ile de France from the World Jewish Congress in Geneva, expressed the opinion today that disorders in Palestine had strengthened the Jewish community.

In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, he declared that while immigration to Palestine might be suspended for a time, "it is incredible to believe that Britain should commit the blunder of postponing immigration."

Such an act, he said, would be "a reward to the Arabs for lawlessness and a penalty to the Jews for loyalty and self-restraint. Such a blow to the hopes of the Jewish people would be supremely unjust, coming at a time when the need of persecuted Jews for a home of freedom and security was never more urgent."

Reuben Salzman and William Weiner, two of the five radical Jewish delegates who were barred from the Congress, also returned on the Ile de France. They minimized the congress's results and said a fight must be pressed for a "united" and "democratic" congress. They will report to a mass meeting at the Manhattan Opera House Sept. 3.

The main task facing the Zionist movement in America and all Jews concerned with the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine is the mobilization of all forces to resist the imminent danger of the suspension of Jewish immigration into Palestine, said Dr. Wise.

Discussing the World Congress, Dr. Wise declared that it had two important accomplishments to its credit; first, that it laid the foundations for a permanent body which, in time to come, would win the adherence of all Jews so that the problems affecting the Jewish people in various parts of the world might be dealt with systematically; secondly, that it centered attention on the paramount need of opening the doors of Palestine to an even greater Jewish immigration instead of permitting any restrictions on the progress thus far attained.

He said the Congress had served a valuable purpose in giving to the delegation from Poland an opportunity to recount the plight of 3,500,000 Jews threatened by unprecedented economic and political persecution. "Every one of the 61 delegates attending the Congress from Poland," Dr. Wise stated, "signed his name to the most courageous document describing the plight of Jews that has ever come out of Poland."

Commenting on his conferences in London where he had been summoned to discuss the Palestine situation by Dr. Martin Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, and David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Dr. Wise said:

"We are now faced with the supreme task of averting the peril of a suspension of Jewish immigration. It is true that we found a sympathetic hearing among officers of the British Government for the case of the Jewish people in Palestine, but there is a danger that considerations that have no relation to the Balfour Declaration and the League Mandate are playing a vital part in the decisions that may be made by the British Government with respect to Palestine."