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BRITAIN AGAIN BACKS PARTITION IN FACE OF CRITICISM AT GENEVA; IRELAND, IRAQ OPPOSED

GENEVA, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- BRITAIN TODAY REAFFIRMED HER INTENTION OF SETTling THE PALESTINE QUESTION BY PARTITION IN THE FACE OF CRITICISM OF THE SCHEME VOICED BY IRAQ AND IRELAND DURING A DEBATE IN THE SIXTH (POLITICAL) COMMISSION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS ASSEMBLY.

FOREIGN UNDERSECRETARY RICHARD A. BUTLER DECLARED THAT BRITAIN STILL FAVORED PARTITION AND HAD DECIDED DEFINITELY TO SETTLE THE PALESTINE QUESTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THE REPORT OF BRITAIN'S PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION SERVING AS THE BASIS FOR A FINAL SOLUTION. MEANWHILE, HE ADDED, THE PALESTINE GOVERNMENT WAS DOING ITS UTMOST TO SUPPRESS DISORDERS.

LEADING THE ATTACK ON PARTITION, FOREIGN MINISTER TEWFIK EL SWAIDY OF IRAQ DECLARED THAT IF BRITAIN HAD FORESEEN THE PRESENT PALESTINE SITUATION IN 1917, THE BALFOUR DECLARATION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A JEWISH HOMELAND WOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ISSUED. SWAIDY ADVOCATED THE ALTERNATIVE SOLUTION OF FORMATION OF AN INDEPENDENT AND SOVEREIGN ARAB STATE WITH EXTENSIVE LOCAL AND RELIGIOUS AUTONOMY AND THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE RIGHTS OF FOREIGN NATIONALS. HE DEMANDED THAT THE COMMISSION REFUSE TO GIVE ITS BENEDICTION TO THE PARTITION PLAN, DECLARING THAT IF THE SCHEME WERE CARRIED OUT THERE WOULD BE NO PEACE BETWEEN THE ARAB AND THE JEWISH STATES.

IRISH REPRESENTATIVES PLEADED AGAINST PARTITION, SAYING IT WOULD BRING NO APPEASEMENT. THE STAND REPRESENTED THE SAME ONE VOICED BEFORE THE COMMISSION AT LAST SEPTEMBER'S SESSION BY PREMIER EAMON DE VALERA, THEN PRESIDENT OF THE IRISH FREE STATE, WHO SAID: "PARTITION IS NOT THE SOLUTION. IT IS THE CRUELLEST WRONG THAT COULD BE DONE ANY PEOPLE."

PAUL BONCOUR OF FRANCE DISCUSSED THE GENERAL SITUATION OF THE JEWS, STATING THAT "THE ABOMINABLE EXPULSION OF JEWS FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES MAKES SETTLEMENT OF THE PALESTINE PROBLEM ALL THE MORE DESIRABLE," BUT URGING THAT IT BE REMEMBERED THAT PALESTINE ALONE COULD NOT SOLVE THE JEWISH PROBLEM. HE CONTESTED IRAQ'S ASSERTION THAT THE PALESTINE MANDATE WAS NOW OUTDATED AND ALSO DECLARED THAT THE PALESTINE DISORDERS HAD NOT ENTIRELY ORIGINATED IN PALESTINE.

REPRESENTATIVES OF ALBANIA, HAITI, DENMARK AND RUMANIA ALSO SPOKE ON THE QUESTION. ANDERSEN OF DENMARK WAS APPOINTED RAPPOORTEUR ON THE PALESTINE MANDATE FOR A DEBATE IN THE ASSEMBLY.

2 JEWS DIE IN CONTINUING DISORDERS

JERUSALEM, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- TWO JEWS DIED TODAY AND FOUR OTHERS WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED IN CONTINUING PALESTINE DISORDERS.

A SPECIAL POLICEMAN WAS KILLED AND TWO LABORERS HE WAS ESCORTING WERE INJURED IN AN AMBUSCADE AT THE ZICHRON JACOB COLONY, SOUTH OF HAIFA. THE POLICEMAN, DOV BEN JOSEPH (FORMERLY LIPSHIN), 26, WAS AN IMMIGRANT FROM RIGA, LATVIA, A MEMBER OF THE BRITH TRUMPELDOR YOUTH ORGANIZATION AND A FORMER SEAMAN OF THE S.S. THEODOR HERZL. THE INJURED LABORERS ARE JOSHUA DEHAN AND JERUCHAM SHLIMIN.

THE SECOND FATALITY WAS NOAH RAIGORODSKY, 36, A RAILWAY EMPLOYEE WHO WAS SHOT IN HAIFA. HE WAS AN IMMIGRANT FROM RUMANIA. A VEGETABLE DEALER, ABRAHAM DAVID COHEN, WAS SHOT AND SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY A SNIPER IN THE MUSRARAH QUARTER OF JERUSALEM. A SPECIAL POLICEMAN, YEHEZKIEL RABINOVITZ, 21, WAS WOUNDED WHEN THE KFAR HASSIDIM SETTLEMENT WAS FIRED UPON.

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BRITISH ZIONISTS PLAN "PALESTINE WEEK"

LONDON, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- THE BRITISH ZIONIST FEDERATION TODAY PROCLAIMED THE WEEK OF OCT. 2 TO 9 "PALESTINE WEEK" FOR "RESTATING THE ACUTE GRAVITY OF THE JEWISH PROBLEM AND THE INEVITABILITY OF A ZIONIST SOLUTION." THE PROCLAMATION CITES AS MOTIVE FOR THE WEEK "THE APPROACH OF THE CLOSING STAGES OF THE WORK OF THE WOODHEAD (PARTITION) COMMISSION AND THE HOUR FOR FATEFUL DECISIONS BY HIS MAJESTY'S GOVERNMENT ON THE FUTURE OF PALESTINE." MEETINGS THE COUNTRY OVER WILL BE ADDRESSED BY ZIONIST LEADERS AND MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

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REVISIONISTS MEET IN WARSAW

WARSAW, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- WITH 69 DELEGATES FROM 12 COUNTRIES IN ATTENDANCE, A CONFERENCE OPENED HERE TODAY OF THE COUNCIL OF THE WORLD REVISIONIST PARTY UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF VLADIMIR JABOTINSKY, PRESIDENT.

NEW ALIEN REGISTRATION LAW IN REICH SEEN PRELUDE TO MASS EXPULSION DRIVE

BERLIN, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- A WHOLESALE EXPULSION DRIVE AGAINST STATELESS AND EASTERN EUROPEAN JEWS IS EXPECTED TO FOLLOW A NEW LAW, WHICH ENTERS INTO FORCE OCT. 1, REQUIRING ALL FOREIGNERS IN GERMANY TO REGISTER WITH THE POLICE EVERY THREE MONTHS. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT AT LEAST 80,000 POLISH, 7,000 RUMANIAN AND OTHER EAST EUROPEAN JEWS, IN ADDITION TO 17,000 STATELESS JEWS, RESIDE IN GERMANY. THE NUMBER OF STATELESS IS INCREASING DAILY, SINCE THE POLISH AND RUMANIAN GOVERNMENTS ARE CONTINUALLY CANCELLING CITIZENSHIPS WHILE THE GESTAPO IS PRESSING THE DENATURALIZATION CAMPAIGN AGAINST GERMAN JEWS.

EXPULSION NOTICES, USUALLY WITH FOUR WEEKS' GRACE, HAVE LATELY AVERAGED 50 PER MONTH. INTENSIFICATION OF THE DRIVE IS FEARED SINCE AN OFFICIAL EXPLANATION OF THE NEW LAW STATES THAT IT IS DESIGNED TO GIVE THE AUTHORITIES OPPORTUNITY TO EXPEL "UNDESIRABLE ALIENS."

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NAZIS DRAFT JEWS IN LABOR BATTALIONS; USE IN WAR SEEN

VIENNA (JTA) -- JEWS ARE BEING DRAFTED FOR LABOR SERVICE, AND THEIR POSSIBLE USEFULNESS IF WAR COMES IS NOT BEING OVERLOOKED BY NAZI AUTHORITIES.

SEVERAL HUNDRED JEWS PICKED FROM THE UNEMPLOYED LISTS ARE NOW BELIEVED TO BE AT WORK ON ROADS AND BUILDING CONSTRUCTION IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF VIENNA. ALL ARE MARRIED MEN

AND UNDER 40. THEY ARE EARNING 60 PFENNIGS AN HOUR, HALF OF WHICH IS PAID TO THEM DIRECTLY AND THE OTHER HALF TO THEIR FAMILIES.

THE WORKERS ARE HOUSED IN SPECIAL BARRACKS DURING THEIR TIME OF SERVICE. LIKE "ARYANS," THEY ARE BEING SELECTED BY OFFICIALS AT THE UNEMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE WHEN THEY APPLY FOR THEIR WEEKLY PAY.

JEWISH EX-SERVICEMEN AND ALL JEWS OF MILITARY AGE ARE BEING CALLED TO DISTRICT WAR SERVICE QUARTERS FOR REGISTRATION AND CLARIFICATION OF THEIR STATUS. THOSE WHO CAN PROVE THAT THEY ARE FULL JEWS AND WHO INDICATE THEIR INTENTIONS TO EMIGRATE USUALLY HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN GETTING MILITARY CLEARANCE PAPERS NECESSARY FOR TAKING OUT A PASSPORT. IT IS SIGNIFICANT, HOWEVER, THAT THE CLEARANCE PAPERS PROVIDE MILITARY EXEMPTION ONLY "DURING PEACE-TIME."

IN RELIABLE QUARTERS IT IS STATED THAT ARMY HEADQUARTERS HAVE ALREADY PREPARED A PROGRAM OF ACTIVITY FOR JEWS OF MILITARY AGE IF WAR SHOULD BREAK OUT. ALTHOUGH IT IS DOUBTED WHETHER JEWS SERVING UNDER THE SWASTIKA WILL BE GIVEN GUNS, THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT PLACES IN LABOR BRIGADES, ORDINANCE DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER NON-FIGHTING FORCES HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR THEM.

FEW DOUBT THAT, IF WAR COMES BEFORE THE "ARYANS" HAVE BEEN GIVEN TIME TO REPLENISH THEIR DEPLETED MEDICAL TALENT, JEWISH DOCTORS WILL ALSO BE PROMPTLY DRAFTED FOR SERVICE. IT IS RELIABLY REPORTED, MOREOVER, THAT THE FACILITIES OF THE ROTHSCHILD HOSPITAL, ONLY JEWISH HOSPITAL IN THE CITY, HAVE ALREADY BEEN EXAMINED CAREFULLY FOR WARTIME POSSIBILITIES. IT IS BELIEVED, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT THE CATACOMBS UNDER THE HOSPITAL BUILDING HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS AN AIR RAID SHELTER, A PART HAVING BEEN SET ASIDE FOR JEWS AND ANOTHER SECTION FOR "ARYANS."

AMERICAN SCHOOL IN BERLIN RE-OPENED AFTER U.S. INTERVENTION

BERLIN, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- THE AMERICAN SCHOOL HERE, WHICH WAS CLOSED DOWN LAST JUNE UNDER ANTI-SEMITIC PRESSURE, FOLLOWING INTERVENTION OF THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL HAS BEEN PERMITTED TO REOPEN AND TO CONTINUE TO ACCEPT JEWISH PUPILS, IT WAS LEARNED TODAY.

GREGOR ZIMMER, DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL, ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY: "THE REICH AUTHORITIES REACTED REASONABLY WHEN IT WAS POINTED OUT TO THEM THAT 300 GERMAN SCHOOLS ARE PERMITTED TO OPERATE PEACEFULLY IN AMERICA. THE SCHOOL HAS NOT ONLY BEEN PERMITTED TO READMIT JEWISH PUPILS AND ACCEPT NEW ONES, BUT ALSO TO REINSTATE THE SOLE JEWISH TEACHER OF THE STAFF WHOM WE HAD BEEN FORCED TO DISMISS SEVERAL MONTHS BEFORE THE SCHOOL WAS CLOSED DOWN. AT THE PRESENT TIME, ONE THIRD OF THE ENROLLMENT IS JEWISH, THE SAME PROPORTION AS LAST YEAR."

THE SCHOOL, WHICH HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE TEN YEARS, SERVES AS A "LITTLE AMERICA" IN BERLIN, NOT ONLY FOR CHILDREN OF RESIDENT AMERICANS, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, BUT, OF LATE, FOR JEWISH CHILDREN WHOSE PARENTS WERE ANXIOUS TO INCUCLCATE THEM WITH THE SPIRIT OF THEIR FUTURE HOMELAND.

LEAGUE GROUP STUDIES PLAN FOR MERGING OF 2 REFUGEE BODIES

GENEVA, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- A SUBCOMMITTEE OF SEVEN BEGAN TODAY THE TASK OF DEFINING THE EXACT FUNCTIONS OF THE NEW LEAGUE HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES, WHICH IS TO COMBINE THE PRESENT COMMISSION WITH THE NANSSEN OFFICE. THE SUBCOMMITTEE COMPRISES THE REPRESENTATIVES OF GREAT BRITAIN, FRANCE, BOLIVIA, NORWAY, GREECE, LATVIA AND SWITZERLAND. IT WAS NAMED YESTERDAY FOLLOWING A LONG SESSION ATTENDED BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF 18 COUNTRIES, APPOINTED BY THE SIXTH (POLITICAL) COMMISSION TO DECIDE ON THE AMALGAMATION OF THE TWO REFUGEE BODIES.

JUDGE MICHAEL HANSSON, PRESIDENT OF THE NANSSEN OFFICE, REITERATED HIS CONTENTION THAT THE REFUGEES FROM GERMANY AND AUSTRIA WERE IN A BETTER POSITION THAN THE RUSSIAN REFUGEES SINCE THEY RECEIVED HELP FROM JEWISH AND OTHER RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS. HE DEMANDED THAT THE LEAGUE CONSIDER PROVISION OF FUNDS FOR THE RUSSIAN REFUGEES IN THE PROJECTED MERGER. BRITISH AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES SUPPORTED HIM IN HIS ARGUMENT.

SIR NEILL MALCOLM, HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES, POINTED OUT ON THE OTHER HAND THAT THE FUNDS OF PRIVATE RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS WERE NEARING EXHAUSTION AND THAT THERE SOON WOULD BE NO FINANCIAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF REFUGEES. HE SUPPORTED THE ORIGINAL PLAN THAT THE NEW HIGH COMMISSION HANDLE THE REFUGEE PROBLEM FROM THE JUDICIAL AND HUMANITARIAN, RATHER THAN THE FINANCIAL VIEWPOINT.

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ASK AID FOR EXILES IN FINLAND

HELSINGFORS, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION FOR A PLEA THAT PERMANENT RESIDENCE AND LABOR PERMITS BE GRANTED TO 150 AUSTRIAN REFUGEES NOW IN FINLAND WAS PROMISED TODAY BY PREMIER A.K. CAJANDER, INTERIOR MINISTER U.K. KEKKONEN AND V. TANNER, PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF FINLAND, TO A DELEGATION OF PROMINENT NON-JEWS HEADED BY THE EDUCATORS YRJOE HIRN AND LAURIN ZILLIACUS.

LABOR COMMITTEE APPROPRIATES \$10,000 FOR FIGHT ON ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE HAS APPROPRIATED \$10,000 TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM IN EUROPE, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY. THE COMMITTEE ALSO ADOPTED THE RECOMMENDATION OF ITS SUBCOMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION IN PROVINCIAL AREAS TO COMBAT ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA IN VARIOUS LOCALITIES, BUT IN EACH CASE THE APPROVAL OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE IS REQUIRED FOR SUCH ACTION.

IN A DISCUSSION ON ITALY, MEMBERS EXPRESSED THE CONVICTION THAT HER NEW ANTI-SEMITIC POLICY WOULD NOT AFFECT RELATIONS BETWEEN JEWISH AND ITALIAN WORKERS IN THE UNITED STATES. B.C. VLADECK, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE, PRESIDED.

LABOR ASKS BAN ON FASCIST MARCH IN LONDON ROSH HASHONAH EVE

LONDON, SEPT. 20. (JTA) -- AFTER CONSULTATION WITH OTHER EAST END MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, MAJOR CLEMENT R. ATLEE, LEADER OF THE LABOR OPPOSITION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, DECIDED TODAY TO REQUEST THE HOME OFFICE TO PROHIBIT A PROPOSED FASCIST MARCH THROUGH THE EAST END ON SUNDAY, THE EVE OF ROSH HASHONAH, THE JEWISH NEW YEAR. GRAVE DISORDERS ARE FEARED IF THE SCHEDULED PARADE IS PERMITTED.