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ANTI-JEWISH TERROR IN LEBANON; ARABS SET U.S. OFFICE AFIRE IN BEIRUT; BLASTS IN TEL AVIV

JERUSALEM, May 9. (JTA) -- Two persons were injured today when Arab terrorists in Beirut threw bombs into two Jewish stores in the center of the city. The terrorists succeeded in escaping.

Terrorists, believed to be Arabs, also invaded the premises of the U.S. Information Office in Beirut and set the office on fire using gun powder and gasoline. The fire was soon extinguished by members of the staff. An investigation is being conducted. It is believed that the arson was attempted as a demonstration of Arab protest against the recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee.

British troops were called out tonight in Tel Aviv after sporadic firing and several explosions. No details are available at this late hour, but no casualties are reported. Unconfirmed information from Jaffa says that one Jew was killed there under circumstances not yet established.

Arab officials here and in Cairo today indicated that the Soviet Government has expressed its readiness to support presentation of the Palestine issue before the United Nations should any Arab state be willing to raise it.

The Egyptian Government today warned that it will not permit any street demonstrations tomorrow during the general strike which is to be held partly as a protest against the recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee and partly "against the impartialist aims of Britain." Any street gatherings will be dispersed, the government announcement said.

TRUMAN SAYS HE KNOWS OF NO ARAB THREAT TO U.S. INTERESTS BECAUSE OF PALESTINE ISSUE

WASHINGTON, May 9. (JTA) -- President Truman has not seen a letter which King Ibn Saud has sent him reportedly threatening withdrawal of American oil concessions if the President does not accede to Arab wishes regarding Palestine, he told his press conference today.

(The New York Times reports from Paris today that France has agreed to a British request that the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, who is now residing at a villa outside of Paris, not be allowed to leave the country. British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin, according to the Times story, made the request to French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault. It had been reported in recent weeks that several Middle East countries were prepared to offer haven to the Mufti.)

DR. ELI GINSBERG NAMED U.S. REPRESENTATIVE AT CONFERENCE ON NON-REPATRIABLE DR/S

WASHINGTON, May 9. (JTA) -- Dr. Eli Ginsberg of Columbia University has been appointed by President Truman as the United States representative at the forthcoming five-power conference on non-repatriable victims of German action, the State Department announced today. The conference will convene in Paris about the end of May. Details of a plan to resettle non-repatriable refugees will be worked out by representatives of the United States, United Kingdom, France, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia.

LA SPEZIA REFUGEES EN ROUTE TO PALESTINE; FORBIDDEN TO LAND THERE UNTIL MAY 17

LA SPEZIA, Italy, May 9. (JTA) -- The 1,014 Jewish refugees who had been detained here for four weeks following their apprehension as they were preparing to embark for Palestine sailed for Haifa yesterday aboard the small Italian vessels the Fede and Fenice, whose decks were jammed with singing, laughing, wildly happy men, women and children.

They left Italy knowing that on the sway-backed pier where they had camped for the four weeks they were detained were 100 Italian friends made after their arrest had thrown a world spotlight upon them. Among those who came to bid them God-speed were Italian Government officials, former partisans, Socialists and Communists and two representatives of the British Field Security Service.

Also present was the captain of the port, who had previously removed parts of the Fede's motor on instructions from the British. Tuesday night he informed the Jews that no charge would be made for pier rent, water, electricity, tugboats and other services. The cost of the water alone is estimated at 100,000 lire (\$400.) Another visitor was Police Captain Alberto, who had originally ordered the arrest of the refugees on the assumption that they were Italian fascists attempting to escape to Spain. He wore the medal which the Jews had given him in thanks for his assistance since then.

The deep friendship between the Jews and the Italians was evident everywhere in warm embraces, fervent handshakes and shouts of "Shalom" and "Buon Viaggio." In a brief farewell ceremony aboard the Fede, Dr. S.U. Nahon, representative in Italy of the Jewish Agency, voiced the group's gratitude to the Italian people. "We will never forget what you have done for us," he said, "nor will our children or our grandchildren."

He spoke appreciatively also of the "friendly and helpful attitude of the British Embassy and Allied authorities, who all tried their best to contribute to a happy solution of the problem." The ceremony ended with the singing of Hatikvah, which had been sung morning and evening in sun or rain for thirty days.

Under their agreement with the British Government, by which an additional number of Palestine immigration certificates were allotted the refugees from the May 15-June 15 quota, the vessels cannot land in Palestine before May 17.

PALESTINE IMMIGRATION QUOTA FOR MAY SET AT 1,500; 765 JEWS UNDER ARREST

JERUSALEM, May 9. (JTA) -- The Palestine immigration quota for the May 15-June 15 period will consist of the usual 1,500 certificates, 335 of which have already been deducted for part of the La Spezia refugees who are en route here, it was announced by the Government.

At a press conference in Tel Aviv yesterday, Chief Secretary Jaim V.W. Shav disclosed that 232 Jews were being detained in Palestine and 308 outside the country as of the end of last year. He said that 224 more had been arrested in the first quarter of this year and one deported, thus making a total of 765 who are being held.

Of these, Shav reported that 40 have been held for more than four years, and six for more than six years. He added that there was no limit on the detention period and that the Government was not ready to set any limit. The Chief Secretary declared that although there is no legislation prohibiting Jews from moving about the country freely, he advised them not to do so for "security reasons."

20,000 JEWS FROM POLAND, HUNGARY, CZECHOSLOVAKIA CROSSED INTO AUSTRIA SINCE OCTOBER

VIENNA, May 9. (JTA) -- Twenty-thousand refugee Jews from Poland, Hungary and Czechoslovakia have crossed into Austria since last October, it was reported here today by Bronislaw Teichholtz, director of the International Committee for Transient Jews. Most of the 20,000 eventually reached the American zone in Germany.

The increasing demoralization among the 10,000 Jewish DP's still confined in camps in the American zone of Austria was today brought to the attention of Gen. Mark Clark, U.S. commander, in a memorandum suggesting an educational and vocational training program to relieve the monotony of camp life.

The memorandum, which was submitted by Dr. Teichholtz proposed the following steps: 1. Instruction in Jewish affairs by Jewish teachers. 2. Courses of a general cultural nature, including language classes. 3. A sports program. 4. Establishment of technical schools where the youth can learn new trades. 5. Placing small plots of land at the disposal of the DP's for instruction in farming techniques.

Such a program, Teichholtz said, would be welcomed by at least half of the DP's, the other 5,000 being either too young or too old. He expressed appreciation for the assistance the U.S. forces have extended to the DP's, both the transients and those quartered in Austria, but said that additional aid is now needed.

600 JEWISH DP'S AND REFUGEES SAILING FROM BREMEN FOR UNITED STATES ON SATURDAY

BREMEN, May 9. (JTA) -- Twelve-hundred DP's and refugees assembled at the Tirpitz Barracks here awaiting transportation to America, among whom are 600 Jews, yesterday observed VE-Day as a real festival of liberation.

Their joy was heightened by the announcement by military authorities that they will definitely sail on Saturday. Even the insufficient food at the staging area here, the military discipline, and the fact that they have been prohibited from taking along more than 65 pounds of luggage per person or any money has been able to dampen their spirits.

Plans have been made for a farewell ceremony aboard ship on Saturday morning, which will be addressed by Robert Murphy, American political advisor in Germany.

WAR DEPARTMENT PLANNING TO NAME NEW ADVISOR ON JEWISH AFFAIRS IN GERMANY

WASHINGTON, May 9. (JTA) -- The War Department is planning the appointment of an advisor on Jewish affairs to the staff of General Joseph T. McNarney, European Theater commander, it is learned here.

Choice of a successor to Judge Simon H. Rifkind, who was McNarney's first advisor in this field, is under consideration by the Department which is expected to announce the appointment within the next ten days.

JEWISH REFUGEES LEAVE SWEDEN BY AIR EN ROUTE TO PALESTINE; MORE DEPARTING TODAY

LONDON, May 9. (JTA) -- The Stockholm radio said today that the first contingent of Jewish refugees who found havens in Sweden have left for Palestine by air. The transport consisted of 24 persons, most of them women from Poland. Another group of 50 is leaving tomorrow.

TRUMAN URGED TO ORDER INVESTIGATION OF ACTIVITIES OF ARAB OFFICE IN UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, May 9. (JTA) -- President Truman was urged today to institute an official investigation into the activities of the Arab Office in Washington "in order to discover whether these activities do not constitute flagrant violations of the laws of the United States."

The suggestion was made in a memorandum submitted to the President by the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League. The memorandum emphasized that the Arab Office "is engaged in conducting, along with more-or-less affiliated pan-Arabic agencies in the United States, a wide-spread subversive propaganda campaign involving the incitement of religious and racial strife and the dissemination of propaganda of totalitarian bias."

The investigation, the memorandum urged, should also determine whether the activities of the Arab Office in this country have been financed through credits originally secured for war-time purposes under Lend-Lease or similar arrangements, either directly from the American Government, or indirectly through the treasury of a third country.

Estimating that the expenditures involved in the subversive propaganda campaign conducted by the Arab Office "have already run well above a million dollars," the Anti-Nazi League gives an outline of its findings selected "from a much larger volume of available evidence," in which it charges that a high Arab official, Anwar Bekir Nashaahibi, has on occasion joined forces with groups associated with Gerald L. K. Smith and with the National Blue Star Mothers of Pennsylvania, in the promotion of anti-Semitic and other inflammatory propaganda in Philadelphia, New York and elsewhere. Also involved in these activities were executive officials of the Arab Office.

Other charges showing close contact between Arab leaders in this country and anti-democratic groups are made in the memorandum. An extended brief on this subject, with full documentation attached, is being prepared by the Anti-Nazi League for submission within a few days, the memorandum states.

The League also charges that various Arab organizations in this country, under the general dominance of the Arab Office, are conducting subversive propaganda activities not only in New York and in Washington, but also in Chicago, Detroit, Toledo and in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia and California. "This whole wide-spread campaign has received the vigorous support of the so-called subversive press in America," it emphasizes.

BEVIN COMMITTED TO CARRY OUT ANGLo-AMERICAN RECOMMENDATIONS ON PALESTINE, CRUM SAYS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 9. (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Bevin, in the presence of most of the British Cabinet, promised the members of the Anglo-American inquiry committee that the British Government would follow the group's recommendations on Palestine, if it was able to reach a unanimous decision, it was stated here by Bartley Crum, San Francisco attorney, who was one of the six U.S. members.

Mr. Crum said that he believed, on the basis of a discussion he had last week with President Truman, that instructions for implementing the committee's recommendation that 100,000 Jews be moved to Palestine as soon as possible would be issued shortly. He stated that the entire 100,000 could be transported in two months.

Asserting that Arab and Jewish workers get along well when not bothered by "fanatical religious leaders," Crum suggested that the United States demand the arrest of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem as a war criminal, since he "is one of the about 25 Moslem troublemakers who constitute the so-called 'Arab World.'"

DISPLACED JEWS PROCLAIM ANNUAL DAY OF MOURNING FOR MARTYRED EUROPEAN JEWRY

MUNICH, May 9. (JTA) -- The Central Jewish Committee of Germany, representing the displaced Jews, today announced that the 14th day of the Hebrew month of Iyar, which falls on May 15 this year, has been designated as an annual memorial day for the martyred Jews of Europe.

The announcement, which said that the day would also commemorate the liberation of the survivors, called upon Jews throughout the world to mark the date by appropriate observances. The American Jewish Conference in New York has issued a call upon all Jews throughout the country to observe May 15th with services to memorialize the Jewish dead and to express solidarity with the survivors of European Jewry.

DELEGATION OF SOVIET WRITERS REPORT ON SITUATION OF JEWS IN USSR AT NEW YORK RECEPTION

NEW YORK, May 9. (JTA) -- The Jews of the Soviet Union, "who showed the world that they could shoot and defend themselves," are now returning to their devastated cities and towns and beginning to rebuild their lives, Ilya Ehrenburg, Russian war correspondent and author, said last night at a reception arranged by the American Birobidjan Committee for him and for Konstantin Simonov, also a Soviet war reporter and writer.

Ehrenburg said he regretted that he had "no good news" for the crowds of people who have surrounded him at various Jewish functions he has attended since arriving in the United States several weeks ago, asking for information concerning relatives in Russian territory which was occupied by the Germans. "Don't try to forget what has happened," he told the 1,200 persons present, "it is worse than you were told. I walked two miles in Kiev in places where the sand was soaked with Jewish blood and mixed with Jewish bones." Declaring that the fate of world civilization and that of the Jews was closely linked, Ehrenburg urged an unceasing fight against the forces of Fascism, which he said were not dead.

Simonov described the close bonds between all the peoples of the Soviet Union and the Jews. "The most penetrating words of the Russian people during the war," he said, "were uttered by the Jew Ilya Ehrenburg." He told the story of a Russian woman in Kharkov married to a Jew who refused a Nazi offer to spare her life and perished with a group of Jewish women with whom she had been rounded up, insisting that she was Jewish.

The American Birobidjan Committee is a national organization engaged in extending material and moral aid in the building of the Jewish Autonomous Region of Birobidjan in the Soviet Far East. The 1946 budget of the committee calls for \$2,000,000 which will be used to help maintain Jewish refugee war orphans in Birobidjan.

HUNGARIAN ZIONISTS SAY GOVERNMENT DENIES THEM PERMISSION TO PUBLISH NEWSPAPER

BUDAPEST, May 9. (JTA) -- The Zionist organization in Hungary has been denied permission to publish its own newspaper, it was disclosed here today.

Addressing a press conference, Zionist spokesman said that as a result a great deal of misinformation concerning Zionism was appearing in the press. They appealed to the newspapers to abandon the illusion that there is no Jewish problem in Hungary and to "face the realities of anti-Semitism."

MEMBER NATIONS OF U.N. URGED TO ADMIT DISPLACED PERSONS UNDER IMMIGRATION QUOTAS

NEW YORK, May 9. (JTA) -- The entrance of unrepatriable displaced persons into the various member nations of the United Nations under U.N. passports and within quota limitations, was requested yesterday at the closing session of a three-day conference of the National Council of Women of the U.S. and of the National Council of Women of Canada. The conference was held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel here and was attended by 100 delegates.

The meeting also recommended that members of the organizations in this country, Canada, and 36 other nations where sister groups function, cooperate with public and private agencies working to prevent famine throughout the world. At a separate session of the American group, Mrs. Ambrose N. Diehl of San Francisco was elected president of the U.S. council, succeeding Mrs. Harold V. Milligan.

JTA DIRECTOR FOR LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES HONORED IN BUENOS AIRES; JTA SERVICE LAUDED

BUENOS AIRES, May 9. (JTA) -- The work of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was lauded here by leaders representing various Jewish organizations at a reception given to Dr. Meer Malanky, newly-appointed JTA director for Latin American countries. Speakers included Dr. Moises Goldman, president of the DAIA, the central representative body of Argentine Jewry, Dr. Mibeshan, noted Zionist leader, and Mr. Jacob Lightman, representative of the Joint Distribution Committee in Argentina.

The reception was also attended by representatives of the Zionist Federation, World Jewish Congress, Zionist Youth Organization, HIAS, and others. The Jewish Telegraphic Agency, in addition to serving the press in Argentina, publishes a daily news bulletin for Jewish leaders and organizations. Similar bulletins are issued in Spanish in Rio de Janeiro, Santiago, Lima and Mexico City.

N.Z.O. DELEGATION ARRIVES HERE TO CONSULT WITH AMERICAN REVISIONISTS ON WORLD CONGRESS

NEW YORK, May 9. (JTA) -- A delegation of three members of the provisional executive of the World New Zionist Organization, headed by Dr. L. Altman, its chairman, has arrived here to consult with United States members of the provisional executive on problems confronting the forthcoming World Zionist Congress, the United Zionists-Revisionists announced today.

Dr. David Bukspan and L. Shostak, who is head of the National Labor Organization in Palestine, are members of a larger Palestine delegation which is here to stimulate increased political and organizational activities on behalf of the N.Z.O. in this country.

DR. SCHWARZBART, FORMER MEMBER OF POLISH PARLIAMENT-IN-EXILE, ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, May 9. (JTA) -- Dr. Ignacy Schwarzbart, former Jewish member of the Polish National Council in London, has arrived in New York where he will act as head of the organization department of the World Jewish Congress.

DIRECTOR OF PALESTINE SICK FUND COMING TO AMERICA TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW HOSPITAL

PARIS, May 9. (JTA) -- Dr. Sason Ebertok, director of the Jewish National Sick Fund in Palestine, has arrived here en route to the United States where he hopes to raise \$1,000,000 for a new hospital. He will also study the latest developments in the fields of medicine and hospitalization.