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### LEAGUE BODY MAJORITY HOLDS WHITE PAPER VIOLATES MANDATE; PARTITION URGED AS SOLUTION

GENEVA, Aug. 17 (JTA) — The report of the League of Nations Permanent Mandates Commission made public today reveals that four members consider Britain's new Palestine policy a violation of the Holy Land mandate while three give it qualified approval. All members recommend that a solution by partitioning the country be borne in mind at the appropriate moment.

The British Government's comments contest the view that its policy is in violation of the mandate and stress the Government's readiness to consider a federal solution of the problem.

The report will be acted on by the League Council which opens its session on September 8. Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, in his speech last night opening the Zionist Congress pointed out that the Council usually adopts the Mandates Commission's report and expressed the hope that it would not depart from this procedure at its next session.

The representatives of Belgium, Switzerland, Norway and the Netherlands on the Mandates Commission said they could not feel themselves able to state that the White Paper policy was in conformity with the mandate, any contrary conclusion appearing to them ruled out by the very terms of the mandate and by the fundamental intentions of its authors.

Great Britain, France and Portugal considered that the existing circumstances would justify the policy of the White Paper provided the League Council did not oppose it.

The four members not voting were Spain, absent from the Commission meetings, and Germany, Italy and Japan, who have resigned from the League.

In its statement answering the Mandates Commission report, the British Government asked what would be the effect in Palestine "if the Mandatory Power were to pursue a policy which did not include provisions regarding immigration and other important matters contained in the command paper of 1939."

The result would be, the statement went on, "continuation of that uncertainty about the future which has produced chronic unrest, and bitterness between the two communities in the country."

The Government it said had made the decision "with a full sense of their obligations under the mandate to both Arabs and Jews and in the light of their knowledge of the country and its peoples derived from over 20 years of governments there. . . the Government believe they are pursuing faithfully the fundamental aim of the mandate."

### 5 GROUPS AT CONGRESS JOIN IN MOVE TO BRING REVISIONISTS BACK TO WORLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

GENEVA Aug 17 (JTA) A movement to bring the Zionist Revisionist leader Vladimir Jabotinsky back into the World Zionist Organization which last night opened its 21st biennial congress, was launched here today under the leadership of Rabbi Meir Berlin head of the World Mizrahi Organization, which is considered in opposition to the present Zionist leadership.

Rabbi Berlin announced that the Mizrahi the General Zionists "B" and the Jewish State Party were willing to convoke a special conference for the purpose of bringing the Revisionists, headed by Jabotinsky back into the fold which they left four years ago to form the New Zionist Organization. Rabbi Berlin said he was ready to meet Jabotinsky at any place the latter might set for the negotiations.

### Palestine Alone Can Solve Jewish Problem Goldman Holds

GENEVA Aug 17 (JTA) Dr. Nahum Goldman, Zionist representative in Geneva, told the Zionist Congress last night that no other settlement plan but Palestine could supply a definite solution to the Jewish problem and it was an insult to the history and tradition of the Jewish people to suggest to them 20 different "national homes in various countries or remote islands."

"When Jews hear or read of suggestions of this kind put forward by their liberal friends, who view the problem as if it were purely a refugee problem, they are apt to wonder which is more offensive—the hatred of their enemies or the friendship of their friends," Dr. Goldman said.

The fact that the Jewish people now includes hundreds of thousands of refugees for whom some provisional asylum must be found as soon as possible does not mean "that we are a refugee people," he said. "Like other peoples the Jewish people has a history, tradition and glories and above all has its national home, Palestine, its historic fatherland."

"The Jewish people do not ask 20 homes; they insist that they should be allowed to reconstruct the only home to which they have remained inseparably attached even during the centuries in the diaspora."

For the creation of a national home, he said, not only money, technicians and assistance from governments are needed, but primarily "the will of a people, the devotion, energy and self-sacrifice of heart and soul. Individual refugees or groups of them may be willing if they can to go to British Guiana, New Zealand, Northern Rhodesia or elsewhere, but the Jewish people as such will not go with them."

"As a people the Jewish people know but one path Palestine " he said. "The twentieth century which has been described as the most revolutionary turbulent and cruel ever known in the history of mankind is not the moment in which to settle the destinies of people by conferences and resolutions.

"The Jewish people are often told to fight a good fight for democracy and help restore international order liberalism tolerance and respect for treaty and minority rights which allegedly will be followed also by normalization of the Jewish situation. Though the Jews naturally will continue to struggle side by side with the progressive forces of mankind we do not believe that the victory of the democratic forces will be enough to guarantee our existence as a people "

Referring to the situation in Palestine Dr Goldmann asserted that none among the Jews wanted to infringe the civil and religious rights of the Arabs.

"It is absurd " he said "to speak of conflict of two equal rights in Palestine when on the one hand there is a people in the depth of distress and on the other hand a people which not only benefited more than any other from the World War but has already four great independent states at its disposal states which could perfectly well support twice three times their present populations."

"If there is a conflict " he went on "it is between carrying out the work of high justice and safeguarding a considerably less important right. The lesson the Jews have learned from the tragedy of recent years is that there is no other alternative for a solution of the Jewish problem but Zionism

"We are the first Jewish generation which clearly sees the glorious road leading to a definite turning point in history. Driven by the necessities of the present situation encouraged by the vision of the morrow we take this road the only one which we can take as a people and we take it to the end."

#### Tom Williams Ridicules "Muftis of Britain"

GENEVA Aug 17 (JTA) Tom Williams Labor Member of the British Parliament last night told the World Zionist Congress not to despair because "no referee will count ten over you not even colonial secretaries "

Wildly cheered by the approximately 600 delegates and 1,000 spectators Mr. Williams ridiculed the "muftis of Britain" and asserted that "just as in Palestine the Mufti was powerful three years ago and has now been reduced to nothing the same may happen to the British Colonial Secretary because a secretary is not everlasting like Parliament."

Calling on the congress to support its present leadership the laborite urged the Jews not to despair but to fight with greater determination. "In a world of Hitlers Mussolinis Colonial Secretaries and appeasement you have survived and will survive." he said. "No referee will count ten over you not even Colonial Secretaries."

He asserted that the Parliamentarians who had opposed Britain's Palestine policy would continue to oppose it "until the White Paper is submitted to an international tribune or withdrawn."

Mr Williams warned the League of Nations that if it submitted to British pressure and approved the White Paper at its September session "it will be a dreadful blow to the League "

"White Paper or no White Paper " he concluded amid applause. "Jewish immigration to Palestine must continue."

#### Congress Heavily Guarded; No British Diplomat Present

GENEVA Aug. 17 (JTA) The World Zionist Congress which opened last night, is being heavily guarded by Geneva police because of possible Nazi provocation.

This congress marks the first time since Palestine became a British mandated territory that the biennial Zionist conclave did not have a British diplomatic representative on its platform at the opening session. This fact which was commented upon by delegates was attributed to (1) Zionist resentment against Britain because of her new policy revoking the Jewish homeland promise; (2) the fear that someone might start a demonstration against a British representative; (3) the usual British message to the congress, reiterating intention to facilitate establishment of a Jewish homeland, is now impossible since issuance of the new British policy.

Seated on the platform as the Congress opened were the diplomatic representatives of the United States, France, Poland, China, Greece, Lithuania, Mexico, Bolivia, Belgium and other nations.

Last night's session was addressed by two British Members of Parliament in sympathy with the Zionist cause. They were Tom Williams, Laborite, and Captain Victor Gazelet, Conservative, who were invited to participate as honored guests. Other non-Jews who brought official greetings were Senator Justin Godart of France and the president of the Geneva Cantonal Government.

The blue and white Zionist flag waved over the Geneva Opera House as the congress opened. A huge portrait of Dr. Theodor Herzl, founder of political Zionism, loomed behind the speakers' platform within the hall.

Dr. Weizmann, the opening speaker, began his speech in Hebrew and concluded in English. A rousing ovation at the end of his speech indicated he had expressed the sentiments of all Zionist factions. Dr. Nahum Goldmann, reviewing the world-wide Jewish situation, spoke in French.

#### London Paper Warns Congress

LONDON Aug. 17 (JTA) In a strongly worded editorial, the Daily Mail warned the World Zionist Congress now in session at Geneva against taking any action which might diminish the friendship between Great Britain and the Jews. Declaring that some of the delegates to the Congress apparently favored resistance to the British White Paper on Palestine by violent methods and that "plain words" had therefore become necessary, the editorial said:

"Great Britain approves the policy now to be put into force. It will not change it at the demand of any international conference or in response to threats. Britain never promised to restore Palestine as a Jewish State. It has created for them a national home where a few million Jews may find not only sanctuary but prosperity. Britain spent in the past two years alone more than £8,000,000 in keeping the peace in Palestine. Britain has done more than any other country in the world to assist the Jewish victims of persecution for whom it continues to feel the most profound sympathy."

**PALESTINE BUILDING 12 NEW COAST STATIONS IN FIGHT ON ILLEGAL ENTRY**

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17 (JTA) - The Government is constructing 12 new coast guard stations as part of an intensified effort to check illegal immigration into Palestine, it was learned today.

The stations six of which have already been completed will be located at regular intervals along Palestine's 200-mile coastline. Each will be manned by crews of six Englishmen and six Palestinians attached to the mounted or motorized police. Powerful searchlights will sweep the coastal waters from these posts to detect ships attempting to land refugees illegally.

Unofficial estimates published here reveal that more than 6 000 immigrants have tried to enter the country without the proper documents. They came on 19 vessels and 1,200 were sent back on the same ships. About 4,700 were arrested but finally permitted to remain in Palestine.

**Mock War on Terrorists Mark British Army Maneuvers**

LONDON, Aug. 17 (JTA) - Mock warfare against Palestine Arab terrorists will form part of Britain's great Summer army maneuvers which began today.

English towns and villages will be designated as Jewish colonies or Arab villages. The Arabs will be represented by soldiers garbed in Moslem costumes. Only those "Arabs" discovered in the act of committing terrorist aggressions will be attacked. Others will be treated as peaceful natives. All the conditions actually existing in the Holy Land will be recreated as nearly as possible.

**POLISH PAPER DEMANDS SEIZURE OF GERMAN PROPERTY IN RETALIATION FOR REICH CONFISCATIONS**

WARSAW, Aug. 17 (JTA) - The semi-official newspaper Kurjer Poranny demanded today confiscation of property held in Poland by German citizens in retaliation for seizure of Polish-Jewish property in Germany.

Pointing out that the wealth of Germans in Poland far exceeds that of Polish Jewish residents of Germany, the newspaper urged establishment of a "clearing tribunal" to ascertain the exact amount of loss suffered by Polish citizens so that they may be compensated by confiscation of a like amount of German property to be registered with the tribunal throughout Poland.

"We will not allow Polish citizens," the newspaper concluded, "to become the victims of legal robbery. Fiat justitia ruat caelum. (Let justice be done though the heavens fall)."

**N. Y. TIMES SEES ITALY'S ANTI-JEWISH LAWS APPLIED "WITHOUT CONVICTION"**

NEW YORK, Aug. 17 (JTA) - The Italian anti-Semitic laws are being applied "without conviction," the New York Times said editorially today in commenting upon the recent admission to Italy of Jewish refugees from Germany.

Declaring the anti Jewish legislation has been "honored in the breach as much as in the observance" the Times continued: "This does not mean that the racial policy has been officially modified. On the contrary regulations limiting the activities of Italian Jews are constantly being promulgated. But it does indicate that the policy inaugurated without reason is applied without conviction. It is impossible to imagine foreign Jews either seeking or receiving even temporary asylum in Germany. The influx into Italy is all the more suggestive, because one explanation for Italian conformity to the Nazi policy in this respect was that Hitler objected to the migration of German exiles into the domain of his ally. It is one more proof that conformity comes hard to Italy. Truly as the Italians keep reiterating the Brenner is a natural frontier."

#### ICKES DRAFTING BILLS TO PERMIT ENTRY OF REFUGEES TO ALASKA

WASHINGTON Aug. 17 (JTA) The Interior Department is drafting legislation to permit political refugees to enter Alaska. Secretary Harold L. Ickes stated at a press conference today.

Two alternative plans will be offered, he said, one under which immigrants could enter under existing quota regulations and become citizens, and another providing that refugees would enter regardless of their place on the quota and remain until they would be eligible for immigration to the United States.

The legislation will call for no Federal aid, Mr. Ickes said, but the Department would cooperate in organizing corporations like the Old Hudson Bay Company to undertake colonization and the development of resources. Mr. Ickes' announcement followed issuance earlier this week of an Interior Department Report on Alaskan settlement possibilities which stressed the vital role that could be played by refugees from intolerance in European countries.

#### KUHN ADMITS BUND TRIED TO FORM UNITED FRONT OF FASCIST GROUPS

WASHINGTON Aug. 17 (JTA) Under close questioning by members and counsel of the Dies Committee investigating un-American activities, Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German American Bund, today admitted efforts to form a united front with organizations having similar aims. He said nothing had come so far of these efforts but he was still hopeful.

Declaring he was seeking to promote an alliance between the Bund, the Christian Front and other "anti-Communist" groups, Kuhn said "You call them Fascist but I call them patriotic organizations." Among the meetings held in an effort to obtain unity, he said, was one in Kansas City in August, 1937, and another last winter in Long Island City which was addressed by Major General George Van Horn Moseley, retired.

In the course of the second and concluding day of questioning, Kuhn also testified that Attorney General Frank Murphy had addressed a Bund meeting in Detroit in 1936. He was quizzed about relations with Nazi groups in Germany, denying any direct connection with Berlin. There were several heated exchanges between Kuhn and committee members.

Kuhn yesterday demanded that the committee subpoena Bernard Baruch on the ground he had interviewed Joseph Stalin in 1936 and had said the Communist system was better than the American. Kuhn said he had read such interviews in all leading New York newspapers. Today Representative J. Parnell Thomas, New Jersey, said an exhaustive search

made of the New York Times and Herald Tribune showed no such interview. The only Baruch statement was a denial that he had ever conferred with Maxim Litvinoff while in Russia. Kuhn was ordered to submit clippings to the committee on his return to New York.

When the committee ended its session and Kuhn was permanently excused he told newspapermen that the committee had not shown any proof that the Bund was un-American or had a connection with Germany. He said the hearing was a "waste of time" and would cost Chairman Martin Dies and Representative Joe Starnes their political futures.

#### RABBI REPORTED KILLED BY GESTAPO IN BRATISLAVA

WARSAW Aug. 17 (JTA) Bratislava advices said today that the Gestapo has tortured to death the Sondersher Rabbi Jeshekiel Halberstadt whose body was delivered to his family two days after his arrest. The rabbi was a native of Poland and was the grandson of the famous head of the Sondersher dynasty of Chassidic rabbis.

#### ANTI RACISM BILL DRAFTED BY LUXEMBURG REGIME; MODELED ON FRENCH LAW

LUXEMBURG Aug. 17 (JTA) A bill prohibiting defamation of race and religion, modeled closely on the lines of the French anti-racism law, has been drafted by the Government and will be submitted to the Chamber of Deputies after the summer recess.

It is expected that the bill will be adopted by the Chamber with a substantial majority since not only Justice Minister R. Blum and the entire Government but all parties in the Ducy are strongly opposed to anti-Semitism.

#### CATHOLIC JEWISH VETS JOIN IN AMERICANISM RALLY HERE SATURDAY

NEW YORK Aug. 17 (JTA) The New York State organizations of the Catholic and Jewish War Veterans will hold a joint Americanism rally on the Central Park Mall on Saturday afternoon on the occasion of the 71st anniversary of the ratification of the 14th amendment to the Constitution it was announced today. Speakers will include Representative Joseph A. Gavagan, John H. Brady, vice commander of the New York Catholic veterans, and Jean Mathias, New York commander of the Jewish veterans.

Mr. Gavagan in a radio address tonight over Station WMCA under the auspices of the Coordinated Boycott Committee denounced anti-Semitism as "dangerous to the existence of our democracy" and asserted that Catholics had "a concern for our own preservation in opposing the Nazis in their destructive anti-Semitic work in this country." Other speakers were Harry D. Gidensee, president of Brooklyn College, and Miss Freda Kirclaw, editor of The Nation. The Boycott Committee includes the Volunteer Christian Committee to Boycott Nazi Germany, the Joint Boycott Council and the American Boycott Against Aggressor Nations.

The Committee of Catholics to Fight Anti-Semitism announced that it has changed its name to Committee of Catholics for Human Rights because "we recognize that anti-Semitism is but one facet of the new barbarism which includes anti-Catholicism and all other selective hates in its desire to set man against man in order to profit by the ensuing strife." The committee will continue to publish its newspaper, The Voice.

STATE LABOR BODY CONDEMNS ANTI SEMITISM

NEW YORK Aug. 17. (JTA) The 76th annual convention of the New York State Federation of Labor today adopted a resolution condemning all individuals, public relations and organizations which "are seeking to divide the labor movement by spreading anti-Semitism."

As originally introduced the resolution named Father Charles E. Coughlin the magazine Social Justice and the Christian Front and denounced them as advance agents of Fascism. The resolution committee recommended that the resolution in that form be referred to the executive board. After discussion on the floor the resolution was amended to eliminate all names.

POLICE UNDECIDED ON PERMIT FOR COUGHLINITE PARADE

NEW YORK Aug. 17. (JTA) Police Department officials announced today that they had not decided whether to issue a permit for a parade of Coughlinites from Columbia Circle to Union Square on Saturday. The announcement was made after police had conferred with Lawrence J. Gilpatrick, 19-year old organizer of the parade.

JEWISH DAILY STARTED IN SHANGHAI; ORGAN OF REFUGEES

SHANGHAI Aug. 17. (JTA) The first Jewish daily newspaper in the Far East has begun publication as the Shanghai Jewish Chronicle featuring news of general interest in both English and German.

Publisher of the newspaper is Ossi Lewin, a former Viennese journalist who is a refugee here. Lewin was a leader of the Jewish State Party, a Zionist organization in Vienna and was a contributor to the Neue Welt, party organ published by Robert Stricker. The Chronicle started as a weekly representing the interests of German Jewish refugees in Shanghai.

LATE GENEVA NEWS

GENEVA Aug. 17. (JTA) The World Zionist Congress today received new impetus from the publication of the Mandates Commission report showing the seven members unanimous in the opinion that Britain's new Palestine policy was not in accordance with the interpretation which the commission in agreement with the Mandatory Power and League of Nations had always placed on the Palestine mandate. This together with the fact that four of the members voted that the White Paper would violate the terms of the mandate was considered by Congress leaders as their first victory. With this encouragement the Congress will undoubtedly adopt more outspoken resolutions against the British policy than otherwise might have been the case.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann and members of the Jewish Agency's Political Department are satisfied with the Mandates Commission's recommendations but are studying the possibility of issuing an official statement. Meanwhile Dr. Weizmann in a four-hour address to the Congress on the political situation proclaimed the Jews' readiness to cooperate peacefully with the Arabs. He called on the Arabs to "appraise the Palestine situation soberly and realize that the Jewish national home in Palestine is an indestructible reality."