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ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE FAILS TO REACH DECISION ON PARTICIPATION IN LONDON PARLEY

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The Small Zionist Actions Committee, which was to decide today on whether the Jewish Agency should participate in the London conference on Palestine, adjourned this morning without reaching any decision. It will meet again on Sunday or Monday.

No reason was given for the sudden adjournment, but it is believed that it was due to a report from London that Colonial Secretary George Hall, who met yesterday with members of the executive of the Jewish Agency, had promised to reply tomorrow to the terms they presented as a basis for joining the conference.

Borl Locker, a member of the executive, is expected here tomorrow by plane with the latest news from London, including a report on the meeting with Hall. Meanwhile, the central committees of the Mizrahi and the Mizrahi Laborites today voted against participation of the Agency in the London parley.

The Hashomer Hatzair, left-wing laborites who want Palestine to become a bi-national state, and the Movement for Labor Unity, an opposition group within the Histadruth, proposed at the meeting of the Actions Committee that the decision of the Jewish Agency executive taken in Paris recently should not be changed. This provided that the Agency should not propose any partition plan to Britain, but should seriously consider such a plan if presented by the British Government.

The Mapai, Jewish Labor Party, met last night, but failed to reach any decision on the question of Agency participation in the London conference. The meeting authorized the Mapai representatives in the Zionist Actions Committee to make the decision.

As a result of the differences of opinion within the Actions Committee, two last-minute proposals were presented to the committee's presidium this morning. One urged that no decision be adopted today, but that members of the Jewish Agency executive be called here from London for an extensive report on the negotiations with the British Government before a vote is taken. The second proposal suggested the immediate convocation of a full meeting of the Jewish Agency executive in Paris in order to clarify the new situation, after which the Actions Committee would vote on participation.

BEVIN RECEIVES JEWISH AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE; TALKS WITH PALESTINE ARAB LEADER

LONDON, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin and Colonial Minister George Hall today received Dr. Nahum Goldmann, who acquainted them with the latest decisions of the Jewish Agency with regard to possible participation in the conference on Palestine.

At the same time it was revealed today that Bevin had a lengthy talk yesterday with Mussa Bey Alami, director-general of the Arab Office. This is the first direct contact between a leader of the Palestine Arabs and the British Government since the conference opened.

PALESTINE PARLEY RESUMES TODAY; JEWS THREATENED WITH VIOLENCE IF THEY ATTEND

LONDON, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The conference on Palestine will be resumed at 4 p.m. tomorrow to hear counter-proposals of the delegations of the seven Arab states to the British scheme for provincial autonomy for Jews and Arabs.

Scotland Yard today tightened security precautions following receipt of threats by Jewish leaders here. Several Jewish Agency officials reported that they have received letters from the "Jewish underground" warning them against participation in the Palestine conference.

Harry Goodman, secretary-general of the Agudas-Israel, turned over to police a note which said that Jews who attend the talks will be considered "Quislings to the Jewish people." The Anglo-Jewish Association is also reported to have received similar warnings.

The New Statesman and Nation says today that Bevin "seems determined" to bar from participation in the talks the Agency members who are detained in Latrun prison in Palestine as well as David Ben Gurion. Declaring that the Foreign Minister's stand is "very short-sighted," the liberal weekly points out that a compromise agreed to by a few moderates, but rejected by the masses, would achieve nothing. It urges that Jews and Arabs be allowed to select their own delegations.

CYPRUS DEPORTATION VESSEL SET ABLAZE IN ALEXANDRIA WHILE UNDERGOING REPAIRS

CAIRO, Sept. 19. (JTA)--A fire of undetermined origin broke out last night aboard the Empire Rival, Cyprus deportation ship, which is being repaired at Alexandria after being severely damaged by Jewish saboteurs as she lay in Haifa harbor. The Alexandria report said that little damage was caused and police are investigating the incident.

Egyptian political police today arrested a number of young Jews charged with having entered Egypt from Palestine without visas.

NEAR EASTERN POLICY OF U.S. GOVERNMENT OUTLINED BY HIGH OFFICIAL OF STATE DEPARTMENT

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The policy of the United States with regard to the Arab countries in the Middle East was outlined here today by Loy Henderson, director of the Office of Near Eastern and African Affairs of the State Department, addressing a meeting of the National Association of Secretaries of State.

The United States Government, he said, is aiming at preventing "rivalries and conflicts of interests" in the Near East which might develop into hostilities leading to a third World War. One of the chief aims of Washington's policy, he added, was to assist the governments of that area to bring about political and economic stability and to improve the standard of living in those countries so that they will not "continue to present a temptation to powers outside the area," and to support in that area the principles of the United Nations.

He revealed that American policy envisions extending considerable financial and technical assistance to the Arab countries for purposes of rehabilitating or modernizing their economy.

U.S. ARMY ORDERED HALTING OF TRAINS CARRYING JEWS DEPORTED FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA

MUNICH, Sept. 19. (JTA)--American military authorities who had been notified by the Czechoslovak Government to prepare for approximately 3,000 Sudeten Jews whom the Czech authorities intended to deport, ordered the halting at the border of any train carrying Sudeten Jews, it was learned today.

The order was issued following information from Prague that Czech Jews who gave their nationality as German in the pre-war census would be deported. It was learned here that a train load of 100 Sudeten Jews was moved out of Prague en route to Germany, but they never arrived at the border. It is assumed that the publicity aroused by the move resulted in the release of the Jews before the train reached the frontier. Subsequently, the Czechs revoked the deportation order.

LOCAL CZECHOSLOVAK AUTHORITIES HOSTILE TOWARD RE-SETTLEMENT OF CARPATHIAN JEWS

PRAGUE, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Provincial authorities are hindering the re-settlement of Carpathian Jews who chose Czechoslovak citizenship in preference to remaining in the Sub-Carpathian area ceded to Russia, it was revealed here today.

The citizenship status of the Carpathian Jews is expected to be cleared up shortly at the conclusion of the investigations of three mixed Czech-Russian repatriation commissions who are now operating in the field. At present Carpathian Jews who resided in Bohemia, Moravia or Slovakia before May, 1938, are granted immediate Czechoslovak citizenship. In other cases the commissions require proof of Czech or Slovak citizenship or attendance at a Czech or Slovak school.

The Council of Jewish Communities of Bohemia and Moravia has wired congratulations to Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday this week. The official organ of the Jewish community devoted its entire current issue to a review of his career, featuring his friendly attitude toward the Jews.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT AGREES TO ADMIT JEWISH ORPHANS; UNRRA PREPARES CAMPS FOR MORE JEWS

ROME, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The Italian Government today informed the Union of Jewish Communities that it will admit 500 Jewish orphans from refugee camps in various countries.

UNRRA has completed establishment of a camp for displaced persons near Ravenna. It is believed that the camp is being prepared to house some of the 25,000 Jewish DP's whom the United States Government is anxious to transfer from the U.S. zone in Germany. In connection with the expected arrival of these refugees, a representative of the Joint Distribution Committee has left for the northern part of Italy to make the necessary arrangements for their reception.

Meanwhile, it was reported here today that thousands of Italians in southern Italy who are employed in camps for displaced Jews established in villas in Santo Maria, Marina di Leucca, Santa Cesarea and Trikosa Porto, submitted a petition to UNRRA protesting a proposal to transfer the Jewish refugees from the villas to a camp in Bari. The ejection of the Jews has been demanded by the owners of the villas.

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HAGANAH AND IRGUN IN BITTER EXCHANGE FOLLOWING MOVE TO CRUSH EXTREMIST GROUPS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The Haganah and the Irgun Zvai Leumi today engaged in a bitter exchange over their underground radios, while the Stern Group posted angry placards in the streets of this city, following the first step in the Haganah's campaign to crush the extremist groups.

Last night, Haganah speakers interrupted programs in theatres throughout Tel Aviv to appeal to the audiences not to contribute money to either of the dissident groups and urging them not to be coerced by threats. The Haganah radio, "Voice of Israel," issued similar appeals. Simultaneously, the Irgun exploded pamphlet bombs in the streets, containing leaflets calling for support of their program.

The Irgun radio "Voice of Fighting Zion," today attacked the Haganah for "treachery to the national cause" and criticized its incitement against the Irgun. It charged that "for years the Haganah denounced us to the police, now they raise public opinion against us." The broadcaster appealed for contributions, stating that "Haganah's budget is for treachery, while ours is to be used in the sacred fight against the enemy."

The Stern Group placards, posted during the night, denounced Dr. Weizmann and David Ben Gurion, asserting that neither they nor any other Jewish representatives who may participate in the London conference has the right to speak for the Jewish people. "Their decisions will not be recognized," the posters added. "Neither Attlee, Azzam Pasha nor Weizmann can decide the fate of Jewish Palestine."

Meanwhile, five armed men, reported to be members of the Irgun, invaded the offices of the Exporters Association in Tel Aviv and escaped with \$24,000 worth of diamonds.

MUNICIPALITIES DEFEY GOVT., VOTE FUNDS FOR IMMIGRATION; TEL AVIV TO TAX RENTS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Defying the Palestine Government, Jewish municipalities and local councils throughout the country last night pledged an initial \$150,000 towards the \$400,000 fund being raised by the Jewish National Council to finance Jewish immigration into Palestine, despite official restrictions.

After adopting a resolution voicing its determination not to relax the struggle against the White Paper and for increased immigration, the Tel Aviv municipal council voted to appropriate an initial installment of \$100,000 towards the immigration fund. It will be financed by a one percent tax on all rentals.

The Haifa Jewish community voted \$32,000 as a first contribution and Nathanya, Petach Tikvah, Chedera and Eneq Chefer jointly contributed \$20,000. Supplementing these contributions, the Jewish National Council itself allocated \$120,000, bringing the total already raised to nearly \$275,000.

VON WEISL CONTINUING HUNGER STRIKE AT HOME; CALLS FOR RELEASE OF ALL DETAINEES

JERUSALEM, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Dr. Wolfgang von Weisl, who was released from government detention yesterday after completing the 18th day of a 28-day hunger strike, announced at his home in Gedera today that he will continue the strike until the 28-day period has expired. He was then moved to Hadassah Hospital in Tel Aviv.

His statement said that the strike was aimed at securing the release of all "innocent detainees" and not merely his own freedom. He called on the Jewish community to continue its efforts to force the government to free all those illegally detained.

CENTRAL REPRESENTATIVE BODY OF DISPLACED JEWS WILL SEEK UNITED NATIONS RECOGNITION

NEW YORK, Sept. 19. (JTA)--The Central Committee of Liberated Jews in Germany, which is recognized by General Joseph T. McNarney, Commanding General USFET, as official representative of the displaced Jews now living in Germany, will also seek recognition from the United Nations, so that it may be able to present the specific problems of displaced Jews before the international assembly, it was revealed today by Chaplain Abraham Klausner, honorary chairman of the Central Committee, at a press conference in the offices of the American Jewish Conference,

Chaplain Klausner, who is on terminal leave after two years service in the European theatre, has spent the past 16 months working with displaced Jews under military government auspices.

"The Central Committee and the displaced Jews feel that Europe affords little or no opportunity for Jewish rehabilitation," he reported. "The governments of European countries which have demonstrated their opposition to anti-Semitic tendencies within their own lands do not favor the forced repatriation of displaced Jews." The problem facing the Central Committee is two-fold, he added. It must prepare for the eventual movement of the displaced Jews from Germany to Palestine, and it must simultaneously carry on a program of rehabilitation, education and constructive work during their interim stay in the occupied areas.

LEHMAN TELLS JDC WORKERS RELIEF NEEDS OF DISPLACED JEWS WILL BE GREATER THAN BEFORE

NEW YORK, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Lauding the "monumental and historic" work of the Joint Distribution Committee in aiding displaced Jews, former Governor Herbert H. Lehman who was the first director-general of UNRRA emphasized yesterday that the coming dissolution of UNRRA places demands on private organizations "far greater than ever before, and the means to satisfy even the most elemental demands will be totally inadequate."

Speaking to 750 volunteers in JDC's Supplies for Overseas Survivors campaign, which has started a special drive to collect 10,000,000 cans of food by the end of next month, Mr. Lehman referred to the "practically indescribable" plight of "the pitifully few survivors" of the Jews in Europe. "Try as I may," he declared, "I can't picture the degree of suffering, both physical and spiritual, that peoples overseas are undergoing, particularly the Jews."

"The war is over," he stressed, "but the need for relief abroad is as great as it has ever been." Explaining why this new campaign is necessary in addition to the millions of dollars already raised, he asserted, "the answer is, that as much as we have given, it is not enough."

Mr. Lehman, paid tribute to the JDC as the organization that has stood between 1,400,000 European Jews and starvation. "Seventy-five percent of these Jews resided in areas where UNRRA did not operate," he pointed out, "and it was only the JDC that was able to bring them assistance."

RUBEN RUBINSTEIN, PROMINENT LITHUANIAN ZIONIST, REACHES U.S. ZONE AS REFUGEE

MUNICH, Sept. 19. (JTA)--Ruben Rubinstein, chairman of the Zionist Central Committee of Lithuania and former editor of the "Yiddishe Stimme" of Kaunas, leading Jewish daily newspaper in Lithuania before the war, has arrived here from Russia, where he had been living since 1940, when Lithuania became a Soviet republic.