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WORLD ZIONIST CONFERENCE CLOSED; WANT IMMEDIATE BRITISH DECISION ON JEWISH STATE

LONDON, August 14. (JTA) -- After two weeks of deliberations, the World Zionist Conference closed here last night with a public statement endorsing the demand of the Jewish Agency for an immediate decision on the establishment of Palestine as a Jewish State.

A Mizrahi proposal to elect a new executive of the World Zionist Organization was voted down by the conference by 53 votes against 16. Following the vote the Mizrahi announced that their representatives would continue to remain out of the executive.

The conference adjourned with a stirring appeal by David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agency, to bend all efforts "to end the Jewish tragedy and build a Jewish State." A number of matters before the conference were referred for decision to the Zionist Actions Committee. The conference in its public statement calling for an immediate decision by the British Government on the demand for a Jewish State, proposed also the following:

1. The Jewish Agency for Palestine be vested with authority to bring into Palestine as many Jews as possible and to develop the resources of the country to the maximum.
2. The granting of an international loan to the Jewish Agency for the transfer of the first 1,000,000 Jews from Europe to Palestine.
3. Reparations in kind be exacted from Germany for Jews for the rebuilding of Palestine; all German real estate in Palestine to be used for the settlement of European Jews.
4. International facilities for the exit and transport of all Jews in European countries who may wish to emigrate to Palestine.

Appealing to the Arabs to sympathetically realize the tragedy of the Jewish people, the conference expressed the hope that the peoples of the Middle East would appreciate the spirit of Jewish work in Palestine and emphasized that "a Jewish Palestine will be happy to cooperate with the Arabs for the good of all."

A resolution offered by leaders of the Hashomer Hatzair that Palestine be established as an Arab-Jewish State with a Jewish majority was rejected by the conference. Another resolution, offered by the Jewish State Party stating that the whole world condemns the Arab opposition to the establishment of a Jewish State and urging an exchange of Jews in the Middle East for Arabs in Palestine, was similarly rejected.

The Zionist Actions Committee today appointed a special commission of five to go into the legal details of proposed changes in the composition of the world Zionist

executive with a view to having Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Dr. Stephen S. Wise included in the executive as full-fledged members.

At the closing session of the World Zionist Conference Dr. Silver in a stirring speech struck the note that the next twelve months would be crucial in Jewish history. "We are fortunate in having friendly governments," he said. "America and England must make an all-out effort to achieve a just solution of the Jewish problem." He expressed pride in the fact that more than a million Jews fought in the Allied armies and that tens of thousands of Palestine Jews joined the Jewish units in the British Armed Forces and the Jewish Brigade.

### Jewish National Fund Raised \$26,000,000 During War

A report on the activities of the Jewish National Fund was given today by Dr. Granovsky, director of the J.N.F. office in Palestine, at a reception tendered him at Dorchester Hotel. He revealed that the Jewish National Fund had raised \$26,000,000 since the outbreak of the war and that it expects to raise \$8,000,000 this year.

Dr. Granovsky said that the execution of the practical program of the J.N.F. is hampered by the land regulations now in effect in Palestine and by the attitude of the Palestine administration. He charged that Palestine officials "from the highest to the lowest" consider it their sacred duty to prevent further Jewish land acquisition. Another obstacle is the rise in prices on land. Nevertheless 330,000 dunams of land were bought by the Jewish National Fund during the years of the war, bringing the total possessions to over 800,000 dunams, he stated.

### JEWISH LEADERS IN BERLIN SUBMIT MEMORANDUM TO ALLIES ON NAZI ANTI-JEWISH ATROCITIES

BERLIN, August 14. (JTA) — Leaders of the restored Jewish community in Berlin today submitted a memorandum to the Allied authorities giving a summary of measures taken by the Germans in the Reich against the Jews, beginning with the year 1933 when Hitler came to power.

The memorandum was prepared at the request of the Allied authorities who wanted an authentic report on the mistreatment of Jews by the Nazis. It reveals one instance when the Reichsvereinigung of Jews in Germany, central Jewish body under the Nazi regime, successfully sabotaged the Gestapo orders and prevented deportation of 2,310 Jews. It also furnishes the names of many Jewish leaders who suffered martyrdom for disobeying Gestapo orders to submit lists of Jews for deportation to extermination camps.

Among the Berlin Jewish leaders either executed outright or deported to extermination camps were: Dr. Otto Hirsch, president of the Reichsvereinigung of the Jews in Germany, Dr. Martin Brasch, Dr. Conrad Cohn, Bruno Mendelsohn, Otto Goldstein, Fritz Lamm, Julius Blumenthal, Alfred Selbiger, Alfred Joseph, George Juliusburger, Dr. Epstein, Dr. Levy, Miss Wagner, Dr. Loser and Dr. Lukofser.

### JEWISH LAWYER ASSASSINATED IN HAIFA; GROUP RAIDS DYNAMITE DUMP NEAR TEL AVIV

JERUSALEM, August 14. (JTA) — A large group of armed Jews, including several women, raided early this morning a dynamite dump of the building cooperative Sollel-Boneh, near Tel-Aviv, and swiftly disarming the guards stole several cases of dynamite and disappeared. The raiders also disarmed all the policemen in the police station adjoining the dump.

Joseph Bernblum, a prominent Jewish lawyer, was assassinated last night in Haifa by unknown persons who called him out of his home and then fired three shots at him. The assassins escaped in the darkness of the night.

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JEWISH AGENCY WILL IMPORT \$10,000,000 WORTH OF GOODS FROM UNITED STATES

TEL AVIV, August 14. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency expect to import this year commodities from the United States to the value of \$10,000,000, it was revealed here today at a press conference.

Addressing the conference, representatives of the Jewish Agency stated that the Palestine Government agreed that part of the funds collected in America by Jewish groups for Palestine should be spent in purchasing American goods for transportation to Palestine. However, the government stipulated that purchases can be made only of such articles which cannot be bought in the United Kingdom.

The first permit granted by the Palestine Government provides for the importation of pipes and machinery from the United States, the Jewish Agency representatives reported.

U.S. GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS PALESTINE A "DIFFICULT AND COMPLEX" PROBLEM, STATE DEPT SAYS

NEW YORK, August 14. (JTA) -- The State Department considers the Palestine problems "difficult and complex" but is giving constant attention to those aspects of the problem which may concern the United States, the American Federation of Polish Jews was officially informed today in a communication from Washington.

The Department of State stresses the fact that the U. S. Government is interested in helping the surviving Jews in Europe. The absence of an official Jewish delegation at the San Francisco Conference of the United Nations is explained by the statement that the Conference merely reflected "the political organization of the world." The letter, addressed to Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, president of the Federation, reads as follows:

"This Department and the other agencies of the Government are keenly aware of the problems facing the Jewish people of Europe, arising from their persecution by the Nazis. Measures of relief have been going forward actively and are being intensified now that hostilities have ceased. The problems concerning Palestine are difficult and complex, and this government gives constant attention to those aspects which may concern it.

"I assume, in connection with your belief that the Jewish people should have a voice in international affairs, that you are referring to the United Nations Conference on International Organization which met in San Francisco. I should like to point out that the absence from the United Nations Conference of an official delegation representing the people of the Jewish faith merely reflected the political organization of the world. It did not imply lack of sympathy for those who have borne such a large share of the suffering inflicted on the world by the Nazis, nor did it indicate that the United Nations were not aware of the problems facing the Jewish people."

LORD WINTERTON RESIGNS FROM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFUGEES IN LONDON

LONDON, August 14. (JTA) -- Lord Winterton, chairman of the Intergovernmental Committee for Refugees, today resigned from the Committee as a result of the change in the British Government brought about by the recent elections.

Lord Winterton held the post of chairman of the Intergovernmental Committee since 1938. He was the head of the British Delegation to the Evian Conference in August 1938, at which the Intergovernmental Committee was formed upon the initiative of President Roosevelt, to aid in the saving of the Jews of Nazi Germany.

# SYRIAN JEWS SEEK REFUGE IN PALESTINE; AGITATION IN SYRIA THREATENS CHRISTIANS AND JEWS

WASHINGTON, August 14. (JTA) -- Agitation against the French by Lebanese for their independence, has provoked a situation in Syria which threatens not only Jews but Christians as well, according to well-informed Washington authorities.

The agitation has given rise to "anti-foreigner" propaganda, such that Christians are seeking refuge from Syria in Lebanon and Syrian Jews are seeking refuge in Palestine, it was reported here today.

## JEWS LISTED AMONG CANADIAN SCIENTISTS WHO HELPED DEVELOP ATOMIC BOMB

MONTREAL, August 14. (JTA) -- A number of Jews figure in the long list of scientists who have worked in Canada on the development of the atomic bomb. The list was released here today by C. D. Howe, Canada's Minister of Munitions and Supply and Reconstruction.

The Jewish scientists, who were associated with the Montreal laboratory established during the war for atomic research, are Mr. D. M. Eisen, of the University of Toronto; L. Hirenberg of McGill University; J. W. Ozeroff of University of British Columbia; Dr. L. Yaffe of the University of Manitoba; Dr. M. Cohen of the University of Toronto, and Dr. L. Siminovich of McGill University.

## BRITISH FOREIGN OFFICE SAYS ERI JABOTINSKY WAS NOT INVOLVED IN MOYNE ASSASSINATION

LONDON, August 14. (JTA) -- The Foreign Office today made it clear that "there was never any suggestion" that Mr. Eri Jabotinsky, son of the late leader of the Zionist-Revisionist Party, was in any way involved in the assassination of Lord Moyne, British Resident Minister in Cairo.

In a letter to F. S. Cocks, member of Parliament, the Foreign Office said: "We understand that the Turkish authorities arranged for Mr. Jabotinsky, who is a Palestinian citizen, to leave Turkey for Palestine in February last. On his arrival, he was detained for a few days for interrogation under the Palestine Defense Regulations, but he was released on 2nd March. There was never any suggestion that Mr. Jabotinsky was involved in the assassination of Lord Moyne."

## CHRISTIAN-JEWISH COMMITTEE IN BOSTON APPEALS FOR FUNDS TO BRING CHILDREN TO PALESTINE

BOSTON, August 14. (JTA) -- A Christian-Jewish Committee for the rescue of Jewish children and their rehabilitation in Palestine was formed here under the name "Children to Palestine." The committee is working in cooperation with the national Youth Aliyah commission of the Hadassah.

An appeal to Christians and Jews, for funds issued this week by the committee elicited complete support of the local press which pointed out that the "Children to Palestine" is an excellent common ground for united action of Christians and Jews and constitutes a "vigorous rebuke" to anti-Semitism.

## DAVID SHIMONOVITZ, HEBREW POET, AWARDED THE "USSISHKIN PRIZE FOR LITERATURE"

JERUSALEM, August 12. (JTA) -- David Shimonovitz, prominent Hebrew poet, was today awarded the Ussishkin Prize for Literature in recognition for his book "Idyls." The ceremony was presided over by Rabbi Meier Berlin, leader of the World Mizrahi Organization.