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TAYLOR MAPS REFUGEE-AID PROGRAM AS EVIAN PARLEY OPENS; ASSAILS "CHAOTIC DUMPING"

EVIAN-LES-BAINS, FRANCE, JULY 6. (JTA) -- REPRESENTATIVES OF 32 GOVERNMENTS, GATHERED HERE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES FOR AN HISTORIC CONFERENCE, TODAY HEARD AMERICAN DELEGATE MYRON C. TAYLOR IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS LAY DOWN THE BROAD OUTLINES OF THE UNITED EFFORT TO AID POLITICAL REFUGEES AND SOUND A SOLEMN WARNING ON THE CONSEQUENCES OF "THE FORCED AND CHAOTIC DUMPING OF UNFORTUNATE PEOPLES IN LARGE NUMBERS."

THE CONFERENCE WAS FORMALLY OPENED BY SENATOR HENRI BERENGER OF FRANCE, AS CHAIRMAN, WHO VOICED THE CONVICTION THAT IT WOULD PRODUCE "PRACTICAL RESULTS OF GREAT VALUE" AND EXPRESSED THE GATHERING'S THANKS TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, "THE HEAD OF THE GREAT AMERICAN DEMOCRACY," FOR HIS INITIATIVE IN CONVENING THE CONFERENCE.

IN A PITHY 1,500-WORD ADDRESS, MR. TAYLOR STRESSED THE "HARROWING URGENCY" OF THE REFUGEE PROBLEM, TRACED THE HISTORY OF GREAT MIGRATORY MOVEMENTS DOWN TO THE "COMPULSORY MIGRATION" OF TODAY, AND PROPOSED THE CONFERENCE ADOPT THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE FOR ITS AMELIORATION:

- 1.-- SET UP A PERMANENT INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE, WITH HEADQUARTERS PREFERABLY AT PARIS, HAVING A SECRETARIAT WHOSE EXPENSES WOULD BE BORNE BY THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS;
- 2.-- FOCUS IMMEDIATE ATTENTION UPON THE "MOST PRESSING PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES FROM GERMANY (INCLUDING AUSTRIA)," WITH THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE BEING TO ESTABLISH AN ORGANIZATION CONCERNING ITSELF WITH ALL REFUGEES "WHEREVER GOVERNMENTAL INTOLERANCE SHALL HAVE CREATED A REFUGEE PROBLEM;"
- 3.-- COOPERATE WITH EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS FOR REFUGEE AID, NAMELY, THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES COMING FROM GERMANY, AND THE NANSSEN OFFICE; INVITING LEAGUE HIGH COMMISSIONER SIR NEILL MALCOLM AND NANSSEN OFFICE DIRECTOR JUDGE MICHAEL HANSSON TO ASSIST IN THE COMMITTEE'S DELIBERATIONS;
- 4.-- EXCHANGE CONFIDENTIAL DETAILS ON THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF IMMIGRANTS THE RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS ARE PREPARED TO RECEIVE UNDER EXISTING LAWS AND PRACTICES;
- 5.-- UNDERTAKE DOCUMENTING OF POLITICAL REFUGEES UNABLE TO PRODUCE THE CUSTOMARY DOCUMENTS;

6.-- CONSIDER THE VARIOUS STUDIES MADE IN THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES OF THE PROBLEMS OF AIDING EMIGRATION, SETTLING AND FINANCING OF POLITICAL REFUGEES.

MR. TAYLOR PROPOSED THAT FOR THE INITIAL MEETING, "WITHOUT WISHING TO SET A PRECEDENT FOR FUTURE MEETINGS," TWO CATEGORIES OF PERSONS BE CONSIDERED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE. THESE WOULD BE

- (A) PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY LEFT GERMANY (INCLUDING AUSTRIA) BUT WHO DESIRE TO EMIGRATE BY REASON OF TREATMENT TO WHICH THEY ARE SUBJECTED ON ACCOUNT OF THEIR POLITICAL OPINIONS, RELIGIOUS BELIEFS OR RACIAL ORIGIN, AND
- (B) PERSONS AS DEFINED IN (A) WHO HAVE ALREADY LEFT GERMANY AND ARE IN PROCESS OF MIGRATION.

BRITAIN PROBING EAST AFRICAN POSSIBILITIES

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MR. TAYLOR'S SPEECH, THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S CHIEF REPRESENTATIVE, LORD WINTERTON, ANNOUNCED HIS GOVERNMENT WAS EXAMINING THE POSSIBILITIES OF SETTLEMENT OF ITS EAST AFRICAN COLONIES.

WITHOUT COMMITTING HIMSELF TO THE AMERICAN PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A PERMANENT OFFICE, LORD WINTERTON WARNED COUNTRIES OF EMIGRATION, NAMELY GERMANY, TO FACILITATE EMIGRATION BY PERMITTING EMIGRANTS TO TAKE OUT SOME OF THEIR CAPITAL. HE ALSO CAUTIONED OTHER GOVERNMENTS NOT TO BE UNDER THE FALSE IMPRESSION THAT PERSECUTION OF MINORITIES WILL HELP THEM GET RID OF THEIR MINORITIES BY EMIGRATION.

EXPRESSING GREAT BRITAIN'S EAGERNESS TO COOPERATE WITH THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER GOVERNMENTS TO FIND A PRACTICAL MEANS TO HELP THE UNFORTUNATE, LORD WINTERTON EMPHASIZED, HOWEVER, THAT THE UNITED KINGDOM WAS NOT A COUNTRY OF IMMIGRATION AND COULD ADMIT ONLY A LIMITED NUMBER OF REFUGEES. HE PAID TRIBUTE TO THE "GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS" OF REFUGEES TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF GREAT BRITAIN, WHICH HE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZED, AND ANNOUNCED THAT IT WAS THE GOVERNMENT'S INTENTION TO EXPLORE TO WHAT EXTENT REFUGEES COULD BE ABSORBED. A PLAN ALONG THOSE LINES, LORD WINTERTON SAID, WOULD BE SUBMITTED AT A CLOSED SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE.

TAYLOR SEES MILLIONS WITHOUT COUNTRY

FROM HIS OPENING REMARKS TO THE CONCLUSION, MR. TAYLOR HELD HIS INTERNATIONAL AUDIENCE IN RAPT ATTENTION.

"SOME MILLIONS OF PEOPLE," HE BEGAN, "AS THIS MEETING CONVENES, ARE, ACTUALLY OR POTENTIALLY, WITHOUT A COUNTRY. THE NUMBER IS INCREASING DAILY. THIS INCREASE IS TAKING PLACE, MOREOVER, AT A TIME WHEN THERE IS SERIOUS UNEMPLOYMENT IN MANY COUNTRIES, WHEN THERE IS A SHRINKAGE OF SUBSISTENCE BASES AND WHEN THE POPULATION OF THE WORLD IS AT A PEAK. MEN AND WOMEN, OF EVERY RACE, CREED AND ECONOMIC CONDITION, OF EVERY PROFESSION AND OF EVERY TRADE, ARE BEING UPROOTED FROM THE HOMES WHERE THEY HAVE LONG BEEN ESTABLISHED AND TURNED ADrift WITHOUT THOUGHT OR CARE AS TO WHAT WILL BECOME OF THEM OR WHERE THEY WILL GO. A MAJOR FORCED MIGRATION IS TAKING PLACE, AND THE TIME HAS COME WHEN GOVERNMENTS -- I REFER SPECIFICALLY TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE HAD THE PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES THRUST UPON THEM BY POLICIES OF SOME OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS -- MUST ACT AND ACT PROMPTLY AND EFFECTIVELY IN A LONG-RANGE PROGRAM OF COMPREHENSIVE SCALE."

AFTER OUTLINING THE AIMS OF THE CONFERENCE, MR. TAYLOR DREW A SEVERE MORAL INDICTMENT OF THE CONDUCT OF THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE MADE ITS CONVOCATION NECESSARY. IN IT HE MADE ANALOGY BETWEEN THE "DISRUPTIVE CONSEQUENCES OF DUMPING MERCHANDISE UPON THE WORLD'S ECONOMY" AND "THE FORCED CHAOTIC DUMPING OF UNFORTUNATE PEOPLES IN LARGE NUMBERS;" REFERRED SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE BOYCOTT OF THE RESPONSIBLE COUNTRIES; WARNED THAT CONTINUANCE OF THE ENFORCED "ANARCHICAL" MIGRATION WOULD RESULT "IN GENERAL UNREST AND IN A GENERAL INTERNATIONAL STRAIN WHICH WILL NOT BE CONDUCTIVE TO THE PERMANENT APPEASEMENT TO WHICH ALL PEOPLES EARNESTLY ASPIRE."

"I NEED NOT EMPHASIZE," HE DECLARED IN CONCLUSION, "THAT DISCRIMINATION AND PRESSURE AGAINST MINORITY GROUPS AND DISREGARD OF ELEMENTARY HUMAN RIGHTS ARE CONTRARY TO THE PRINCIPLES OF WHAT WE HAVE COME TO REGARD AS THE ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF CIVILIZATION. WE HAVE HEARD FROM TIME TO TIME OF THE DISRUPTIVE CONSEQUENCES OF DUMPING MERCHANDISE UPON THE WORLD'S ECONOMY. HOW MUCH MORE DISTURBING IS THE FORCED AND CHAOTIC DUMPING OF UNFORTUNATE PEOPLES IN LARGE NUMBERS. RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PROBLEMS ARE, IN CONSEQUENCE, RENDERED MORE ACUTE IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. ECONOMIC RETALIATION AGAINST THE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CONDITION IS ENCOURAGED. SENTIMENT OF INTERNATIONAL MISTRUST AND SUSPICION IS HEIGHTENED AND FEAR, WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT OBSTACLE TO GENERAL APPEASEMENT BETWEEN NATIONS, IS ACCENTUATED.

"THE PROBLEM IS NO LONGER ONE OF PURELY PRIVATE CONCERN. IT IS A PROBLEM FOR INTER-GOVERNMENTAL DELIBERATION. IF THE PRESENT CURRENTS OF MIGRATION ARE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE TO PUSH ANARCHICALLY UPON RECEIVING STATES AND IF SOME GOVERNMENTS ARE TO CONTINUE TO TOSS LARGE SECTIONS OF THEIR POPULATIONS LIGHTLY UPON A DISTRESSED AND UNPREPARED WORLD, THEN THERE IS CATASTROPHIC HUMAN SUFFERING AHEAD WHICH CAN ONLY RESULT IN GENERAL UNREST AND IN A GENERAL INTERNATIONAL STRAIN WHICH WILL NOT BE CONDUCTIVE TO THE PERMANENT APPEASEMENT TO WHICH ALL PEOPLES EARNESTLY ASPIRE."

IN THE OPENING ADDRESS, SENATOR BERENGER EMPHASIZED THAT THE CONFERENCE WAS NOT AN INTERNATIONAL FORUM FOR DECLARATIONS BY PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS, BUT WELCOMED REPRESENTATIVES OF REFUGEE ORGANIZATIONS AND OF THE PRESS OF DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES. HE ANNOUNCED THAT A SMALL COMMITTEE WOULD BE APPOINTED TO CONTACT DELEGATIONS OF PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AND RECEIVE THEIR MEMORANDA. HE APPEALED TO THE PRESS TO REMEMBER THAT THE CONFERENCE HAD POLITICAL ASPECTS AND THAT IF ILL-CONSIDERED REPORTS WERE CIRCULATED THEY MIGHT HARM THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CONFERENCE WAS CALLED.

STRESSING THE GREAT NUMBER OF REFUGEES RECEIVED BY FRANCE AFTER THE WAR, SENATOR BERENGER, SPEAKING LATER AS HEAD OF THE FRENCH DELEGATION, DECLARED THAT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT, WHILE GREATLY SYMPATHETIC WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE, FELT THAT SHE HAD REACHED THE EXTREME SATURATION POINT REGARDING ADMISSION OF REFUGEES, BUT UNDERSTOOD THE EFFORT PROPOSED BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND WOULD CONTINUE HER LONG STANDING TRADITION OF HOSPITALITY, GIVING EVERY ASSISTANCE TO THE CONFERENCE AND BEING READY TO DISCUSS HOW BEST TO DIRECT THE STREAM OF EMIGRATION OF GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN REFUGEES AND TO EFFECT THEIR SETTLEMENT.

"THERE ARE MANY MEASURES -- FOR INSTANCE, TERRITORIAL, SHIPPING, FINANCIAL, MONETARY AND LEGAL MEASURES -- WHICH FIRST HAVE TO BE GRADUALLY AND CAREFULLY CONSIDERED BY A SUB-COMMITTEE," M. BERENGER SAID. "THIS SHOULD BE THE REAL OBJECT OF THE CONFERENCE."

FOLLOWING M. BERENGER, JUDGE MICHAEL HANSSON, NORWEGIAN DELEGATE AND PRESIDENT OF THE NANSSEN OFFICE, MADE A DECLARATION AFFIRMING THAT NORWAY WOULD REMAIN FAITHFUL TO HER TRADITION OF HOSPITALITY. HE REFERRED TO THE FEELING THAT CREATION OF A NEW PERMANENT

OFFICE MIGHT COMPETE WITH LEAGUE ORGANS, BUT POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT IT WAS DESIRABLE THAT SOME ORGAN BE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE UNITED STATES TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE THIS MIGHT GREATLY HELP THE REFUGEE PROBLEM.

THE SESSION THEN ADJOURNED. THE CONFERENCE RESUMES TOMORROW IN CANADA.

THE GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED ARE: ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, COSTA RICA, CUBA, DENMARK, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, IRELAND, FRANCE, GREAT BRITAIN, GUATEMALA, HISPANIOLA (HAITI), HONDURAS, MEXICO, THE NETHERLANDS, NEW ZEALAND, NICARAGUA, NORWAY, PANAMA, PARAGUAY, PERU, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, THE UNITED STATES, URUGUAY AND VENEZUELA.

TEXT OF MR. TAYLOR'S ADDRESS WILL BE FOUND AT THE
END OF THIS ISSUE.

AGENCY HOLDS PALESTINE CAN SUPPORT 240,000 FAMILIES

LONDON, JULY 6. (JTA) -- THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE ADVISED THE EVIAN REFUGEE-AND CONFERENCE TODAY IN A MEMORANDUM TO THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS THAT 240,000 FAMILIES COULD BE SUPPORTED IN PALESTINE BY THROWING OPEN IRRIGABLE LAND IN THE HOLY LAND TO CULTIVATION.

"WHEN 375,000 ACRES OF IRRIGABLE LAND ARE BROUGHT UNDER CULTIVATION, THEY WILL SUPPORT AT LEAST 60,000 FARMING FAMILIES AND 180,000 NON-FARMING FAMILIES," THE JEWISH AGENCY SAID. "THE POSSIBILITIES CAN BE FURTHER INCREASED BY EXTENSION OF DEVELOPMENT WORK TO THE NEGEV (UNDEVELOPED AREA IN SOUTHERN PALESTINE), AND STILL FURTHER IF TRANSJORDAN IS IN SOME WAY BROUGHT WITHIN THE ORBIT OF PALESTINE, EITHER BY EXTENSION OF JEWISH COLONIZATION TO TRANSJORDAN, OR BY A POPULATION TRANSFER ON THE LINES OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATIONS."

"THE TEMPO OF IMMIGRATION DEPENDS ON THE RESTORATION OF NORMAL CONDITIONS FOR AN INFLUX OF EMPLOYMENT AND OF CAPITAL," THE MEMORANDUM STATES. "AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION FOR A LARGE JEWISH IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE OR TO ANY OTHER COUNTRY IS THAT IMMIGRANTS NOT BE PREVENTED FROM TAKING CAPITAL WITH THEM. THE PRESENT GERMAN PRACTICE IS AN INJUSTICE TO WOULD-BE EMIGRANTS AND UNFAIR TO IMMIGRATION COUNTRIES."

3 JEWS, 16 ARABS KILLED IN HAIFA, TEL AVIV BOMBINGS

JERUSALEM, JULY 6. (JTA) -- EIGHTEEN ARABS AND TWO JEWS WERE KILLED TODAY IN A BOMB EXPLOSION IN HAIFA WHICH INJURED 60 OTHER PERSONS, 38 OF THEM SERIOUSLY. ONE OF THE DEAD IS TUVIA DOUNIA, BROTHER-IN-LAW OF DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN, PRESIDENT OF THE WORLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION AND THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE. MR. DOUNIA, 55, WAS AN ENGINEER.

THE BOMB EXPLODED ON KING'S WAY, NEAR THE HAIFA CENTRAL RAILWAY STATION, AT A MOMENT WHEN PEDESTRIAN AND MOTOR TRAFFIC IN THE THOROUGHFARE WAS HEAVIEST. IN THE ENSUING EXCITEMENT, MANY SHOTS WERE FIRED, SOME BY ARAB CONSTABLES AT JEWS WHO HAPPENED TO BE PASSING BY.

EARLIER, A BOMB THROWN FROM A PASSING TRAIN INTO A CROWD ON HERZL STREET, TEL AVIV, KILLED A JEWESS, SARA COBLENS, 26, AND SERIOUSLY WOUNDED ISAAC HURVITZ, 59. MANY OTHERS

WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED, INCLUDING A BOY NAMED NATHAN OVADYA. SEVERAL SHOP WINDOWS WERE SHATTERED BY THE EXPLOSION. POLICE SURROUNDED THE RAILWAY STATION IN NEIGHBORING JAFFA AND DETAINED ALL ARAB PASSENGERS.

SHRAGA AVERBUCH, A JEWISH COLONIST, DIED IN THE HOSPITAL THE FIFTH FATALITY RESULTING FROM AN ARAB AMBUSCADE YESTERDAY AT EIN VERED.

NEWS OF A PITCHED BATTLE LATE TUESDAY BETWEEN ARABS AND BRITISH SOLDIERS NEAR THE IRAQ PETROLEUM COMPANY'S PIPELINE IN THE ESDRAELON VALLEY REACHED HERE TODAY. EIGHT ARABS WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED AND ONE SOLDIER WOUNDED. ONE ARAB WAS KILLED WHEN A HEAVY TERRORIST ATTACK ON THE JEWISH COLONY OF TIRATH ZVI WAS REPULSED.

THE ELEVEN-HOUR CURFEW IN JERUSALEM WAS REDUCED TO EIGHT-AND-A-HALF HOURS, BETWEEN 9 P.M. AND 5:30 A.M.

Z.O.A. PARLEY ENDS IN HARMONY; STAND ON PARTITION REITERATED

DETROIT, JULY 6. (JTA) -- THE 41ST ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA CLOSED ON A NOTE OF HARMONY LAST NIGHT AFTER THE MORE THAN 500 DELEGATES FROM 40 STATES HAD ELECTED AN ADMINISTRATION FOR THE COMING YEAR AND ADOPTED A SERIES OF RESOLUTIONS AIMED AT STRENGTHENING WORLD ZIONISM AND ZIONISM IN AMERICA.

THE CONVENTION DECLARED THE READINESS OF THE Z.O.A. TO CONSIDER "WITHOUT PREJUDICE" THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE, BUT REITERATED THE STAND TAKEN BY LAST YEAR'S WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS REJECTING THE PARTITION PLAN RECOMMENDED BY THE PEEL ROYAL COMMISSION.

OTHER RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1-- PLEDGING FULL SUPPORT TO DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN AND THE WORLD ZIONIST EXECUTIVE IN RESISTING INFRINGEMENT OF JEWISH RIGHTS IN PALESTINE;
- 2-- CONDEMNING PERSECUTIONS IN GERMANY AND AUSTRIA, AND REITERATING THE Z.O.A.'S PREVIOUS STAND TAKEN AGAINST THE OUTRAGES THROUGH ITS ASSOCIATION WITH THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS;
- 3-- URGING COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO SUBORDINATE ALL EFFORTS TO PALESTINE FUND-RAISING AND TO GIVE THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL THE WIDEST POSSIBLE SUPPORT;
- 4-- DECIDING TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE TO BRING GREATER UNITY IN THE FUND-RAISING DRIVES FOR PALESTINE;
- 5-- SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL GOLDEN BOOK VOLUME OF THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND IN HONOR OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, WHICH WAS LAUNCHED WITH SUBSCRIPTIONS OF 150 ZIONIST LEADERS, HEADED BY DR. AND MRS. STEPHEN S. WISE;
- 6-- CALLING ON ALL AFFILIATED ZIONIST GROUPS TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE JEWISH NATIONAL FUND THROUGH ALL ESTABLISHED AND TRADITIONAL MEANS;
- 7-- URGING AMERICAN JEWRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PALESTINE PAVILION AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR AND DECIDING TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION OF GROVER WHALEN, PRESIDENT OF THE FAIR, TO HOLD NEXT YEAR'S CONVENTION IN NEW YORK IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE PAVILION WILL BE ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING FEATURES OF THE FAIR;

8-- PAYING TRIBUTE TO ZIONIST LEADERS -- DR. WISE, FOR 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE ZIONIST CAUSE; DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN, FOR HIS EFFORTS FOR THE J.N.F., AND DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER FOR "SIGNAL SERVICE" AS NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE U.P.A.

RIVALRY FOR THE PRESIDENCY WAS PUT BEHIND AS DR. GOLDSTEIN, THE DEFEATED CANDIDATE, PLEDGED WHOLEHEARTED SUPPORT TO THE INCOMING ADMINISTRATION. INDUCTED INTO OFFICE BY DR. WISE, RETIRING PRESIDENT, DR. SOLOMON GOLDMAN, NEW PRESIDENT, DECLARED THAT PALESTINE WAS THE MOST VITAL FORCE IN THE REHABILITATION OF OPPRESSED JEWRIES. HE SAID ZIONISM WAS NOT ONLY A POLITICAL MOVEMENT, BUT ALSO A SPIRITUAL FORCE, "FOR THE REASON THAT THE LIFE OF MAN, DIRECTED TOWARD GREAT AIMS, TOWARD THE CREATION OF VALUES, IS SOMETHING SPIRITUAL."

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION COMPRISES: VICE-PRESIDENTS, DR. WISE, JUDGE JULIAN MACK, LOUIS LIPSKY, ROBERT SZOLD, JUDGE MORRIS ROTHENBERG AND DR. HARRY FRIEDENWALD OF BALTIMORE. JUDGE WILLIAM LEWIS OF PHILADELPHIA WAS ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE; MORRIS MARGULIES WAS RECOMMENDED FOR A SEVENTH TERM AS SECRETARY, LUDWIG LEWISOHN NAMED HONORARY SECRETARY, AND MORRIS WEINBERG, TREASURER.

THE NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF DAVID BERNSTEIN, ST. LOUIS; RABBI BARNETT R. BRICKNER, CLEVELAND; CHARLES COWEN, NEW YORK; JUDGE ELLENBOGEN, PITTSBURGH; JUDGE FISHER, CHICAGO; HARRY FRIEDBERG, KANSAS CITY; A.P. FRIEDLAND, CLEVELAND; ABRAHAM GOLDBERG, DR. GOLDSTEIN, MEYER LEVY, RABBI MILLER AND CARL SHERMAN, ALL OF NEW YORK; RABBI JAMES G. HELLER, CINCINNATI; RABBI EDWARD ISRAEL, BALTIMORE; RABBI ISRAEL LEVINthal, NEW YORK; COLONEL ROSENBERG, CHICAGO; RABBI SILVER, CLEVELAND; WILLIAM SIEGEL, NEW YORK, AND ELIHU D. STONE, BOSTON.

THE CONVENTION ADOPTED A BUDGET FOR THE COMING YEAR OF \$158,000 AFTER PROFESSOR JULIUS KLAUSNER OF ST. LOUIS HAD PRESENTED THE FINANCIAL REPORT.

NEW SUICIDE WAVE REPORTED IN VIENNA

LONDON, JULY 6. (JTA) -- THERE HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 800 SUICIDE ATTEMPTS BY VIENNESE JEWS IN RECENT DAYS, THE MAJORITY OF THEM SUCCESSFUL, THE DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTED TODAY FROM VIENNA. THE NEWEST WAVE OF SUICIDES WAS MOTIVATED BY THE ORDER FOR DISMISSAL OF JEWISH EMPLOYEES FROM JEWISH-OWNED FIRMS, THE DISPATCH STATED.

18 WOUNDED IN POLISH RESORT EXCESSES

WARSAW, JULY 6. (JTA) -- EIGHTEEN JEWS WERE WOUNDED TODAY, TWO OF THEM SERIOUSLY, WHEN ANTI-SEMITIC STUDENTS FROM LWOW ATTACKED JEWISH RESIDENTS AT SPA MIKULICZYN, A RESORT IN THE PROVINCE OF STANISLAWOW. ONE STUDENT WAS ARRESTED.

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TEXT OF MR. TAYLOR'S ADDRESS

FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE ADDRESS DELIVERED BY MYRON C. TAYLOR, CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICAN DELEGATION, AT THE OPENING OF THE EVIAN REFUGEE CONFERENCE:

MR. CHAIRMAN: SOME MILLIONS OF PEOPLE, AS THIS MEETING CONVENES, ARE, ACTUALLY OR POTENTIALLY, WITHOUT A COUNTRY. THE NUMBER IS INCREASING DAILY. THIS INCREASE IS TAKING PLACE, MOREOVER, AT A TIME WHEN THERE IS SERIOUS UNEMPLOYMENT IN MANY COUNTRIES, WHEN THERE IS A SHRINKAGE OF SUBSISTENCE BASES AND WHEN THE POPULATION OF THE WORLD IS AT A PEAK.

MEN AND WOMEN, OF EVERY RACE, CREED AND ECONOMIC CONDITION, OF EVERY PROFESSION AND OF EVERY TRADE, ARE BEING UPROOTED FROM THE HOMES WHERE THEY HAVE LONG BEEN ESTABLISHED AND TURNED ADrift WITHOUT THOUGHT OR CARE AS TO WHAT WILL BECOME OF THEM OR WHERE THEY WILL GO. A MAJOR FORCED MIGRATION IS TAKING PLACE, AND THE TIME HAS COME WHEN GOVERNMENTS -- I REFER SPECIFICALLY TO THOSE GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE HAD THE PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES THRUST UPON THEM BY POLICIES OF SOME OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS -- MUST ACT AND ACT PROMPTLY AND EFFECTIVELY IN A LONG-RANGE PROGRAM OF COMPREHENSIVE SCALE.

MINDFUL OF THE HARROWING URGENCY OF THIS SITUATION, PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TOOK THE INITIATIVE OF CALLING THIS MEETING AT EVIAN. THE RESPONSE OF MORE THAN 30 GOVERNMENTS WHICH WERE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE HAS BEEN GENEROUS AND ENCOURAGING, AND THE COURTESY OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT IN OFFERING THE HOSPITALITY OF ITS TERRITORY TO THE MEETING AND IN ARRANGING THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF OUR RECEPTION CALLS FOR THE DEEPEST APPRECIATION AND MOST PROFOUND THANKS.

AT THE OUTSET, WE MUST CONSIDER THAT WE ARE DEALING WITH A FORM OF MIGRATION WHICH PRESENTS PECULIAR DIFFICULTIES. THE EARLIEST MIGRATORY MOVEMENTS OF WHICH WE HAVE A RECORD CONSISTED IN THE MIGRATION OF RACES WHICH OVERRAN WESTERN AND SOUTHERN EUROPE IN A CONCERTED HOSTILE MOVEMENT OF WHOLE PEOPLES; ADVANCING AS MILITARY OR POLITICAL WAVES ON THOSE AREAS OF THE WORLD WHERE A HIGH STANDARD OF LIVING WAS ALREADY ESTABLISHED. THEN CAME COLONIZATION MOVEMENTS WHICH WERE LARGELY MIGRATIONS BY ORGANIZED GROUPS USUALLY UNDER DIRECT POLITICAL AUTHORIZATION, ESSENTIALLY FOR GOVERNMENTAL PURPOSES. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY NINETEENTH AND EARLY TWENTIETH CENTURY MIGRATION WHICH WAS A MOVEMENT BY INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ON AN ENORMOUS SCALE, INDUCED BY UNSATISFACTORY ECONOMIC AND LIVING CONDITIONS IN THE COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN AND THE PROMISE OF A HIGHER STANDARD OF LIVING IN THE COUNTRIES OF SETTLEMENT. NOW, WE HAVE A FORM OF COMPULSORY MIGRATION, ARTIFICIALLY STIMULATED BY GOVERNMENTAL PRACTICES IN SOME COUNTRIES WHICH FORCE UPON THE WORLD AT LARGE GREAT BODIES OF RELUCTANT MIGRANTS WHO MUST BE ABSORBED IN ABNORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES, WITH A DISREGARD OF ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AT A TIME OF STRESS.

PROBLEM VAST, COMPLEX

WE MUST ADMIT FRANKLY, INDEED, THAT THIS PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES IS SO VAST AND SO COMPLEX THAT WE PROBABLY CAN DO NO MORE AT AN INITIAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING THAN PUT IN MOTION MACHINERY, AND CORRELATE IT WITH EXISTING MACHINERY, THAT WILL, IN THE LONG RUN, CONTRIBUTE TO A PRACTICABLE AMELIORATION OF THE CONDITION OF THE UNFORTUNATE HUMAN BEINGS WITH WHOM WE ARE CONCERNED. WHILE, FOR EXAMPLE, OUR ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE SHOULD BE TO ESTABLISH AN ORGANIZATION WHICH WOULD CONCERN ITSELF WITH ALL REFUGEES, WHEREVER GOVERNMENTAL INTOLERANCE SHALL HAVE CREATED A REFUGEE PROBLEM, WE MAY FIND THAT WE SHALL BE OBLIGED ON THIS OCCASION TO FOCUS OUR IMMEDIATE ATTENTION UPON THE MOST PRESSING PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES FROM GERMANY (INCLUDING AUSTRIA). ACCORDINGLY, MY GOVERNMENT IN ITS INVITATION REFERRED

SPECIFICALLY TO THE PROBLEM OF GERMAN (AND AUSTRIAN) REFUGEES AND PROPOSES THAT, FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS INITIAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEETING AND WITHOUT WISHING TO SET A PRECEDENT FOR FUTURE MEETINGS, PERSONS COMING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE SHALL BE

- A) PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY LEFT GERMANY (INCLUDING AUSTRIA) BUT WHO DESIRE TO EMIGRATE BY REASON OF TREATMENT TO WHICH THEY ARE SUBJECTED ON ACCOUNT OF THEIR POLITICAL OPINIONS, RELIGIOUS BELIEFS OR RACIAL ORIGIN, AND
- B) PERSONS AS DEFINED IN (A) WHO HAVE ALREADY LEFT GERMANY AND ARE IN PROCESS OF MIGRATION.

DOUBTLESS SOME DELEGATES WILL SUGGEST THAT THERE IS ALREADY ESTABLISHED UNDER THE GENERAL SUPERVISION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS A COMMISSION FOR POLITICAL EMIGRANTS FROM GERMANY AND THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS ON MAY 14, 1938, AGREED UPON A RESOLUTION MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS WITH REGARD TO THE REORGANIZATION OF THIS COMMISSION AND WITH REGARD TO THE NANSSEN OFFICE WHOSE DISTINGUISHED HEAD IS A DELEGATE OF NORWAY. IT IS THE FIRM BELIEF OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION WHICH IT IS PROPOSED TO SET UP AT THIS MEETING, THE LEAGUE COMMISSION AND THE NANSSEN OFFICE SHOULD BE COMPLEMENTARY AND SHOULD WORK TOGETHER TOWARDS A SOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM OF POLITICAL REFUGEES, IN WHICH THE FATE OF SO MANY HAPLESS HUMAN BEINGS IS AT STAKE.

AS EVIDENCE OF MY GOVERNMENT'S INTENTIONS IN THIS RESPECT, I SHOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE, BEFORE WE PROCEED FURTHER, THAT SIR NEILL MALCOLM, THE LEAGUE'S COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES FROM GERMANY, SHOULD BE INVITED BY THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE TO ASSIST IN ITS DELIBERATIONS. HAPPILY, AS I HAVE ALREADY OBSERVED, JUDGE MICHAEL HANSSON, HEAD OF THE NANSSEN OFFICE, IS OFFICIALLY IN ATTENDANCE AND WILL, I AM SURE, GIVE US THE BENEFIT OF HIS PROFOUND KNOWLEDGE AND WIDE EXPERIENCE.

I SHALL NOT AT THIS POINT DWELL AT LENGTH UPON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM WITH WHICH WE SHALL HAVE TO DEAL. MAY I MERELY SUGGEST THAT IT WILL BE ADVISABLE FOR US TO EXCHANGE, FOR THE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE, DETAILS REGARDING THE NUMBER AND TYPE OF IMMIGRANTS WHOM EACH GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO RECEIVE UNDER ITS EXISTING LAWS AND PRACTICES, DETAILS REGARDING THESE LAWS AND PRACTICES AND INDICATIONS REGARDING THOSE PARTS OF TERRITORY OF EACH PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENT WHICH MAY BE ADOPTED TO THE SETTLEMENT OF IMMIGRANTS. THEN, THERE WILL BE THE PROBLEM, WHICH MUST BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED, OF DOCUMENTING THE POLITICAL EMIGRANTS WHO HAVE BEEN OBLIGED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY OF THEIR ORIGINAL RESIDENCE IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH RENDER IMPOSSIBLE THE PRODUCTION OF CUSTOMARY DOCUMENTS. IT WILL ALSO BE INCUMBENT UPON US TO CONSIDER THE VARIOUS STUDIES WHICH HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES OF THE PROBLEMS OF AIDING EMIGRATION AND SETTLING AND FINANCING POLITICAL REFUGEES. I MIGHT OBSERVE, IN THIS CONNECTION, THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAS SET UP IN THE UNITED STATES AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL REFUGEES WHOSE CHAIRMAN, MR. JAMES G. McDONALD, IS PRESENT AT THIS MEETING AND WILL, I KNOW, BE PREPARED TO FURNISH YOU WITH DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING HIS ORGANIZATION.

YOU WILL HAVE NOTED THAT MY GOVERNMENT'S INVITATION TO THIS MEETING STATED SPECIFICALLY THAT WHATEVER ACTION WAS RECOMMENDED HERE SHOULD TAKE PLACE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE EXISTING LAWS AND PRACTICES OF THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS. THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT PRIDES ITSELF UPON THE LIBERALITY OF ITS EXISTING LAWS AND PRACTICES BOTH AS REGARDS THE NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS WHOM THE UNITED STATES RECEIVES EACH YEAR FOR ASSIMILATION WITH ITS POPULATION AND THE TREATMENT OF THOSE PEOPLE WHEN THEY HAVE ARRIVED. I MIGHT POINT OUT THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN STEPS TO CONSOLIDATE BOTH THE GERMAN AND FORMER AUSTRIAN QUOTAS SO THAT NOW A TOTAL OF 27,370 IMMIGRANTS MAY ENTER THE UNITED STATES ON THE GERMAN QUOTA IN ONE YEAR.

FROM THE FIRST INCEPTION OF THIS PRESENT EFFORT IN BEHALF OF POLITICAL REFUGEES, IT HAS BEEN THE VIEW OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THAT THE MEETING AT EVIAN WOULD SERVE PRIMARILY TO INITIATE COLLABORATION OF THE RECEIVING GOVERNMENTS IN THEIR ASSISTANCE TO POLITICAL REFUGEES AND THAT THE WORK WOULD HAVE TO BE CARRIED FORWARD SUBSEQUENTLY IN A MORE PERMANENT FORM. IT IS THE BELIEF OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT THAT THIS PERMANENT COLLABORATION MIGHT BE MOST EFFECTIVELY MAINTAINED BY THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS -- OR SUCH OTHER REPRESENTATIVE AS A PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENT MAY WISH TO DESIGNATE -- IN A EUROPEAN CAPITAL, AND WE HOPE THAT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT WILL AGREE THAT THESE MEETINGS MAY TAKE PLACE AT PARIS. IT MIGHT BE USEFUL IF A SECRETARIAT WERE TO BE ESTABLISHED TO ASSIST THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE IN ITS CONTINUED FORM IN CARING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS -- THE EXPENSES OF THIS SECRETARIAT TO BE BORNE BY THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS ON A BASIS TO BE RECOMMENDED BY THIS INITIAL MEETING.

IN CONCLUSION, I NEED NOT EMPHASIZE THAT DISCRIMINATION AND PRESSURE AGAINST MINORITY GROUPS AND DISREGARD OF ELEMENTARY HUMAN RIGHTS ARE CONTRARY TO THE PRINCIPLES OF WHAT WE HAVE COME TO REGARD AS THE ACCEPTED STANDARDS OF CIVILIZATION. WE HAVE HEARD FROM TIME TO TIME OF THE DISRUPTIVE CONSEQUENCES OF DUMPING MERCHANDISE UPON THE WORLD'S ECONOMY. HOW MUCH MORE DISTURBING IS THE FORCED AND CHAOTIC DUMPING OF UNFORTUNATE PEOPLES IN LARGE NUMBERS. RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PROBLEMS ARE, IN CONSEQUENCE, RENDERED MORE ACUTE IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD. ECONOMIC RETALIATION AGAINST THE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CONDITION IS ENCOURAGED. SENTIMENT OF INTERNATIONAL MISTRUST AND SUSPICION IS HEIGHTENED AND FEAR, WHICH IS AN IMPORTANT OBSTACLE TO GENERAL APPEASEMENT BETWEEN NATIONS, IS ACCENTUATED.

THE PROBLEM IS NO LONGER ONE OF PURELY PRIVATE CONCERN. IT IS A PROBLEM FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL DELIBERATION. IF THE PRESENT CURRENTS OF MIGRATION ARE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE TO PUSH ANARCHICALLY UPON RECEIVING STATES AND IF SOME GOVERNMENTS ARE TO CONTINUE TO Toss LARGE SECTIONS OF THEIR POPULATIONS LIGHTLY UPON A DISTRESSED AND UNPREPARED WORLD, THEN THERE IS CATASTROPHIC HUMAN SUFFERING AHEAD WHICH CAN ONLY RESULT IN GENERAL UNREST AND IN A GENERAL INTERNATIONAL STRAIN WHICH WILL NOT BE CONDUCTIVE TO THE PERMANENT APPEASEMENT TO WHICH ALL PEOPLES EARNESTLY ASPIRE.

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