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## ROYAL COMMISSION OPENS PROBE; PEEL DEPLORES ABSENCE OF ARABS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Britain's Royal Commission opened its investigation today into the six-month disorders in Palestine with a broadcast public session and prepared to begin a week's tour of the principal trouble centers tomorrow.

Lord Peel, head of the commission, deploring the Arabs' decision to boycott the inquiry, said "it will be most unfortunate if we are compelled to arrive at conclusions and decisions without their advice."

Replying for the six-man commission to an opening speech of welcome by High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, Lord Peel said it was determined to study the problems impartially and had heard no evidence before leaving London to avoid preconceived ideas.

"It would be deplorable indeed," said the former Secretary of State for India, "if strife, fears and dissension are to be the portion of the Holy Land, which forwarded in the past the message of peace and good-will to all the world."

Emphasizing the commission's independence, he said it took no responsibility for past or present Government policy and appealed to "all loving Palestine and holding her future dear to join the Royal Commission and share its labors."

Two hundred representatives of all elements of the population except the Arabs were on hand in the Government House assembly room as High Commissioner Wauchope appealed to the population to cooperate in the inquiry.

Terming the day a historical landmark for the Holy Land, he stressed the difficulties facing the commission and expressed confidence in its "wisdom, experience and authority to succeed and to point the way to a just and equitable solution."

The only Arabs present were Government officials as a result of the Arab Supreme Committee's decision to boycott the sessions in protest against failure to suspend Jewish immigration. The diplomatic corps and representatives of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Jewish National Council attended.

The Jerusalem municipality was not represented on the ground that Mayor Hussein Khalidi was "ill." Daniel Auster, Jewish vice-mayor, attended as an "individual" under a decision that the invitation to Mayor Khalidi was personal.

The commission, which will seek to discover the causes of the disorders that took 314 lives and caused \$15,000,000 property damage, includes, besides Lord Peel: Sir Horace Rumbold, Sir Laurie Hammond, Sir Morris Carter, Sir Harold Morris and Prof. Reginald Coupland.

Under the terms of reference given it by Parliament, the commission will investigate the underlying causes of the disorders, inquiring into the manner in which the League of Nations mandate is being implemented, ascertaining whether Arabs or Jews have legitimate grievances in relation to the manner in which the mandate is being implemented and recommending measures to remove the causes of the grievances.

#### Italian Consul Quits Session; Seated Next to Abyssinians

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Italian Consul created a stir at the opening session of the British Royal Commission's investigation into the Palestine disturbances this afternoon when he stalked out of the hearing room because he had been given a seat next to the Abyssinian delegation.

#### \$3,597,560 RAISED BY BRITISH SECTION OF COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY

LONDON, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The sum of \$3,597,560 to aid in expatriation and rehabilitation of Germany's Jews has been raised in the last eleven months by the British section of the Council for German Jewry, it was announced here today.

Of the total, \$1,573,200 has already been allocated to Palestine and other emigration projects, for work in Germany and for assistance to refugees in England.

The Council estimates that by the end of the year 20,000 German Jews will have been aided through emigration and other projects it is furthering.

FASCISTS FINANCED FROM ABROAD, COMMONS TOLD BY SIMON

LONDON, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The charge that British Fascists and Communists are being financed from foreign sources was made in the House of Commons today by Home Secretary Sir John Simon. Sir John said he was unable to amplify on the statement.

Apprised of the charge, Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Union of Fascists, denied it and challenged the Home Secretary to produce evidence.

BRAZIL ENACTS CURBS ON IMMIGRANTS AND TOURISTS

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Regulatory measures affecting tourists; immigrants and alien residents were adopted today by the Brazilian Chamber of Deputies.

The measures require immigrants and tourists to register with the police and report their movements about the country. All alien residents are required to obtain residence permits from the police.

A congress of police chiefs representing every State in Brazil decided to deny to Jewish immigrants entry to their respective territories on the grounds that they concentrate in cities and take up peddling. A temporary ban on all Jewish tourists was adopted by the congress.

The Chamber of Deputies is expected shortly to vote on measures embodying the police decisions.

ARAB PRISONERS CALL HUNGER STRIKE OVER TERRORISTS' DEATH SENTENCES

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Islamia, Arab daily, reported today that Arab prisoners have declared a hunger strike in protest against death sentences imposed on two Arab terrorists convicted of shooting at British troops. High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope has refused to commute their sentences.

DR. JOSEF STEIN, TEL AVIV PHYSICIAN, DEAD AT 73

TEL AVIV, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Josef Stein, prominent physician and editor of the medical journal, Harefua, died here today at the age of 73.

DENY IRAQ'S "BLACK HAND" AIMED AT JEWS ALONE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Reports abroad that a terrorist organization known as the "Black Hand" had been organized in Iraq, directed against the Jews, were described today as erroneous.

The Jewish National Council, which is keeping in close contact with Baghdad, said the "Black Hand" was a general terrorist organization, not aimed especially against the Jews.

#### IRAQ DICTATOR PLEDGES TO KEEP PEACE AMONG RELIGIOUS GROUPS

BAGHDAD, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Khekman Suleiman, Iraq's new dictator, today visited the leaders of all religious communities and pledged to maintain friendly relations among the various religious groups and national minorities.

#### DR. JACOB ADLER, REICH ECONOMIST, DIES IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Jacob Adler, of Leipzig, Germany, journalist and economist, died here today. He was 44 years old.

#### JUSTICE BRANDEIS HAILED ON EVE OF 80TH BIRTHDAY

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- High government officials, Jewish leaders the nation over and lovers of Palestine throughout the world joined today in paying tribute to Justice Louis D. Brandeis, dean of the Supreme Court liberals and veteran leader of American Zionists, who will be eighty years old tomorrow. The jurist planned to spend the day on the bench as usual.

President Roosevelt sent Mr. Brandeis a letter of felicitations in Washington, but neither the White House nor the Justice would make public its contents. His legal brilliance, contributions to American life and leadership in the Zionist movement were extolled by Cabinet members, senators and leaders in every walk of life.

More than a hundred appraisals, tributes and felicitations are published in the American Hebrew alone, which has issued a special Brandeis number. Governor Lehman, in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, called him "a great American and a great Jew."

The American Jewish Congress scheduled six meetings in Justice Brandeis' honor, four of which will be held Friday evening in Brooklyn and the Bronx, another Nov. 22 in the Bronx and the last Nov. 27 in Brooklyn. Zionist groups held private celebrations in various parts of the city. The Palestine Economic Corporation paid tribute to the jurist at a private gathering in the Jewish Club.

In Louisville, Ky., Evelyn J. Schneider, librarian of the University of Louisville, disclosed that Justice Brandeis, a native of the city, had presented the university with seven packets of personal papers, not to be opened until his death. The university will hold a convocation in his honor tomorrow.

Among the many forms of tribute on his birthday were the decisions of Hadassah to plant 10,000 trees in Palestine in his honor and to name the out-patient department of the Rothschild-Hadassah-University Medical Center after him.

### J.N.F. to Found Brandeis Colony

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Jewish National Fund will establish a colony in Palestine in honor of Justice Louis D. Brandeis of the United States Supreme Court, it was announced here tonight at a celebration in honor of the noted jurist's eightieth birthday tomorrow,

Announcement of the plan was made by M.M. Ussishkin, world president of the Fund, at a gathering at the headquarters of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

Other celebrations in honor of Mr. Justice Brandeis will be held tomorrow, including one at the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv.

### GUSTLOFF CASE INSPIRES NEW ANTI-JEWISH CHARGES IN NAZI PRESS.

BERLIN, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Nazi newspapers continued today a campaign to arouse German sentiment against the Jews in connection with the trial of David Frankfurter, Yugoslavian Jewish medical student, for the murder of Wilhelm Gustloff, Nazi agent, scheduled to open in Switzerland on Dec. 3.

Chancellor Hitler's Voelkischer Beobachter and Propaganda Minister Goebbels' Der Angriff published identical articles urging the public to read Nazi literature on the Gustloff case "to obtain a clear picture of the machinations of Judah, which constitute a danger not only to the Third Reich but to the order of Europe."

Charging that the Gustloff assassination was part of a plot to destroy the Nazi movement and the Fuehrer, the article declared that the trial was aimed more to discredit the Nazi movement than to prove the guilt of Frankfurter.

### JEWS GONE, REICH TOWN'S SYNAGOGUE TO BE SOLD

KOENIGSBERG, Germany, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Jewish community decided today to sell the synagogue building in the neighboring town of Seebadcranz because no Jews are left there.

### HEART ATTACK FATAL TO EX-JUDGE HARTMAN

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Gustave Hartman, former Municipal Court Justice, founder and president of the Israel Orphan Asylum and long prominent in local Jewish affairs, died of a heart attack today at the asylum. He was 56 years old.

REICH JEWISH WEEKLY STARTS SPANISH, PORTUGUESE PAGE

BERLIN, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Israelitische Familienblatt, oldest Jewish weekly in Germany, commenced today publication of a page in Spanish and Portuguese to give Jews intending to emigrate to South American countries an opportunity to study the languages.

70 PER CENT OF PALESTINE CERTIFICATES ALLOCATED TO BACHELORS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Seventy per cent of the 1,300 immigration certificates available under the new labor schedule have been earmarked for bachelors, it was learned today, with 10 per cent for maidens and 20 per cent for families.

Of the 1,300 entry permits remaining in the 1,800-certificate schedule for the six months beginning last Oct. 1 following a deduction by the Government, the Jewish Agency for Palestine has already received 650 and 650 will be granted at the end of January.

The certificates are allocated according to occupations as follows: 250 for persons engaged in agriculture, 50 for industrial experts, 750 for pioneers and professionals, and 250 have been reserved for relatives of Palestine residents. Capitalist immigration is unrestricted and does not come under the schedule.

LWOW POLYTECHNICUM CLOSED AFTER RECTOR REFUSES TO SEGREGATE JEWS

LWOW, Poland, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Lwow Polytechnicum was closed down for an indefinite period today after the rector had rejected a demand of Nationalist students to segregate Jews in separate benches.

The Nationalist delegation refused to guarantee maintenance of order and the rector replied, "We shall not return to the twelfth century."

Ber Weigman, 72-year-old Jew, was murdered here today. Police suspected that anti-Semitic Nationalists were responsible.

Dr. Alexander Reichman, mathematics lecturer at Warsaw University, was suspended subject to disciplinary action for writing a letter to the press criticizing the authorities for failing to maintain order at the university. The university has been the scene of anti-Semitic disorders recently.