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## U.S. WILL NOT PREVENT NATIONALS FROM JOINING INTERNATIONAL PALESTINE CONSTABULARY

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- The United States will not send any troops to Palestine, but will not prevent American citizens from joining an international volunteer constabulary, if such a force is recruited by the United Nations, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was informed today by highly authoritative Washington sources.

Elaborating on the statement made by U.S. delegate Herschel Johnson at the Ad Hoc Committee on Palestine (see attached supplement), in which he said that America favors partition, these sources made it clear that in referring to the creation of an international force in Palestine for service during the transition period, Johnson meant that such a force would be recruited by the United Nations not on the basis of representation from states which are members of the U.N., but from individual volunteers. The same sources emphasized that the American attitude regarding such an armed force is that it should be a constabulary only, and not participate in military operations against any outside country.

Johnson's statement was received with great satisfaction by many delegations as paving the way for a final solution of the Palestine problem. Most of the smaller delegations are awaiting with great interest the supplementary statement by Britain, which is expected to be made tomorrow and the stand of the Soviet Union, which will be outlined either tomorrow or Tuesday. In all, 18 more delegations are to be heard from before debate concludes before the Ad Hoc Committee.

## Final Jewish Agency Testimony at Ad Hoc Body Scheduled for End of Week

The Jewish Agency, which expressed gratification at the U.S. statement, although pointing out that it required some clarification, is now engaged in preparing additional testimony which is scheduled to be presented after the Committee has heard from all other nations who have indicated that they wish to speak. The Agency's statement, which is expected to take a full day to present, will be submitted orally by Moshe Shertok, chief of its political department.

The Johnson statement also elicited praise from Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, head of the Agency office in the U.S., and from the American Zionist Emergency Council, which speaks for all major Zionist bodies in the U.S. The Council stressed, however, that the area of the proposed Jewish state must not be further whittled down.

The Arab states reacted violently, with spokesmen accusing the U.S. of selling out to "Jewish capitalists" and bowing to domestic political pressure. Syrian delegate Faris el Khouri revealed that the Arabs plan to contest the validity of the Palestine Mandate and the Balfour Declaration before the International Court of Justice. He warned the U.N. against establishing a volunteer force, asserting that U.S. espousal of such a plan confirmed "the threat of force made last week by Dr. Silver." The Arabs "will accept Dr. Silver's challenge," he added.

POLISH CONSULATE IN JERUSALEM BOMBED; SEEN AS ARAB REPLY TO PRO-JEWISH STAND AT U.N.

JERUSALEM, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- The Polish Consulate here was bombed today in what was thought to be an Arab reply to the pro-Jewish statement made at the U.N. this week by the Polish delegation. The blast caused slight damage and no casualties.

A few minutes later another explosion was heard in the Rehavia quarter. Police said later that a grenade had been thrown at an armored patrol car. Armed guards are stationed around the U.S. Consulate, which is a logical target for attacks. The Swedish Consulate was bombed earlier this month, apparently in retaliation for the fact that Judge Emil Sandstroem was chairman of UNSCOP.

Meanwhile, leaders of the Jewish community, who have been heartened by the U.S. position, were engaged this week-end in working out a wind-up statement at the U.N. and in girding for internal defense. The Agency met today to discuss both these questions, but no statement was issued.

The Jewish National Council again called on the Yishuv to be ready to meet any possible disorders, at the same time that it appealed to the Arabs for peace. The secretariats of the Palestine Labor Party and the Histadruth also issued "mobilization orders." The Labor Party held a special conference to map new security preparations and to discuss the steps that will have to be taken prior to Britain's withdrawal.

Persistent reports from the Arab League council meeting in Lebanon that a provisional government for Palestine had been set up, composed mainly of members of the Palestine Arab Higher Executive, said that its composition would be announced within a few days. The reports say the "government" has already appointed district commanders to take over when the British leave.

It is learned, meanwhile, that two British battalions in Galilee will soon be withdrawn, one to Affuleh, the other to Tiberias, which are now garrisoned by units of the Arab Legion.

Since there have been clashes between settlers in Galilee and legionnaires, the Haganah has reinforced its security provisions in Galilee. However, a Haganah source insisted today that these steps were not taken with a view to meeting a possible border attack, because it is believed accounts of Arab troops from Syria, Lebanon and Egypt moving against Palestine are exaggerated out of all proportion to the facts, although reports tonight said that some Syrian units had arrived on Palestine's northern border.

(A Foreign Office spokesman declared yesterday in London that if a threat of war developed in Palestine, Britain might consider placing the matter before the United Nations, but added that no such threat had developed. Asked whether, in the event of an armed conflict, Britain would halt the delivery of arms to Iraq, Egypt and Transjordan under the treaties of alliance made with these states, the spokesman replied Britain might consider that possibility.)

British Press Says U.S. Stand Will Not Alter Evacuation Plans

LONDON, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- The American stand on the Palestine question will not influence British evacuation plans, and Britain will keep aloof, if not actively discourage, any partition scheme however modified, it was stated today in the London press, which featured Arab threats of violence.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL HAS RECEIVED ONLY \$52,000,000 IN CASH, U.P.A. FARLEY HEARS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- The \$170,000,000 United Jewish Appeal drive has so far netted only \$52,000,000, it was disclosed today by Henry Morgenthau, Jr., national UJA chairman, addressing an emergency conference here of the United Palestine Appeal. It is understood, however, that outstanding pledges bring the total to \$115,000,000. Mr. Morgenthau revealed that only \$36,000,000 had been collected up to Labor Day and \$16,000,000 since.

The 1,500 delegates who attended the two-day session, which concluded this evening, heard from Mr. Morgenthau, Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, former commanding general of U.S. forces in Europe, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Judge Morris Rothenberg and many others. Most of the speakers voiced their gratification at the support given partition by the United States, but warned that the battle was not yet won and that funds will be required from American Jewry to make the dream of Jewish statehood a reality.

Mr. Morgenthau, speaking at the luncheon session, expressed his personal satisfaction with the United States declaration supporting partition and said he thought a "great debt of gratitude" was due to President Truman, to Secretary of State Marshall, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, and to the "magnificent job done by General Hildring. But," he warned, "we can't count on success until the last vote is cast."

Declaring that efforts to raise funds for the agencies supported by the United Jewish Appeal were particularly important during the period that the U.N. is meeting, Mr. Morgenthau said that last year the Jewish Agency, functioning with a \$15,000,000 deficit for its work in the Holy Land, had been unable to carry out its housing commitments, with the result that new immigrants often have to spend "weeks and weeks" in reception centers. Other programs such as the Youth Aliyah, the settlement program and the program to help ex-servicemen have been severely restricted by lack of funds.

McNarney Says Palestine Dominates Thoughts of Displaced Jews

Gen. McNarney, who spoke this morning, declared that he thinks the Jews have "every right to be hopeful that the UNSCOP report means the beginning of a new deal for the Jewish people." Describing at length the plight of the Jewish DP's, McNarney said the solution of the DP problem can be found only through resettlement.

"This action must be taken in the near future," McNarney said, warning that trouble would flare up because of frustration among the DP's. "While in Germany," he added, "I talked with literally thousands of Jews. They have but one thought and that is to go home. To them home is not their former places of abode -- home to them is Palestine. Come what may, hunger, hardship, breaking up of families or even death, they are sustained by the single hope which can be expressed by the single word -- Palestine."

If UNSCOP Report Approved, Agency May Launch "Jewish Liberty Loan"

Dr. Emanuel Neumann, addressing the afternoon session, told the delegates that the implementation of the UNSCOP report, if approved and adopted, may require the Jewish Agency to launch "in the near future a Jewish Liberty Loan running into hundreds of millions of dollars, as De Valera did, prior to the establishment of the Irish Free State." The Keren Hayesod, he said, "will provide a strong basis for such financial operations as the Jewish Agency may find it necessary to engage upon."

"If the nations of the world recognize Jewish aspirations and sanction the establishment of a Jewish State, implementation of such a decision will devolve chiefly

upon the Jewish people themselves," he said. "The Jewish people must not, cannot and will not default. Today more than ever before, it is our immediate obligation to strengthen and fortify the Palestine Foundation Fund, for it is upon that foundation that we must now build the great superstructure of the future."

#### Silver Hails "Clear, Forthright Declaration" by U.S. at U.N.

Praising as "American statesmanship at its best and noblest" the U.S. declaration at the U.N. yesterday, Silver told the delegates last night that the "clear, forthright declaration" was "a tribute to President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall as well as to the members of the United States delegation."

Referring to Arab threats to use armed force to gain their objectives in the Holy Land, Dr. Silver pointed out that "the manner in which the U.N. will react to this outrageous panic-propaganda of the Arab states will enhance or destroy the future effectiveness of the U.N. as an instrumentality for the solution of international problems and for the maintenance of peace." Britain must cooperate in the implementation of the U.N. decision on Palestine, Dr. Silver said, and must "assume along with others its proper share of responsibility during the brief transition period to ensure as far as possible a peaceful transition from the present mandatory status of the country to the setting up of two independent states."

At the morning session today, Robert Nathan, economist and author, said that if the Jewish state retained substantially the same boundaries as proposed in the UNSCOP report, it could still support the immigration of an additional one million Jews during the next ten years. He estimated that the movement of 150,000 refugees plus the cost of settlement and enlargement of economic facilities such as factories, schools and stores to support them would require an outlay of \$400,000,000 for the next two years.

#### Sincoff and Rothenberg Report on Finances and Land Acquisition

Jacob Sincoff, associate treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal, said UPA agencies had spent a total of \$48,701,132 in the first eight months of this year, and expect to have spent over \$73,000,000 by the end of the year. Of the \$33,675,939 collected from all sources in the first eight months of the year, he said, American Jewry had provided about 75 percent. He warned, however, that the \$15,000,000 deficit would seriously hamper the Jewish Agency activities, if it is not wiped out.

Judge Morris Rothenberg, president of the Jewish National Fund, reported that the land-buying agency had acquired more than 63,000 dunams of land in Palestine during the past year, bringing total JNF holdings to more than 928,000 dunams. In the coming year, he said, the Jewish National Fund intends to begin the building of an urban center in the Negev and "to participate in the acquisition of another very valuable holding in a part of Palestine which for the present must remain undisclosed."

The meeting adopted a resolution welcoming the U.S. position at the U.N. and thanking President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall. Other resolutions praised Mr. Morgenthau for his leadership of the UJA, and Dr. Israel Goldstein for his work as head of the UPA and stressed the role of the latter body as the fund-raising instrument for the establishment of the Jewish state.

Other speakers today included Dr. Bernard Joseph, Rabbi Max Kirshblum, and Mayim Greenberg. Dr. Goldstein, and Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, formerly advisor on Jewish affairs to the commanding general of the U.S. forces in Germany, spoke last night.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE BACKS U.S. STAND ON PALESTINE; ASKS DEMOCRATIC GERMANY

CHICAGO, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Expressing paramount concern for the safeguarding of the rights of Jews to immigrate to and purchase land in Palestine, the executive committee of the American Jewish Committee today endorsed the United States position in support of the partition of Palestine, as announced yesterday before the United Nations.

Following a review of the Palestine question by former Judge Joseph M. Prosser, president of the organization, the committee pledged all possible aid to the United States and to the United Nations to help attain a speedy solution of the Palestine problem along the lines of the basic plan approved by the U.S. delegation to the U.N.

Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president who recently returned from Europe, reported that "nazism and racism are rife in Germany." A resolution was adopted urging the United States to intensify efforts to democratize Germany to prevent a revived Germany from menacing the world's peace again. Private American agencies of all creeds concerned with the promotion of democratic rights and the preservation of peace were called upon to support a far-reaching program of German re-education, and the American Jewish Committee offered its "full resources" to the government for the institution of such a program.

The Committee also voted to support a federal anti-lynching law and to join with other organizations to protect the civil rights of all groups in the population.

Irving M. Engel, chairman of the New York chapter, and Edward A. Norman, secretary of the American Jewish Committee, led a discussion on prospects for immigration to the United States and other countries.

Jacob Blaustein, of Baltimore, chairman of the executive committee, presided at the sessions.

STATEHOOD WILL NOT ONLY AID REFUGEES, BUT WILL REDEEM JEWISH PEOPLE, WEIZMANN SAYS

BOSTON, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Chaim Weizmann, addressing a Combined Jewish Appeal conference here last night, declared that the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine is not only a question of humanitarian concern for refugees, but also of the redemption of the Jewish people.

"Without Palestine, without an independent Jewish Palestine, we lack the material props of our national existence," he stated. "The support which the Jews of America are making available at the present time through the United Jewish Appeal is vital for the expansion of the Palestine program. With financial help from the United States, new areas of development are being opened up in Palestine, new industries are being established and new housing and new rural settlements are being built.

"It must be regarded as a high testimonial to the pioneering spirit of the Jewish people of Palestine that they have not permitted the disturbed situation in recent months to deter them from their fundamental program of building a home for the hundreds of thousands who are still waiting for salvation and redemption in the Jewish homeland.

"If we want to bring immigrants into the country, if we want to develop it, we need governmental power," he added. "Only a state has the power to create economic absorptive capacity on the scale we need. Only a state can undertake large-scale projects such as irrigation of the desert areas which may involve the shifting of large bodies of water from one part of the country to another. Without a Jewish state, we cannot affect the full rescue of our people, who yearn for an age of peace and prosperity."

THREE FASCISTS IN ENGLAND GET 28-DAY PRISON TERMS FOR ASSAULTING JEWS

LONDON, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Magistrate W. Blake Rodgers, sitting in North London Court, yesterday sentenced three fascists to 28-day jail terms for assaulting Jews during a meeting of the fascist British Ex-Servicemen's League. Those sentenced were Arthur Parker, Frederick Mendham and Arthur Jordan.

In pronouncing sentence, Rodgers stressed the fact that the persons assaulted were attacked morely because they were Jewish. "That's a state of affairs which cannot be tolerated in any country which claims to be civilized," he added. Rodgers dismissed cross summonses for alleged assault brought by the three accused against two of their Jewish victims. When the magistrate asked Mendham, who had been interned during the war as a fascist sympathizer, whether he was a fascist, Mendham replied: "I'd like to know what a fascist really is."

Meanwhile, the Westminster City Council yesterday refused to discuss a resolution on fascist and anti-Semitic activities submitted by a left-wing member of the council. Mayor Greiville Howard, although admitting that anti-Jewish provocations are the concern of the general public, ruled that the resolution was out of order, on the grounds that no anti-Semitic incidents had occurred in the Westminster area. The ruling is being challenged by the Westminster Trades Council executive, which passed a resolution requesting the City Council to associate itself with other London councils seeking legislation to ban fascist activities.

Dr. Joseph McCambridge was remanded on bail yesterday by Newcastle magistrates until Tuesday for breaking the window of a Jewish-owned shop with a brick wrapped in gasoline-soaked gauze and attempting to set fire to the store. The magistrates are deciding whether to send McCambridge to a higher court for trial.

GESTAPO OFFICIAL SENTENCED TO TEN YEARS FOR EXPULSION OF AUSTRIAN JEWS

VIENNA, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Johann Rixinger, former Gestapo official, was sentenced yesterday to ten years imprisonment by an Austrian Peoples' Court for aiding in the expulsion of Jews from Austria. Rixinger was also found guilty of appropriating Jewish property.

Testimony was given on behalf of the defendant by several Jewish witnesses, including Dr. Richard Loewenherz, leader of the Vienna Jewish community during the Nazi regime, who is now in the United States. Loewenherz' statement was introduced in the form of an affidavit.

RUMANIAN PREMIER PROMISES TO INTERVENE TO PREVENT SHUTDOWN OF JEWISH SCHOOLS, CANTEENS

BUCHAREST, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Premier Petros Groza today promised a Jewish delegation that he would take action to aid Jewish charitable and educational institutions in Rumania, which are virtually without funds.

The Jewish delegation pointed out that due to inadequate funds, Jewish schools and philanthropic institutions in all parts of the country faced the possibility of an immediate shutdown. They notified Groza that a number of relief canteens had already been forced to close. The delegation, which included representatives of all Jewish organizations in Rumania, was led by Dr. William Fildermann.

Mishu Benvenisti, president of the Rumanian Zionist Organization, today issued a statement to the press declaring that "Rumanian Jews' drive for Palestine emigration is not a result of racial discrimination or political persecution here, but is motivated by the Jewish people's determination to build their own fatherland." Benvenisti added that the Rumanian Government was engaged in constant efforts to stamp out anti-Semitism and had granted the Zionist Organization complete freedom of action.

DR. DE SOLA POOL GETS CERTIFICATE OF MERIT FROM TRUMAN FOR WAR-TIME SERVICES

NEW YORK, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- Dr. David de Sola Pool, chairman of the Division of Religious Activities of the Jewish Welfare Board and Rabbi of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, was the recipient tonight of the Certificate of Merit from President Truman for "meritorious conduct in aid of the war effort against the common enemies of the United States and its allies in World War II."

The presentation to Dr. Pool, who as head of JWB's Division of Religious Activities directed the recruitment of 311 rabbis for the chaplaincy in World War II, was made by Maj. Gen. Luther D. Miller, Army Chief of Chaplains, at exercises held in the auditorium of the congregation. Frank L. Weil, JWB president, also spoke.

Gen. Miller, lauding Dr. Pool's chaplaincy activities, recalled that as a leader of the JWB, Dr. Pool "had contributed to the outstanding cooperative endeavor and performance of the Jewish citizenry of the United States." He said that Dr. Pool's efforts had "fostered good will by all denominations and peoples, and stimulated high morale, warm fellowship and close cooperation among citizenry and soldiery of the United States."

Frank L. Weil, JWB president, presented Dr. Pool with an illuminated copy of a resolution adopted at JWB's annual meeting last May, which noted that Dr. Pool "merited the deepest gratitude of the JWB and the Jewish community for his war-time leadership of the Division of Religious Activities."

UNITED SERVICE SPENDING \$1,000,000 IN 1947 FOR REFUGEES FROM SHANGHAI

NEW YORK, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- United Service for New Americans is spending \$1,000,000 in 1947 for its West Coast program of reception, relief and resettlement services for European refugees coming to the United States from Shanghai, it was revealed by Edwin Rosenberg, president of the organization, in a report to community leaders throughout the country.

More than 4,400 Jewish refugees have already entered the United States through San Francisco, Mr. Rosenberg reported, with hundreds more arriving every month. This city has become a major "port of hope" for people who fled Nazi persecution in Europe before the war, and were stranded in the Far East for years under Japanese occupation. The Shanghai project, which is "carried out in cooperation with the JDC, is probably the outstanding example in the world today of actual progress toward clearing up one of the major post-war centers of Jewish homelessness and distress," he declared.

B'NAI B'RITH PLEDGES SUPPORT TO NATIONAL FOOD CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12. (JTA) -- The support of the 325,000 B'nai B'rith members throughout the nation to the President's Citizens Food Committee's program of self-help to meet Europe's food crisis was today pledged by Frank Goldman, Lowell, Mass., B'nai B'rith president.

Describing the food conservation drive as a program to "give people in other lands the strength to work, to build, to become once more self-supporting men and women," Mr. Goldman sent identical telegrams to President Truman and Charles Luckman, chairman of the food committee, informing them of B'nai B'rith support.