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PALESTINE WHITE PAPER TO BE ISSUED TOMORROW; WEIZMANN REPLIES THURSDAY

LONDON, May 15. (JTA) -- Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain informed the House of Commons today that the White Paper containing a new policy on Palestine will be published on Wednesday at 7 P.M. (2 P.M. New York Time) and arrangements have been made for a Parliamentary debate before the Whitsuntide recess.

Asked by Major Clement Attlee and Sir Archibald Sinclair, leaders of the Labor and Liberal oppositions respectively, to arrange a two-day debate on the Palestine question, the Prime Minister cited pressure of business and promised to discuss what could be done.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, attended a meeting of the Agency Executive today. It is understood he will confer tomorrow with United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, who has in the past conveyed to the British Government the United States Government's interest in the Palestine Jewish homeland.

The Jewish Agency's reply to the White Paper -- which is believed to provide for establishment of an independent Palestine state with the Jews as a one-third minority -- will be made by Dr. Weizmann on Thursday addressing a special session of the current British Zionist Federation's 39th annual conference. The special session was originally scheduled to be held Wednesday evening.

A resolution protesting the Government's proposals for solution of the Palestine conflict was adopted by the conference yesterday. It points out that the Royal Commission which investigated the 1936 disorders declared that establishment of a Jewish national home was the primary purpose of the mandate. "Therefore," the resolution asserts, "no policy involving a change in the Palestine regime can be accepted unless it secures promotion and continued growth of the Jewish national home and no independent state can be set up in Palestine without the consent of the Jews and the Arabs."

The resolution charges that the proposals ignore the historic Jewish connection with Palestine, aim to put a Jewish minority under Arab rule and cannot ensure peace. It also asserts that the absorptive capacity principle must be the only criterion of Jewish immigration and that land purchase restriction represents racial discrimination. Urging the Government to avert the catastrophe involved in its proposals, the resolution concludes: "This conference, meeting in a dark hour of the history of the Jewish people, declares the right of Jewish entry to Palestine admits of no compromise."

Addressing last night's session, Moshe Shertok, head of the Jewish Agency's political department, declared the Balfour Declaration "cannot die -- it is an act of history and as such will live forever."

"I am confident," he added, "that the time will come when British statesmanship will rise to new heights to restore its powers of vision and imagination. In the meantime, the task for the present and the future is to do everything possible to make retreat from the Balfour Declaration as difficult as possible. This can be achieved only by a hard struggle. Your task is not to let British conscience rest."

Asserting that a great deal depended upon the forthcoming Palestine debate in Parliament, Mr. Shertok declared: "We must act without delay. We must and shall go on. We should and may have to go on without British help, even despite obstructions by the British Government."

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Palestine Authorities Act to Prevent Outbreaks

JERUSALEM, May 15. (Havas) -- British authorities today took important preventive action to cope with possible outbreaks following publication of the White Paper on Palestine. They seized important illegal arms caches in many sectors and arrested several suspects.

Preparing for reaction to the White Paper, military officials visited Tel Aviv and carefully inspected streets, houses and various strategic points. They also conferred on preventive measures to be taken in the Nathania region.

Police aided by radio experts were attempting to locate a clandestine broadcasting station operating in a Jewish coastal plantation. The British military commander for the Southern District informed the Mayor of Tel Aviv that Jews were free to demonstrate through strikes or rallies but ruled that the duration of such demonstrations be limited. He announced that a curfew was not contemplated.

The Jerusalem Jewish Community dispatched an appeal to Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain urging him to maintain a Jewish home in Palestine. The appeal stressed the difficult situation of Jews in many parts of the world. Police were called on to disperse Jewish demonstrators parading through Jerusalem streets.

Many workers' groups and labor unions, meeting to decide what stand they should take against the British proposals, voted to follow the recommendations adopted by central Zionist organizations.

Some 220 Jewish immigrants interned in the Sarafend concentration camp because they entered the country without passports were freed by virtue of a measure which fixes their status as immigrants entering the Holy Land under this month's quota.

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Kaplan Leaves Jerusalem Despite Father's Death

JERUSALEM, May 15. (JTA) -- Eliezer Kaplan, treasurer of the Jewish Agency, left today for London by air because of the political situation, despite the death of his father this morning in Tel Aviv.

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Exiled Arab Permitted to Return

JERUSALEM, May 15. (JTA) -- With the endorsement of the Palestine Government and the Colonial Office, British Ambassador Sir Miles Lampson has issued a visa at Cairo to Auni Bey Abdul Hadi, Arab extremist leader who was exiled in September, 1937, to return to the Holy Land.

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U.S. Jews Urged to Recite Biblical Oath

NEW YORK, May 15. (JTA) -- Jews throughout the United States were called upon today to use Shavuoth for the public recitation of the Biblical oath, "If I forget thee, oh Jerusalem," as a means of combating the British White Paper.

Dr. Solomon Goldman, president of the Zionist Organization of America, sounded the call at a press conference this afternoon at the Hotel Brevoort. He urged all Jewish organizations to call meetings for that purpose and requested that rabbinical groups ask all congregations to recite the oath during the regular Shavuoth services.

The conference, attended by representatives of all Yiddish newspapers and the Anglo-Jewish press, discussed other suggested methods of protesting the new policy on Palestine. Speakers besides Dr. Goldman, who presided, included Abraham Goldberg, vice-president of the Z.O.A., Chaim Greenberg, editor of the Jewish Frontier, and Jacob Fishman, of the Jewish Morning Journal.

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Jabotinsky Urges 3-Power Rule

WARSAW, May 15. (JTA) -- Joint administration of Palestine by Britain, the United States and Poland was proposed today by Vladimir Jabotinsky, president of the New Zionist Organization, addressing a rally in protest against Britain's plan for an independent Holy Land state. Outlining a three-point program, Mr. Jabotinsky also suggested the convening of a Jewish Congress of Eastern Europe in support of the Zionist cause in Palestine and the consolidation of the N.Z.O. with the World Zionist Organization with the purpose of creating a "committee of rescue."

PARAGUAY, ECUADOR OFFER LAND FOR REFUGEE SETTLEMENT

PARIS, May 15. (JTA) -- It was reliably learned today that representatives of the Paraguayan and Ecuadorean governments have approached Sir Herbert Emerson, League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and director of the Intergovernmental Refugee Committee, with offers to admit ten thousand refugee families to Ecuador and 5,000 to Paraguay. Both governments have declared they would welcome commissions of experts to investigate the territories available, which they assert have healthy climates.

Emphasizing its need for a \$3,000,000 loan for public works, the Paraguayan Government offers Government-owned land for colonization of up to 5,000 families "without discrimination as to race or religion."

Each family is to pay in full \$1,000, for which it will receive 50 hectares (about 125 acres) of land. The land will become full property of the family when it has been worked for ten years. The settlers must obtain citizenship five years after settling on the land. The Government undertakes to secure unhindered passage through Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

The Ecuadorean Government offers to admit 10,000 families within five years, of whom 9,000 must settle as agriculturists and the remainder work in industries that do not compete with existing enterprises. A visa charge of \$10 per settler is provided. The colonists will be free of all taxes for a period of 20 years. Those admitted for agricultural work are liable to expulsion if they abandon the work within 10 years. The Government also agrees to give each agricultural settler from 50 to 100 hectares of land free of charge. Additional land, it declares, will be made available at two dollars per hectare. Settlers are to be selected from various countries of refuge as well as from Germany, with the stipulation that only 25 per cent of them may be Jews. It is understood, however, that negotiations may bring this percentage up to 50.

Two Ecuadorean representatives, Mathias Espinoza and F. Votteler, who have been negotiating on a previous Ecuador offer to settle 500 refugees on Government land, may go to the United States to confer on the project with George L. Warren, executive secretary of the President's Advisory Committee on Refugees.

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MacDonald Promises 'Practicable Action' on Guiana

LONDON, May 15. (JTA) -- Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald promised today that the Government would limit itself to "strictly practicable action" in aiding refugee settlement in British Guiana and would keep in mind the needs of the West Indian population. He replied to questions by Philip Noel Baker and Stanley Reed in the House of Commons.

CZECH ANTI-JEWISH LAW PROVIDES QUOTAS IN BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS

LONDON, May 15. (JTA) -- Reliable Prague advices said today that the anti-Jewish law just drafted by the Elias Government includes in the definition of Jews all persons who were baptized after Nov. 1, 1918, and spouses of Jews. Under the law every Jew must be entered in an official Jewish register and all Jewish property will have to be registered retroactively as of March 15, 1939.

Jews will be eliminated from the civil service and teaching professions. Jewish children will be segregated in special schools. A two per cent numerus clausus will be imposed on Jewish lawyers and their activities will be limited to Jewish clients. The Jewish percentage in licensed trades will be reduced to six in the current year and five next year. Jews will not be allowed to own or lease landed property.

Other provisions are: Jews will not be permitted more than a 60 per cent share in industry during the current year, 40 the next year and 25 the year after. Property owned by Jews may be transferred to "Aryan" hands only with the consent of the Government Commissar. A fund to facilitate Jewish emigration will be established under the direction of the Welfare Ministry.

Six Jewish communities in Prague have been amalgamated into a single community because of the difficult Jewish position.

Reports from Bratislava said Jews were being brutally beaten and were starving in Slovak prisons. Several Jews have died in concentration camps. They were believed to have been beaten to death.

ROTHSCHILD FAMILY DENIES RANSOM PAID FOR RELEASE FROM AUSTRIA

PARIS, May 15. (JTA) -- The Rothschild family today denied reports of a ransom for the release last week of Baron Louis de Rothschild from Vienna detention by the Gestapo. A communique issued by the family termed press reports about Baron Rothschild's release fantastic and declared: "Neither Louis nor any Rothschild spoke or authorized anyone to speak about Louis's release or about an alleged ransom or other conditions under which he allegedly was released. The reported rumors are baseless."

JEWISH DEPUTY'S ELECTION MEETINGS DISPERSED IN BUDAPEST

BUDAPEST, May 15. (JTA) -- Police today dispersed three election meetings addressed by former Jewish deputy Dr. Bela Fabian following disturbances created by members of the anti-Semitic Arrow Cross. Dr. Fabian's car was stoned.

Dr. Fabian and Ernst Brody, also a former deputy, are candidates in the Parliamentary elections. Dr. Johann Vazsonyi, son of the former Justice Minister, has retired from politics. Under the new anti-Jewish law, Jews are entitled to six per cent of the deputies in the Lower House and are barred entirely from representation in the Upper House. The Lower House numbers 262 deputies.

ROOSEVELT OPENS TAX RECORDS TO DIES COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, May 15. (JTA) -- President Roosevelt today opened the Federal income tax records to the House Committee on Un-American Activities. The Treasury Department made public the President's executive order and issued its own order specifying that the committee can obtain any returns by submitting a written list of persons whose returns it wishes.

Public hearings by the committee will probably be held in Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, New York, Chicago, Birmingham and Washington when Congress adjourns, Chairman Martin Dies (Dem., Tex.) said. "The list of cities is tentative, but when we open, we will have enough stuff to keep in session from three to four months. Your wires will be hot from morning to night when we get going."

Evidence is now being gathered by investigators and attorneys, Mr. Dies said. A statement from Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, has been obtained but is not to be made public immediately. Mr. Dies wants Kuhn to appear before the committee but does not know if his full committee will want to bring the Nazi leader. If Kuhn comes he will answer specific questions, the committee chairman said, and will not be allowed to use the committee as "a forum for his Fascist views."

DEAN INGE CRITICIZED BY LONDON PAPER FOR ARTICLE ON JEWS

LONDON, May 15. (JTA) -- The Daily Telegraph today editorially criticized the Rev. W.R. Inge, former Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, for his recent article in a Church of England newspaper in which he charged Jews with exerting pressure on press and Parliament against British conciliation with the Reich.

Condemning the "gloomy Dean" for his "indiscriminate reproaches" upon the evidence of a single, unnamed witness, the newspaper demanded that he reveal the journalist and the newspaper cited in a subsequent explanatory statement in the News-Chronicle. (Dr. Inge said he had been informed by a journalist that when his paper adopted a policy possibly productive of Anglo-German peace, Jewish firms threatened to cancel their advertising contracts.)