PALESTINE REPORTS $125,000 DEFICIT; MERCHANTS BACK TEL AVIV JETTY

JERUSALEM, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government, which until recently had consistently reported treasury surpluses, announced today a deficit of $125,000 for the period from April 1 to Oct. 1, attributed largely to the costs of dealing with recent disorders.

A conference of Jewish merchants decided to use the new harbor at the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv exclusively in the face of Arab leaders' protests that the new port's competition would harm the neighboring Jaffa harbor.

An Arab, Ali Ibrahim, was sentenced to death in Haifa for firing on British troops. The judge emphasized that no amnesty could be expected for a person committing such an act.

El Liwaa, Arabic daily, reported that 15,000 Arabs assembled on the banks of the Jordan last night to give a send-off to Fawzi Bey el Kawkaji, Syrian rebel leader, who was being sought by troops as Palestine's "Public Enemy No. 1."

The festivities ended at dawn, the paper said, when a barbed wire barrier was cut and Kawkaji, accompanied by a few followers, crossed into Transjordan. The paper boasted of the Government's failure to capture their hero.

Curfew was lifted last night from Jaffa, predominantly Arab city, where the disturbances broke out six months ago.

CABINET PREPARES ANTI-FASCIST MEASURES FOR PARLIAMENT ACTION

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The British Cabinet, meeting today to consider the situation arising from Fascist disorders, groomed a series of measures for promulgation at the opening of Parliament next Tuesday.
While no decision was announced, it was believed the measures would take the form of a public order bill. The bill may provide for prohibition of political uniforms, although this was still problematical when the Cabinet adjourned to continue its deliberations tomorrow.

The Fascist situation came up before the Cabinet with the consideration of its subcommittee’s memorandum on suggested methods of dealing with the Blackshirts.

Meanwhile, the City Council of Cardiff imposed a ban on Fascist uniforms.

CLERIC, OPPOSING RESOLUTION ON ANTI-SEMITISM, ASSAILED "ALIENS".

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The resolution condemning anti-Semitism in London’s East End, adopted by the Autumn diocesan conference of the Church of England yesterday, drew approval today in Jewish quarters.

The resolution was adopted with only two delegates dissenting. One of those who opposed it delivered a vehement address against "aliens," who, he charged, were desecrating the Christian Sabbath.

The resolution said:

"This conference, while fully recognizing the difficulties arising from the presence in certain districts of large populations of people of other religious beliefs and social habits, asserts the fact that the Jew and the Christian are children of God, and therefore calls upon all Christians to stand firm against any and every attempt to arouse anti-Semitic feeling for political or any other end."

The resolution was introduced by M. A. Guthbert, Vicar of the East End church, who said a need existed for a more equitable administration of law between Jews and Gentiles, "but what took place in the East End must be combated, because Fascist methods for stirring hatred, bitterness and persecution against Jews are fundamentally un-Christian."

The Bishop of London, who presided, said there was no enmity between Gentile and Jew and "it is monstrous that a body of outsiders should disturb the peace of that part of London," adding that this forced the Jew to make common cause with the Gentile opposing such interference.

Referring to Palestine, he said the Zionists would not be allowed to "blind" the churchmen to the grievances the Arabs had, who, he said, were finding their land "sold under their feet." The Arabs had a real case which they must put before the world, he asserted.
MANDATES BODY INVITES BRITISH ENVOY FOR TALK ON PALESTINE

GENEVA, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The Mandates Commission of the League of Nations, opening its thirtieth session today, decided to invite a representative of Great Britain to attend a discussion of the Mandatory's administration of the Palestine mandate. It is believed the invitation will be rejected.

It had been reported earlier that the commission had dropped consideration of the Palestine question from the agenda following a declaration by Pierre Orts of Belgium, acting chairman, that Great Britain was not in a position to make a statement. The Mandatory has persisted in its refusal to report on the recent disorders, contending it must await completion of the forthcoming investigation by the British Royal Commission, scheduled to leave for the Holy Land on Nov. 5.

537 REICH REFUGEES BEAT ENTRY CURBS IN DASH TO SO. AFRICA

CAPE TOWN, Union of So. Africa, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- Winning by five days a race to enter South Africa before new immigration restrictions go into effect, 537 German-Jewish refugees arrived today on the specially chartered liner Stuttgart.

An expected demonstration against the immigrants by pro-Nazi groups failed to materialize, their landing being effected without molestation except for occasional taunts.

The new immigration curbs become effective Nov. 1.

BRAZIL VETOES PROJECT TO SETTLE 10,000 REICH JEWS IN MATTO GROSSO

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- It was reliably learned today that the Brazilian Government has vetoed a privately sponsored project to settle 10,000 German-Jewish refugees along the Sao Laurenso River in the State of Matto Grosso. The project, proposed by the Latifundista, an organization of large estate owners, had the backing of Matto Grosso.

According to Dr. Messinger, leader of the German-Jewish colony here, the Federal Government is opposed to the project on the grounds that the suggested territory is wild and unsuitable for colonization by Europeans.

ZIONIST POLITICAL BODY PONDERS ATTITUDE ON ROYAL COMMISSION

JERUSALEM, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The political subcommittee of the World Zionist Organization's general council deliberated at a day-long session yesterday a possible Jewish position on the Royal Commission, which is leaving England Nov. 5 to investigate recent disorders. The committee adjourned for ten days.
TO LIFT BAN ON RELIGIOUS TEACHING IN RUMANIA STATE SCHOOLS

BUCHAREST, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The Minister of Education, Prof. Constantin Anghelescu, promised today to rescind a recently invoked ban on the teaching of Jewish religion in the State schools. Announcement of his decision was made following an audience with Senator Dr. Jakob Niemirower, Chief Rabbi of Bucharest.

The ban, which had been announced Oct. 13, ended the practice whereby Jewish pupils, who were not permitted to attend classes in the Christian religion, studied Jewish religion as a substitute part of the curriculum. Private instruction was not prohibited.

JACOB EPSTEIN’S "RIMA" DAMAGED BY VANDALS

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- Unknown persons today smeared with blue paint and oil Jacob Epstein’s famous Hyde Park statue of "Rima," central character in W. H. Hudson’s "Green Mansions."

The vandalism was the second committed against an Epstein work in the past few days, the noted sculptor’s "Day," which stands in front of London’s transport headquarters, having been daubed with paint last Friday. The ultra-modernistic works of the noted New York-born sculptor have long been the center of critical storms and have frequently been made the target of vandals.

BRITISH CONSULATE HERE NOT ISSUING PALESTINE TOURIST VISAS

NEW YORK, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The British Consulate here informed the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that it has not been issuing tourist visas for Palestine since the middle of October and would continue not to do so until order has been completely restored in the Holy Land.

Business men are not affected by the prohibition, it was said at the consulate. The ban is being observed by British consulates the world over, according to an official of the consulate.

WORLD JEWISH POPULATION 16,300,000, SURVEY SHOWS

BERLIN (JTA) -- The world Jewish population numbers 16,300,000, as compared with 4,000,000 in 1850, according to a summary of the work of Dr. Erwin Rawicz, noted Jewish statistician, reported in the C.-V. Zeitung, organ of the Central Union of Jews in Germany.

Approximately 80 per cent of the Jewish population resides in three main communal centers. They are Eastern Europe, comprising Poland, the U.S.S.R., Rumania and the Baltic States, where dwell about 7,500,000 Jews or 45 per cent; the United States, about 4,500,000 or some 27 per cent; and the Mediterranean basin states about 1,333,000 or some 8 per cent.
Dr. Rawicz attributes this vast population increase to world economic developments and industrialization during the latter half of the 19th century which eventuated in emancipation of Jews in most European countries and their release from "ghetto" restrictions.

From just over 4,000,000 in 1850, the total rose to nearly 6,000,000 in 1880 and to nearly 10,000,000 in 1900 -- an increase of 400 percent in one century against a heavy drop during the previous 2,000 years. The first third of the present century resulted in a further jump of more than 50 percent, bringing the Jewish population to its present 16,500,000.

The survey discloses that there is no country in the world to which Jews have failed to emigrate in modern times in their search for a livelihood or in their flight from persecution.

The Jewish population of Germany is given as 400,000, compared with an estimated 550,000 at the time of Adolf Hitler's advent to power in 1933. The number of Jews in Palestine is given as 395,000.

By continents, the survey shows, there are 9,736,000 in Europe, including Turkey in Asia and Russia; 560,000 in Africa; 936,000 in Asia; 5,031,000 in North and South America and 27,900 in Australia and New Zealand.

BELGIAN FASCISTS STIR INCIDENTS IN PARLIAMENT

BRUSSELS, Oct. 27. (JTA) -- The Fascist-inclined Belgian Rexists carried their agitation from the streets into Parliament today at an extraordinary session convened to discuss defense measures, according to the Havas News Agency.

With heavy patrols of gendarmes mounting guard over the building, Rexists provoked several minor incidents within the chamber. The extra gendarme guards were posted as a result of the Rexist demonstrations last Sunday, but no major disorders took place after the Parliamentary session began.

Leon Degrelle, leader of the Rexists, who was released from jail yesterday, staged a miniature coup d'etat in the Place Marie Louise today, after threatening the capital once again with an invasion of 400,000 of his followers. Degrelle and a band of his partisans took possession of the square, stopping all traffic, while he began to speak from the base of the statue of General Bernheim. Police appeared on the scene. Degrelle and his men promptly left.

PARIS PAPER SEES BLUNDER IN GERMAN ENVOY'S ATTACK ON COMMUNISM

PARIS, Oct. 27, (JTA) -- Joachim von Ribbentrop, new German Ambassador to Great Britain, committed a blunder in declaring Anglo-German cooperation should be based on the defense of "our civilization and culture against Communism," the newspaper Le Temps declared in an editorial today, according to the Havas News Agency.

"The English people does not believe it should choose between Communism and Fascism but stands by the doctrine which responds best to its own temperament and distrusts in equal measure Fascist, Nazi or proletarian dictatorships," Le Temps said.