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AGENCY TO FORM SMALL ADMINISTRATIVE BODY IN JERUSALEM.

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- Establishment of a small administrative committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, to sit permanently in Jerusalem, was decided upon today at a meeting of the Agency's executive, it was reliably learned.

A scheduled meeting here next month of the regular administrative committee was abandoned, it was also learned.

Zionists and non-Zionists will be members of the new committee on a fifty-fifty basis, it was stated. It will have virtually the same functions as the large body. Its functions and other details will be determined by the Agency executive at a conference tomorrow.

KING GEORGE GETS PLEDGE OF FEALTY FROM BRITISH JEWS

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- A loyal address in the name of the Jews of the British Empire was presented to King George VI at Buckingham Palace this morning by a delegation representing the Board of Deputies of British Jews and the Anglo-Jewish Association.

Concluding a formal and colorful ceremony, the monarch voiced the thanks of himself and Queen Elizabeth and his "great satisfaction to receive this beautiful address assuring me of the loyalty and devotion of my Jewish subjects throughout the world."

The delegation included Dr. Joseph H. Hertz, chief rabbi of Great Britain; Neville Laski, president of the Board of Deputies; Leonard G. Montefiore, president of the association; Lionel Rothschild, Sir Osmond d'Avigdor Goldsmid, Lionel Cohen, Gerald E. Beddington, Gordon Liverman, Lady Spielman, Leonard Stein, Sir Isadore Salmon, A. S. Diamond and A. G. Brotman.

LAST DRINKWATER WORK POEM ON KING'S VISIT TO EAST END

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- The most recent printed work of John Drinkwater, famous British poet and playwright who died today at the age of 54, was a poem written on the occasion of the visit by King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to London's East End Jewish district, the Havas News Agency reported.

DRIVE FOR 10,000 HEBREW U. SPONSORS LAUNCHED IN LONDON

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- A campaign to enroll 10,000 new members in support of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem was announced last night by Dr. Norman Bentwich, professor of International Relations at the university and former Palestine Attorney-General.

Addressing British Lodge No. 1 of B'nai B'rith, international Jewish fraternal order, Dr. Bentwich said the development of the university had been hindered in the past few years by the lack of support.

Until a few years ago three-quarters of the university budget was made up by contributions from America, he said. While the contribution was £30,000 a year from America, England's was only £2,000, Dr. Bentwich declared. The budget has been doubled and is now £80,000, he said.

Much of the credit for obtaining funds from the United States Dr. Bentwich gave to Dr. Judah L. Magnes, president of the university and former rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, New York, whom he described as "the man with the tongue of gold."

The university is arranging to publish three times a year a bulletin describing its work and the aims of the institution, which he prophesied would become "a center of light and civilization to the whole world."

WARBURG LAUDS COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- Felix M. Warburg expressed satisfaction today with the outcome of the Council for German Jewry deliberations which he attended together with other American Jewish leaders. The council adopted a \$2,500,000 budget covering emigration and retraining activities in behalf of Jews in Germany which it is coordinating.

JEW'S VITALITY CITED BY LLOYD GEORGE AS BEHIND SURVIVAL

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- The survival of the Jews as a separate race despite adversities demonstrates their inherent vitality and indomitable spirit, according to David Lloyd George.

Judah has triumphed over all griefs for 30 centuries, the wartime Prime Minister declares in an article, "What Has the Jew Done?", in the Strand magazine.

ORMSBY-GORE UPHOLDS JEWS' SELF-DEFENCE RIGHTS IN PALESTINE

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- "There are no grounds for the suggestion that Jewish citizens of Palestine do not have the same rights to self-defence as people in this country," William G.A. Ormsby-Gore, Colonial Secretary, declared in Commons yesterday.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore made the statement in reply to the Rev. Campbell Stephen, Independent Laborite, who had asked about a statement attributed to a magistrate in Tiberias, Palestine, that a Jew should run away if he was attacked.

SIMON URGED TO PRESS ANTI-FASCIST CURBS IN LONDON

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- A delegation of Labor members of Parliament have privately interviewed Home Secretary Sir John Simon, it was disclosed today, urging further action against Fascist anti-Jewish activities in London's East End. Informed the Public Order Bill was not being implemented, Sir John Declared he would carefully consider the evidence.

597 FAILED IN BIDS FOR PALESTINE NATURALIZATION IN 1936

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- Of 5,444 applications for naturalization received by the Palestine Government last year, 597 were refused, it was announced here today.

PALESTINE BANK TO ISSUE NEW DEBENTURES

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- The board of directors of the General Mortgage Bank of Palestine decided today to issue new debentures in the nominal amount of £300,000 bearing five per cent interest. The board also decided to redeem the six-per cent debentures series PQR totalling £91,540.

PATTERSON, JEWISH LEGION CHIEF, URGES UNITY AMONG JEWS

JERUSALEM, March 25. (JTA) -- Lieut.-Col. J.H. Patterson, greeted here last night in connection with the twentieth anniversary of the Jewish Legion of the British army, which he commanded in the World War, called for internal unity among Jews.

"Do not worry about the Royal Commission's report," he concluded. "There is a higher authority -- the Bible which promised Palestine to the Jews, and Palestine is Jewish."

Other speakers included Chief Rabbi Moshe Avigdor Amiel of Tel Aviv and Rabbi Uziel of the Agudath Israel.

ARAB BAND ATTACKS JEWISH SETTLERS NEAR NAZARETH

JERUSALEM, March 25. (JTA) -- A Jewish supernumerary was slightly wounded today when a band of ten Arabs fired on Jewish settlers near Nazareth. Police clashed with the band, capturing a wounded Arab.

LEAGUE ACTS ON REFUGEE PARLEY

GENEVA, March 25. (JTA) -- A preliminary step to the forthcoming international conference to legalize the status of refugees from Germany has been taken by the League of Nations, it was announced here today.

Joseph Avenol, League Secretary General, has circulated notices to Governments expecting to participate requesting them to forward observations on the conference prior to July 1.

YALE PRINTS KARAITTE BIBLE DICTIONARY, LOST 800 YEARS

NEW HAVEN, March 25. (JTA) -- A Karaite dictionary of the Bible, yielded up by the basement of a synagogue in Jerusalem after lying forgotten for 800 years, has been published by the Yale University Press and has already shed new light on the Bible.

Written in the tenth century, it is the oldest comprehensive Biblical dictionary. It was available only in manuscript form until edited by Dr. Solomon L. Skoss, professor of Arabic at Dropsie College, Philadelphia.

The dictionary, written in Arabic, but in Hebrew characters, is based on manuscripts of David ben Abraham al-Fasi, one of the Karaites, or opponents of Talmudic and rabbinical teachings. His work attained great popularity among succeeding generations of scholars. Three abridgments were made of it during the eleventh century, all now in various European libraries.

Al-Fasi and his dictionary were unknown until 1830 when an old and torn manuscript was found in an underground chamber of the Karaite synagogue in Jerusalem. It is now in the State Public Library in Leningrad. Several other fragments turned up later. Dr. Skoss investigated numerous manuscripts on a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies.

The dictionary has helped to clear up several incongruities in the Bible. In Exodus, the customary version of the golden calf account says that when the golden earrings were brought to Aaron he "received it at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made it a molten calf." How he could melt it with a graving tool was difficult to understand. But it now appears the word "graving tool" should be "mold."

Dr. Skoss explained how the dictionary should have been lost to scholars for so many centuries. He said that "with a shifting westward of Jewish centers of learning" after the thirteenth century "Arabic ceased to be a medium of expression with the Jewish scholar" and Judaeo-Arabic literature "fell almost abruptly into disuse," particularly the Karaite.

ROTHSCHILD, OTHERS VOICE PASSOVER APPEALS FOR AID TO JEWS

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- Pleas to the Jews of America to aid co-religionists abroad were voiced by Jewish leaders today on the eve of Passover.

Baron Robert de Rothschild, speaking from Paris over the NBC Blue network on a Joint Distribution Committee program, thanked the Jews of America for supporting the J.D.C. but declared that further support was necessary.

"It is with a heavy heart that I tell you that the struggle is by no means over in Europe," he said, "and that it is more than ever necessary for you today to continue your task of aiding the destitute and of coming to the rescue of those who are falling daily under the rod of the oppressor in the wilderness of hatred and prejudice."

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, issued a Passover appeal to Jewish communities in the United States asking them to "make Passover a holiday of jubilation and deliverance for those condemned to a living death" by aiding Palestine settlement.

COLUMBUS, O., TO BE SITE OF RABBIS' PARLEY IN MAY

COLUMBUS, O., March 25. (JTA) -- This city has been selected by the officers and board of the Central Conference of American Rabbis for its next convention May 25 to 30, Rabbi Samuel M. Gup, corresponding secretary, announced today.

CORRECTION

In yesterday's edition of the J.T.A. News, the New York Times was incorrectly quoted as stating that the newly-appointed German Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Hans H. Dieckhoff, who is to succeed Dr. Hans Luther, was not a Nazi Party member. The quotation referred to Dr. Luther, of whom the Times correspondent said though he wasn't a member, he was "not out of sympathy with the present regime."

THE J.T.A. NEWS WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED TODAY
THE FIRST DAY OF PASSOVER