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BRITISH CABINET REPORTED TO HAVE DECIDED ON LIMITED IMMIGRATION INTO PALESTINE

LONDON, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- Reliable sources today told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the British Government has reached a decision on Palestine which does not conform to the stand taken by the Labor Party at its last convention. The decision provides for limited Jewish immigration, the JTA informants said.

Oliver Stanley, former Colonial Minister, writing today in the Sunday Times, emphasizes the urgent need for a solution of the Palestine problem. "Within the next few weeks," he writes, "a momentous decision must be taken with regard to the future of this distressed and distressing country, and the penalties for making an error will be great."

"Before the elections," the former Minister continues, "the Labor Party proposed an unqualified and uncompromising solution which had more regard for the voting strength in this country than for justice and the real facts in the Middle East. Since the election, the Socialist Government asked for time to think the problem over. Though it might have been better if the Labor Party had thought before it spoke, it is at least something that after having spoken, it should now think."

The former Colonial Minister also warns of the difficulties of bi-national self-government for Palestine. This, he says, would give one racial majority perpetual domination over the other communities alien to this majority in race, religion, customs and language. At the same time, he pledges that a "sympathetic realistic policy on the part of the Labor Government with regard to Palestine" and "quick, decisive action" will be supported by all parties in England. "No one is more anxious for the success of Colonial Secretary Hall than those who previously occupied his chair," the ex-Colonial Minister asserts.

### Anti-Zionist Decision Will Be Changed in Six Months, Says Davar

Jerusalem, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- The British Government's reported decision to maintain the White Paper with relatively minor modifications is only temporary, the political correspondent of the influential Labor daily Davar says today.

Declaring that he has been informed that the Government plans to change its policy in about six months, after pressing international problems have been solved, the correspondent says that at that time a round-table conference of Jews and Arabs will be convened in London where a final decision will be reached.

It is understood, he continues, that the Palestine Government has scolded out the Arabs as to their willingness to participate in such a conference and has received a favorable reply, since the Arabs are reported to believe that they will win their demands at a round-table meeting. However, he warns that in the meantime, the tension here is more acute daily.

A report reaching here from Cairo today says that an unnamed American official who recently saw King Ibn Saud was warned by the Arabian monarch that he would take violent action against the Jews and any members of the United Nations supporting them.



If large scale Jewish immigration into Palestine is allowed. At the same time, Abdul Assan Bey, secretary-general of the Arab League, declared in Alexandrin, following a tour of most of the Arab countries, that the leaders of all those nations agree that Palestine must remain an Arab country.

### Wise, Silver Say Jews Will Resist Continuation of White Paper; Mass Meeting Called

NEW YORK, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- The Jews of Palestine will "resist to the bitter end" the decision reportedly taken by the British Government "to continue with slight modifications the infamous policy of the Palestine White Paper and to restrict Jewish immigration there to a trickle," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Dr. Stephen S. Wise, co-chairmen of the American Zionist Emergency Council, declared in a joint statement issued today.

They announced that a mass meeting to give expression to "the sense of apprehension and indignation aroused by this news" will be held at Madison Square Garden on Sunday evening, September 30, to be followed by an emergency conference of Zionist leaders in Washington. The text of their statement follows:

"News of the utmost gravity has reached us concerning the policy to be pursued by the British Government in regard to Palestine. In spite of the unequivocal resolution adopted by the Labor Party Conference last May in favor of the opening of Palestine to unrestricted Jewish immigration and the establishment there of a Jewish majority; in spite further of the appalling condition of those Jews in Europe who survived the Nazi massacres and for whom there is no hope except among their own people in Palestine, the new Labor Government, from which so much had been expected, apparently intends to continue with slight modifications the infamous policy of the Palestine White Paper and to restrict Jewish immigration there to a trickle.

"This policy the Jewish people will never accept. With full awareness of our responsibility as leaders of the Zionist movement in this country, we express the solemn warning that such a decision can lead only to a catastrophe. The Jews of Palestine will undoubtedly resist to the bitter end. They will not stand calmly by and watch the final destruction, after 'liberation,' of the surviving remnants of their brothers and sisters in Europe. Nor will they for themselves accept the prospect of becoming ultimately a minority, tolerated or otherwise, within one of the many Arab States. The recollection is too close of the threats and pogroms of the Mufti of Jerusalem and of the massacre of the Assyrian minority by the Arabs of Iraq. They will have the unqualified support of Jews everywhere, as well as of those who have not closed their minds to the horrors visited on the Jews of Europe.

"We believe that there are still in Britain those whose conscience will not be stilled and who, if they are made aware of the facts, will not permit this cynical denial of aims previously affirmed. At this eleventh hour we call on them to take action. But we call also on our own Government which bears a major responsibility in this crisis. Despite a series of commitments by President Roosevelt reaffirmed by President Truman looking to the opening of Palestine to Jewish immigration and to the establishment of a Jewish State, no effective action has been taken to that end. The moral and political authority of our Government is deeply involved and we look to the administration of President Truman to take immediate steps to prevent a shameful and perhaps irreparable injustice."



ITEMS OF DISCRIMINATION WILL BE GIVEN HOMES OF NAZIS, ALSO EXTRA FOOD

FRANKFURT-AM-MAIN, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- German housing officials have been ordered by American military government authorities to find adequate accommodations for persons who as a result of racial discrimination or confiscation of property are without homes. The order provides that property owned or occupied by former Nazis is to be turned over to such persons.

Elimination in the price, rent, rationing and distribution systems of all discriminatory measures based on race, creed, color or politics was also ordered. In addition, persons who are destitute as a result of acts committed by the Hitler regime will be given first priority in the issuance of ration cards.

MEMBERS OF LUENEBERG COURT VISIT BELSEN CAMP TO INVESTIGATE NAZI CRIMES ON THE SPOT

LUENEBERG, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- The president of the court before which the trial of Josef Kramer, "the Beast of Belsen," and 44 of his subordinates is taking place today visited the Bergen-Belsen camp escorted by judges and lawyers attached to the prosecution and the defense.

Kramer, who was commandant of the camp, and Dr. Klein, the Nazi doctor responsible for the death of thousands of people there, were also brought to the camp handcuffed together and under military guard. They were hissed by thousands of Jewish inmates who lined the road to cheer the members of the court who will investigate on the spot the criminal activities of the accused, bringing Kramer and Klein face to face with some of their victims who survived.

Yesterday, Dr. Ada Bimko, Jewish doctor from Poland whose entire family was killed in Oswiecim, continued her testimony, relating how Kramer and other of the defendants tortured and murdered prisoners at Bergen-Belsen and Oswiecim. Replying to a statement by defense counsel Capt. C. Brown that, perhaps, her story of Kramer having kicked internees was "pure fabrication," Dr. Bimko said: "I would like to point out that I was present and not the defending counsel during these conditions that I have described." As she left the court to return for the week-end to Belsen, where she is on the staff of the camp hospital, Dr. Bimko was congratulated by spectators of the press.

ONLY TWENTY PERCENT OF 140,000 JEWS IN NETHERLANDS SURVIVED NAZI OCCUPATION

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- Twenty-five thousand Dutch Jews have already registered with the Jewish Registration Office here, and information concerning another 8,000 is expected to be obtained shortly. Latest figures indicate that 107,000 Jews were sent to death camps by the Nazis, and only about 20 percent of the Netherlands pre-war Jewish population of 140,000 have survived.

Reliable sources here say that action will shortly be taken against members of the "Jewish Council" which functioned as a liaison between the Germans and the Jewish community during the Nazi occupation. The members of the council carried out the orders given them by the Germans, which frequently involved the selection of Jews for deportation and the detailed arrangements for their transfer to concentration camps.

There has been a great deal of vocal and written criticism of the "council" members since Holland was liberated. In reply, those accused of collaborationism have published a statement defending their conduct.



NEW ORGANIZATIONS ASK CONTINUATION BY U.S. OF GERMAN IMMIGRATION QUOTA

NEW YORK, Sept. 23. (JTA) — The National Refugee Service, the B'nai B'rith and the National Council of Jewish Women today announced that they have submitted a joint statement to the House Committee on Immigration asking for the continuance of the German immigration quota "in justice to many victims of Nazism and to their relatives in this country."

Nullification of the quota would mean that many innocent persons and even children of non-Germans born in Germany of forced or slave laborers, technically under the German quota, would be barred from immigrating to the United States, the statement pointed out.

The statement was made in response to the question of whether action should be taken to alter the existing German immigration quota or to reserve its use to certain groups, and what if any change is required in the present immigration laws.

The agencies emphasized that Nazis or other subversive elements can effectively be excluded by the American consuls abroad under present regulations without eliminating or changing the German quota. They claimed that eliminating or changing the German quota would set a precedent in the direction of discriminatory racial legislation.

UNRRA ACCREDITED AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES TO WORK WITH DISPLACED JEWS

NEW YORK, Sept. 23. (JTA) — A group of four representatives of the American Jewish Committee have been officially accredited to UNRRA for the purpose of carrying out the committee's program aimed at the rehabilitation of the many thousands of displaced Jews in occupied Germany, it was announced today. Official approval of the committee's representatives was expressed by Herbert H. Lehman, director general of UNRRA, in a letter addressed to Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president of the committee.

The four representatives are Dr. Max Gottschalk, director of the committee's foreign affairs department; Herman A. Gray, New York lawyer, chairman of the New York State Advisory Council on Unemployment Insurance; Ernest C. Stiefel, jurist, who has been associated with governmental war agencies in Washington; and Lewis M. Weikrug, community relations consultant of the committee. Their task will be to assist UNRRA in developing legal procedures in connection with identification of displaced persons; to determine the facts relative to conditions under which repatriation and resettlement will take place in the various countries and to make available such information to UNRRA; to assist UNRRA relative to the legal aspects of claims for restitution of confiscated property of displaced Jews.

In making this announcement, Dr. Slawson declared that this group is part of the European field services now being established by the committee, with a view to aid in the rehabilitation of Jewish communities all over the continent. The main objectives of those services will be to advise and support the European Jewish communities in their struggle for equal rights, opportunity and security. "This is in line," Dr. Slawson continued, "with the committee's traditional mission of almost four decades, to protect the civil and religious rights of Jews in all parts of the world."

Pointing out that the situation of the displaced Jews presents one of the most urgent social problems in present-day Europe, George Z. Medalie, chairman of the foreign affairs department of the committee, said that the committee's representatives, in cooperation with UNRRA, will strive to extend consistent guidance and support to the displaced Jews throughout the entire process of their gradual return to human standards, from the temporary stage of subsistence relief, through the process of repatriation or resettlement up to the stage where they may start an independent existence.



**FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JUDGE IRVING LEHMAN TO BE HELD TODAY, STATE PLAYS AT HALF PAST**

NEW YORK, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- Flags on all State buildings will be flown at half-mast for 30 days in tribute to the late Chief Judge Irving Lehman of the Court of Appeals, who died yesterday at his home in Port Chester, it was announced by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

Funeral services for the late jurist, a member of the State's highest court for 17 years and a leader in Jewish communal affairs, will be held tomorrow. Rabbi Nathan Lehman, associate rabbi of Temple B'nai B'rith, will officiate. Burial will be in the family plot at Cypress Hills Cemetery.

Judge Lehman was born in New York on Jan. 26, 1876. His parents were Mrs. H. and Habetta Leungess Lehman. His father, who had left America in 1848 and settled in Montgomery, Ala., where he established a cotton business, was again in New York in 1880, when he was appointed Commissioner to supervise the affairs of the State's judicial system, and had remained here to live after his official business was ended.

Irving Lehman was graduated from Columbia University with an A.B. degree in 1896. A year later he received a Master's degree there and in the year of 1900 received his law degree. In his final year of the law school he won a prize in constitutional law. Columbia, in 1907, and the University of Chicago, in 1910, conferred on him the degree of LL.D. The Jewish Theological Seminary conferred the same in 1936.

When Judge Lehman was elected Chief Judge in 1936 his position reflected the confidence of the Governor of New York. From 1928 until 1936 he had, as the Chief Justice of the State, had prominence at the head of the executive branch of the State's government.

All his life Judge Lehman was active in Jewish communal affairs and in the improvement of Jewish educational institutions. From 1910 to 1936 he served as president of the board of trustees of the Jewish Theological Seminary, which is the chief Jewish Center and Young Men's Hebrew Association and a center of Jewish social service organizations. Afterward he was chairman of the same.

For more than twenty years he was president of the Jewish Theological Seminary at 11th Avenue and 11th Street, New York City. He was also a member of the executive committee of the American Jewish Congress, an advisory member of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and for years he was president of the Jewish Theological Seminary, which he was elected shortly after the death of his father.

Lehman in all walks of life always took interest in Jewish education. He was a member of the board of trustees of the Jewish Theological Seminary, which is the chief Jewish Center and Young Men's Hebrew Association and a center of Jewish social service organizations. Afterward he was chairman of the same.

**AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES TO BE OPENED IN NEW YORK, 1946**

NEW YORK, Sept. 23. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Archives, a project of the American Jewish Archives Association, will be held in Chicago, from October 10 to November 15, at the Chicago Hotel. It was announced here today. During 1946, the American Jewish Archives Association will open a new branch in New York City.

**THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES ASSOCIATION**