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BRITISH OFFICIALS REPORTED FAVORING DOMINION STATUS FOR JEWISH STATE

JERUSALEM, June 27. (JTA) -- British Government circles favor dominion status for the Jewish State which would be established under the Palestine partition scheme reported contained in the Royal Commission findings, the Hebrew daily, Haaretz, reported from London today.

The Executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine is submitting the partition plan to leaders of all Zionist parties prior to the World Zionist Congress opening in Zurich, Switzerland, Aug. 3, the dispatch said.

Jamal el Hussein, president of the Palestine Arab Party, is visiting Rome to confer with Premier Mussolini, it was disclosed today, on his way here from London, where he served as member of a delegation seeking to arouse sentiment in British official circles for the Arab cause.

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Opposition of Jews, Arabs Seen Showing Scheme's Fairness

LONDON, June 27. (JTA) -- The discontent of Arabs and Jews with the proposals for partitioning Palestine, reported to be contained in the Royal Commission findings, is evidence that the scheme is fair and impartial, the London Observer said in an editorial today.

Both Arabs and Jews are making known their disapproval of any solution except their full mutual destruction, the editorial said, adding that perhaps their second thoughts on the subject would be wiser.

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Moslem Congress to Meet in Jerusalem

DAMASCUS, June 27. (JTA) -- A meeting of Arab notables here called by Haj Amin el Hussein, the Mufti of Jerusalem, decided today to call a second Moslem congress at Jerusalem.

ARAB "BLACK HAND" LEADERS SEIZED IN HAIFA

HAIFA, June 27. (JTA) -- An Arab "Black-Hand" gang which had been carrying on terrorist activities in Northern Palestine was believed to have been liquidated today when police surprised a meeting of its leaders in Haifa, making a number of arrests. The participants in the meeting were armed.

ANTI-SEMITIC DISORDERS IN POLISH CENTERS

WARSAW, June 27. (JTA) -- Anti-Jewish excesses in the town of Kozielow, in the Zawiercie district, were reported here today. Many Jewish market stalls were overturned and windows of a synagogue and Jewish homes were smashed. Nine persons have been arrested in connection with the disorders.

Three Jews, two of them women, were wounded yesterday in street attacks by Nationalist students in Lwow.

The Stryk district court sentenced three Ukrainian Nationalists to three years' imprisonment each for the murder of two Jews.

COURT REJECTS JURY'S ACQUITTAL OF ENDEK IN MYSLENICE RAID

KRAKOW, June 27. (JTA) -- A Krakow court rejected yesterday a jury's verdict acquitting Adam Doboszynski, Nationalist leader, of leading an anti-Semitic raid on the town of Myslenice last June, and ordered a new trial before a different jury.

The judge sitting in the Krakow Jury Court, on hearing the verdict, declared it not in accordance with the evidence and discharged the jury. The trial opened on June 15. Dobodzynski is president of the Krakow District National Democratic Party.

BUTCHER PLEADS SELF-DEFENCE IN CZESTOCHOWA SLAYING

WARSAW, June 27. (JTA) -- Joseph Bendrak, Jewish butcher, pleaded not guilty today to the murder of Stefan Bendrak, a Polish railway porter. The porter's death led to three days of anti-Semitic riots in Czestochowa.

Bendrak, whose trial was shifted from Czestochowa to Piatrzkow because of continuing tension, stated that he acted in self-defense. After being assaulted by Baran, he said, he fired a gun to frighten him and the porter was hit accidentally.

If convicted, Bendrak can be sentenced to death or to a prison sentence of anywhere from five years to life. He is being defended by a Warsaw Jewish attorney named Honigwel.

Despite the tension, conditions in Czestochowa are rapidly returning to normal. Many Poles are openly patronizing Jewish shops.

ROMANIA. SEEN DROPPING LABOR RESTRICTIONS

BUCHAREST, June 26. (JTA) -- The much-discussed bill for "protection of national labor," designed to restrict members of national minorities in employment, has apparently been dropped by the Tatarescu Government.

According to informed sources here, the bill has been dropped because the Liberal Government, whose term of office expires with the Summer's end, fears the possible loss of 5,000,000 votes controlled by the minorities groups. Elections will be held in the Fall.

Apart from the electoral considerations, it was stated here, the bill was opposed by Constantine Bratianu, chairman of the Liberal party, not as a friend of the Jews, but because he represents the viewpoint of large industrial and financial enterprises which realize the importance of the minorities as an economic factor.

The bill, drafted by Commerce Minister Valerius Pop, was to have been submitted from June 8 for King Carol's signature. Announcement of the bill stirred wide resentment among Jews and other minorities groups. Representatives of the German and Hungarian minorities announced they would protest enactment of the bill to the League of Nations.

STREICHER ORDERED TO WITHDRAW SLURS AGAINST DUKE

BERLIN, June 27. (JTA) -- A Berlin district court has ordered Julius Streicher, overlord of Franconia and leading anti-Semite, "in the name of the people" to withdraw slurs against Duke Henckel von Donnersmarck published in his notorious weekly, Der Stuermer. The periodical had charged the Duke married a Jewess and had therefore become "spiritually corrupt."

CRUX OF JEWISH PLIGHT SEEN IN GERMANY

LONDON, June 27. (JTA) -- Crux of the Jewish position in Europe is still to be found in Germany, where condition of the Jewish population is "steadily worsening," it is stated in the sixty-fifth annual report of the Anglo-Jewish Association.

Reviewing the situation of European Jewry in 1936 and the first six months of 1937, the report declares:

"In foreign affairs, the crux of the situation is still to be found in the Nazi Reich, where the position of the Jews is steadily worsening. Continuous powerful propaganda of the Nazis has had an effect on the neighboring countries, especially Rumania, Poland and Austria, where the economic difficulties of the Jewish population have been made greater as a result."

...of life and property of the Jewish population and of tacitly encouraging the anti-Jewish boycott.

Charging the Rumanian Government with maintaining a "lenient attitude" toward Nazi-inspired anti-Jewish movements, the report expresses the hope it will not permit continuation of activities "creating only disharmony that will impede economic recovery and destroy the civilized world's respect for Rumania."

The report says the Danzig situation is still open to remedy by the League of Nations, which, it declares, must insist on observance of the constitution.

Regarding Manchukuo, the report discloses that the Joint Foreign Committee, representing both the Association and the Board of Deputies of British Jews, has repeatedly made representations to the Japanese Ambassador on anti-Jewish activities of White Russian groups.

ZIONIST EXECUTIVE READY TO MEET WITH JABOTINSKY

JOHANNESBURG, June 27. (JTA) -- The Zionist Federation of South Africa announced today receipt of a letter from the World Zionist Executive declaring its readiness to meet Vladimir Jabotinsky, dissident Zionist leader, at a round-table conference to discuss how best to effect unity and peace within the Zionist movement.

AMERICAN ZIONISTS OPPOSE PARTITION; ASK U.S. AID FOR HOMELAND

NEW YORK, June 27. (JTA) -- With the words of Dr. Stephen S. Wise: "We will not forsake thee, O Jerusalem!" ringing in their ears, the 1,000 delegates to the 40th annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America took action today against threats to the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

Fearing that the as yet unpublished report of the Royal Commission on Palestine recommends that the country be divided between the Jews and Arabs, they unanimously adopted a resolution opposing partition, cantonization "or any other restriction upon the pace of the upbuilding of the country."

They addressed another resolution to the United States Government, recalling this country's important role in establishing Palestine as a Jewish homeland under British mandate, and urging that it "use its good offices for the purpose of safeguarding the rights of the Jewish people and the integrity of the Jewish National Home as provided for in the mandate."

In his keynote address which opened the public sessions of the convention at the Hotel Roosevelt, Dr. Wise declared that while "physically we Jews would not and could not resist the force of an empire,

never, never give assent to the partition of Palestine."

"A partitioned, divided, truncated Palestine," Dr. Wise said, "would no more be Palestine than England would be England without Scotland and Wales, without Essex, Yorkshire and Northumberland."

Calling for a "return to the principles of Dr. Theodor Herzl and Lord Balfour", Dr. Wise rebuked those Jews, particularly some who reside in Palestine, "who are more avid for the name of a Jewish State than for the reality of a Jewish National Home." He warned that Jewish elements in Palestine favoring partition will not have "the last word."

"Once and for all let it be made clear," Dr. Wise said, "that Zionism is not meant for an assurance of security to a handful -- and 425,000 is a handful -- of Jews in Palestine. The Land of Israel belongs not only to the Jews dwelling there, but to the whole Jewish population throughout the world."

Dr. Wise complained that world Zionist officials had not consulted or given sufficient weight to the advice of American Zionist leaders when proposals for partition first appeared, and declared that the Americans should have insisted on a more extended hearing before the Royal Commission.

"American Zionists are not willing to be simply the chief fund-raising source," he said. He suggested that the American Zionist movement was mature enough to act independently.

He also assailed factions in American Zionism, particularly the Poale Zionists, for precipitating a contested election for delegates to the World Zionist Congress, instead of agreeing to apportion the delegates among parties without voting, as was done in England and elsewhere as a "united front" device.

Another resolution adopted by the convention called on American Jewry to give greater support to the United Palestine Appeal, fund-raising organ of the Zionist movement.

The four decades of organized Zionist effort in this country were reviewed by Louis Lipsky, American member of the World Zionist Executive, and other speakers at a symposium tonight on the history of Zionism in America.

A petition addressed to the British Royal Commission on Palestine was made public as the convention opened, reminding the British Government that the American Government had played a considerable part in arranging Britain's League of Nations mandate for Palestine, that American Presidents, Congress and the people had shown great interest in it, and that American Jews had put \$81,000,000 into the country since 1918 in contributions and investments.

The petition, in the form of a memorandum and a letter addressed to Earl Peel, chairman of the Royal Commission, was signed by the heads of seven leading American agencies for the building up of Palestine.

The memorandum called on Britain to fulfill "fully and fairly" her obligations under the Mandate, described as now "in jeopardy."

The memorandum was made public by Dr. Wise at a preliminary meeting last night of the administrative committee. This had been scheduled as a closed executive conference, but so many delegates pushed their way into the meeting room that it was declared an open session.

This morning a group of 100 delegates visited the Statue of Liberty. They placed a wreath under the bronze tablet inscribed with the verses hailing the statue, written by Emma Lazarus, Jewish poetess and a pioneer Zionist.

\$2,370,000 RAISED IN SIX MONTHS, J.D.C. COMMITTEE HEARS

NEW YORK, June 27. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee has raised \$2,370,000 in the first six months of 1937 in its \$4,650,000 campaign for overseas aid, it was reported today to a meeting of the campaign plan and scope committee at the office of William Rosenwald, co-chairman of the drive.

Cash and pledges to the J.D.C. amount to \$2,370,000, which is 14 per cent below the \$2,750,000 which the committee has allocated in advance of collections, it was announced by Paul Baerwald, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise and Mr. Rosenwald, the co-chairman.

Joseph C. Hyman, executive director of the J.D.C., said that 1936 was a year of accumulated disasters for Jewish life abroad and that the devastation of Jewish economic life in pogromized districts of Poland had placed an unexpected burden on the committee.

Election of James N. Rosenberg as chairman of the J.D.C. National Council was announced by Felix M. Warburg, honorary chairman, and Mr. Baerwald. Organized in 1931, the council comprises nearly 1,000 Jews in various sections of the United States and Canada.

CONFERENCE ACTS TO UNIFY ANTI-NAZI MOVEMENT HERE

NEW YORK, June 26. (JTA) -- Steps to unify forces engaged in anti-Nazi activities were taken today at a conference at the Hotel Edison, called by the Non-Sectarian anti-Nazi League and attended by about 150 delegates representing 149 national Jewish and non-Jewish organizations. Samuel Untermyer, president, presided. Resolutions were adopted to continue the anti-Nazi boycott, with all organizations represented at the conference unified under the League; to enlarge the League's executive committee to include members from every State in the Union not yet represented; to mobilize the opinion and energies of Catholics and Protestants in the struggle to save the Church in Germany from the menace of Hitlerism and to organize a German-American branch of the League to counteract Nazi propaganda among German-Americans.