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106 EAST 41st STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.HOUSE ADOPTS PALESTINE RESOLUTION; IDENTICAL WITH RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) — The House of Representatives today overwhelmingly passed the Palestine resolution by voice vote, with only a few nays, after an hour and a half debate. The resolution is identical with the Wagner-Taft resolution adopted two days ago by the Senate.

A last minute move by Rep. James Wadsworth, Republican of New York, to recommit the resolution to the Foreign Affairs Committee, was defeated by a vote of 135-36. Wadsworth had previously expressed great fear, during the debate, that the passage of the resolution might cause a wave of anti-Semitism, which he deplored.

The resolution was supported in speeches by Rep. John W. McCormack, majority leader and Rep. Joseph W. Martin, minority leader, both of Massachusetts; Rep. Daniel Flood of Pennsylvania, author of the resolution; Rep. Herman P. Eberharter, also of Pennsylvania; Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, Republican of Massachusetts; Rep. Clare Booth Luce, Republican of Connecticut; and Rep. Sol Bloom and Emanuel Celler, Democrats of New York. Opposing it were Reps. Victor Wickersham of Oklahoma, Smith of New Jersey and Miller of Nebraska.

Cognizance Taken of Anglo-American Commission on Palestine

A report on the Palestine resolution submitted to the House by the Foreign Affairs Committee, which had unanimously adopted the measure yesterday, said that cognizance had been taken of the appointment of the Joint Anglo-American Committee on Palestine. The report commended the President for his interest in the matter, but expressed the opinion "that it is appropriate and timely for Congress to give expression to its view on the need for the restoration of Palestine as the Jewish National Homeland."

The resolution, the report stated, "reflects a long series of authoritative expressions of American policy and the views of the American people on the subject of Palestine." It pointed out that passage of the resolution would provide opportunity for Congress "to express itself forthrightly on the horrible plight of the Jews of Europe."

"The need for a Jewish homeland where the Jewish survivors of persecution can live and breathe as free men and women and where they can establish a free and democratic commonwealth is greater than ever," the report said. "Your committee feels, therefore, that the time is at hand when the long standing pledges to the Jewish people should be fulfilled."

Jewish Agency Hails Passage of Resolution by Congress

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19. (JTA) — Official spokesman for Palestine's Jews today hailed passage by Congress of the Palestine resolution urging free entry of Jews into this country and unrestricted land settlement.

A Jewish Agency representative told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the action of Congress would be "a powerful counterblast to the anti-Zionist designs. As

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against the bogging down of the issue in fact-finding, the Congressional resolution establishes the cardinal principle that Palestine is the solution of the Jewish problem," he added.

A statement by the Jewish National Council said: "The resolution is an encouragement to the Yishuv in the struggle into which it has been dragged against its will by the British Government's present policy. The Yishuv hopes that the resolution will influence the United States Government to fulfil the declarations and pledges given by the President and both major parties."

#### MEMBER OF PALESTINE INQUIRY COMMISSION REPLACED BY TRUMAN WITH CALIFORNIA ATTORNEY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- President Truman late yesterday replaced O. W. Gardner, former Governor of North Carolina, who asked to be relieved of his appointment to the Anglo-American Palestine Commission, with Bartley C. Crum of San Francisco.

Crum was Wendell Willkie's campaign manager, and headed the "Republicans for Roosevelt" in 1944. He has been prominently identified with liberal movements on the West Coast.

#### DESTRUCTION OF SYNAGOGUES CITED AT NUREMBERG COURT IN CASE AGAINST NAZI STORM TROOPERS

NUREMBERG, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The case against the Nazi Storm Troops, the notorious Brown Shirts who were the bulwark of the Hitler movement during its rise to power, was presented to the court today by U.S. prosecutors, who cited their destruction of synagogues, Jewish shops and Jewish homes, and their mistreatment and murder of thousands of Jews.

One brigade of Storm Troopers, the evidence disclosed, destroyed 35 synagogues during the wave of anti-Jewish rioting throughout Germany in November, 1938, under the direction of the Nazi party.

Col. Robert Storey told the court that the Storm Troops victimized Jews in the early days of Nazism, and, later, murdered tens of thousands. Documents and captured photographs depicting the terrorism visited upon Jews were introduced as evidence.

#### JEWISH DELEGATION CALLS AGAIN ON ARGENTINE MINISTER; ASKS HIM TO CHECK OUTBREAKS

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- A delegation of the DAIA, central Jewish representative body, has again called on the Minister of Interior to discuss means of checking anti-Semitic incidents during which Jews walking in the streets have been molested by Peronists.

The general impression prevailing here is that the Minister of the Interior, Felipe Urdapilleta, is sincerely interested in curbing anti-Jewish outbreaks, but the police officials do not follow his instructions.

It was reported here today that Dr. Frederico Cantoni, political boss of San Juan province and one of Peron's key political advisers, said in a speech delivered at a recent banquet, during which he commented on anti-Jewish demonstrations carried out by pro-Peron elements, that "it is a pity that a substantial number of Jews were not killed. It would have served to frighten the others."

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FORMER HUNGARIAN CABINET MEMBERS GO ON TRIAL; CHARGED WITH DEATH OF 500,000 JEWS

BUDAPEST, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- A pro-Nazi triumvirate under whose direction over 500,000 Hungarian Jews were murdered or deported to concentration or labor camps, where they were either gassed or worked to death, went on trial here today.

Facing the Peoples Court are former Minister of the Interior Andor Jaross, former Under Secretary of the Interior Lazlo Baký, and the one-time Secretary of State in the Interior Ministry, Lazlo Endre. They are being tried jointly on a charge of being responsible for the death of the half-million Jews.

In a statement to the court, Endre pleaded that he was not responsible for the murders, because he could not foresee what would follow deportation of the Jews. "I was convinced," he added, "that Jews were hostile to Hungarians and pro-Allied. I felt that they were a noxious element which must be isolated." He alleged that the deportation orders were given him by the Germans.

HUNGARIAN BANK RETURNS CONFISCATED VALUABLES TO JEWISH OWNERS; SCHOOLS RECEIVE GRANT

SOFIA, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The Bulgarian Agrarian Bank, at the request of the Jewish Consistory, has decided to restore to the Jewish owners all the property and effects deposited in the bank by the Commissariat for Jewish Questions, it was announced here today. This had not been done hitherto because of a wrong interpretation of the law by the bank's legal adviser.

The Sofia municipality today granted an additional subsidy of a half-million leva to Jewish elementary schools.

JEWISH STUDENT UNION OPENS CONFERENCE IN PARIS; DELEGATES FROM 12 COUNTRIES ATTENDING

PARIS, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Representatives of Jewish student groups in twelve countries met here today at the first conference of the Union of Jewish Students to be held since the outbreak of the war. After discussing the multitude of problems facing Jewish students, and most Jews, in Europe, the meeting adopted the following resolutions:

Pledged to fight for the freedom of Jews everywhere, and against racism and Nazism; asked help in the fight for "a democratic Jewish state in Palestine;" demanded representation in all student associations; expressed thanks to the Joint Distribution Committee, the World Jewish Congress and the British Central Jewish Fund for their assistance; and stressed the aid required by Jewish students who are still in camps in Germany.

Brief addresses of welcome were delivered by Judge Leon Meiss, representing the Jewish Consistory and a Miss Himes from UNRRA. A cabled greeting from Prof. Albert Einstein was read.

FIRST JEWISH RELIGIOUS PROGRAM OPENED ON HUNGARIAN RADIO

BUDAPEST, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The first Jewish religious program on the Hungarian radio was inaugurated today with an address by Chief Rabbi Hevesy.

"This is a great day considering the tortures, deportations, and assassinations of Jews a year ago," Rabbi Hevesy declared. "The Hungarian radio's gesture is a hopeful sign of better days." The half-hour program will be presented weekly.

## SILVER ACCUSES BRITAIN OF CAUSING TENSION IN PALESTINE; CALLS FOR AMERICAN CHALUTZIM

CLEVELAND, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, who returned from Palestine last night, said today that "the sole tension in Palestine today is caused by Great Britain's illegal interference with the free entry of Jews into the country." At the same time, he appealed for American chalutzim to help develop Palestine's resources. In a statement issued here Dr. Silver said:

"I found the Yishuv more normal than I was led to anticipate, busily at work and full of post-war plans for rapid development and expansion. Within a decade or two Palestine stands to revolutionize the economic life of the entire Near East, if the straitjacket of political and economic restrictions which confine it today, is removed.

"Everywhere there is a great demand for American goods, machinery, and technical skill. Above all, for American chalutzim to come and make their contribution to the next phase of the country's progress. The Yishuv asks of American Jewry today not only financial support, but also gift of hand and mind.

"The sole tension in Palestine today is created by Great Britain's illegal interference with the entry of Jews into the country, hundreds of thousands of whom are knocking at its gates. All the clashes have been with the police and military forces of the country, not with the Arabs. An equilibrium of strength has already been established which the Arabs understand and respect. All the noise and the rioting are the work of non-Palestinian Arabs outside the country.

"The Yishuv is resolved on two things: to protect at all costs, and regardless of sacrifices, those who seek the sanctuary of the Jewish National Homeland, and to accept no final solution which will whittle down the national rights of the Jewish people in Palestine.

"The Yishuv is disciplined, more united than ever before, and in a determined and militant mood. It was bitterly resentful of Bevin's statement and of the Joint Commission of Inquiry. It was also baffled by President Truman's contradictory attitude. I am sure that it will be greatly heartened by the action of the Congress of the United States, which it was awaiting with keen eagerness."

## SECRETARY OF WAR LAUDS JEWISH CHAPLAINS AT CONFERENCE; 311 SERVED IN WORLD WAR II

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson today lauded the contribution of the Jewish chaplains to the morale of the United States servicemen in all theaters of war, emphasizing that "no chaplain had a harder job than the Jewish, because he served a group that was widely scattered throughout the armed forces." He addressed a luncheon of the Jewish Welfare Board's Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities.

Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester, N.Y., reported that 311 Jewish chaplains had served in the U.S. armed forces in World War II as compared with 26 in World War I. Other speakers included Admiral Louis E. Denfield, chief of the Bureau of Personnel in the Navy Department, Chief of Chaplains Luther D. Miller of the Army and Chief Chaplain Charles Carpenter of the Air Corps. Rabbi David de Sola Pool, chairman of the Welfare Board's Army and Navy Religious Activities Committee, and Rabbi Barnett Brickner of Cleveland.

# ARAB LEAGUE URGED TO DEMAND RETURN OF EX-MUFTI TO PALESTINE; DECIDES TO INTERVENE

CAIRO, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Members of the Palestine Arab Higher Committee were reported today to have urged the Arab League not to cooperate with the Anglo-American inquiry commission on Palestine until the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem is permitted to return to Palestine.

At the same time, it was reported in a broadcast over the Cairo radio that the Council of the Arab League had unanimously adopted a decision to approach various governments in Europe in order to obtain the return to Palestine of Arabs exiled for political reasons. The proposal came from three leaders of the Palestine Arabs now in Cairo in connection with the activities of the League.

# EL. PEPPER, RETURNING FROM MIDDLE EAST, SAYS PALESTINE CAN ABSORB MORE IMMIGRANTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Senator Claude Pepper, who has just returned from a four-months tour of Europe and the Middle East, told newsmen today that in his opinion Palestine could accommodate more people.

Pepper spoke to reporters after leaving the White House, where he met with President Truman. He praised the excellent work done in Palestine by the Jewish Agency in improving agriculture and production, and said that the work being done in the Jewish collective colonies was the nearest thing he could imagine to early American pioneering.

While in the Middle East, the Senator said, he spent three days in Saudi Arabia and met with Ibn Saud. Asked whether he had discussed the Palestine question with the Arab monarch, Pepper replied yes, and added that Ibn Saud's views on the subject were well known. He declared that the Arabs were opposed to Jewish immigration, chiefly because they opposed establishment of a Jewish majority in Palestine.

# NEW PALESTINE HIGH COMMISSIONER PAYS FIRST VISIT TO TEL AVIV; RECEIVED WITH FLOWERS

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Sir Allan Cunningham, new Palestine High Commissioner, today paid his first visit to Tel Aviv and was met with flowers by Mayor Rokach and members of the municipal council.

Replying to greetings, the High Commissioner said that it was always his hope to see "the only all-Jewish city in the world." He called upon the Jews "to dispel bitterness" from their hearts. "I would like you to have my assurance of sympathy and understanding," he stated. "We require cooperation to ensure a better future."

The largest contribution yet made to the Jewish National Fund was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Wolf Senior of South Africa, it was announced here today. Totalling nearly \$150,000, the donation was made for the establishment of a housing project called "Shechemut Arye" at the colony of Raanana, to honor the memory of Mr. and Mrs. Senior's eldest son, Flight Lieutenant Aris Reuben Senior, who, while in command of a Liberator bomber, failed to return from a raid over Udine, Italy.

# RABBI KORFF RESIGNS FROM HEBREW LIBERATION COMMITTEE; SAYS IT AIDS ANTI-ZIONISTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Rabbi Baruch Korff of New York, one of the leaders of the Hebrew Committee of National Liberation, today announced his resignation from that organization. He took this step, he said, after coming to the conclusion that the Committee "lost in a maze of maneuvering," lends aid "to enemies of Zion," and is "seriously impairing the chances of Jewish freedom."

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HEBREW ZIONIST ORGANIZATION DECIDES TO RAISE \$1,500,000 FOR UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

MONTREAL, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- The executive committee of the Zionist Organization of Canada today announced that it hopes to raise \$1,500,000 for the United Jewish Appeal in Canada in 1946. This represents a fifty per cent increase in the 1945 total.

PAIR FOR \$4,000,000 PALESTINE MEDICAL SCHOOL OPENED; NOBEL WINNERS HONORED

NEW YORK, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- A campaign to raise \$4,000,000 for the establishment of a medical school in Palestine was opened last night at a dinner given by the American Friends of the Hebrew University, the American Jewish Physicians Committee, and Hadassah. The dinner was given in honor of seventeen Nobel Prize winners, headed by Dr. Albert Einstein, who are serving on a committee of scientific sponsors of the medical school project.

The school, which will become part of the Hebrew University in Palestine, will be the first institution of its kind in the Middle East. It is planned to make it a world center for tropical medicine. For the last three years medical education specialists have been preparing plans for the institution. Beside giving young Jews an opportunity for medical training, which has been denied to them for more than a decade, the school aims to train residents of the Middle East and thus increase the supply of desperately needed physicians.

Among those acclaiming the creation of a Palestinian medical school were a number of American scientific leaders and Dr. Chaim Weizmann of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Dr. Weizmann declared the school would "once more fructify the knowledge of mankind." A total of \$475,000 was raised at the dinner.

JEWISH LABOR COMMITTEE SENDS SECRETARY TO POLAND; ORT AND OSE SEND DELEGATIONS TO EUROPE

NEW YORK, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Jacob Fat, executive secretary of the Jewish Labor Committee, left last night for Warsaw to survey the situation of the Jews in Poland, it was announced today.

At the same time, it was disclosed by the American ORT Federation that Vladimir Grossman, executive secretary of the Canadian Ort, is en route to Europe to supervise ORT training centers in the camps for displaced Jews in Germany.

Dr. Julius Brutzkus, vice-president of the OSE Union, and Dr. Leo Wulman, executive secretary of the American OSE, will be the American delegates to the first post-war conference of the OSE Union in Geneva, Switzerland on December 27, it was also announced here today.

DR. SOLOMON FREEHOF NAMED CHAIRMAN OF HEBREW UNION COLLEGE FOUNDATION FUND

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19. (JTA) -- Dr. Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh, former president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, has been appointed national chairman of the Hebrew Union College Foundation Fund, it was announced here today.

Dr. Paul Baerwald, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, Mrs. Arthur Keys Sulzberger of New York, Judge Charles Simons of Detroit, Dr. Samuel Goldenson of Temple Emanuel, New York, and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver will be the associate chairmen. Rabbi Samuel Wohl of Cincinnati is chairman of the Planning Committee.

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