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ROUND-TABLE PARLEY ON PALESTINE OPENS IN LONDON ON SEPT. 9, FOREIGN OFFICE ANNOUNCES

LONDON, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- An official announcement issued today by the British Foreign Office states that the forthcoming round-table conference on Palestine will open in London on Sept. 9.

Invitations have been sent to the governments of Arab states, to the Jewish Agency for Palestine and to the Palestine Arab Higher Committee, the announcement said.

A Foreign Office spokesman told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that the invitations to the Arab states were sent out by his office, while the invitations to the Palestine Arabs and to the Jews were extended by the Colonial office after consultation with the Foreign Office.

Although no formal acceptances have yet been received, the Foreign Office assumes that all Arab states will participate in the talks, the spokesman said. He declined to comment on a report from Jerusalem that the Agudas Israel organization received an invitation, independent of the Jewish Agency, to designate its representatives to the London conference.

Prime Minister Attlee today came from his country home at Chequers to London to meet with Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin on the forthcoming talks on Palestine with Arabs and Jews. Bevin, who is flying tomorrow to Paris to attend the sessions of the Peace Conference, may return to London on Wednesday when it is expected that the Cabinet will be summoned to discuss the replies by Jews and Arabs to the invitations to attend the London parley.

Arabs Claim Members of British Cabinet Want Ex-Mufti at London Talks

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Palestine Arab leaders today claimed that they received information from their representatives in London that several members of the British Cabinet are inclined to invite the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem to participate in the round-table discussions on Palestine which are to open in London next month.

The demand that the ex-Mufti, who is now exile in Egypt, be permitted to attend the London conference as head of the Palestine Arab group was formally presented today by a delegation of the Arab Higher Committee to Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, Palestine High Commissioner, as one of the major conditions for the participation of the Palestine Arabs in the conference. Other major conditions included:

1. The Palestine Mandate and the Balfour Declaration should not serve as bases for the London talks.
2. Jewish representatives should not be seated at the parley during Arab-British discussions.

(A Foreign Office spokesman in London told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today that he has no knowledge of the report that some members of the Cabinet are inclined to invite the ex-Mufti to the round-table talks.)

4,000 BRITISH TROOPS INVADE TINY JEWISH FISHING VILLAGE; DETAIN 200 MEN, WOMEN

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Four thousand troops of the British Second Infantry Brigade early this morning descended upon the tiny Jewish fishing village of Sdoh Yam, 35 miles from Haifa, and rounded up some 200 villagers in a hunt for the three men who last week attached magnetic mines to the hull of the Empire Heywood while it lay anchored in Haifa harbor and severely damaged the Cyprus deportation ship.

The troops and police cordoned off the entire Casarea coastal area which they believe was the base for the swimming saboteurs and the point at which the 200 visaless immigrants landed last week after penetrating the British land-sea-air blockade of Palestine. No evidence was found, but the search is expected to continue tomorrow.

The 4,000 troops were supported by three Sherman heavy tanks and a number of armored cars. In the air reconnaissance planes circled above the village, while police launches patrolled the waterfront to prevent any of the Jews from escaping. On the beaches squads erected machine gun nests, while soldiers and police searched the village and herded its inhabitants into barbed-wire detention pens.

Gorman-Trained Dogs Used During Raid; Jews Offer No Opposition

Engineer troops conducted a house-to-house search for mines similar to the ones which blew a hole in the Empire Heywood. They were assisted by a dozen "metal smelling" dogs, which are said to be able to detect metal which has been buried beneath the soil or hidden in walls. This is the first time such dogs, which were trained in Germany, have been used in Palestine.

When the British forces occupied the town, the local mayor made a formal protest, but no further opposition was offered. When the young men and women were questioned in the wire cages on the sand dunes outside the village, they identified themselves readily.

Brigadier E.M. Anderson, who commanded the operations at Sdoh Yam, told newsmen who accompanied the expedition that the village has long been a center of operations for "illegal" immigration. The village was raided once before on June 30, during the country-wide searches for arms and underground forces.

A report from Cyprus today said that Jewish immigrants may be intercepted at sea and brought direct to the Cyprus camps instead of being taken first to Haifa. This step may be taken in order to avoid possible sabotage of British ships in Haifa harbor.

TEL AVIV JEWS GO ON HUNGER STRIKE IN DETENTION CAMP; SEVEN ESCAPE FROM ATHLETIC

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- More than 600 Jews from Tel Aviv who have been held in the Rafta detention camp since the British military raid on Tel Aviv three weeks ago, went on a twenty-four-hour hunger strike today in protest against the delay in questioning and releasing them. Only 150 detainees have been released during the three weeks.

The Palestine Government Public Information building was evacuated today following a telephone warning which declared: "Get out, the building is being blown up." Earlier, the staff of the Government Land Settlement Office rushed to safety after a similar warning. Police searched both buildings, but found no explosives.

Seven "illegal" immigrants have succeeded in escaping last night from the Athletic camp, it was officially announced today. This is the second escape in four days.

SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE AT PEACE CONFERENCE OPPOSES INTERNATIONAL COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

PARIS, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Leaders of central Jewish organizations who last week submitted a joint memorandum to the Peace Conference on Jewish rights in European countries, held a closed meeting tonight following the indication today by Dmitri Z. Manuilsky, head of the Soviet Ukrainian delegation, that the Soviet Union would oppose the establishment of an International Court of Human Rights as suggested by Herbert V. Evatt, the Australian representative.

In opposing the suggestion of the Australian Minister for External Affairs, Manuilsky today quoted from the United Nations Charter the text of article 2, paragraph 7, which reads: "Nothing contained in the present Charter shall authorize the United Nations to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State, or shall require the members to submit matters to settlement under the present Charter."

The head of the Ukrainian delegation made his statement during a discussion today by the Political and Territorial Commission for Italy of the preamble of the draft treaty. An Australian amendment to the preamble urged the guaranteeing "to all persons in the territories affected by it of human rights and fundamental freedoms, without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion." Discussion of the amendment was postponed until several articles of the treaty draft touching upon the problem can be collated and debated.

Meanwhile, Andrei Y. Vishinsky, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, indicated today that he intends to take part in the debate on the question of human rights when Article 72 of the Italian draft treaty is discussed. This question will figure even earlier in the discussions of paragraphs 13 and 14 of the draft treaty. A United States proposal says that the state to which territory is transferred will secure the fundamental rights and freedoms to all persons within the territory.

U.S. JEWISH LEADERS WHO TOURED DP CAMPS PRAISE ARMY, UNRRA; WARN CRISIS APPROACHING

PARIS, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The U.S. Army and UNRRA are doing a conscientious job in caring for the displaced persons in Germany, but conditions will become extremely critical unless the refugees are resettled in the shortest possible time, the five spokesmen for leading Jewish organizations declared here today upon their return from Germany where they conferred with Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, American commander, and members of his staff.

The Jewish leaders visited five camps for displaced Jews in the company of Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, Gen. McNarney's advisor on Jewish affairs, and conferred with a delegation from the Jewish Central Committee of Germany. They are Rabbi Stephen S. Wise and Dr. Nahum Goldmann of the World Jewish Congress, Jacob Blaustein and Judge Philip Forman of the American Jewish Committee, and I. Kenen of the American Jewish Conference.

In a joint statement issued upon their arrival at Paris, the five declared that "we believe the Army and UNRRA must be commended for their conscientious effort to solve the problems of displaced persons in the face of an emergency situation presenting unprecedented problems."

The statement emphasized, however, that "it is imperative that action be taken without delay to re-settle these victims of persecution in Palestine where so many of them want to go, and elsewhere including the United States. Their hope for a permanent home has been long deferred. It is a tribute to the displaced persons that they maintained high morale and great courage in the face of their deep disappointment. They must be allowed to start a normal life at the earliest possible moment," the statement concluded.

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U.S. MILITARY GOVERNMENT URGED TO RETAIN DEPARTMENT FOR JEWISH AFFAIRS IN BAVARIA

MUNICH, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Various Jewish leaders here have united in urging the American Military Government to retain the Department of Jewish Affairs in the Bavarian Government, which the AMG is planning to incorporate into an overall bureau for political persecutees, it was learned here today.

Some of the Jewish leaders expressed the belief that Jewish problems are specialized and require special study and treatment. They also stressed the necessity for having a highly-placed official representing Jewish interests in top governmental circles in order to assure speedy and sympathetic action on Jewish problems.

Military government officials, who support the incorporation plan, are meeting regularly with Jewish leaders in an effort to arrive at a settlement agreeable to all concerned.

750 JEWISH ORPHANS LEAVE POLAND FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA; BLESSED BY PALESTINE CHIEF RABBI

WARSAW, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog of Palestine today flew to Katowice to bless 750 Jewish orphans prior to their departure for Czechoslovakia, where they will remain temporarily.

While in Warsaw, Rabbi Herzog conferred with UNRRA Director-General Fiorello H. LaGuardia on the situation of the Jews in Poland.

GERMAN PLANTS PRODUCE JEWISH PRAYER BOOKS AND PRAYER SHAWLS FOR ROSH HASHANAH

MUNICH, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The first part of a printing of 50,000 High Holy Day prayer books, which are being produced in German printing plants, came off the press today, according to an announcement from the local office of the Joint Distribution Committee. They will be distributed chiefly among Jews in DP camps.

The JDC also reported that 15,000 prayer shawls are being manufactured in Germany in preparation for Rosh Hashanah. With the aid of the Army, JDC is attempting to procure special allocations of honey and meat for distribution among the displaced Jews during the holidays.

HUNGARIAN OFFICER CONDEMNED FOR PERSECUTING JEWS; ASSOCIATES INTIMIDATE WITNESSES

BUDAPEST, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The trial of L. Borza, an officer accused of persecuting Jews in a forced labor camp during the pro-Nazi regime, was disrupted today when several of his associates tried to intimidate prosecution witnesses. However, prompt action by the police prevented a serious incident and the defendant was sentenced to death.

26 ITALIANS ADOPT JEWISH FAITH; RELIGIOUS TEACHER WILL INSTRUCT GROUP IN JUDAISM

ROME, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Several Italian families, including 12 women and 14 men, living in the town of San Nykandro, near Foggia, adopted the Jewish faith three days ago, it was learned here. All the men have already been circumcized and a religious teacher designated by the Mizrechi organization here is on his way to the town to instruct the new Jews in religious observance.

WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS WILL BE HELD IN BASLE; 2,500,000 "SHEKOLIM" SOLD

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The 22nd World Zionist Congress will be held in Basle, Switzerland, it was announced here today. The Congress will commemorate the 50th anniversary of the first World Zionist Congress which was also held in Basle.

Dr. Fritz Ullman, who has been the technical director of world Zionist congresses for many years, departed yesterday by plane for Switzerland to make the necessary arrangements for the forthcoming sessions.

It was estimated here that 2,500,000 "shekolim" entitling purchasers to vote in the election of delegates to the Congress have already been sold by various national Zionist bodies, with half of them purchased in the United States.

TENSION REPORTED BETWEEN TRANSJORDAN AND SAUDI ARABIA; BLOODY CLASHES ON FRONTIER

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Smoldering, long-standing animosity between King Abdullah of Transjordan and King Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia flared up today as bloody clashes of frontier patrols occurred on the border between the two countries, and Transjordan appealed to Britain for military reinforcements.

The frontier skirmishes developed following the expulsion from Saudi Arabia of a personal envoy sent by the King of Transjordan on a mission to discuss important proposals with King Ibn Saud. Not only did the ruler of Saudi Arabia refuse to consider the proposals, but he ordered the emissary from Transjordan to leave the country immediately.

The incident, which is considered a personal insult to the ruler of Transjordan, created tension not only between the two Arab kings, but also among Arab tribes along the frontiers of the two countries. The tension is reported mounting hourly to a point where the ruler of Transjordan found it necessary today to approach the British military authorities for additional forces to strengthen the Camel Corps which were formed recently for the purpose of maintaining order along Transjordan frontiers.

Indicative of the situation is the fact that King Abdullah is avoiding placing the conflict before the Arab League which claims to speak in behalf of all Arab countries. Arab leaders in Palestine are especially embarrassed by the conflict since only yesterday they circulated a report that all the Arab countries are so strongly united in their opposition to Zionism that they are planning the eventual formation of a "United States of Arabia" composed of eight Arab countries in a loosely-knit federation.

JEWISH AGENCY HAILS JUDGE PROSKAUER'S CALL FOR SUPPORT IN TALKS WITH BRITAIN

PARIS, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Emphasizing that he was speaking in behalf of the executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, Dr. Nahum Goldmann today issued a statement expressing satisfaction with the call issued by Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, president of the American Jewish Committee, urging support of the Agency in its present negotiations with the British Government.

Dr. Goldmann characterized Judge Proskauer's statement as a most valuable contribution to the solution of the Palestine issue. "The expression of a spirit of co-operation and solidarity is more necessary today than ever before," he declared, adding that Judge Proskauer's attitude will be deeply appreciated by the Agency and all those who want to bring about a constructive solution of the Palestine issue and the realization of Jewish demands in Palestine.

JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS APPEAL FOR REPRIEVE OF DEATH SENTENCES OF 18 PALESTINE JEWS

LONDON, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Colonial Secretary George Hall was urged today by the Agudas Israel and the Board of Deputies of British Jews to instruct High Commissioner Sir Alan Cunningham to commute the death sentences imposed by a military court two weeks ago on 18 Jewish youths charged with participating in an attack on the Haifa railway yards in June.

While condemning terrorism, the Agudah pointed out in a letter to Hall that the youths were misled by their desire to aid the remnants of European Jewry. The note added that while discussions are taking place between Britain and the Jews concerning Palestine's future, Jews throughout the world would appreciate mitigation of the sentences, whose execution would serve only to worsen an already difficult situation.

The Board of Deputies in appealing for the commutation of the death sentences, said that "we are convinced such action would produce a better atmosphere for a peaceful settlement of the Palestine problem."

FRENCH GOVERNMENT PROMISES TO ISSUE 7,000 TRANSIT VISAS FOR POLISH JEWS

NEW YORK, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The French Government has promised to issue 7,000 transit visas for Polish Jews, 2,000 of them for children, Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, president of the American Federation for Polish Jews announced today.

The Jews who are to receive the visas are part of a group of 50,000 Polish Jews who had been promised permission to enter France, Dr. Tenenbaum said.

JACOB SINCOFF RECEIVES GIFT FROM TEL AVIV MAYOR FOR PRESENTATION TO MAYOR O'DWYER

TEL AVIV, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- A luxuriously decorated Bible, representing a gift from Mayor Israel Rokach to Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York, was handed today to Jacob Sincoff, national co-treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, who is visiting Palestine. The gift, which was presented at a public ceremony here, will be given to O'Dwyer upon Sincoff's return to the United States.

In a brief talk before representatives of Jewish national institutions and members of Tel Aviv's municipality, Mr. Sincoff said: "I am happy to be the bearer of this beautiful Bible, a token of the good will of Tel Aviv's mayor for the mayor of New York. I earnestly pray that in our lifetime a similar gift will be presented by the President of the Jewish state in Palestine to the President of the United States."

EGYPT CLAMPS COMPLETE EMBARGO ON PALESTINE IMPORTS, EXPORTS; BARS TRANSIT

CAIRO, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- The Egyptian Government has imposed an embargo on all Palestinian trade, either export or import, it was announced here today. The embargo on "Zionist" goods, which was first proclaimed in January, has been extended to deny transit through Egypt for goods assigned to Palestine.

PLANS TO BRING JEWISH STUDENTS TO PALESTINE TO BE PRESENTED AT PARIS STUDENT MEETING

JERUSALEM, Aug. 26. (JTA) -- Plans to bring Jewish students from Europe to Palestine will be presented at the conference of the World Union of Jewish Students, which will open in Paris on September 1. The Students Organization of the Hebrew University here announced today that it is sending two delegates to the conference to introduce this program.