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CENSORED PALESTINE CABLES HINT 1,771 REFUGEES KEPT FROM LANDING

LONDON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Delayed, incomplete messages received by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today from Jerusalem indicated that serious difficulties had cropped up in Palestine in connection with the arrival at Haifa of two steamers carrying 1,771 refugees.

It was believed here on the basis of these reports that the authorities had refused to permit the passengers to land, causing considerable excitement in the Palestine Jewish community.

The Jews hurriedly called a meeting of representatives of all bodies to discuss the case. This was climaxed by an extraordinary convocation of the Jewish National Assembly which reached complete unanimity today on the course of action to be followed, it was reported. It was not known here what decisions had been taken.

600 Women Among Passengers

HAIFA, Nov. 11. (JTA) (Delayed, censored) -- Two steamers carrying 1,771 refugees arrived here, including approximately 1,000 men, 600 women and 171 children. One ship had 1,062 refugees and the other 709.

Assembly Action Marked by Unity

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11. (JTA) (Censored) -- An extraordinary session of the Asefath Hanivcharim (Jewish National Assembly), summoned for the first time to discuss the urgent problem of the Danubian refugees, was opened today by Isaac Ben-Zvi, president of the Vaad Leumi (Jewish National Council), who stressed the urgency and importance of an agenda calling for unified action.

Moshe Shertok, head of the Jewish Agency's political department, reported on the political situation and steps undertaken by Jewish institutions. Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog, Dr. M. Altman of the Zionist-Revisionists, Rabbi Meir Berlin of the Mizrahi Organization and representatives of other groups made declarations, after which the assembly, displaying unprecedented unity, unanimously adopted a resolution proposed by the Vaad Leumi executive.

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The meeting followed intensive political activities yesterday, when representatives of Jewish bodies met in special separate sessions to discuss the situation regarding immigration and the refugee question. The executives of the Vaad Leumi and the Jewish Agency and the Palestine commission of the Zionist General Council also met.

The Tel Aviv Municipal Council adopted a resolution to approach the District Commissioner and to seek an urgent interview with High Commissioner Sir Harold A. MacMichael.

VICHY PAPERS DEMAND CURB ON JEWS IN TRADE

VICHY, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- French newspapers are demanding that Jewish participation in trade and industry be limited to prevent Jews eliminated from official posts and the medical and legal professions from competing with French merchants and industrialists. Thus far the question has not been raised by any officials.

SENATOR LOUIS-DREYFUS DEAD IN FRANCE

VICHY, France, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Senator Louis Dreyfus, prominent banker, has died in Cannes, it was reported here today.

Senator Louis Dreyfus, head of a famous corn trading firm, was reported last August to be on a list of Frenchmen slated to be denationalized and have their property confiscated for leaving France during the war, but the report turned out to be erroneous and Louis Dreyfus personally denied having left France.

PEACE BODY URGES CREATION OF WORLD FEDERATION. SAFEGUARDS FOR MINORITIES

NEW YORK, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- A proposal for a world federation which would, among other things, limit the right of nations in the treatment of their minorities was set forth today in a preliminary report of the Commission to Study the Organization of Peace, based on a 10-month study which embodied suggestions from "grass root areas" and from authorities on international problems.

Discussing limitations on the rights of nations in various fields, the report declares: "Nations must accept certain human and cultural rights in their constitutions and in international covenants. The destruction of civil liberties anywhere creates danger of war. The peace is not secure if any large and efficient population is permanently subject to a control which can create a fanatical national sentiment impervious to external opinion."

Peace can never be organized on the principle of world mastery by one race, the report asserts.

"Efforts are being made today with the support of millions in the autocratic states to achieve continental or world empire, unifying mankind by the coercive authority of the government most efficient at conquest," it is stated. "The commission believes that such an ideal cannot be a permanent means for organizing the world for peace. The enduring needs of mankind can never be satisfied by a philosophy based on human inequality and asserting that a race of masters should organize a subservient world."

The report was analyzed at a press conference at the Biltmore Hotel by Dr. James T. Shotwell, chairman of the commission, and Dr. Clyde Eagleton, chairman of its studies' committee. William Allan Neilson is chairman of the executive committee and Clark M. Eichelberger is director of the commission. The report is signed by 57 members of the commission.

J.N.F. SEEKS \$6,000,000 TO PUSH WARTIME PROGRAM

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The national conference of the Jewish National Fund, having presented President Roosevelt through Senator Alben W. Barkley with a replica of the Golden Book, devoted the last of its three-day sessions today to plans for raising funds towards the J.N.F.'s \$6,000,000 wartime program during the coming year.

In a series of resolutions the several hundred delegates, meeting at the Hotel Statler, stressed the need for intensified land purchase in Palestine and other forms of aid to the Jewish homeland in view of the war.

President Roosevelt, in a message to the conference read by Senator Barkley, during a broadcast ceremony of presenting the Golden Book replica, sounded a call to "all free peoples" of the world to rededicate themselves to the ideals and principles of democracy, and in so doing to uphold the inherent right of all peoples, regardless of race, creed or color, to live in peace, to follow the religious teachings of their fathers and to assure the welfare of individuals.

The Golden Book, representing the tribute of 1,000 American organizations and groups with an aggregate membership of 500,000, was presented by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the J.N.F., as "a token of gratitude from a people which knows how to cherish the champions of the weak and the spokesmen of the free."

Replying, Senator Barkley said: "I am sure the President will cherish this gorgeous book to the remainder of his days and his children and grandchildren will bless you for this recognition of his great service. The original will repose in the City of David, the City of God. What a wealth of historic memories this day must rekindle among a race which, from Moses to Brandeis and Frankfurter and Einstein, has enriched every field of human endeavor."

At the conclusion of the ceremony a motion, offered from the floor, was adopted to plant a 1,000-tree grove in Palestine in Senator Barkley's honor, for which several communities immediately subscribed funds.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, in a message from London, stated: "We are doing all we can to secure a political basis for the upbuilding of Palestine under new conditions after this war, but whatever the frame, land and work on the land will represent the strongest guarantee of our achievements."

At the opening session Saturday night the 1,000 delegates and guests heard Dr. Goldstein call for reintensified efforts for Palestine land purchase as a factor in the Holy Land's defense.

Financial reports submitted by I.M. Kowalsky and Jacob Sincoff, co-treasurers, and Mendel M. Fisher, executive director, showed that the American J.N.F. had remitted to Palestine during the year \$1,800,000 for new land purchase, representing 65 per cent of the fund's world income. Next to the Red Cross, the J.N.F., in its popular collections, has the largest number of volunteer workers and contributors, counting more than 250,000 men, women and children, the report showed.

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Other speakers included Leon Gellman of Mizrahi, David Wertheim of the Poale Zion, Harry Grayer of the Order Sons of Zion, Sara Feder of the Pioneer Women's Organization and spokesmen for local organizations.

Angell Predicts Britain Will Accent Jewish Army Offer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Great Britain and Palestine must fight back to back against the Nazi hordes if the cause of human freedom is to survive the war, Sir Norman Angell, Nobel Prize winner and noted British author, told a conference of the United Palestine Appeal here yesterday.

Sir Norman's speech sounded the keynote of the conference, whose 500 delegates adopted a resolution urging that all possible financial assistance be rushed to Palestine in order to strengthen that Near Eastern bastion.

Sir Norman predicted that the British Government would shortly accept the offer of the Jewish Agency for Palestine to establish a Jewish legion, 100,000 strong, to fight side by side with British forces.

Mizrahi Women to Plant 10,000-Tree Forest

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The 15th anniversary convention of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America, attended by about 500 delegates at the Hotel Ritz Carlton, today voted \$12,500 to plant a 10,000-tree forest in Palestine, including a grove named for Mrs. Bessie Gotsfeld, director of the organization's projects in Palestine.

In an Armistice Day address at tonight's session, Prof. Horace M. Kallen declared that the outcome of the present war "will have to be either a confederation of the states of the world--all of them--for the purpose of maintaining peace and collective security, or a monolithic, imperialistic state which will impose its will on all others and make an imposed 'peace' by force."

JERUSALEM, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- The Hebrew press is starting a "Soldiers' Month" on Nov. 15 to raise funds for the material and cultural needs of Jewish soldiers.

N.Y. YIDDISH PRESS HOSTILE TO RUTENBERG PLAN

NEW YORK, Nov. 11. (JTA) -- Pinchas Rutenberg's proposal for Palestine Jewish unity on the basis of establishment of a single authoritative body, temporary abandonment of elections and a ban on strikes, has met a hostile reception in the Yiddish press here.

The Jewish Daily Forward declares editorially: "In time of war it is difficult to apply the principle of 100 per cent democracy. It is, however, not permissible to impose admiration of an individual. The great England found a solution; cannot a solution be found in little Palestine?...The Churchill cabinet, Parliament and public opinion have strengthened the prestige of the labor movement and elevated it, while, under Rutenberg's plan, the labor movement in Palestine would be eliminated, be deprived of its functions and lose its influence."

Dr. S. Margoshes, editor of The Day, states in his column: "...This seems to us a complete renege on democracy and quite a suspicious belief in the efficacy of authoritarianism...It seems to me Mr. Rutenberg would be much better advised if he tried to emulate the British example...it will never do for Palestine to have a strong man with a few hand-picked individuals running the affairs of Palestine Jewry. In these days it is particularly important that the Jews of Palestine, like the Jews everywhere, show that democracy like charity begins at home."