

JEWISH LEADER DISCUSSES POLISH ATTITUDE ON PALESTINE WITH COUNTRY'S U.N. DELEGATE

WARSAW, Mar. 5. (JTA) -- Adolph Berman, recently elected president of the Central Jewish Committee of Poland and deputy in the National Council, has discussed with Dr. Oscar Lange, Poland's delegate to the United Nations, the official Polish attitude when the Palestine issue comes before the U.N., it was revealed here today.

Dr. Itzhak Gruenbaum, member of the Jewish Agency executive, was received by Foreign Minister Zygmunt Modzelewski and high officials of the ministry. The discussion centered about Zionist problems in Poland.

Chaim Finkelstein, 32, was murdered by the fascist underground in Briansk, near Bialystok, it was reported here. Finkelstein is survived by a wife and three children.

CONGRESS REMOVES BAN ON DEPORTATION OF IMMIGRANTS FOR WHOM BILLS PENDING

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5. (JTA) -- Attorney General Tom Clark has been advised by the House Judiciary Committee, which handles immigration bills, that he no longer need stay deportation proceedings on cases involving persons for whom private bills have been introduced in the House. It has been a courtesy practiced by the Justice Department for many years to refrain from deporting persons for whom bills have been introduced, pending Congressional action on those bills.

On Feb. 27, upon recommendation of the sub-committee on immigration, the Judiciary Committee approved a resolution to advise the Attorney General that he is no longer bound by the courtesy. Almost 400 private immigration bills have been introduced in the House this session by some 110 members. Opponents of the measure question whether all the members of the House can be bound by a resolution passed by one of its committees.

ARGENTINE JEWS EXPRESS SOLIDARITY WITH PALESTINE COMMUNITY; URGE U.N. REPRESENTATION

BUENOS AIRES, Mar. 5. (JTA) -- Resolutions expressing support of the Palestine Jewish Community in its present crisis, calling for the immediate admission of 100,000 Jews to Palestine, and thanking the Argentine Government for its pledge to support the Jewish cause at the United Nations, were adopted here last night at a mass meeting sponsored jointly by the DAIA, central representative body of Argentine Jewry, the Zionist Central Council and the local office of the Jewish Agency.

The meeting condemned Foreign Minister Bevin's latest proposal for the solution of the Palestine problem and urged Jewish representation at the U.N. on all matters affecting Palestine. It also thanked Christian members of the Argentine pro-Palestine Committee for their assistance to the Zionist cause and expressed friendliness toward the Arabs in Palestine.

JOINT PALESTINE APPEAL OF GREAT BRITAIN SETS \$6,000,000 GOAL FOR 1947

LONDON, Mar. 5. (JTA) -- Meeting under the shadow cast by the latest developments in Palestine, the Joint Palestine Appeal of Great Britain voiced its determination to continue the work of upbuilding Palestine despite all obstacles. The conference set itself a goal of \$6,000,000 for 1947.

Addressing the conference, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, member of the Jewish Agency executive, declared that Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's statement in Commons last

week marked the end of an era of British protection of Jewish work in Palestine. He insisted that no British lives should be lost in keeping Jews out of Palestine or in facilitating Jewish immigration to the country.

Richard Crossman, Labor M.P. and former member of the Anglo-American Inquiry Committee on Palestine, charged that Britain's policy of delay and indecision was responsible for terrorism in Palestine. Disputing Bevin's assertion that the Jews were merely a religion, he declared that the Jewish nation in Palestine was an established fact, adding that the inquiry commission had studied the problem for 120 days, and he "wished that some politicians would study it only 120 minutes."

Prof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, asserted that "if there is one people in the world which should have learned that repression always fails, it is the British people." He warned each instance of martial law in Palestine has been followed by a growth of the terrorist movement. Among the other speakers at the JPA conference was James McDonald, former American member of the inquiry committee.

#### DR. SCHWARTZ OUTLINES PLAN FOR WORK PROJECT FOR DISPLACED JEWS IN U.S. ZONE OF GERMANY

NEW YORK, Mar. 5. (JTA) -- The reported plans for the establishment of a large-scale work project for displaced Jews in the American zone of Germany were elaborated upon today by Dr. Joseph Schwartz, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, who has just returned to this country.

At a U.J.A. press conference Dr. Schwartz stated that 32,000 Jewish men and women are expected to find employment in the projects. The program is being undertaken by the J.D.C. in cooperation with the Central Jewish Committee, the Jewish Agency, UNRRA and the U.S. Army. Final details of the program await approval by the Army, he said, adding that at present about 30,000 Jews are employed at service, repair and maintenance tasks in the camps.

In accordance with the wishes of the Jewish DP's, the J.D.C. is appropriating funds for the purchase of tools, raw materials and machinery, and will help organize plants and factories to manufacture clothing and other goods. The DP's employed in the projects will be paid in goods, rather than in German marks, according to a system of points based on the hours of work and productivity.

Dr. Schwartz emphasized that participation in work projects will be entirely on a voluntary basis. Those who stay away from work will not be penalized either by the J.D.C. or by the army authorities. The latter have stated that they regard the work projects solely as a means of sustaining the morale of the refugees. The Army has already indicated its willingness to see surplus manufactured goods exported and sold abroad, so as to increase the funds available for the project. The Jewish Agency has agreed to absorb in Palestine some of the manufactured goods for which there is a demand there.

If the Palestine immigration rate remains at the present 18,000 a year the birthrate in camps--about 1,000 per month--would make the quota barely sufficient to absorb the natural increase of the camp population, Dr. Schwartz declared. Other prospects for emigration are equally dim, he stated.

The influx of Jewish refugees from Poland has subsided somewhat, reaching a low of 1,000 during the month of January, he asserted. He attributed this to a relative stabilization of the situation in Poland, to a decrease in number and scope of anti-Jewish incidents there, and also to the fact that the prospective refugees know now that they are destined to spend many months and perhaps years in camps.

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