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CHURCHILL CHARGES BRITAIN WITH GETTING INTO WAR WITH JEWS TO GIVE A. ESTINE TO ARABS

LONDON, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Former Prime Minister Winston Churchill today accused the British Government of involving itself in "a war with the Jews in order to give Palestine to the Arabs amidst world execration."

He voiced this charge in a debate in Commons which followed the traditional opening speech by King George in which the future plans of the Labor government were outlined. The King, however, did not touch upon the Palestine issue.

"It is impossible to avoid expressing deep regret at the needless disappointment created throughout world Jewry over the failure of a Socialist government to fulfill promises made at a general election," Churchill said. "If we cannot fulfill our promises to the Zionists, we should without delay place the Palestine mandate at the feet of the United Nations and give notice of our impending evacuation."

Should the United States "deprecate" such a step, Churchill continued, it would be for it "to help us in every way, not only by money and men, but with the benefits of the joint policy of the two English-speaking peoples."

Prime Minister Attlee said that he regretted Churchill's reference to Palestine, since "no one knows better than he the very great difficulty. There has been no wobbling in this matter," he continued. "We have been pursuing a policy in accordance with the mandate. We are bound by the mandate to have regard for both the position of the Jews and the Arabs, and have been striving earnestly for cooperation from the United States. It would be very ill advised for anyone in this debate to say anything that would exacerbate the situation in that country, particularly at a time when lives have been lost," he concluded.

Speaking in the House of Lords, Lord Morrison, a Labor Party spokesman, said that the omission of Palestine from the King's speech, which was prepared for him by the Cabinet, was not surprising, since little can be said or done for that country until the Jews themselves put an end to the "senseless campaign of terrorism and murder."

Parliament Opening Without Incident Despite Rumors of Jewish "Terrorism"

An estimated 5,000 police, reinforced by troops and Scotland Yard detectives guarded King George and members of the Cabinet against possible attacks by Jewish extremists which the press had warned might occur at the opening of Parliament, but there were no incidents. Spectators were not allowed to approach the government buildings and regular press passes were cancelled.

So far, however, there has been no confirmation of the wild stories, which continue to appear in the London press today, of "Jewish terrorists" threatening the lives of a multitude of key figures from Prime Minister Attlee down. Questioned last night at a party to mark the imminent opening of the new Parliament, Attlee denied that he had received any threats, adding "but then I don't know how high up I am on their list."

U.N. COMMITTEE DEFEATS ARAB EFFORTS TO PREVENT SETTLEMENT OF JEWISH DP'S IN PALESTINE

LAKE SUCCESS, N.Y. Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Arab efforts to prohibit the proposed International Refugee Organization from resettling Jews in Palestine were defeated today by the U.N. Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee.

The first proposal, introduced by Egypt, would have amended the IRO constitution to make the essential task of the organization the early repatriation of refugees in every way possible, with their resettlement being contemplated "only as a last resort and solely in cases where there would be real difficulty in the way of repatriation." The vote was 17 to 14 with the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union lined up against the proposal.

A second Egyptian amendment recommended that resettlement could "in no case be imposed on a sovereign nation or run counter to the freely expressed wishes and aspirations of the majority of the indigenous population of a trust or non-self-governing regions or territories." There were 13 votes in favor, the U.S. and Britain again voting against it, and the Soviet Union abstaining.

During the debate the only one to mention Palestine was the Yugoslav delegate, Leo Mattes, although it was obvious that all the delegates were aware of the motives behind the Egyptian proposals. During the debate, Mattes introduced another amendment that would prevent resettlement of refugees in any country whose neighbors made any formal objections. He explained the amendment was aimed against resettlement of fascist Slav elements now in DP camps. When considerable opposition developed, he withdrew the amendment but announced he would reintroduce it later.

Brazilian Delegate Lauds Jewish Immigrants; Opposes Selective Immigration

Earlier, the Committee defeated a Russian attempt to limit the life of the IRO to less than one year and an Australian proposal to handle the refugee problem by setting up a commission under the Economic and Social Council rather than creating a specialized agency such as the IRO.

During the discussion, Gilbert Amado of Brazil spoke out against national policies of admitting immigrants on a selective basis. He said that immigrants on arrival in Brazil are not asked if they are Jews and he mentioned that Jewish immigrants played an important part in Brazilian life.

The Committee is preparing to act on Yugoslavian amendments that would specifically exclude Jews from any general repatriation rule. One proposal would obligate the IRO to facilitate resettlement of European Jews whose families or themselves suffered from racial persecution during the war. Another proposal states that Jews who leave former German-occupied countries before the IRO is set up will be aided by the IRO.

JEWISH AGENCY SPOKESMAN DENIES THAT HAGANAH ATTACKED EXTREMISTS; JT: JERUSALEM IN DARKNESS

JERUSALEM Nov. 12. (JTA) -- A Jewish Agency spokesman today denied reports that the Haganah had been blowing up arms caches of the Irgun and the Sternists and kidnapping their leaders. These reports and rumors that "Jewish terrorists" had arrived abroad were aimed at discrediting the Zionist movement, he charged.

Jerusalem was suddenly plunged into darkness this evening when all electric service failed. First reports said that the main transmission lines had been cut at a point outside the city.

PALESTINE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO ADMIT 1,000 JEWS FROM CYPRUS WITHIN TWO MONTHS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government plans to admit about 1,000 Jewish deportees from Cyprus under the November-December and December-January quotas of 1,500 each, it was announced today.

Under the Nov.15-Dec. 14 quota 300 Jews will be returned here from Cyprus, 843 will be released from the Athlit clearance camp, with the remainder of the certificates going to visaless immigrants who are enrolled in the British or Allied forces here and to relatives in Europe of Palestine residents.

The Dec. 15-Jan. 14 quota will allot half of the 1,500 certificates to the Cyprus deportees and the rest to various other categories. The announcement said that the persons to be brought here from Cyprus will be selected in cooperation with the Jewish Agency.

Meanwhile, leading Jewish institutions are understood to be continuing discussions concerning extension of non-cooperation with the government if the present immigration policy is not altered. They are also believed to be mapping plans to make the Jewish community a self-sufficient economic unit which would be able to withstand pressure from the British Government or any other source.

Egyptian Police Announce Capture of Four Jews Attempting to Reach Palestine

CAIRO, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Four Jewish refugees attempting to reach Palestine have been arrested by Egyptian police in Alexandria, the local police headquarters announced today.

COALITION IN WORLD ZIONIST EXECUTIVE EXPECTED TO BE MAINTAINED BY CONGRESS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The present coalition in the Zionist movement, which is reflected in the makeup of the World Zionist executive, is expected to be continued by the forthcoming Zionist Congress, informed observers predicted today on the basis of the world-wide elections of delegates which have virtually been completed.

The Congress is expected to have a total of 375 delegates, of which 115 will be General Zionists, 100 Mapai (Labor Party), 60 Mizrachi and Poale Mizrachi, 40 Revisionists, 25 Hashomer Hazair, 25 Achduth Avodah, 5 Aliyah Hadashah and 5 independents.

The Congress will open on the afternoon of Monday, Dec. 9 with an address by Dr. Weizmann and greetings by heads of Jewish institutions and representatives of the Swiss Government. That night Dr. Weizmann will deliver a major political address, which will be followed by a two-day debate, with the American delegation leading off on Tuesday morning.

The Congress, according to the present schedule, is expected to last at least until Dec. 23.

TEL AVIV PORT REOPENS AFTER SEVEN YEARS IDLENESS FORCED BY WAR

TEL AVIV, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- After seven years idleness the port of Tel Aviv reopened today with the departure of a shipment of citrus fruits for England. In a brief ceremony marking the formal resumption of commerce, Mayor Israel Rokach expressed the hope that all foreign Jews who come to Palestine will enter via Tel Aviv.

WARBURG, SCHWARTZ DECORATED BY POLISH GOVERNMENT FOR JDC AID TO COUNTRY'S JEWS

WARSAW, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- President Boleslaw Bierut today decorated Edward M.M. Warburg, U.S. Jewish philanthropist and chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, with the order of Polonia Restituta, Second Class, one of the highest awards given by the Polish Government.

Dr. Joseph Schwartz, European director of the JDC, received the same award, Third Class and William Bein, JDC director in Poland, the same decoration, Fourth Class.

In a brief speech, President Bierut stressed the importance of the JDC's work in Poland after World Wars I and II, and said that the Polish Government is fully aware of the aid given the suffering Jewish population by the organization.

The President said that the government welcomes the fact that Jews are re-establishing themselves in Poland, and pledged that the authorities will do everything possible to guarantee their security and facilitate their rehabilitation. He expressed regret that anti-Semitism still existed in the country, but said his government was attempting to stamp it out.

Replying, Mr. Warburg voiced thanks for the honor conferred on himself and his associates and said that the Jews of the United States were appreciative of the Polish Government's friendly attitude toward its Jewish citizens.

Immediately after the ceremony, which was followed by an informal reception, Mr. Warburg, Dr. Schwartz and other JDC aides left for Lodz to visit the Central Jewish Historical Commission and the Jewish Writers Association.

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COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS WITHDRAWS EQUALITY CLAUSE FROM BULGARIAN PEACE TREATY

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Council of Foreign Ministers, now meeting here, today withdrew from the Bulgarian peace treaty the clause providing for equality before the law which was aimed at the protection of national minorities in Bulgaria. The decision to withdraw the clause was taken on the ground that it failed to achieve a two-thirds majority at the Peace Conference in Paris.

A spokesman for the leading Jewish organizations which had submitted a joint memorandum to the Peace Conference asking guarantees for Jewish communities in the ex-satellite countries, today said that this clause had not been requested by the Jewish organizations at Paris in the case of Bulgaria, or by the Jews of Bulgaria, and that its withdrawal is therefore in accord with the position taken by Jewish bodies.

The Jewish organizations have formed a Joint Working Committee in New York which is seeking adoption by the Council of Foreign Ministers of three clauses in the Rumanian and Hungarian treaties. The three clauses, although they do not refer to Jews as such, provide for equality before the law of all persons, irrespective of race or religion, the restitution of property to victims of racial or religious persecution or compensation therefor and the use of ownerless property of the victims of racial and religious persecution for the rehabilitation of the survivors.

The organizations which are represented in the Joint Working Committee include the World Jewish Congress, the Agudas Israel World Organization, the American Jewish Conference, the American Jewish Committee, the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the Anglo-Jewish Association, CRIF, the Alliance Israelite Universelle and the South African Board of Jewish Deputies.

POLISH WOMAN SENTENCED TO HANG FOR DENOUNCING JEWS AND ANTI-NAZI POLES TO GESTAPO

WARSAW, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- A special military court at Lodz today sentenced Gestapo agent Kamilia Podocka to be hanged for denouncing a large number of Jews and anti-Nazi Poles to the German secret police.

Among the persons arrested and murdered as a result of Podocka's activities was her cousin, Stanislaw Podockski, an active member of the Polish resistance forces. Her activities were discovered upon examination of the files of the Lodz Gestapo office.

The same court sentenced Gustav Arndt, a Volkdeutsche medical orderly, to 15 years imprisonment for killing Jews and mentally-deficient Poles by administering large doses of morphine and strychnine. The court announced that Arndt was given a light sentence because it was established that he acted under the direct orders of a German district doctor, H. Weirich, who is now being held by the American military authorities in Germany.

PALESTINE JEWS WANT NEITHER MANDATE NOR TRUSTEESHIP, LOCKER TELLS HADASSAH CONVENTION

BOSTON, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- The Jews of Palestine want neither a mandate nor trusteeship for the country, Berl Locker, a member of the Jewish Agency executive, tonight told the 32nd annual Hadassah convention.

Pointing out that if there had been "even a tiny Jewish state" many of the 6,000,000 Jews murdered in Europe could have been rescued, he said that in the light of the present tense international situation, the Jewish Agency executive had reluctantly come to the conclusion that it would be advisable to propose the establishment of a Jewish state in part of Palestine.

Moshe Sneh, another leader of the Agency, charged Britain with hunting down Jewish refugees in Italy, Czechoslovakia and other countries and with exerting pressure on European governments to prevent refugees from reaching ports from which they might embark for Palestine. Sneh said that unless the British accept the Agency proposal for a viable Jewish state, Jewish representatives will not participate in the London conference when it resumes Dec. 16.

In a message to the convention from Jerusalem, Moshe Shertok, recently freed head of the Agency's political department, said that the release of himself and the other imprisoned leaders was a result of the firm stand taken by the Jewish community. He called for "greatest unity" in the "terribly hard struggle ahead."

The convention this morning adopted a 1947 budget of \$3,950,000 of which \$1,500,000 was earmarked for medical aid, \$1,400,000 for Youth Aliyah, \$450,000 for child welfare and vocational training and \$600,000 for the Jewish National Fund.

AGUDAS ISRAEL YOUTH COUNCIL LAUNCHES \$1,000,000 DRIVE FOR RELIEF OF ORTHODOX JEWS

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- A \$1,000,000 drive for the relief, rehabilitation and rescue of Orthodox Jews overseas was launched here today by the refugee-immigration division of the Agudas Israel Youth Council of America, it was announced here. Lester Udell has been named national chairman of the campaign.

WARBURG, DR. SCHWARTZ ARRIVE IN WARSAW FOR STUDY OF CONDITION OF POLISH JEWS

WARSAW, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Edward M.M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, and Dr. Joseph Schwartz, its European director, today arrived in Warsaw where they immediately held a conference with representatives of all Jewish parties and organizations in Poland.

Warburg pointed out that American Jewry was particularly interested in the conditions of the Jews of Poland and promised all possible help. After the meeting they went to Otwock for the unveiling of a tablet in memory of David Guzik, J.D.C. representative who died in an air crash at Prague.

URUGUAYAN DELEGATION AT U.N. INSTRUCTED TO PRESS FOR PALESTINE TRUSTEESHIP

MONTEVIDEO, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Dr. Eduardo Rodriguez Larreta has promised to instruct the Uruguayan delegation to the United Nations General Assembly to support transfer of Palestine to a United Nations trusteeship and to press for unrestricted Jewish immigration.

Dr. Larreta made this pledge to a delegation of the Uruguayan Pro-Palestine Committee, which submitted a memorandum asking the government to implement its expressed support of Jewish aspirations in Palestine by having its representatives at the U.N. urge action on Zionist demands.

CINCINNATI RABBI OPENS 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF NEW YORK CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- Religious faith is the indicated cure for the world's ills, Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati, declared last night at a meeting marking the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Central Synagogue. The meeting was held under the auspices of the American Jewish Cavalcade, a religious emphasis program sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

"It is appropriate that Judaism, the mother religion of our Judaic-Christian civilization, should, through the American Jewish Cavalcade, take the lead in a program of religious revival," Rabbi Heller said, adding, "It was the first of all religions to preach the doctrine of the God of history. Social justice, applied to the individual and to the nation, is the very warp and woof of its message. And optimism concerning man's place in the universe and his destiny here and hereafter, has always been implicit in the Jewish spirit." Other speakers were Colonel Frederick F. Greenman, president of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues, and Dr. Jonah B. Wise, rabbi of Central Synagogue.

AMERICAN BIROBIDJAN COMMITTEE RAISES \$200,000 FOR SUPPORT OF WAR ORPHANS IN U.S.S.R.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12. (JTA) -- A total of \$200,000 was collected and an additional \$75,000 pledged for the support of Jewish and non-Jewish war orphans in the Soviet Union at the annual dinner of the American Birobidjan Committee last night attended by 800 persons. More than ten percent of the sum was contributed by the Mexican and Peruvian Jewish communities.

Senator Claude Pepper of Florida, calling for support of the campaign, pointed out that the U.S.S.R. has outlawed anti-Semitism. New York City Councilman Stanley M. Isaacs declared that "in giving shelter to half a million Jewish refugees, the U.S.S.R. has done more for the Jews than all the other countries put together." Vilhjalmur Stefansson, famous Arctic explorer and a vice-president of the committee, also spoke.

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