

IMPORTANT NEGOTIATIONS ON PALESTINE EXPECTED IN LONDON AFTER CHURCHILL'S RETURN

LONDON, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- Important developments concerning Palestine are expected here after the return of Prime Minister Winston Churchill from his meeting with Roosevelt and Stalin in Teheran, it was predicted here today.

The prediction was made on the basis of negotiations now being carried on by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency. Zionist delegations from Palestine and from the United States will arrive soon to assist Dr. Weizmann in his negotiations, it was revealed by Zionist leaders here.

Meanwhile, it was reported here today that Emir Feisal, the son of King Ibn Saud and foreign minister of Saudi Arabia, who recently visited the United States, may be received by President Roosevelt who is now en route home from Teheran. The place where the Arab leader will meet with Roosevelt was not disclosed.

Zionist leaders here are optimistic concerning Dr. Weizmann's present negotiations. These negotiations, it was declared today, center around subjects which may determine the post-war status of Palestine.

It was reported here that Jewish Agency leaders in Palestine recently discussed, at a closed session of the Small Zionist Actions Committee, the project to partition Palestine into Arab, Jewish and neutral zones which is reported to have been drawn up in Cairo. Though no further details are available, it is understood that the Actions Committee took a negative attitude towards this or any other partition project.

The Colonial Office has declared that it "has no knowledge of the alleged partition plan." Authoritative Jewish circles here told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "no partition scheme has been suggested by Jewish bodies, nor submitted to Jewish bodies." It is understood, however, that certain circles in London are aware of the existence of such a project which will apparently not be acceptable to the Zionists.

BLACK-OUT LIFTED IN JERUSALEM; PARTICIPANTS IN TEHERAN CONFERENCE VISIT WALLING WALL

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The strict black-out which has been observed in Jerusalem since the outbreak of the war has been lifted and will be replaced by a dim-out system similar to the one which was in force in New York.

The change, which indicates a marked improvement in the war situation in the Mediterranean, coincided with the visit to Jerusalem of the members of the British and American general staffs who participated in the Roosevelt-Churchill-Stalin conference at Teheran. The generals visited the Walling Wall which was their first stop on a sightseeing tour of the city.

The order under which the black-out is replaced by a dim-out warns that the air raid alarm system by sirens remains, and that in the event of danger the complete black-out will be restored at a moment's notice.

UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT HELPS JEWS IN POLAND BY SUPPLYING THEM WITH "ARYAN" PASSPORTS

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The underground movement in occupied Poland is helping the Jews to escape from the few ghettos that remain by supplying them with "Aryan" identification documents, it was reported here today by a young Polish Jew who succeeded in reaching Sweden.

A former civil servant in Lwow, capital of Eastern Galicia, the escaped Jew related how the German authorities in that city executed many Jews in the yards of their homes as well as in churchyards, after forcing them to dig their own graves. He estimated that at least 100,000 Jews were massacred by the Germans in Lwow. The slaughter of the Jewish population was carried out chiefly by young soldiers who were permitted to become intoxicated prior to mowing down the Jews with machine guns.

"When I left the Jewish ghetto in Lwow last June, there were only 7,000 Jews left there," the young fugitive states. "My mother died in May after being held imprisoned by the Nazis for more than a year. My brother died from hunger in a labor camp. My sister was carried from the ghetto to an unknown destination. I succeeded in securing a false "Aryan" passport and reported to the German labor service. Together with other Polish workers I was sent to Norway to construct fortifications. Norwegian patriots, with whom I succeeded in making contact, took an interest in me and helped me to escape to Sweden. It would be difficult for me to state even the approximate number of Jews who may still be alive in occupied Poland at present, but their number certainly does not exceed more than a fraction of the pre-war total."

HUNGARIAN DEPUTY DEMANDS OFFICIAL RECOGNITION FOR JEWS KILLED ON WAR FRONTS

ZURICH, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- A demand that Hungarian Jews who have been killed at the front, where they were sent for labor service, be listed as "killed in action," despite the fact that they were not on combat duty, was made in the Hungarian Parliament by a deputy named Zoltan Mesko, it is reported in Budapest papers received here today. It is presumed that if this suggestion is put into effect the families of the Jews will be eligible for pensions and other benefits.

At the same time, however, Mesko reiterated that the Hungarian movement for "racial protection" will not renounce its policy "of strengthening the Magyar element."

MEXICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE WILL INVESTIGATE TREATMENT OF POLISH JEWS IN SANTA ROSA

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- The Jewish Central Committee here will send a commission to the refugee camp at Santa Rosa to investigate the treatment of the Jewish refugees there who have complained that they are being terrorized by Polish refugees, it was stated here today.

At the same time, the Committee issued a statement declaring that it has concerned itself with the material and social welfare of the Polish-Jewish refugees within the framework of an agreement between the Polish Government and the Mexican authorities concluded with the active assistance of the Government of the United States. Under this agreement, the 27 Jewish and the 700 non-Jewish refugees from Poland are not permitted to leave the colony of Santa Rosa, but all will be employed at his own trade under the auspices and guarantee of a government committee.

KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL ASKS AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE TO RE-JOIN CONFERENCE

KANSAS CITY, Missouri, Dec. 6. (JTA) - An appeal to the American Jewish Committee to re-join the American Jewish Conference was voiced by the Jewish Community Council of Greater Kansas City in a resolution adopted by its executive committee, it was announced here today.

NAZIS CONTINUE ANTI-JEWISH ATROCITIES IN OCCUPIED COUNTRIES; IGNORE ALLIED WARNINGS

LONDON, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- German authorities in occupied countries are continuing persecution of Jews despite Allied warnings that Nazi officials guilty of torturing the civilian population in German-held territories will be punished for their crimes after the war, the Daily Herald reports today.

The Manchester Guardian today published an article by Irma Lindheim, American Zionist, reviewing the Jewish contribution to the war effort in Palestine. The article points out that while Palestine starved during World War I, it produced, during the present war, fifty percent of the wheat it required and was self sufficient in vegetables and in dairy products. "When blueprinting of the post-war world will be undertaken, the way of life created by the Chalutzim in Palestine must be given serious consideration and study," the article says.

Detailed Report on Jews in the Silesian Labor Camps

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- A detailed report concerning the fate of the thousand of Jews who were evicted from their homes in France, Holland, and Belgium by the Germans has been received by the World Jewish Congress through its representative in a neutral country. The information comes from Upper Silesia where these Jews are undergoing torture in the various labor camps of this vicinity.

The most horrible camp is situated in Mislovia, the report says. Of the 5,000 Jews sent there, 800 were deportees from France and Belgium. Half of them are slavin in the coal mines of this district. The majority of the slave-workers originally came from occupied Poland. Conditions are incredibly shocking, and the death rate is very high.

In Krolewska-Huta, 3,000 Jewish slave-workers are tortured daily. The majority of them were deported from France. Children of 14 and 15 were dragged here from their homes. These unfortunates live in underground dugouts. Every other Sunday they are permitted to leave their hovels to seek sunshine and fresh air and, at the same time, to do enforced gymnastics.

Of the 600 Jews who live in Brieg, near Wroclaw, one half were evacuated from their homes in Paris. Only able-bodied men were brought here for the purpose of building roads. They begin their work at seven in the morning, but are compelled to get up at 4:00 A. M. since it takes them two hours to walk to work. On the road from Bytom to Gliwice, many Jews from Western Europe were engaged in the construction of street cars. Jewish women were brought here to work in the kitchens in order to prepare the meals for the men.

In the districts of Miskowice, Chrzanow, Trzeblinia there are approximately 9,000 Jews, about half of whom are deportees from Czechoslovakia, Holland and France, most of the latter being from Paris. These slave-workers are housed in huge barracks. Jewish artisans are permitted to pursue their own vocations.

In the districts of Katowice, Birkenau and Wadowice, there are 14 labor camps to which Jews from Western Europe have been brought. A road divides the barracks of the Jewish and Christian slave workers. The relations between Jews and non-Jews are excellent. They work together in the building of roads. The work is strenuous and the food they are given, inadequate. The largest labor camp is in Gliwice where there are 22,000 internees - one-third Jewish and the rest Poles.

FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES URGES ALL CHRISTIANS TO FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- All Christians were urged today to "vigorously oppose" policies and practices of racial discrimination everywhere, including the armed services and industry, in the annual race relations message issued by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ.

The message cited anti-Semitism, race riots and mistreatment of Negroes as evidence of the necessity for prompt action against bigotry and racial propaganda. Churches and church groups affiliated with the Federal Council are urged to use the message in educational activities between now and February 13, which has been designated as "Race Relations Sunday."

The National Conference of Christians and Jews today disclosed that 3,000 communities throughout the United States have established committees to work on a program of education in better group relations and inter-faith understanding. Inter-faith education is also being carried on in the armed forces, the Conference reveals in the annual report of its activities.

"Wartime anti-Semitism has been evident in various parts of the country," the report said. "While more cautious, than at times in the past, more circumspect, nevertheless anti-Jewish prejudice has been exhibited in new and wider circles." It added that despite all of the anti-Semitic elements, "the native good sense of the American people manifested itself. By and large, they knew that it was the Axis that sought to thrive on the dislocations of a peaceful people turned warriors; that sought to inflame local irritations and to infuriate group against group, race against race, religion against religion. The American people recognized and, on the whole, resisted the Nazi schemes to transfer the struggle from the military battlefield on which their defeat was inevitable to the domestic front where they believed they might still prevail."

PLANS FOR TRANSFER OF ARABS FROM PALESTINE CALLED IRRESPONSIBLE BY ZOA PRESIDENT

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 6. (JTA) -- An appeal to President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill to bring about immediate abrogation of the White Paper and to assist in the creation of a Jewish commonwealth in Palestine "to cope with the tragic problem of Jewish homelessness," was issued last night by 400 delegates assembled at the tri-state Zionist convention. The tri-state district takes in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, ZOA president, told the conference that the proposal to transfer all Palestinian Arabs to other Arab countries was "irresponsible." He repudiated any scheme which provided for a solution of the Palestine problem through forced emigration of the Arab population. Mendel Fisher, executive director of the Jewish National Fund, declared that Jews own only five and six-tenths percent of Palestine's land and pointed out that there are 27,000,000 dunams of available land in western Palestine which would accommodate 2,000,000 Jewish immigrants.

NEW COLONY ESTABLISHED IN PALESTINE; 38TH SINCE OUTBREAK OF WAR

JERUSALEM, Dec. 6. (JTA)-- The 38th Jewish settlement to be founded in Palestine since the outbreak of the war was officially opened yesterday at ceremonies attended by representatives of the Palestine Government, Jewish Agency and various Jewish groups.

The colony is located near Gaza, on 2,000 dunams of Jewish National Fund land, and can house 70 families. An abundance of water will make possible intensive agricultural production by the settlers.