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ALL JEWISH REFUGEES AT LA SPEZIA WILL SAIL FOR PALESTINE ON WEDNESDAY

LA SPEZIA, May 6. (JTA) -- The 1,014 Jewish refugees detained here since April 4 when they were apprehended prior to embarking for Palestine, will sail for Haifa on Wednesday, it was announced today.

The Palestine Government has informed the Jewish Agency that it has no objection to the entire party arriving together although part of the certificates allotted to the refugees are from the May 15-June 15 immigration quota and will not become valid until a week after they depart. The Jews, who will sail on the Fede, former cargo ship, and the Eliahu Golomb, converted sailing vessel, held a joyous victory celebration last night.

CURE DEMONSTRATION OF ARAB WOMEN BEFORE U.S. CONSULATE; CONSUL RECEIVES DELEGATION

JERUSALEM, May 6. (JTA) -- A crowd of several hundred Arab women, both Christians and Moslems, who planned to demonstrate before the American consulate to protest the Anglo-American Palestine report, was halted today by a cordon of British police, but refused to disperse until a delegation was allowed to proceed to the consulate.

The women marched from the El Aska mosque to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, where several speakers attacked the Anglo-American report as a betrayal of the Arabs. Similar sentiments were expressed in banners carried by the demonstrators.

When they attempted to pass through the Jaffa Gate in the direction of the U.S. consulate, the women were stopped by the police. After a melee lasting more than an hour, during which no one was seriously injured, the women agreed to disperse when three of their number were allowed to proceed to the consulate. There, two of them were received by U.S. Consul General Lovell C. Pinkerton.

Meanwhile, Arab Leaders are reported to have decided to present a brief to the International Court of Justice at The Hague asking that Britain be stripped of the Palestine Mandate, if it seeks to implement the Anglo-American report. The committee's recommendations, the Arabs assert, violate the Mandate.

Arab Catholics here added their voices to the protest today, when they cabled to King George VI, the Pope, President Truman, Premier Stalin, French Premier Felix Gounin and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, stating that implementation of the report would lead to the Jews supplanting the Arabs in Palestine.

David Remez, secretary general of the Histadruth, Palestine labor federation, speaking to the 16 Jewish leaders, who recently went on a hunger strike until the more than 1,000 Jewish refugees detained at La Spezia, Italy, received permission to enter Palestine, stated that there was no need for a single British or American soldier to enable the European Jews to enter Palestine and commence the peaceful rebuilding of their lives. He called on the Labor Party to implement its resolution favoring a national home for the Jews in Palestine and said he hoped that Prime Minister Attlee's statement was not the last word of the British people.

BRITAIN WILL MAKE NO STATEMENT ON PALESTINE REPORT UNTIL U.S. POSITION IS CLEAR

LONDON, May 6. (JTA) -- Britain is not expected to make an official statement on the steps she will take to implement the recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee report until the United States position is ascertained, it was learned here today. Official circles here revealed that no communication concerning the report has been received from Washington.

Reuters reports from Cairo that Arab circles there do not take seriously the suggestion that the Arabs will appeal to the Soviet Union for aid against implementation of the Anglo-American report. It is believed that the Arabs will first appeal to Britain, and only if they do not receive satisfaction will they seek aid in other quarters.

EGYPT NOT PLANNING TO BRING PALESTINE ISSUE BEFORE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL

LONDON, May 6. (JTA) -- Egypt, although opposed to the recommendations of the Anglo-American committee, is not planning at this time to present the Palestine issue to the U.N. Security Council, according to a statement by Hafez Afifi Pasha, the Egyptian delegate and chairman of the Council, to O.H. Brandon of the London Sunday Times.

"The Anglo-American Palestine report is bound to cause serious friction and thus endanger peace in the Middle East, but for the time being the report remains only a recommendation," Afifi Pasha is quoted as saying. "It has not yet been adopted by anybody and therefore there is no immediate reason why Palestine should be brought to the attention of the Security Council.

"It is a great and important humanitarian task to save the surviving Jews in Europe," Afifi Pasha continued, "and as such, the problem deserves everybody's support. Therefore we Arabs do not object to the efforts of the Anglo-American investigation, but when the Committee decides to recommend the sending of 100,000 Jews into Palestine and perhaps more later on without even suggesting that other countries share this burden, then the Committee's recommendation becomes a political move.

"Egypt and other Arab countries would be prepared to accept sharing in the responsibility of saving European Jews but we would also expect the United States and British Dominions to participate in this. Yet not even an attempt was made by the Committee to investigate these possibilities, therefore one cannot but feel that this mass immigration into Palestine is designed to build Palestine into a buffer state within the Arab world to impede Arab unity."

PALESTINE ARAB LEADER GOING TO FRANCE TO CONFER WITH MUFTI; WILL SEE BEVIN IN LONDON

LONDON, May 6. (JTA) -- Mussa al Alami, a member of the Palestine Arab Higher Committee and unofficial Palestine delegate to the Arab League, is being sent to France to report to the Mufti concerning Arab opposition to the Anglo-American committee's recommendations, it was reported today from Jerusalem.

The report said that Alami will come to London, after conferring with the Mufti, to warn Foreign Minister Bevin and Colonial Secretary George Hall that the Arabs are seriously considering appealing for Soviet intervention in their behalf. He will also attempt to contact such pro-Arab public figures as Maj. Gen. Sir Edward Spears, former British minister in the Levant and Sir Ronald Storrs, former district commissioner of Jerusalem, to organize pressure upon the Government not to implement the report.

LONDON HOPES MUFTI WILL NOT RETURN TO MIDDLE EAST; CANNOT PREVENT HIS LEAVING FRANCE

LONDON, May 6. (JTA) -- Official circles here today expressed the hope that the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem would not return to the Middle East. Commenting on a report by the Palestine Arab weekly Al Wihda that the exiled Arab leader was planning to move to Lebanon or Syria, these circles expressed doubt, however, that anything could be done to prevent his leaving France. A Reuter dispatch from Paris today said that the Mufti has no intention of leaving at present.

The Board of Deputies of British Jews yesterday adopted a resolution urging the Government to use every effort to transfer 100,000 Jewish DP's to Palestine this year, and welcoming the abolition of the land restrictions recommended by the inquiry committee. It expressed regret, however, that the committee did not recommend establishment of a Jewish state "built on the principle of justice for Jew and Arab alike."

JEWISH BRIGADE OPPOSES SPEEDY DEMOBILIZATION; WANTS TO RETURN TO PALESTINE AS A UNIT

BRUSSELS, May 6. (JTA) -- Members of the Jewish Brigade stationed in Belgium today voiced opposition to a decree ordering the speedy demobilization of the unit. The British plan to have every member of the Brigade out of Europe by August 1.

Meetings were held in all battalions at which speakers emphasized the desire of the Jewish soldiers to have the Brigade transformed into a Jewish Army. They demanded that they be returned to Palestine not as demobilized individuals, but as a unit with weapons and under their own banner. They also asked to be assigned to aid in arranging the emigration of European Jews to Palestine.

The first anniversary of VE-Day was celebrated here yesterday by the Jews of Brussels at a demonstration which overflowed the largest public auditorium in the city. The meeting, attended by Queen Elizabeth, Catholic Church dignitaries and government officials, was organized by the Council of Jewish Organizations of Belgium as a tribute to the Belgian people and the Belgian resistance.

SOVIET AUTHORITIES RESUME ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR EMIGRATION OF JEWS TO BIRO-BIDJAN

LONDON, May 6. (JTA) -- A Reuter cable from Moscow today quoted Soviet official sources as indicating that applications from Jews abroad for immigration to the Jewish autonomous region of Biro-Bidjan are now being accepted again. The correspondent added that "the Jewish autonomous region is to be considerably developed during the next few years and a great increase in population is expected."

"Jews from foreign countries," a Soviet official told the Reuter correspondent in Moscow, "desiring to settle in the Jewish autonomous region, should address their applications to the regional executive committee of the Soviet of Deputies of the Working People of the Jewish Region in the City of Biro-Bidjan. The Jewish Soviet Republic is making every effort for the economy and culture of the Jewish region to be developed by a Jewish population."

The Soviet official especially emphasized that many Jews from the western areas of the USSR, particularly those districts which were occupied by the Germans have recently applied for permission to emigrate to Biro-Bidjan. "To encourage immigration, the Soviet authorities are granting concessions in the form of reduced travelling fares; lower taxes, assistance in finding housing and jobs, instruction in skilled labor," the Reuter report says. "Today, according to official figures, the population of the region is 108,000; but in the near future it is planned to increase that total by at least 50,000. The city of Biro-Bidjan has 40,000 inhabitants. Current building schemes, however, envisage 124,000 in a few years."

JWB PLANS TO EXTEND ACTIVITIES TO LATIN AMERICA, EUROPE; GETS ARMY-NAVY AWARD

WASHINGTON, May 6. (JTA) -- Latin American countries and France will be added to the list of countries served by the World Federation of National Councils of YM and YWHA'S, the National Jewish Welfare Board announced today. Addition of these countries to those already served - the United States, Canada, Great Britain and Australia, which has had branches since 1944 - was authorized by the JWB as part of an eight-point program of "service and action on behalf of Jewish youth abroad."

The program was recommended by Louis Kraft, executive director of the JWB, to the organization's 29th annual meeting which concluded here today. Other proposals made by Mr. Kraft and approved by the JWB included:

1. Providing JWB field service for France and Latin America.
2. Assistance to Jewish communities overseas in selecting and training capable young people to become Jewish center workers by organizing a system of in-service training in the United States.
3. Translation of JWB's cultural materials into Spanish and French.
4. Organizing a program of interchange of correspondence and visits by Jewish youth abroad and youth from Jewish centers in the United States and Canada.
5. Extension of the services of the JWB Lecture and Concert Bureau to Latin-American Jewry.
6. Stimulation by the JWB of visits and lectures by Yiddish speaking American rabbis to Latin-America.

A national Jewish patriotic shrine which will tell the story of the participation of the American Jewish community in all the wars of the United States will be established in Washington by the JWB. The shrine, which will be in the form of a permanent museum, will be housed in the building of the group's Washington headquarters.

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, addressing the closing dinner session of the annual meeting, told members of the organization that the assistance which their group had furnished the War Department during the war "has been invaluable" and expressed the hope that the work would be continued "by bringing into the chaplains corps new rabbis to serve the needs of our occupation troops." General Omar Bradley, veterans' administrator, congratulated the JWB on its "very fine war-time work and on your determination to continue this good work in Palestine." John L. Sullivan, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, extended the congratulations of the Navy Department "for the splendid contribution made to the war effort by the JWB."

A joint War and Navy department citation for "unique and outstanding service during World War II" was presented by Lieut. Gen. J. Lawton Collins and received for the organization by Frank L. Weil, national president, who was re-elected for his seventh term.

NAZI WAR CRIMINAL TELLS NUREMBERG TRIBUNAL HE REGRETS ANTI-JEWISH ATROCITIES

NUREMBERG, May 6. (JTA) -- Another of Hitler's right hand men admitted today that he had a "guilty conscience" concerning the treatment of the Jews in Germany and occupied Europe. Walter Funk, former economic advisor to Hitler and director of the Reichsbank, and one of the 20 defendants on trial at Nuremberg, told the International Military Tribunal that he was deeply ashamed of the injustices done the Jews of Europe.

During cross examination of Funk, the American prosecutor quoted excerpts from a speech he made on Nov. 15, 1938, in which he justified Nazi pogroms. The prosecutor accused Funk of attempting to play on the court's sympathy by pretending to be conscience stricken.

TEL AVIV MOVIES THREATEN BREAK WITH BRITISH FILM COMPANIES IF CURFEW NOT LIFTED

TEL AVIV, May 6. (JTA) -- The Association of Cinema Owners, whose theatres have been closed down for more than a week as a result of the 8 p.m. curfew imposed on the city following the killing of seven British soldiers by Jewish terrorists, today notified High Commissioner Sir Alan G. Cunningham that they will break their contracts with British film companies, if the theatres are not allowed to open this evening.

The military and police detachments which will represent Palestine in London's Victory Parade on June 8 left here today en route to England.

The officer commanding the unit representing the Palestine Regiment is Lieut. Jacob Granovsky, son of Dr. Abraham Granovsky, director of the JNF. Lieut. Granovsky fought with distinction in the Libyan and Italian campaigns and was the first officer of the Jewish Brigade to be wounded by enemy action.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE CONVENTION ASKS IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF 100,000 JEWS TO PALESTINE

DETROIT, May 6. (JTA) -- Four thousand persons attending the 46th annual convention of the Workmen's Circle, which opened here last night, enthusiastically applauded a statement by the organization's president, Reuben Guskin, hailing the Anglo-American committee's recommendation that 100,000 Jews be admitted to Palestine immediately and urging the British and U.S. Governments to carry out the transfer before the end of the year.

The meeting, which will continue for a week, heard a report on the Workmen's Circle war-time contributions to Jewish and anti-Nazi underground groups in Europe and to post-war relief in Russia and other Allied countries. Representatives of the CIO and the AFL greeted the convention.

ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMITTEE PLACED POLITICS ABOVE HUMANITY, SENATOR PEPPER CHARGES

BOSTON, May 6. (JTA) -- The Anglo-American inquiry committee's report on Palestine placed politics above humanity Senator Claude Pepper of Florida charged in an address here last night to the fifth annual dinner of the Jewish National Fund of New England, which was attended by 1,500 persons.

"The report," Senator Pepper said, "shows more consideration for the political situation which unrestricted immigration into Palestine would produce than for the unspeakable suffering and misery which hundreds of thousands of Jews are meanwhile enduring in Europe." He pointed out that while the report recommended the immigration of 100,000 Jews to Palestine, it left the remaining Jews "without even hope." Responsibility for the death of the millions of Jews during the war was primarily on the Axis, he declared, but "the fate of the surviving Jews is 'now our problem,' because the Jews are in our hands as United Nations."

Accusing Britain of having subordinated her trust as Mandatory for Palestine to her imperial interests in the Middle East, Senator Pepper asserted that "the Arabs will be far more friendly to the Jews in Palestine when they know that Palestine is administered in the name of the United Nations." He called for an immediate end to the land restriction policy of the Palestine Administration as recommended by the Anglo-American committee, asserting that repeal was needed to enable the J.N.F. to implement its land purchasing policy. "You cannot hope to establish the Jewish people in a national home unless they are established on their own land," he concluded.

THERE MUST BE NO "STALLING" ON IMMIGRATION OF JEWISH REFUGEES, SEN. BARKLEY WARNS

NEW ORLEANS, May 6. (JTA) -- There must be no government "stalling" in moving 100,000 Jewish refugees from Europe to Palestine, Senate majority leader Alben W. Barkley yesterday told 500 Jewish community leaders at a luncheon meeting of the Gulf Region Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, held at the Roosevelt Hotel here.

Sen. Barkley commanded the Anglo-American committee for supporting President Truman's demand that 100,000 European Jews be admitted to Palestine immediately. Continued homelessness of 1,400,000 Jews in Europe is a vital problem not only to Jews, but to our entire civilization, he declared, adding that it is against the best interests of world peace to leave the Jewish problem in Europe unsolved. Among the other speakers at the conference were Rev. Wendell Phillips, Episcopalian minister of Rye, N.Y., and Isaac Heller, president of the Jewish Welfare Fund of New Orleans.

F.E.P.C. CLOSED DOWN AHEAD OF SCHEDULE; CONGRESS FAILS TO APPROPRIATE LIQUIDATION FUNDS

WASHINGTON, (JTA) -- The offices of the Fair Employment Practices Commission have closed two months ahead of the June 30 date set by Congress. The move was necessitated when a joint conference of House and Senatorial representatives refused to grant the \$27,000 requested by the agency to liquidate its operations.

Malcolm Ross, chairman of the commission, has disclosed that he placed himself and the 24 remaining employees of the office on an indefinite furlough without pay, because of Congress' failure to grant the appropriation. The last remaining task that the Commission will complete is a final report to President Truman on the prospects for employment of minority groups.

At a press conference here today, Rep. Adam Clayton Powell, New York Democrat, said that the bill for a permanent FEPC would be brought up on the House floor every week until adjournment on "Calendar Wednesdays." Under House rules, legislation which has not been reported out of committee may be placed on the House calendar on Wednesdays.

At an executive session of the House Labor Committee this morning Rep. Jennings Randolph, West Virginia Democrat, was appointed chairman of the committee by an 8 to 3 vote to replace Rep. Mary Norton, who withdrew as chairman because her ill-health was preventing legislative work on the FEPC bill.

NON-JEWISH FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTES \$10,000 TOWARD U.J.A. CAMPAIGN IN MILWAUKEE

MILWAUKEE, May 6. (JTA) -- A gift of \$10,000 by the Schlitz Foundation to the United Jewish Appeal was announced here by Irving G. Rhodes, chairman of the Milwaukee campaign.

This sum is the greatest contribution made thus far by non-Jews in this city who are organizing a Christian group to assist Milwaukee Jewry achieve its 1946 quota of \$1,000,000. In presenting the check, Ervin C. Uihlein, president of the foundation and the Schlitz Brewing Company, said "yours is a worthy cause and we wish you well in your endeavors."