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SOVIET BACKS PARTITION WITH CERTAIN REVISIONS OF UNSCOP PLAN; U.S. WELCOMES STAND

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The Soviet Government today endorsed the partitioning of Palestine into Jewish and Arab states, and thus virtually guaranteed that the UNSCOP partition plan will get the necessary two-thirds majority in the General Assembly.

The Soviet statement, delivered before the Ad Hoc Committee on Palestine by M. Tsarapkin, was welcomed by the American and other delegations and by Jewish leaders. Herschel Johnson, acting for the U.S. delegation, issued a statement praising the Soviet position and stressing that on basic principles it was "very similar" to the American stand.

Pointing out that "if the General Assembly will at this session decide on the question of the creation of an Arab and a Jewish state, it will be a great step forward in the solution of the Palestine question," the Soviet delegate emphasized that while supporting in principle the UNSCOP majority recommendations, the USSR believes that there are a number of points which require "evaluation" and revision.

"Such serious questions as the question of the frontier between the two states or of the measures during the transition period after the termination of the British mandate, as well as of the status of the city of Jerusalem, and a number of other more or less important questions, on which I do not consider it necessary to dwell at present call for further and thorough consideration," the Soviet representative said.

On the question of frontiers, Mr. Tsarapkin said that the UNSCOP proposals for the partition of Palestine into a number of separate regions connected at certain points by narrow corridors cannot be considered a satisfactory solution of the question. The Soviet delegation, he continued, "considers that further work on a concrete plan for the elimination of frontiers and on national separation of Palestine could be undertaken by the Special Committee so as to eliminate as far as possible the existing defects."

Says Authority During Transition Period Must Rest with UN

The Soviet Government stipulated that the authority which will govern Palestine during the transition period must be responsible to the UN. "Everybody realizes that the transition period from the present state of mandatory government in Palestine to the beginning of the existence of two independent states has enormous importance from the point of view of preserving peace in Palestine as well as from the point of view of the future fate of both these two states, its statement added.

Members of various delegations at the U.N., impressed by the outspoken attitude of the Soviet delegation in favor of partition, commented that Palestine is the first issue at the U.N. on which the Soviet and the American delegations have taken similar positions. In supporting the partition plan in principle, Mr. Tsarapkin

made it clear that his delegation reserves the right to speak in the future on separate concrete questions.

Pointing out that the U.N. must not forget that "nearly a half of the Jewish population in Europe was exterminated," and that large numbers of Jews in Europe were deprived of shelter and means of subsistence, the Soviet spokesman said:

Stresses Jewish People's Right to A State of Their Own

"All this explains why the Jews try to create a state of their own, and it would be unjust to deny the Jewish people the right to fulfill this desire. The question of the creation of a Jewish state is a wholly mature and urgent problem. The Jewish people, as all other peoples, have the right to insist that its fate, its security and welfare should not be dependent on the mercy and good will of any state. And we can help the Jewish people in this--acting in accordance with the principles of the Charter of the United Nations Organization, which provides the insuring of the right of every people to self-determination and independence."

The Soviet representative stressed the fact that under the present circumstances "when the relations between Arabs and Jews, already bad, have reached such a degree of tension that a conciliation of their points of view on the question of how the Palestine problem should be solved has become impossible," it is not possible to put the UNSCOP minority proposal into effect and for that reason the Soviet Government has decided to support the partition plan. He demanded the termination of the Palestine Mandate as soon as possible and the establishment of a Jewish and an Arab state "in the shortest time possible."

Agency Hails Soviet Statement As Step Towards "Constructive Solution"

The Jewish Agency warmly welcomed the Soviet stand. A spokesman for the Agency issued a statement which read as follows:

"We welcome the statement of the delegate of the Soviet Union. It is a logical and consistent development of the U.S.S.R. declaration of last May, following upon the intervening report of UNSCOP.

"We are heartened by the acceptance of the urgent necessity for the establishment of a Jewish state in Palestine as well as by the prospects of an agreement among the major powers on Palestine, which would go far to ensure a constructive solution of the problem and the maintenance of peace in that area of the world."

U.S. Introduces Resolutions Aimed At Speeding Action on Majority Plan

The United States in a late move today introduced two resolutions on the Palestine issue. The first was a joint American-Swedish resolution providing that the Palestine Committee resolve that the basic principles of the unanimous recommendations and the majority plan of the UNSCOP report be the basis for the Ad Hoc Committee recommendations to the General Assembly.

The second resolution calls for the establishment of a sub-committee of the Ad Hoc Committee to work out details of the plan in accordance with these basic principles and report back to the full committee Nov. 3.

The representatives of Pakistan and Egypt today attacked the American delegation's support of partition. The former expressed the hope that the U.S. would alter its position, particularly in the light of the fact that it had placed certain conditions on its acceptance of partition. The Egyptian asserted that Johnson's statement of Saturday was not consonant with the U.S. tradition of fair play.

HAGANAH UNITS DEPLOYED ALONG SYRIAN FRONTIER; SEE NO INDICATIONS ARABS WILL ATTACK

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Crack units of the Haganah, manned by veterans of desert warfare and of the European campaigns of World War II, have been deployed along the Palestine-Syrian border, an Agency spokesman disclosed today.

He said that watchtowers and pillboxes equipped with powerful searchlights have the border under constant surveillance, while scouts reconnoiter the territory adjacent to the frontiers. The spokesman added that up to this morning the Haganah had found no evidence that Syrian troops were preparing to attack Jewish settlements. The only report brought back by scouts was that the Syrian units had pitched tents for 1,500 men, but had brought up only light equipment, such as is used on maneuvers.

Chairman David Ben Gurion of the Jewish Agency called on High Commissioner Sir Alan G. Cunningham this afternoon to discuss the security situation in the country and the rumors concerning Arab troop concentrations. It is understood that Ben Gurion demanded that the government take no steps to hamper the activities of the Haganah. He also asked why British troops have been replaced by Arab Legion units in Upper Galilee at a time when an Arab invasion is rumored.

David Remez, chairman of the Jewish National Council, tonight announced resumption of the "Redemption Fund," collected during the 1936-39 disturbances. All Jewish wage earners will be asked to contribute one day's pay per month to finance the defense of Jewish settlements, he said. He added that Jews throughout the world may be called on for all-out financial support to secure a Jewish state against attacks and to meet pressing economic problems.

Remez Pleased by U.S. Attitude; Endorses Proposal of International Constabulary

Remez welcomed the U.S. attitude towards partition and its suggestion of an international police force. He expressed the hope that such a force would make possible Russian participation. Remez called on Jewish youths all over the world, but especially in America, to join the international constabulary when it is created.

Replying to a question, he said that Jews and Arabs would have equal rights in a Jewish state and that one of the first laws to be promulgated would make mandatory equal wages for Jewish and Arab workers.

Generally, the reports of Arab troop concentrations have aroused more furor abroad than in Palestine. Both Jews and Arabs go about their normal pursuits and mingle in the streets, in busses and in shops. Syrian peddlers even crossed the border yesterday to sell their wares in Jewish settlements.

Britain Makes Representation to Syria Against Reported Troop Movements

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The British charge d'affaires in Damascus yesterday made representations to the Syrian Government against reported Syrian troop movements on the Palestine frontier, the Foreign Office announced here today. The charge d'affaires, C.A.F. Dundas, told the Acting Prime Minister that as long as British troops remain in Palestine the British Government is responsible for law and order.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that the department had only learned of Dundas' action today and that the charge d'affaires had acted on his own initiative and not as a result of a policy decision made in London. However, it is understood that the move has been endorsed by the Foreign Office.

U.S. CONSULATE IN JERUSALEM BOMBED; TWO EMPLOYEES INJURED, DAMAGE TO PROPERTY SLIGHT

JERUSALEM, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The United States consulate in Jerusalem was bombed today in what was thought to be an Arab reply to the pro-partition statement made at Lake Success on Saturday by U.S. delegate Herschel Johnson.

The blast slightly injured two mail-room employees--Ethel Delevi of Boston and Miriam Pilpel, a Palestinian--and damaged a car in the consulate courtyard. A door leading from the courtyard was blown in and the hallway littered with plaster.

When the explosion occurred, Consul Robert MacAtee was conferring with the High Commissioner on measures to safeguard the consulate. He rushed from Government House to the scene of the blast. Later, he met with high police officers to plan further security precautions. An armed guard has been stationed around the consulate for the past few days.

An official visit to Baghdad by a Congressional sub-committee has been cancelled as a result of the Iraq Government's displeasure at the stand taken by the U.S. delegate on the UNSCOP report, according to dispatches reaching here from that capital. Receptions by the government and the U.S. Embassy had been scheduled.

U.S. AND SOVIET STAND SPELLS DOOM OF BRITISH PALESTINE PLAN, CROSSMAN PREDICTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 13, (JTA) -- The American and Soviet statements on Palestine probably "mean final defeat of the British plan for Palestine," Richard Crossman, Labor M.P. and former member of the Anglo-American Palestine Committee, said tonight.

Addressing a dinner meeting of The Nation Associates, Crossman counselled against believing people who say that Britain will not withdraw from Palestine, asserting that the economic crisis at home made withdrawal imperative. He warned that if the U.N. fails to enforce partition, the Haganah will do so the minute the British leave. The Haganah "will carve out the frontiers of a Jewish state" even if the government gives the Arabs every opportunity to mass, he added.

Crossman opposed the establishment of an international volunteer constabulary, as suggested by the U.S., and proposed instead a small force composed of units of the armed forces of several of the smaller U.N. members. He proposed that immediately after partition is approved, all British units should be withdrawn to Gaza and the Jews and Arabs be authorized to police their own areas, while a U.N. commission regulate immigration and supervise administrative and police matters.

(Other speakers at the dinner included Sumner Welles and Bartley Crum, whose addresses were not available when the Bulletin went to press.)

REVISIONIST LEADER CHARGES BRITISH AGENT ATTEMPTING TO PROVOKE ARAB WAR AGAINST JEWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Charges that Brigadier S.B. Clayton, head of British Intelligence in the Middle East, has offered money and arms to the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem and Fawzi el Kaukajji, leader of the Arab revolt of 1936-39, to make war on the Jews, were voiced here today by Dr. Joseph Schechtmann, chairman of the political committee of the United Zionists-Revisionists of America.

He also accused the British of plotting an "anschluss" between Transjordan and the projected Arab part of Palestine, "using the Transjordan Arab Legion to occupy Palestine. He advocated the immediate proclamation of a provisional Jewish government to mobilize Jewish strength for the expected battle against the Arabs.

BEVIN ASKS PANAMANIAN MINISTER TO HELP CHECK VISALESS IMMIGRATION; OFFICIAL PROMISES AID

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- In an attempt to halt the movement of ships carrying visaless Jewish immigrants to Palestine, Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin has asked Demetrio Ports, Panamanian Minister in London, to recommend to the Panamanian president that all ship registrations under the Panamanian flag which do not conform to international or Panama law, be cancelled immediately.

Ports told newsmen that "Bevin asked me as a friend and as a representative of a friendly country, to end this traffic. I am only too happy to cooperate with him. The Jews are being exploited because the ships used (for visaless immigration) are old and many of them are unfit for sea duty."

EXODUS REFUGEES MAKE NEW APPEAL TO UNITED NATIONS TO HELP THEM REACH PALESTINE

LUBECK, Germany, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The Exodus refugees today made a new appeal to the "conscience of the world," and particularly the United Nations, to take some positive action to help them reach Palestine.

At a press conference called at the Poppendorf camp, Mordechai Rosman, leader of the refugees, asked the world to "end our suffering" and warned that the Jews' patience was "running out" while the conditions under which they live are steadily deteriorating. Rosman, who served as spokesman for the elected camp committees of both the Poppendorf and Am Stau camps, declared that a general sense of uneasiness and unrest was spreading through the camps and that unless some action was taken to relieve the refugee's situation soon, the camp committees cannot take responsibility for any trouble which results.

Rosman said that the Jews in these two camps were a new type of displaced person--displaced by the British rather than the Germans. "The British sought to get rid of us, to resolve their problem by making various offers and withdrawing their guards," he said. "But actually we are no more free today than when the British first captured us; we cannot be free until we reach our homeland," he concluded.

BRITISH EDITOR HELD FOR JURY TRIAL ON CHARGES OF INCITING VIOLENCE AGAINST JEWS

LONDON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- James Caunt, editor and publisher of the Morcambe and Heysham Visitor, a weekly newspaper, was today ordered held for a jury trial on charges of having published an editorial inciting violence against the Jews. The order was issued by a magistrate in Morcambe who conducted the preliminary hearing.

Caunt insisted that he had not intended to foment inter-racial strife in Britain, but was affected by anti-British propaganda published by Jews in America and the hanging of two Britons by Irgunists in Palestine. Repeating a slander which appeared in the editorial, Caunt told the examining magistrate that if an analysis were made of the people convicted of black market activities in Britain, the Jews would lead other lawbreakers.

The government has ordered Caunt's prosecution as one of two cases which Home Secretary James Chuter Ede considered passed legal bounds in the recently intensified anti-Jewish campaign in Britain. The editorial was published last summer at the height of the anti-Jewish riots and demonstrations in a dozen British cities.

Two Jewish youths, Norman and Gerald Jacobs, were today released on bail pending their trial next week on charges of "insulting behavior" at a fascist meeting held in London yesterday. A fascist agitator, Frederick Bailey, who was arrested yesterday after the meeting, called by the British League of Ex-Servicemen, was dispersed, was placed on probation for a year.

STATE DEPT. ASKED TO PLACE DP PROBLEM ON AGENDA OF U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Declaring that the problem of the Jewish DP's in Europe was "a separate and distinct" one, Rep. Frank Chelf, who was one of a four-man House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on the IRO, which recently returned from Europe, today recommended that the U.S. give full support to partition of Palestine as the only solution for the displaced Jews. He also called for U.S. action to place the question of displaced persons on the agenda of the U.N. General Assembly.

He said he was seeking an interview with the State Department to ask that Secretary of State Marshall, as U.S. delegate, put the matter on the agenda and then pledge the United States to admit that number which the U.N. decided was the "fair share" of the U.S. probably, he thought, about 100,000 to 120,000, to be admitted "the sooner the better." He expressed considerable optimism that the Congress would pass legislation to back up any such pledge made by Secretary Marshall to the U.N.

FORUMS DISCUSS PROPOSAL TO GIVE PERMANENT FORM TO AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- The first of a series of forums to be held throughout the country for the purpose of acquainting the Jewish communities with the proposed plan to convert the American Jewish Conference into a permanent organization was held yesterday in Chicago and Detroit, it was announced here today by the headquarters of the Conference.

The advantages accruing from reorganization of the Conference were outlined at Chicago by Louis Lipsky, chairman of the Conference's executive committee, and at Detroit by Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath, who headed the committee which drew up the new plan. Both meetings featured spirited discussions by proponents and opponents of the proposal, but no formal action was taken. Approximately 1,000 persons attended the Chicago meeting and several hundred were at the Detroit gathering. Similar discussions will be held in Cleveland next Sunday and in Minneapolis the following Tuesday.

FRENCH OFFICIAL PRESENTS LEGION OF HONOR TO J.D.C. OFFICIAL AT SPECIAL CEREMONY

PARIS, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- A rosette of the French Legion of Honor was today presented to Dr. Joseph Schwartz, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, by Sen. Justin Godart, Acting Mayor of Lyons, on behalf of the French Government. The ceremony, held at the Center of Contemporary Jewish Documentation, was attended by many Jewish leaders.

BARON DE ROTHSCHILD, BANKER, PHYSICIAN, PLAYWRIGHT, DIES IN SWITZERLAND

LAUSANNE, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Baron Henri de Rothschild, banker, physician, and playwright, died at Jouxens, near here, yesterday, at the age of 75.

Baron de Rothschild established a surgical clinic and the Institute Pierre Curie in Paris and endowed the latter institution with radium from his own radium manufacturing plant. He was the author of a number of plays published under a nom de plume and built the Theater Pigalle, the most luxurious in France. He was a member of the Academy of Medicine in France, and commander of the Legion of Honor.

DR. ISER GINSBERG, JEWISH WRITER AND PHYSICIAN, DIES IN NEW YORK AT 75

NEW YORK, Oct. 13. (JTA) -- Dr. Iser Ginsberg, Jewish physician and writer, died here last night at the age of 75 after a long illness.

Dr. Ginsberg, who was a native of Russia, came to this country at the age of 21 and received his medical training at Cornell University. He was a member of the staff of the Jewish Daily Forward, a contributor to the magazine Zukunft, and the author of several books on religion, philosophy and Jewish history.

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