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ANGLO-JEWISH TALKS END AS JEWS REJECT STATE PLAN; U.S. WARNS BRITAIN ON ENTRY CURBS

LONDON, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- The Anglo-Jewish discussions on Palestine's future broke down today after a declaration by the Jews that the British proposals for establishment of an independent state in which the Jews would be a minority were completely unacceptable as a basis for further discussion. An "informal" meeting between the Government representatives and the Jewish leaders, however, will be held tomorrow at which the question of arranging further meetings will be discussed.

It is understood that Dr. Stephen S. Wise, principal American Jewish delegate, will not take part in further talks with the British. He will confer tomorrow with American Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy -- who today cautioned Britain of reaction in the United States to any restriction of immigration -- and will sail for New York on the Queen Mary this weekend. The position of the other American delegates, Robert Szold and Louis Lipsky, is still undecided.

In accordance with the Jewish Agency Executive's decision, unanimously ratified this morning by the all-party Jewish conference committee, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Agency, read to the British representatives at this afternoon's session in St. James Palace a statement of rejection which had been drafted by a committee composed of Lord Reading, Mr. Szold, Harry Sacher, Leonard Stein and Prof. L.B. Namier.

The statement declared that the British proposals did not take into account the Balfour Declaration, the "solemn international pledges" to the Jewish people and the historical association and rights of the Jews in Palestine. It asserted that the proposals contained no safeguards for continued Jewish immigration, that it omitted reference to the Jewish national home and that it would have the effect of reducing the Jews to a minority under the domination of the Arabs.

In the ensuing discussion, Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald was understood to have declared that the proposals were not rigid and were subject to some modification in subsequent discussions. He also gave additional details of the plan and asserted that there might be other points to add to the proposal which might change the picture. This reference was taken to refer presumably to immigration and land questions.

The Jewish delegates, however, made it clear that they could not participate in further discussions on proposals based on the principles underlying the British plan, and consequently only personal and informal Anglo-Jewish contacts would be maintained for the time being.

Drastic limitation of Jewish immigration into Palestine would have a most unfavorable effect upon public opinion in the United States, Ambassador Kennedy was understood to have informed Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax today.

Evidence of American concern over the British proposal to drop the mandate and establish an independent Arab State with the Jews reduced to minority status came today in the form of a cable from Jewish leaders in the United States to the American delegates urging them to stand firm against the plan and refuse to participate in its execution. Signers of the cable included former Supreme Court Justice Louis D. Brandeis; Federal Circuit Court Judge Julian W. Mack, Dr. Solomon Goldman, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Bernard Flexner, president of the Palestine Economic Corporation; Mrs. Moses P. Epstein, president of Hadassah; Leon Gellman, president of Mizrahi, and David Wertheim, secretary of the Poale Zion-Zeire Zion.

(In Philadelphia, Dr. Cyrus Adler disclosed that he had sent the following cable to the American Jewish delegation in London: "As a non-Zionist member of the Administrative Committee and the Council of the Jewish Agency for Palestine I unreservedly agree with the cable sent you by leading American Zionists." In New York, the American Jewish Congress issued a statement associating itself with the Jewish Agency in rejecting the British proposal and calling upon the American Government to take the leadership among nations in preventing what it termed "this new great betrayal of the Jews." Rabbi Morris M. Rose, president of the New Zionist Organization of America issued a statement urging the Jews to fight the British plan "with all the means at their disposal.")

Withhold Judgment, MacDonald Asks

Mr. MacDonald, who first revealed the outlines of the plan on Friday, sought today to allay the cry of protest by telling the House of Commons that newspaper reports of the proposals were misleading, the plan was still subject to discussion and the public should withhold judgment pending an authoritative statement.

"The British delegation to the Palestine conference have laid before the Arab and Jewish delegations separately a series of suggestions for solution of the Palestine problem," Mr. MacDonald said. "These are still subject to discussion in both conferences, and at the present stage I am not in a position to make any public announcements regarding them.

"Unfortunately, incomplete, and in some important respects misleading, press reports purporting to give substance to these suggestions have been published and gone to Palestine, where they have been the cause of serious incidents. I would appeal to the House and to the wider public here and in Palestine to withhold judgment on the lines of the solution now being considered by the conference until an authoritative statement regarding them has been made. This will be done at the appropriate time, when negotiations which are proceeding both with the Arab delegations and the Jewish delegation have advanced further."

Later, at a press conference, Mr. MacDonald appealed for restraint. In connection with the bomb outrages in Palestine he said that "we are discussing a problem which is dynamite in more sense than one." He added that press reports were throwing fuel on the fire.

Incensed at the British plan, the Jewish delegation was reported to have refused an invitation to attend a Palestine luncheon arranged by the Government at the Hotel Carlton. The Government hospitality committee was said to have tried to induce the Jews to participate

in the luncheon, which was attended by former Colonial Secretaries, former High Commissioners for Palestine and members of Palestine inquiry commissions. A Zionist spokesman was quoted as explaining the boycott by referring to the "very great dismay and alarm throughout the Jewish world" at the British proposals.

50 Arabs Killed as Violence Sweeps Palestine

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- A wave of violence that swept Palestine in the wake of Britain's proposal to establish an independent state took the lives of 50 Arabs in the past 24 hours. Thirty-one were victims of bombings and sniping while 19 were killed in clashes between terrorist bands and British troops.

Sixteen bandmen were slain in an engagement with troops near Acre. Three were killed near Ramallah when a band engaged a military patrol. One British soldier was killed and two others were fatally wounded in another clash between a military patrol and an Arab band near the southern village of Qaddis.

Two bomb explosions in an Arab market in Haifa resulted in the death of 24 Arabs and the injuring of 39 others. Two Jewish special policemen were also wounded in the blast. The entire city was immediately placed under curfew by the military authorities. Three Arabs were killed and six were wounded in the boundary area between Tel Aviv and Jaffa. Another Arab was shot dead near a market in the Machne Yehuda quarter of Jerusalem.

Jews were officially held responsible for the Machne Yehuda shooting, the violence in the Jaffa boundary area and for sniping at an Arab bus near the Mea Shearim quarter of Jerusalem which resulted in no casualties.

British police searched patrons of some Jewish restaurants in Jerusalem, without result. Eight Jews were arrested including seven members of the extremist Zionist-Revisionist Party, among them Dr. Ephraim Washitz, Jerusalem Revisionist leader, and also Aaron Nathaniel, president of the Jerusalem Maccabi and member of the Maccabi World Executive Committee, who is not a Revisionist.

The Histadruth, Palestine Jewish labor federation, was scheduled to hold a special meeting tonight to discuss the latest developments.

At a special session of the Tel Aviv Municipal Council, Mayor Israel Rokach eulogized the three Jews slain in yesterday's disorders. "The Arabs are mingling their joy with our blood," he declared. The council cabled its unanimous protest to the Colonial Office in London against the proposal to establish an independent state.

A J.T.A. correspondent who interviewed Jews in the streets of Jerusalem at random regarding the plan to establish a Palestine state found that ten did not believe an Arab state would actually be realized, 13 expressed distrust of Britain, three were convinced that in the long run British policy would be favorable to Zionism, one feared that liquidation of Jewish effort in Palestine was imminent, and five predicted that the Palestine Jews would forcibly oppose subjection to the Arabs.

LEAGUE MOVES TO EXTEND REFUGEE AID TO SUDETEN EXILES

GENEVA, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- The League of Nations moved today to extend to Sudeten refugees the protection of the Provisional Agreement of July 4, 1938, and the International Convention of Feb. 10, 1938 in accordance with a decision of the Council at its January

session. Secretary-General Joseph C. Avenol circularized League members with a memorandum of Sir Herbert Emerson, High Commissioner for Refugees, regarding extension of the agreements. After receipt of replies, Sir Herbert will draft a report for the September session of the Assembly.

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Emerson Confers in Amsterdam

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Sir Herbert Emerson, League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and his assistant, Lord Duncannon, conferred here today with refugee organizations and inspected refugee camps. They arrived here from Belgium, where they had inspected the Merxplas and Marneffe refugee camps.

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12 British Fascists Arrested in Anti-Refugee Demonstration

MANCHESTER, England, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Twelve British Fascist followers of Sir Oswald Mosley were arrested here last night when they demonstrated outside the Warwick Hippodrome Theater, where a benefit performance was given for the Earl Baldwin Refugee Aid Fund. "We cannot ask you to boycott this show," placards carried by the demonstrators said, "but we can and do ask: why support a fund to give relief to aliens when poverty and unemployment are rife in Britain? Mosley says not a penny for aliens while Great Britain starves."

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Lithuania to Oust Refugees

KAUNAS, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Many refugees have been notified that their residence permits will not be extended and they will be forced to leave Lithuania.

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CONVERTED JEWS BARRED FROM EVANGELICAL CHURCH IN THURINGIA

BERLIN, Feb. 27. (Havas) -- The Ecclesiastical Council of the Thuringia Evangelical (Protestant) Church today promulgated a decree forbidding converted Jews to belong to that church.

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HALLE, Germany, Feb. 27. (Havas) -- A young man, convicted of falsely accusing a woman of having purchased goods in a Jewish store here last November, was sentenced to three weeks imprisonment by a court here today. The court said such lying was an offense meriting "exemplary punishment."

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BULGARIAN TRADE BODY URGES SUPPRESSION OF RACE INCITEMENT

SOFIA, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- The Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Rustchuk, important industrial center, adopted a resolution today demanding suppression of racial incitement in the interests of economic progress and international relations. "Bulgarian subjects of all races," the resolution said, "must be treated equally."

LATE PALESTINE NEWS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- All Jewish newspapers will appear tomorrow with the headline: "The Jewish people and the Yishub (Palestine Jewish community) are united in opposition to strangling 'gzeiroth' (evil decrees)." The single headline was agreed upon tonight by editors of the papers.

The Jerusalem Jewish Community issued a statement asserting: "The entire Jewish people will vigorously fight the intrigue against the World War promises, the mandate and against justice. They are still hoping that the British people and the civilized world will support their righteous and prevent the British Government from carrying out the proposals against the Balfour Declaration. To Dr. Weizmann: we are with you in your sorrow; may your fight be strong."