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BRITAIN DECIDES TO ADMIT 1,500 JEWS TO PALESTINE MONTHLY; JEWISH AGENCY DISSATISFIED

JERUSALEM, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- The British Government has decided to admit 1,500 Jews to Palestine, monthly, for the fourth-month period--beginning on Jan. 1--during which the Anglo-American inquiry committee will be conducting its investigations, High Commissioner Sir Alan Cunningham announced tonight.

Sir Alan told hurriedly summoned delegations of Jewish and Arab leaders--with whom he met separately--of the Government's decision. The Jewish leaders who met with the High Commissioner included Isaac Ben Zvi, president of the Jewish National Council, and Moshe Shertok, political chief of the Jewish Agency.

In a statement issued tonight, the Agency declared that while "every Jew brought into Palestine is a Jew saved, nevertheless the decision to admit, for the time being, 1,500 a month, taken nine months after victory and almost eight months after the Agency's application for 100,000 certificates, must cause deep disappointment. It is an outrage to the feelings of the martyred Jews," the statement continued, "and a cruel prolongation of the Jewish survivors' agony."

2,000 TROOPS THROW DRAGNET AROUND TEL AVIV; ARAB TERRORIST READMITTED TO PALESTINE

TEL AVIV, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- A force of more than 2,000 airborne troops formed a cordon today around four sections of Tel Aviv, while Palestine police and the military carried out a six-hour search and interrogated several hundred men.

Loudspeaker trucks toured the area announcing that a curfew was imposed for the duration of the search. Later it was officially reported that two persons were held for further questioning.

As tension between the Jewish population and the British authorities mounted, the Palestine Government announced today that Jamal Hussein, Arab extremist leader, who was exiled from Palestine in 1937 for inciting anti-Jewish and anti-British terror, has been allowed to re-enter the country. Hussein was released last month from British internment in Southern Rhodesia, where he had been held since 1942.

Meanwhile, the underground Jewish radio the "Voice of Israel," today warned the authorities that the Jewish resistance movement will oppose the rigid emergency defense regulations promulgated on Monday. Asserting that Palestine was a mandated area and not a British colony, the broadcast said that "we know that we can expect from you a series of terrorist acts, but we will be compelled to reply, and the Holy Land will be converted into a bloodbath. We officially inform you," the Jewish radio added, "that the Jewish resistance does not recognize your laws and carrying them out will be considered a criminal act."

(A dispatch from the Reuter correspondent in Palestine, published today in London, quoted the underground newspaper of the Haganah as saying that it would bring five times as many visaless Jews into Palestine this year as it did in 1945.)

ANGLO-AMERICAN INQUIRY COMMITTEE WILL ISSUE INTERIM REPORT NEXT MONTH IN VIENNA

LONDON, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- The Anglo-American inquiry committee, which will end its hearings here tomorrow, will issue an interim report in Vienna around the end of next month, it was learned today.

The report will be drafted when the members reassemble in Vienna after their separate investigations in Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. It will not contain any recommendations concerning Palestine, but will outline the requirements of the displaced and other Jews in Europe, and, probably, suggest places of emigration aside from Palestine.

It is reported, however, that the committee has encountered little success in exploratory investigations on non-Palestinian havens for Jews. Britain, Canada, the United States and Australia, all of which are understood to have been sounded out, indicated that together they would not admit more than 30,000 immigrants.

After its visit to Palestine--and a possible side visit by some of the members to Saudi Arabia to confer with Ibn Saud--the committee will leave for Switzerland in April. Its report will be drafted at Lausanne.

Saudi Arabian Prince Expected to Testify Today

Emir Feisal, son of Ibn Saud, who heads the Saudi Arabian delegation at the UNO, is expected to testify before the committee tomorrow. American co-chairman Judge Joseph Hutcheson told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that it was not yet certain that Feisal would appear, but the committee would welcome his testimony. He said that Feisal had expressed a wish to speak on behalf of all the Arab delegations at the UNO.

The principal witnesses at today's session were former Colonial Secretary Leopold Amery; a three-man delegation representing the anti-Zionist "Jewish Fellowship," consisting of Basil Henriques, Major Jack Brunel Cohen and Col. Louis H. Gluckstein; and Leonard Stein, president of the Anglo-Jewish Association.

Col. Gluckstein declared that the Board of Deputies of British Jews, whose president, Prof. Selig Brodetsky, appeared last Friday, was not representative of British Jewry, since it had been "captured by a Zionist caucus." He also attempted to discredit, in advance, the expected pro-Zionist testimony by the displaced persons in Germany by declaring that their present physical and mental condition made them incapable of clear judgment.

He suggested that Jews be offered possibilities for rehabilitation where they are now, while those who decide that they cannot remain in their present abodes should be afforded an opportunity to emigrate to various countries, including Palestine. Col. Gluckstein added that he was opposed to establishment of a Jewish state on the grounds that it would enable anti-Semites in various countries to say to Jews: "Why do you stay here? Go to your own state."

Judge Hutcheson Says He Is Opposed to Jewish "Separatism"

Judge Hutcheson thanked Gluckstein for his testimony, stating that it confirmed his own view that separatism was unsound. When Bartley Crum queried Gluckstein on his attitude towards the White Paper, he replied that he had voted for it while a member of the House of Commons. At this point, Henriques interjected that ninety-nine percent of the membership of the Jewish Fellowship wish to see the White Paper scrapped.

James MacDonald challenged Gluckstein's assertion that the Fellowship spoke for the majority of the Jews in England, and drew from him the admission that the or-

ganization had only about 1,500 members. The latter insisted, however, that many Jews, including servicemen, shared his views.

MacDonald and Gluckstein clashed again concerning the difference between the terms "Jewish people" and "Jewish nation." The former High Commissioner for Refugees pointed out that assimilationism had not saved the Jews of Germany, and stressed that various international conferences on refugee problems failed to find possibilities of large-scale emigration outside of Palestine.

Col. Amery Advocates Palestine Partition; Says Jews Should Get the Negev

Col. Amery suggested that Palestine be partitioned into separate Jewish and Arab states. The Jewish state, he said, should comprise the coastal plain, except Galilee, but should include Tiberias, Huleh and also the Negev up to the Egyptian frontier. The Arab territory, he said, should cover the area between the Jordan River and the Jewish coastal area, plus the Galilee, except Tiberias and Huleh. The holy places should remain under a mandate or under the trusteeship of the United Nations Organization, he added.

Amery pointed out that if Lebanon can exist as a small Christian state, there is also a possibility for the existence of a small Jewish state. He emphasized that if anything can be done to develop the Negev, the southern desert part of Palestine, it is the Jews who can do it and not the Arabs. He promised to submit to the committee a map outlining his partition proposal. Criticising the White Paper, he said that this document is a complete reversal of the pledges given by the British Government in the Balfour Declaration which he, as secretary of the war cabinet, helped to prepare.

Anglo-Jewish Association Says Palestine Is Only Place Where Jews Can Go

Leonard Stein told the committee that Palestine is the only place to where Jews from Europe can go. Queried by Sir John Singleton as to whether he was mistaken in saying that there was no genuine alternative to Palestine, Stein replied "No". "But why force all homeless Jews on Palestine?" Singleton continued. Stein replied that "it is not fair to ask this question because of the generally accepted fact that Palestine has a distinctive place in the solution of the Jewish problem."

Citing a number of other reasons to substantiate his views, Stein pointed out that, in addition to the historical and traditional connections between the Jews and Palestine, the Jews themselves have created conditions in Palestine enabling the admission of more immigrants. He also cited the fact that the country was promised to them as their national home. Replying to a question by Judge Hutchason, Stein said there is at present only the beginning of a Jewish national home in Palestine, but no national home as yet. He emphasized that the White Paper contradicts the Palestine mandate. Stein said that full sovereignty or a dominion status are not the only solutions for the Palestine problem, and pointed to the example of Ceylon where wide autonomy is enjoyed by the local population.

Dr. James Parkes, a well known authority on Jewish affairs, who has written widely on anti-Semitism and means of combatting it, told the committee that an effective remedy for anti-Semitism would be to give the Jews a place where they can be masters in their own house. He did not specify whether this should take the form of a Jewish state or national homeland.

Parkes took issue with yesterday's statement by Maj. Gen. Edward Spears that Zionism was similar to Nazism in some aspects, declaring that even the Jewish terrorists in Palestine adhered to ethical principles, warning garrisons that were to be bombed to leave their stations.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT GRANTS PERMISSION TO MOSCOW JEWISH COMMUNITY TO PRINT PRAYER BOOKS

MOSCOW, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- The Soviet Government has granted the Moscow Jewish community permission to print prayer books and religious calendars, B.Z. Goldberg, American Yiddish journalist, disclosed today in a published interview concerning his impressions of Jewish religious life in the Russian capital.

Goldberg, who is touring the Soviet Union and Poland, as a representative of the Committee of Jewish Writers and Artists in the United States, reports that there are fourteen synagogues in Moscow-- four in the city proper and ten in the suburbs. The average salary of a rabbi is 1,000 rubles monthly.

Reporting on a visit to one of the synagogues, he said that he found it well attended, with persons coming not only for prayer, but to study the Mishnah and Talmudic works. Attached to each synagogue, in addition to one or more rabbis, are a ritual slaughterer and several sextons.

The Moscow community council had an income of 2,600,000 rubles in 1945, Goldberg was told by Samuel Chobrutzky, council president, of which it donated 1,000,000 rubles for the reconstruction of communities destroyed by the Germans. The council income is derived from sale of tickets to holy Day services, donations accompanying the reading of the Holy Scroll and fees for funeral services.

CONFERENCE OF DISPLACED JEWS REJECTS SUGGESTION THAT JEWS SHOULD REMAIN IN EUROPE

MUNICH, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- The UNO was urged last night to take up the question of Jewish immigration into Palestine, in a resolution adopted at the closing session of the conference of displaced Jews in the American zone. It suggested that the UNO set up a body to transfer to Palestine all Jews who desire to go there.

Other resolutions rejected British Foreign Minister Bevin's suggestion that Jews remain in Europe, termed the White Paper a "disgrace to Britain," and urged Jews throughout the world to unite with those in Palestine in the struggle for establishment of a Jewish state.

The delegates thanked President Truman and the American people for their help in the Palestine struggle and voiced their appreciation for the aid rendered by members of the Jewish Brigade. At the same time, they protested continuation of anti-Jewish activities in Poland.

Zalman Grinberg was named chairman of the Central Committee of Displaced Jews in the American zone and Chaplain Abel Klausner was elected honorary chairman. An executive council of twenty-one was elected.

DELEGATION OF JEWISH SOCIALIST BUND FROM POLAND ARRIVES IN LONDON EN ROUTE TO NEW YORK

LONDON, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- The first delegation of the Jewish Socialist Bund to go abroad since the liberation of Poland arrived here yesterday.

The delegation, consisting of Dr. M. Szuldenfrei, Solomon Fiszgrund and Gregor Jassunski, is en route to New York.

CONFERENCE OF JEWISH CHAPLAINS HELD IN PARIS TO DISCUSS NEEDS OF OCCUPATION TROOPS

PARIS, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- A conference of Jewish chaplains attached to units of the U.S. Army in France, Belgium and England met here today to discuss means for meeting the needs of Jewish personnel attached to the permanent occupation forces.

BILBO CHARGES FEPC BILL WOULD FORCE EMPLOYERS TO ESTABLISH "JEWISH QUOTA"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Sen. Theodore Bilbo today joined his Southern colleagues filibustering against the FEPC bill, and charged in a speech on the Senate floor that the measure would force employers to establish a "Jewish quota" when hiring workers.

Calling the FEPC bill "an unholy thing" and "violation of constitutional rights," Bilbo cited a Southern factory owner who was forced, Bilbo charged, to dismiss "Gentile" employees in order to keep Negro and Jewish employees.

Bilbo said he used the term "Jewish-Americans" because "Jews sometimes object to being called a nationality." Declaring there is one Jew in the United States to every twenty-eight members of other races, he declared the FEPC would cause retail store owners to hire Jews according to this proportion.

GERALD SMITH ASSAILS ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE AT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE HEARING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31. (JTA) -- Gerald L.K. Smith, leader of the Nationalist Party, testified today before the Wood Committee investigating un-American activities. He scored the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Friends Of Democracy and Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, as "Jewish-Gestapo groups" stating that they "have an elaborate and expensive system for indexing and following up on the names of individuals alleged to have criticized Jews." He called for committee investigation of the three organizations.

A sharp attack on Smith as a "fascist propagandist" and as "America's most raucous purveyor of anti-Semitism and of racial and religious bigotry" was made by Democratic Representatives Patterson of California, Savage and De Lacy of Washington and Marcantonio of New York in a joint letter to the committee. They criticized the committee for being "unable or unwilling to conduct this vital investigation through to a complete unmasking of Smith's disruptive activities and chief financial supporters here or abroad."

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE GROUP OPENS SESSION TODAY ON EUROPEAN AND PALESTINE PROBLEMS

NEW YORK, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Questions concerning Jewish rights in Europe and Palestine will be discussed at a meeting of the Committee on Peace Problems of the American Jewish Committee which opens tomorrow, as a preliminary to the 39th annual meeting of the committee at which Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson will be the principal speaker.

Prof. Harman Gray, who was one of a group of three representatives of the committee to tour displaced persons camps in Europe under the auspices of the UNRRA, will report to the Committee on Peace Problems, of which Judge Joseph M. Proskauer is chairman. Jacob Blaustein and Judge George Z. Medalie are associate chairmen of this body which is composed of forty Jewish communal leaders, educators and legal authorities.

DR. MARGOSHES, LOUIS SEGAL ARRIVE IN POLAND TO STUDY JEWISH CONDITIONS

WARSAW, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Dr. Samuel Margoshes and Louis Segal, leaders of the World Jewish Congress, have arrived in Poland to study the Jewish situation here. They are now in Lodz, attending a conference of the Labor League for Palestine.

NAZIS KILLED NINE-TENTHS OF ALL JEWISH CHILDREN IN EUROPE, U.J.A. LEADER REPORTS

NEW YORK, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Only one-tenth of the Jewish children of Europe are alive today and of those more than half are orphans. Mrs. David E. Levy, chairman of the national women's division of the United Jewish Appeal campaign for \$100,000,000, reported today following her return to the United States from a month-long study of the conditions and problems confronting the Jewish survivors in Europe.

Nine out of every ten Jewish children perished in Nazi death camps and gas chambers, Mrs. Levy reported. There were an estimated 1,500,000 Jewish children in pre-war Europe. Today there are no more than 150,000. "European Jewry is almost childless," she emphasized, "and that represents the greatest threat to its future existence. If we save the Jewish children we save the Jewish people for generations to come. If we fail to help adequately we may be faced with the tragic prospect of the disappearance of the Jews of Europe."

Mrs. Levy offered two "possible solutions" to the problem of the Jewish children in Europe: "(a) They must be helped to emigrate to Palestine and the United States, or (b) the governments concerned must find the means to stabilize the existence of these youngsters and integrate them into the general economic social framework." She explained that "this has been particularly difficult in France where the Jews are despairing and losing hope of early rehabilitation because of the generally chaotic political and economic conditions."

CHARLES ROSENBLUM ELECTED NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

NEW YORK, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Charles J. Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh, Pa., has been elected national chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, it was announced yesterday. Rudolf G. Sonnenborn, of New York, was named associate chairman.

Mr. Rosenbloom succeeds Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati who served for two years. By virtue of his election to the leadership of the United Palestine Appeal, Mr. Rosenbloom also becomes one of the three national chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, which is now engaged in raising \$100,000,000 for the needs of the United Palestine Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee and National Refugee Service.

CANADIAN ZIONISTS PROTEST AGAINST SEVERANCE OF TRANSJORDAN FROM PALESTINE

TORONTO, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- A resolution protesting against the British plan to sever Transjordan from Palestine by giving the former complete independence was adopted at the closing session of the 28th national convention of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

The convention also decided to send a protest to the United Nations Organization against the boycott of "Zionist" goods proclaimed by the Arab states which are members of the U.N.O. Samuel J. Zacks was elected national president, and Michael Garber, vice-president.

WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE GETS \$100,000 GRANT FOR PLASTIC RESEARCH

NEW YORK, Jan. 30. (JTA) -- Announcement of a \$100,000 gift to the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science for the establishment of a Plastic Research Institute, soon to be erected and equipped at Rehovoth, Palestine, was made yesterday by Edmund I. Kaufmann, president of the committee. Contributed by Harry and Louis Levine, industrialists of Leominster, Mass., the gift is part of a \$2,000,000 fund sought by the committee for the establishment of a research center in Palestine that will bear the name of Dr. Chaim Weizmann.

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