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PALESTINE GOVERNMENT IGNORES JEWISH AGENCY; ISSUES CERTIFICATES THROUGH CONSULATES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 21. (JTA) — In view of the fact that the Jewish Agency refused to accept the small number of immigration certificates which are still available under the terms of the White Paper, the Palestine Government, ignoring the Agency, has dispatched 400 certificates directly to British consulates for distribution among Jewish refugees, it was learned here today.

The office of the Jewish Agency is being flooded with messages from Jewish organizations in all parts of the world supporting the Agency's fight for the annulment of the White Paper and the opening of Palestine for large-scale immigration of Jews from Europe. A cable received today from the central Jewish body in Transylvania says that "ten thousand destitute Jews who suffered from Nazi deportations are waiting in Transylvania for the opening of Palestine's doors."

The determination of King Ibn Saud "to defend the Arab cause in Palestine by all legal means" was stressed today in a broadcast by the Saudi-Arabian Minister of Finance, Sheikh Abdullah el Seieiman. Addressing himself to the Arabs in Palestine, the Minister declared that King Ibn Saud is now adopting "elaborate plans" with regard to the fight for Palestine, and that he considers the Palestine issue as "the most of all Arab questions."

The French Telegraphic Service today reported from Beirut that the authorities in Lebanon have withdrawn the residence permits of eighteen Jews and have assigned other Jews to special places of residence. Those measures were taken in accordance with the anti-Zionist attitude decided upon at the recent conference of Lebanese and Syrian statesmen, the French news agency said.

British naval forces here were reinforced today by the arrival at Haifa of the cruiser Sirius. The destroyers Milne and Haddon have been here for some time.

POLISH GOVERNMENT ISSUES DECREE OUTLAWING ANTI-SEMITISM; SEVERE PUNISHMENT PROVIDED

NEW YORK, Oct. 21 (JTA) — A decree outlawing anti-Semitism has been adopted by the Polish Government, it was announced here yesterday by Polpress, official news agency of the Government, on the basis of a cable from Warsaw.

The decree provides severe punishment for anti-Semitic activities or for the teaching and spreading of anti-Jewish propaganda. The new law, together with all its provisions, will be published in Warsaw within a few days, the cable to Polpress said.

Polish Foreign Minister Wincenty Rzymowski, who is now in New York, yesterday assured a delegation of the World Jewish Congress that his government would rigidly enforce the legislation barring anti-Semitism, and also promised that the repatriation of Polish Jews now in the Soviet Union would be facilitated. The delegation included Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, and Dr. Arish Tartakower.

BRITISH WITHDRAWAL OF 700 PALESTINE VISAS LEAVES SOFIA JEWS JOBLESS AND DESTITUTE

SOFIA, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Seven hundred Jews who were preparing to leave here for Palestine have been left homeless and destitute by the sudden withdrawal by British authorities of 700 of 1,000 Palestine immigration certificates allocated to the Jews of Bulgaria.

The 700, consisting of men, women and children, had sold their belongings and given up their jobs in anticipation of emigrating. Now they face winter, jobless, homeless, ragged and without household goods or homes.

They issued an appeal today for intervention by the Jewish Agency with British authorities in Palestine and with the British representatives here.

1,000 JEWS SAIL FROM RUMANIA FOR PALESTINE; 180 ORPHANS FROM TRANSILVANIA ABOARD

CONSTANZA, Rumania, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- The Rumanian steamship Transylvania sailed from here last night for Haifa, carrying 1,000 Jews bound for Palestine.

Among them were 180 children whose parents died in Transnistria, 54 adults who were repatriated from Transnistria, 338 refugees from Poland of whom 300 had been confined at Oswiecim and 77 Rumanian chaltzim. The head of the Palestine office in Rumania, M. Yampolski, accompanied the transport.

BOARD OF DEPUTIES BACKS JOINT BODY WITH WORLD CONGRESS, AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

LONDON, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Establishment of a joint secretariat by the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the American Jewish Conference, and the World Jewish Congress was approved today at a meeting here of the Board. The deputies also voted to coordinate their activities on war crimes and reparations with the Jewish Agency, as well as the Congress and the Conference.

Referring to the recent anti-Jewish disturbances in Argentina in connection with the return of Col. Juan Peron, Prof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Board, said that he would take "immediate and appropriate action," perhaps in conjunction with the American Jewish Conference and the World Jewish Congress.

After hearing a report by the Board's Palestine Committee on its recent activities, which included sending a memorandum on Palestine immigration to all members of the House of Commons and selected members of the House of Lords, the deputies adopted a resolution expressing regret that Prime Minister Attlee has not yet seen fit to receive a delegation of the Board to discuss the Palestine question.

MURDERERS OF THOUSANDS OF JEWS AT DACHAU WILL BE TRIED BY AMERICAN MILITARY GOVT.

FRANKFURT, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Fifty Germans who are charged with the murder of over 7,000 Jews at the Dachau concentration camp will go on trial next month in the first large war crimes proceedings in the American zone. It will also be the first prosecution of Germans for crimes against other Germans.

Col. Leon Jaworski, who will be in charge of the trial, estimates that at least 5,000 Jews died at Dachau from ordinary mistreatment and torture, while anywhere between 1,000 and 3,000 died as a result of medical experiments performed upon them. The first of the defendants to be tried, he said, will be the doctors who conducted these experiments, most of whom are in custody. Jews who escaped death at Dachau will appear as witnesses. The trial will be held on the premises of the camp.

JEWISH LIFE IN BOHEMIA WILL BE EXTINCT IN ONE GENERATION, GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAYS

PRAGUE, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Unless there is Jewish immigration into Bohemia from Slovakia, the Carpatho-Ukraine and Poland, Jewish life in Bohemia will be extinct in one generation, it was stated here today by a high Jewish official of the Government.

Half of the Jews in Bohemia are inter-married and their children are mostly non-Jewish, the official said. At present, there are only 96 children in Prague receiving Jewish religious instruction. Jewish religious life is insignificant, and there is little demand for Jewish cultural activity from the Jewish community officials.

Virtually all Jewish activities in Bohemia are conducted by a few dozen Zionists, the Jewish official continued. The newly-established Central Jewish Council deals more "with euthanasia than with rebirth," he added.

The Zionist activities here are restricted to a youth department catering to about fifty young Jews, teaching them Hebrew and educating them in Zionist affairs. There is also a Palestine office, which was recently established to facilitate the migration of Jews to Palestine.

THE CONFERENCE URGES TRUMAN TO PROVIDE U.S. AID TO TRANSPORT 100,000 JEWS TO PALESTINE

NEW YORK, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Emphasizing that the homeless Jewish survivors of Europe are now in the grip of unparalleled despair, more than 2,000 delegates attending the twentieth anniversary conference of the United Palestine Appeal at the Hotel Commodore today voted to submit a three-point program to President Truman urging his continued support for the immediate immigration of 100,000 Jews into Palestine and calling upon the Chief Executive to help provide land, sea and air transportation to speed their entry.

The resolution embodying the program also requested that the President "take the initiative in the creation of an international agency which would be empowered to recover the property expropriated from Europe's Jews or left behind by the millions who were massacred and to use such funds exclusively for the relief, rehabilitation and resettlement of the surviving Jews of Europe."

The conference also adopted a resolution pledging all-out support of every measure taken by the Jews of Palestine to resist the attempts of the British Government to carry out by force the cessation of immigration as provided in the White Paper and "to save great masses of Jews from the devastation and desolation of Europe by bringing them into the Jewish homeland in the largest possible numbers."

Declaring that President Truman's request to Prime Minister Attlee that Britain provide for the immigration into Palestine of 100,000 Jews from war-torn Europe at the earliest possible date is "intended to meet the immediate problem of saving human beings," Senator William J. Fulbright of Arkansas asserted that it was "the most pressing problem of the moment" and expressed the hope that immediate action would be taken by the British Government.

Senator Fulbright denounced the White Paper as a part of the discredited policies of the Chamberlain Government that should be "disavowed as a matter of course." He said that he could see no reason at the present time for further delay in the rescue of all those homeless Jews who desire to enter Palestine, and "who, in

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the sense of decency and humanity should no longer be subjected to the unspeakable suffering they so long have endured."

Addressing the afternoon session of the conference, he said that now that the war was over, Britain no longer had any cause to be concerned over the attitude of the Arabs. If, however, the British are afraid that they might become involved in controversies beyond their power to control, Senator Fulbright suggested that the British give up the mandate to the United Nations Organization to administer under the Trusteeship Council, as provided in the United Nations Charter. He added, however, that the plight of the Jews of Europe was so desperate and the need for immediate action was so urgent that it would be "inexcusable to wait until the United Nations Organization is completely organized before provisions are made for the immigration of these Jews."

Heller Announces UJA Budget Totalling \$52,000,000

Describing the greatly increased requirements of the agencies of the United Palestine Appeal in making possible the immigration, settlement and absorption in Palestine of large masses of Jews, Dr. James G. Heller, national chairman, announced that a total of \$51,759,405 would be required in the coming year. Of this amount, \$16,325,000 will be needed by the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Keren Hayesod, while the budget of the Jewish National Fund calls for expenditures aggregating \$15,434,405. Dr. Heller said that in the year ending September 30, 1945 approximately \$1,690,000 had been spent by the agencies represented in the United Palestine Appeal.

Dorothy Thompson charged Ibn Saud with an attempt to blackmail the United States on the question of Palestine. Commenting on the exchange of correspondence between President Roosevelt and the Arab leader which was made public several days ago, Miss Thompson emphasized that the British and American Governments endorsed the establishment of a Jewish "national Home with the clearly expressed intention that it be ultimately set up as a Jewish State. She also stressed the fact that formal agreements were made with the Arabs through Emir Feisal, who gave his official approval of the program for the reconstruction of the ancient Jewish homeland.

Miss Thompson said that while President Roosevelt's reply to Ibn Saud was uncommittal, the Arabs would attempt to exploit it to serve their purpose in thwarting future Jewish development in Palestine. "President Roosevelt said that no decision would be taken in respect to the basic situation in Palestine without full consultation with Arabs and Jews. I hope he meant Palestinian Arabs and not any Arab chief who might arise in any other country," she declared. Miss Thompson, who recently visited Palestine, described the many economic, social and health benefits which the Arabs have derived from the Jewish rebuilding program.

Wise Says Roosevelt's Commonwealth Pledge Remains Policy of U.S.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, who presided at the dinner session of the conference, declared: "Against a chance letter of President Roosevelt to Ibn Saud, we pit the repeated declarations of pro-Zionist policy made by the American Government beginning with Wilson and including Roosevelt and Truman. President Roosevelt expressed Commonwealth policy, as he told me he wished to do, in his letter addressed to Senator Wagner, October, 1944. Until repealed, this remains the policy of our Government." In the letter to Senator Wagner, President Roosevelt pledged his support for the establishment of a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine.

In a message sent to the conference, President Truman congratulated the United Palestine Appeal on its achievements in the reconstruction of Jewish Palestine during the past twenty years and expressed the hope that the UPA would continue to devote its energies and influence to the relief of human suffering and to the restoration of hope in the hearts of those who have known desolation and despair."

MEMORANDUM TO BYRNES THREATENS VIOLENCE IF JEWISH STATE ESTABLISHED IN PALESTINE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- A threat that violence will develop in the Middle East if a Jewish State is established in Palestine, or if large-scale Jewish immigration is allowed, is contained in a memorandum submitted to Secretary of State James F. Byrnes on Oct. 12, by the legations of Egypt, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, which was made public here last night.

After expressing the great interest that all the Arab states, the Arab League and the Moslem world have in the Palestine question, the memorandum states:

"Regarding the peace of the Near East in general, and of the Arab world in particular, one principle is certain: There obviously can be no peace in that region by sacrificing Arab interests for the sake of the Jews. A Zionist political state can be created in Palestine, but only with the help of external force. Such artificial creation, or even the introduction of further Jewish immigrants into Palestine, is obviously not in the interests of world peace, nor is it conducive to the development of the friendliest relations between the Arabs and the external world."

U.S. PRESIDENT WANTS BAN ON IMMIGRATION; SAYS 3,500,000 REFUGEES NOW IN U.S.

DES MOINES, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- Legislation which would bar all immigration to this country for at least five years was demanded here yesterday by Mrs. Julius T. Talmadge, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, addressing a luncheon conference of the D.A.R.

Alleging that 3,500,000 refugees are in the United States, Mrs. Talmadge said that "our ancestors were different from the refugees of the present time. They came to this country with the pioneer spirit, but those who come to this country now come with the outstretched hand."

ANNUAL HADASSAH CONVENTION OPENS TODAY IN CHICAGO; 1,000 DELEGATES PRESENT

CHICAGO, Oct. 21 (JTA) -- The 31st annual convention of Hadassah opens here tomorrow in the presence of more than 1,000 delegates from all parts of the country.

The convention will discuss a number of problems in connection with the expansion of Hadassah's activities in Palestine. It will also adopt resolutions asking for the immediate abrogation of the White Paper as well as action by the British Government on President Truman's demand for the admission of 100,000 Jews to Palestine.

"COMMENTARY", NEW MONTHLY MAGAZINE, PUBLISHED; INCORPORATES "CONTEMPORARY JEWISH RECORD"

NEW YORK, Oct. 21. (JTA) -- The first issue of "Commentary", a new monthly magazine devoted to Jewish problems and world affairs, was published yesterday. It is sponsored by the American Jewish Committee and incorporates the Contemporary Jewish Record, a bi-monthly publication which the Committee has published for the last eight years.

Elliot B. Cohen, editor of the new magazine, said today that its pages will be hospitable to diverse points of view on Jewish problems and on general affairs. "Commentary's editorial scope will be broad and far-reaching," Mr. Cohen said. "It will be neither factional nor parochial. It is not interested in propagandizing any single formula for the solution of the plight of the Jews. Its approach will be factual, thoughtful and constructive, and its primary field of interest will be the American scene."