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WATKINS REMAINS AS DIRECTOR PLAYS SIR JOHN WOODHEAD

3 NAMED TO PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION; SIR JOHN WOODHEAD CHAIRMAN; TO SAIL IN APRIL

LONDON, FEB. 28. (JTA) -- THREE MEMBERS OF A FOUR-MAN "PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION" WERE NAMED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TODAY BY COLONIAL SECRETARY WILLIAM ORMSBY-GORE.

THE COMMISSION, SCOPE AND DUTIES OF WHICH WERE DEFINED IN A WHITE PAPER ISSUED JAN. 4, WILL BE HEADED BY SIR JOHN WOODHEAD, VETERAN OF THE INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE, AS CHAIRMAN. SERVING WITH HIM WILL BE SIR ALISON RUSSELL AND A. P. WATERFIELD, WITH THE FOURTH MEMBER TO BE NAMED AT A LATER DATE. S.E.V. LUKE, OF THE COLONIAL OFFICE, WILL ACT AS THE COMMISSION'S SECRETARY.

THE FOUR-MAN BODY, WHOSE DISPATCH TO PALESTINE WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS COUNCIL LAST FALL, WILL START WORK IN ENGLAND IN THE MIDDLE OF MARCH AND WILL LEAVE FOR THE HOLY LAND ABOUT A MONTH LATER. ACCORDING TO THE WHITE PAPER, IT WILL ACT AS A TECHNICAL COMMISSION WHOSE "FUNCTIONS WILL BE CONFINED TO ASCERTAINING THE FACTS AND TO CONSIDERING IN DETAIL THE PRACTICAL POSSIBILITIES OF THE SCHEME OF PARTITION."

MR. ORMSBY-GORE'S ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE IN REPLY TO A QUESTION BY SIR PERCY HARRIS, LIBERAL. REPLYING TO A FURTHER QUESTION ON HOW LONG THE COMMISSION'S INQUIRY WILL TAKE, THE COLONIAL SECRETARY SAID: "I CERTAINLY CANNOT SAY. IT IS ENTIRELY A MATTER FOR THE COMMISSION, WHO WILL BE ENGAGED IN COMPLICATED, DELICATE WORK."

THE JAN. 4 WHITE PAPER SET FORTH THE COMMISSION'S DUTIES AS FOLLOWS:

1-- TO RECOMMEND BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED ARAB AND JEWISH AREAS AND THE PERMANENT MANDATED ENCLAVES WHICH AFFORD A REASONABLE PROSPECT OF EVENTUAL ESTABLISHMENT, WITH ADEQUATE SECURITY, OF SELF-SUPPORTING ARAB AND JEWISH STATES, AND ENABLING THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO CARRY OUT ITS MANDATORY RESPONSIBILITIES.

2-- TO EXAMINE AND REPORT ON ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS INVOLVED IN PARTITION, INCLUDING ALLOCATION AMONG THE AREAS OF PUBLIC ASSETS AND DEBTS; ASSURANCE OF THE FULFILLMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATIONS' FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS; ADMINISTRATION OF RAILWAYS, PORTS, POSTAL, TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE SERVICES; CURRENCY AND CUSTOMS; ASCERTAINMENT OF THE BUDGETARY PROSPECTS OF THE VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIONS; PROTECTION FOR CIVIL SERVANTS; INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER CONCESSIONS; THE POSSIBILITY OF VOLUNTARY EXCHANGES OF LAND AND POPULATION; AND PROVISION OF EFFECTIVE SAFEGUARDS FOR RELIGIOUS AND RACIAL MINORITIES.

THE PARTITION PROPOSAL WAS ORIGINALLY MADE BY THE PALESTINE ROYAL COMMISSION, HEADED BY THE LATE LORD PEEL, AFTER A THREE-MONTH SURVEY OF THE SITUATION IN THE HOLY LAND IN 1936 FOLLOWING A SIX-MONTH ARAB REBELLION. CONTAINED IN A 404-PAGE REPORT ISSUED IN JULY, 1937, THE SCHEME PROVIDED FOR TRIPARTITION OF THE HOLY LAND INTO INDEPENDENT, SOVEREIGN JEWISH AND ARAB STATES AND A JERUSALEM-JAFFA CORRIDOR UNDER PERMANENT BRITISH MANDATE.

SIR JOHN ACKROYD WOODHEAD, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION, IS 56 AND HAS BEEN IN THE INDIAN CIVIL SERVICE SINCE 1904. FOR FIVE MONTHS IN 1934, HE WAS ACTING GOVERNOR OF BENGAL. SINCE 1932 HE HAS BEEN FINANCE MEMBER OF THE BENGAL GOVERNMENT.

SIR ALISON RUSSELL, 63, IS A JURIST AND LEGAL EXPERT WHO HAS HAD LONG COLONIAL EXPERIENCE, HAVING SERVED AS LEGAL ADVISER TO THE MALTA GOVERNMENT, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF UGANDA, AND CHIEF JUSTICE IN THE TANGANYIKA TERRITORY. ALEXANDER PERCIVAL WATERFIELD, 49, IS PRINCIPAL ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, WHICH DEPARTMENT HE ENTERED IN 1911.

WAUCHOPE RETIRES AS DISORDERS FLARE ANEW; JEW SLAIN

JERUSALEM, FEB. 28. (JTA) -- AFTER SIX YEARS OF TRYING TO RECONCILE ARABS AND JEWS, LIEUT.-GEN. SIR ARTHUR GRENFELL WAUCHOPE AT MIDNIGHT TONIGHT RELINQUISHED THE POSITION OF BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER AND MADE HIS EXIT FROM THE PALESTINE DRAMA AMID CONTINUING DISORDERS THAT TOOK ANOTHER JEWISH LIFE TODAY.

SIR ARTHUR BROADCAST A FAREWELL MESSAGE TO THE COUNTRY THIS EVENING THROUGH THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED PALESTINE BROADCASTING SERVICE. HE DECLARED THAT THE LAST TWO YEARS WOULD STAND OUT IN HISTORY AS YEARS OF DIFFICULTY AND DISAPPOINTMENT, BUT CITED THE ARAB PROVERB, "PATIENCE IS THE KEY OF RELIEF." HE CONCLUDED HIS MESSAGE BY ASSERTING: "THE BEST HOPE FOR THIS COUNTRY RESTS IN RELIANCE ON ENGLAND."

THE RETIRING HIGH COMMISSIONER WILL LEAVE FOR EGYPT TOMORROW. THE NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER, SIR HAROLD ALFRED MACMICHAEL, FORMER GOVERNOR OF TANGANYIKA TERRITORY, LEFT LONDON LAST THURSDAY AND IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE HERE EARLY IN MARCH, PREPARED TO STAMP OUT TERRORISM WITH AN IRON HAND.

APPRAISING THE ADMINISTRATION OF WAUCHOPE, THE FOURTH BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE AND TRANSJORDAN SINCE 1920, ARAB NEWSPAPERS DECLARED EDITORIALY TODAY THAT HIS RULE WAS A FAILURE BECAUSE HIS EFFORTS FOR ARAB-JEWISH PEACE HAD PROVED INEFFECTUAL.

FOUR ARABS AMBUSHED AND KILLED A JEWISH MUKHTAR (LOCAL CHIEF) OF THE JUARRAH SETTLEMENT NEAR MISHMAR HAEMEK IN THE JEZREEL VALLEY. THE MUKHTAR, ABRAHAM GOLDSCHLAGER, WAS SHOT A QUARTER OF A MILE FROM JUARRAH.

GOLDSCHLAGER'S COMPANION, JOSEPH EISENBERG, A CANADIAN CITIZEN, ESCAPED AND NOTIFIED GHAFIRS (AUXILIARY POLICE) OF THE ATTACK. THEY RUSHED TO THE SPOT AND FOUND GOLDSCHLAGER'S BODY, HIS CLOTHING LOOTED, HIS REVOLVER STOLEN AND NO TRACE OF THE ASSAILANTS. THE VICTIM, WHO CAME HERE FROM POLAND 17 YEARS AGO, LEFT A WIFE, TWO CHILDREN AND HIS FATHER, WHO LIVE AT JUARRAH.

BRITISH MILITARY FORCES CONTINUED THEIR CAMPAIGN AGAINST ARAB TERRORISM. THE HAIFA MILITARY COURT SENTENCED A LEBANESE ARAB WOMAN, HANNIA ABU AHMED, TO TEN YEARS' IMPRISONMENT FOR CARRYING ARMS IN VIOLATION OF EMERGENCY REGULATIONS. SEVERAL ARABS WERE ARRESTED IN NABLUS UNDER THE REGULATIONS, AND SEARCHES FOR OTHERS WERE CONTINUING.

BRITISH TROOPS WERE REPORTED TO BE CONTINUING A SIX-DAY-OLD BLOCKADE OF AN ARAB BAND AT JENIN. THEY CLOSED ALL ROADS AND APPROACHES TO THE AREA, TIGHTENING A VISE ON A BAND OF 50 TERRORISTS. HEAVY RAINS AND SNOW PREVENTED THEM FROM CLOSING IN ON THE ARABS' VILLAGE AND HILLSIDE HIDEOUTS.

WHILE MILITARY FORCES COPE WITH THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEM OF ARAB TERRORISM, PALESTINE PREPARED FOR THE ARRIVAL IN APRIL OF A FOUR-MAN "PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION," WHICH THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT IS SENDING HERE TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITIES OF A PERMANENT SOLUTION OF THE HOLY LAND SITUATION BY A THREE-WAY PARTITION INVOLVING ESTABLISHMENT OF ARAB AND JEWISH STATES. THE NAMES OF THREE OF THE MEMBERS WERE ANNOUNCED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN LONDON TODAY.

THE PALESTINE GOVERNMENT, IT WAS UNDERSTOOD, HAS ORDERED DISTRICT OFFICERS TO PREPARE A NEW CENSUS OF ARAB AND JEWISH UNEMPLOYMENT AS OF THE END OF FEBRUARY FOR THE BOUNDARIES COMMISSION.

NAZIS WOULD BAR EMPLOYMENT BY JEWS OF "ARYAN" MANNEQUINS UNDER 45

BERLIN, FEB. 28. (JTA) -- THE TECHNICAL COMMISSION IN CHARGE OF THE LEATHER AND CLOTHING INDUSTRIES IS CONSIDERING ELIMINATION FROM JEWISH ESTABLISHMENTS OF "ARYAN" MANNEQUINS UNDER 45 YEARS OF AGE, DER ANGRIFF REPORTS, SUGGESTING THAT THE RULE BE EXTENDED TO COVER ALL FEMALE HELP.

THE PROPOSED BAN REPRESENTS AN EXTENSION INTO COMMERCE OF THE NUREMBERG MARRIAGE AND CITIZENSHIP LAWS OF 1935. WHILE IN THE CASE OF MANNEQUINS ONLY A FEW WOULD BE RENDERED WORKLESS, EXTENSION TO ALL "ARYAN" WOMEN WOULD SERIOUSLY AFFECT THE GENERAL EMPLOYMENT SITUATION.

AN "ARYAN" PARTNER HAS TAKEN OVER THE DIRECTION OF THE PRIVATE JEWISH BANKING FIRM, ERNST WERTHEIMER OF FRANKFURT.

LONDON PARLEY FORMS NATIONAL COUNCIL TO PROMOTE UNITED DRIVE FOR POLISH JEWS

LONDON, FEB. 28. (JTA) -- THE FIRST CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED APPEAL FOR JEWS IN POLAND AND EASTERN EUROPE, WITH 230 DELEGATES ATTENDING, DECIDED TODAY TO FORM A NATIONAL COUNCIL AUTHORIZED TO NEGOTIATE WITH ALL BRITISH JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS.

THE CONFERENCE RECEIVED MESSAGES OF SYMPATHY WITH THE PLIGHT OF THE JEWS FROM THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY, THE ARCHBISHOP OF YORK AND OTHERS, HEARD GEORGE LANSBURY, NOTED PACIFIST, EXPLAIN HIS PLAN FOR A WORLD FUND TO DEVELOP BACKWARD COUNTRIES, AND LISTENED TO ASSURANCES FROM COMMANDER OLIVER LOCKER-LAMPSON, CONSERVATIVE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT, THAT PRIME MINISTER NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN WOULD NOT STAND FOR CONTINUED DISORDERS IN PALESTINE.

THE MESSAGE OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY SAID: "HIS GRACE IS ONLY TOO WELL AWARE OF THE DISTRESSING PLIGHT IN WHICH JEWS IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD FIND THEMSELVES AT THE PRESENT TIME AND CORDIALLY WISHES EVERY SUCCESS TO EFFORTS MADE TO ALLEVIATE THEIR LOT." OTHERS WHO SENT MESSAGES WERE LORD CECIL, LORD ROTHSCHILD AND PROF. SELIG BRODETSKY.

MR. LANSBURY TOLD THE CONFERENCE OF HIS RECENT TOUR OF POLAND, AUSTRIA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA, DURING WHICH HE DISCUSSED WITH THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS HIS PLAN FOR CAPITALISTS, JEWISH AND GENTILE ALIKE, TO RAISE A GREAT FUND WHICH WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY A LEAGUE OF NATIONS COMMISSION TO DEVELOP THESE BACKWARD COUNTRIES. WITHOUT A SCHEME OF THIS NATURE, HE SAID, MILLIONS WERE FATED TO DIE OF STARVATION.

PRIME MINISTER CHAMBERLAIN WILL NOT STAND FOR CONTINUED SHOOTING DOWN OF JEWS IN PALESTINE, DECLARED COMMANDER LOCKER-LAMPSON, A MEMBER OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S PARTY. HE ASSERTED THAT DIFFICULTIES IN PALESTINE WERE UNDOUBTEDLY MADE GREATER BY PROPAGANDA OF CHANCELLOR HITLER AND PREMIER MUSSOLINI. MUSSOLINI, HE CHARGED, SPENT £32,000 (ABOUT \$150,000) ON PROPAGANDA IN THE NEAR EAST IN THE LAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS.

ARGENTINE WELCOMES FARMERS, IMMIGRATION CONFERENCE TOLD; ICA METHODS LAUDED

GENEVA, FEB. 28. (JTA) -- THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT WELCOMES IMMIGRATION OF AGRICULTURAL COLONISTS AND WILL AFFORD THEM ALL FACILITIES FOR SETTLEMENT AND NATURALIZATION, ITS REPRESENTATIVE TODAY TOLD THE TEN-DAY CONFERENCE CONVENED BY THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR OFFICE TO PROMOTE AGRICULTURAL IMMIGRATION TO CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA. EXPERTS OF 15 NATIONS, SEVEN OF THEM "IMMIGRATION" COUNTRIES IN SOUTH AMERICA AND EIGHT "EMIGRATION" COUNTRIES INCLUDING JAPAN, ARE ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE. THE ARGENTINE EXPERT EMPHASIZED THAT AT THE PRESENT TIME HIS COUNTRY DESIRED ONLY AGRICULTURISTS AS IMMIGRANTS.

THE POLISH DELEGATION URGED WORKING OUT OF A PLAN UNDER INTERNATIONAL AUSPICES FOR FINANCING OF EMIGRATION, WITH THE AID OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS, IN ORDER TO SAVE THE COUNTRIES OF EMIGRATION FROM FINANCIAL STRAIN. POLISH EXPERTS, INCLUDING TITUS KOMARNICKI, HEAD-ING THEIR DELEGATION, DENIED TO THE J.T.A. THAT THE POLISH GOVERNMENT INTENDED TO RAISE THE QUESTION OF LARGE-SCALE JEWISH EMIGRATION SINCE, THEY SAID, THIS CONFERENCE WILL DEAL ONLY WITH EMIGRATION OF FARM LABORERS, NOT OF URBAN ELEMENTS.

THE I.L.O.'S REPORT TO THE CONFERENCE CITED THE JEWISH COLONIZATION ASSOCIATION'S METHODS AS THE BEST EXAMPLE FOR ANY COUNTRY DESIROUS OF SETTLING ITS CITIZENS IN OTHER LANDS. THE ASSOCIATION, FAMILIARLY KNOWN AS ICA, WAS FOUNDED BY THE LATE BARON DE HIRSCH IN LONDON IN 1891 WITH A \$10,000,000 CAPITALIZATION AND SUPPORTS COLONIES FOR JEWS IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD, PARTICULARLY SOUTH AMERICA.

"WE CAN CITE THE ICA AS A PERMANENT INSTITUTION WHICH HAS SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED COLONIZATION WORK IN THE ARGENTINE, AND ALSO ESTABLISHED SEVERAL COLONIES IN BRAZIL," THE REPORT SAID.

DECLARING THAT THE ICA DID NOT MAKE THE MISTAKE OF INTRODUCING PHILANTHROPY INTO ITS RELATIONS WITH COLONISTS, THE I.L.O. SAID THAT AS SOON AS MUTUAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS WERE DEFINED AND FIXED, THE ICA'S ADMINISTRATIVE METHODS BECAME EXCLUSIVELY COMMERCIAL. THIS WAS HELD TO BE THE KEY TO ITS SUCCESS, BECAUSE THIS SYSTEM STRENGTHENED THE SETTLERS' FEELING OF RESPONSIBILITY, THE REPORT SAID, WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN SHATTERED UNDER MISUNDERSTOOD PHILANTHROPY.

EIGHT "EMIGRATION" AND SEVEN "IMMIGRATION" COUNTRIES ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE CONFERENCE. THE EMIGRATION NATIONS ARE JAPAN, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY, POLAND, SWITZERLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, YUGOSLAVIA AND THE NETHERLANDS. SOUTH AMERICAN NATIONS ARE ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, ECUADOR, URUGUAY AND VENEZUELA.

AUSTRIA MAY RAISE NATURALIZATION REQUIREMENTS

VIENNA, FEB. 28. (Havas) -- UNDER A PROJECTED NEW NATURALIZATION LAW, FOREIGNERS MAY BE REQUIRED TO LIVE IN THIS COUNTRY FOR 25 INSTEAD OF 10 YEARS BEFORE BECOMING ELIGIBLE FOR AUSTRIAN CITIZENSHIP, THE NEUE FREIE PRESSE REPORTED TONIGHT.

SUPPRESSION OF THE SYSTEM IN EFFECT SINCE 1925, UNDER WHICH GERMANS NATURALIZED IN AUSTRIA OR AUSTRIANS NATURALIZED IN GERMANY REMAIN CITIZENS OF BOTH COUNTRIES, IS ALSO BEING CONSIDERED, THE NEWSPAPER SAID.