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U.N. IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION HOLDS FIRST SESSION; WILL DISCUSS SECURITY

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The problem of Palestine security will be posed tomorrow by U.N. Secretary General Trygve Lie to the opening session of the five-nation Implementation Commission which will meet here to map out a program for carrying out the partition decision of the General Assembly.

At a press conference today, Mr. Lie denied press reports that he has been inquiring among the governments of small nations if they would be willing to send troops to Palestine if Arab-Jewish violence increases. However, he indicated that he considers the Palestine security problem urgent, and said he will touch upon it in his opening address to the Implementation Commission.

(The N.Y. Times today reported from Lake Success that Lie had sounded out a number of smaller countries over the last ten days on the question of their willingness to send troops to Palestine. The report said that "it was understood that Belgium, the Netherlands, Sweden, Norway and Denmark figured on the list of European countries that he believed might send troops if the necessity arose." Mexico and Brazil head the list of Latin American countries, the story stated, adding that "none of the delegations consulted has yet given Mr. Lie a definite answer.")

Should the Implementation Commission find it necessary to ask that an international security force be sent to Palestine, it will have to call on the Security Council, Mr. Lie explained. The Security Council is the only U.N. body authorized to deal with such matters, he pointed out.

Safety of the Commission Discussed by U.N. Secretary General

It is understood that Mr. Lie, in his address to the Implementation Commission, will warn the members of the difficulties they will face in their task of setting up separate Jewish and Arab states by Oct. 1. At the same time, he will emphasize the necessity for action to overcome violence and Arab opposition to the realization of the U.N. partition decision.

At his press conference today, Mr. Lie revealed that he has discussed the Palestine security problem with members of his staff, since the safety of the members and staff of the Commission when they arrive in Palestine is causing some anxiety. He announced that either he or one of his top ranking assistants would go to Palestine with the Commission in order to assure effective liaison with the United Nations on the highest level.

All five members of the Commission, representing Czechoslovakia, Bolivia, Denmark and the Philippines, were due to arrive in New York today in time to attend tomorrow morning's meeting. The chairman of the Commission will be either Karel Lisicky of Czechoslovakia or Per Federspiel of Denmark, it was predicted today.

The Commission, after being constituted, will meet with Sir Alexander Cadogan, head of the British delegation at the United Nations, to work out the details of its

work in Palestine, which will require the cooperation of the Palestine Government. It will also coordinate with Sir Alexander the date of its arrival in Palestine. The possibility of a visit to London en route to Palestine will also be discussed.

Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, who is here from Palestine, will maintain contact with the members of the Commission. The Arabs have declared their intention of boycotting the body.

U.N. Implementation Group Will Be Given All Aid From Security Council

In his address to the Commission, the U.S. Secretary General is expected to stress upon the members of the five-nation group the necessity of starting their work immediately, with fixed determination to carry out the partition plan under any and all circumstances. The Commission, it is understood, will be told that its mandate authorizes it to take whatever measures may be necessary to implement the partition decision.

It was reliably indicated here today that the Secretary General will also tell the Commission that the Security Council will not fail to exercise, to the fullest extent and without exception, every necessary power entrusted to it by the U.N. Charter, if this became necessary to assist the Commission in implementing the assembly decision.

Mr. Lie will also emphasize the appeal made by the Assembly to all governments and to all peoples to refrain from taking any action which might hamper or delay the carrying out of the partition decision. The Commission will be told that this appeal represented the will of the vast majority of the members of the United Nations and will not go unheeded.

HAGANAH FAILS TO BREAK "OLD CITY" BLOCKADE; IRGUNISTS RESCUE CAPTURED MEMBER

JERUSALEM, Jan. 8. (JTA)--The Irgun Zvai Leumi, in a daring action, today, rescued one of its wounded members who had been captured after yesterday's bomb attack on Arabs blockading the Jaffa Gate.

The injured youth, Uri Cohen, was lying in a first aid station guarded by a heavy detachment of police when seven Jews arrived in the area in a limousine and nonchalantly walked in the back entrance of the building. They took Cohen out of his bed and placed him on a stretcher then walked out the front door past several policemen and entered the car which was waiting for them. The police are still searching for them.

The rescue of Cohen brought to two the number of Jaffa Gate raiders who escaped the British police after the blast yesterday. Three of the Irgunists died in a subsequent gun battle with surrounding British troops and police. An official estimate placed the casualties in yesterday's bombing at 17 Arabs dead and 36 wounded.

In addition, the government communique said that 15 persons died in various shootings between Haifa in the north and Gaza in the south and between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

In Jerusalem the Haganah made an abortive attempt to crash through the Arab road blockade sealing off some 4,000 Jews in the Old City. The attempt to run in a large convoy of supplies to the area, which has been completely surrounded since

last Friday, was spotted by Arab snipers who opened fire. Jews from positions in a nearby Jewish quarter laid down a withering cover fire, including mortar shells, but it was not effective.

British troops soon entered the picture, raking all entrenched positions, with particular emphasis on the Haganah. Jewish and Arab casualties are believed to have been heavy in the shooting which broke out at spasmodic intervals all afternoon, and at least one Briton is known to have died from bullet wounds.

In isolated incidents two Jews were killed in this city today. Michael Adler, a truck driver, was shot and killed near the railroad station while driving his vehicle, while Yehuda Nathan, another truck driver, was killed by a bullet when he stepped down from his cab in Security Zone A.

Haganah Repulses Arab Attack; Police Arrest Haganah Members

For the third day in a row the Haganah repulsed heavy Arab raids on the Jewish suburb of Mekor Hayim. One Jewish settlement policeman was injured. After the shooting died down British troops arrived on the scene, arrested twelve Haganah members and confiscated their arms.

Michael Klitchon, a non-Jewish Ukrainian who had fled Poland, was shot and killed by three Jews while sitting in a Jerusalem cafe this morning. Later it was learned that the Stern Group had "executed" him because he was acting as an informer for the Criminal Investigation Division and because it had pictorial evidence proving his collaboration with the Nazis in Europe.

At least one Jew was killed and seven wounded when Arabs attempting to cut the Haifa-Tel Aviv coastal highway opened fire on a Jewish convoy consisting of buses and passenger automobiles. The attack took place near Tireh, on the outskirts of Haifa. The dead man was Ezra Weiss, 20.

In the port city itself, British troops in armored cars and Arab and Jewish police stood guard while about 1,000 Arab and Jewish workers returned to their jobs at the Consolidated Refineries, scene of the lynching of 41 Jews last December 30, after an Irgunist threw a bomb into a crowd of Arab laborers, killing six.

New Outbreaks In Tel Aviv-Jaffa Area; Two Jews, Several Arabs Killed

The Tel Aviv-Jaffa area and the surrounding countryside was the scene of new outbreaks today and tonight. Shmuel Zabara, 23, was killed and a woman and a child, both unidentified, were wounded when Arab snipers from Jaffa opened up on Tel Aviv after dusk. Earlier in the day, troops blew up an Arab house in the Manshieh quarter of Jaffa, which had been used as a snipers' firing post. Soldiers escorting a labor gang of the Palestine Electrical Corporation engaged in an exchange of shots with Arabs in the Salameh quarter of Jaffa when they were fired upon.

Holon, a short distance from Tel Aviv, which has been the target of many attacks in the past month came under Arab fire again today after a two-day lull. Haganah reinforcements engaged the Arabs, losing one man, Ahron Weiss, 23, while several Arabs were killed. Another attack was beaten off at Bat Yam, south of Jaffa.

The Haganah blew up an Arab home in Beit Dajan, near Ramleh, in reprisal for the Arabs having blasted a Jewish house and killed a Jewish watchman in the vicinity. The body of an unidentified Jew was found near Kfar Saba, north east of Tel Aviv, this morning.

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ROMANIAN JEWS SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT FOR LEAVING COUNTRY; DEPORTED FROM HUNGARY

LONDON, Jan. 8. (JTA)--The majority of the 500 Rumanian Jews who were returned recently from Hungary to Rumania after crossing the border illegally were sentenced by a Rumanian court in Timisoara to various terms of imprisonment, it was reported today by an eye-witness who arrived here.

The reason given by the Hungarian authorities for the expulsions, the witness said, was a request by the Rumanian Foreign Ministry. When the JDC and other groups appealed to Minister of Interior Laszlo Rajk to intervene, he said that there was nothing he could do. The border is now "hermetically sealed," the informant reported.

The arrests, he said, followed a raid by Hungarian police on a refugee hostel in Budapest. After being transferred to the Central Prison, the refugees were placed in open railway cars, he alleged, without food or blankets and were manhandled by their guards.

CANADIAN IMMIGRATION MISSION DISCRIMINATING AGAINST JEWS IN SELECTING D.P.'S IN GERMANY

MUNICH, Jan. 8. (JTA)--Documentary proof to support the charge of anti-Jewish discrimination in the Canadian immigration missions, which has been voiced informally for several months, is contained in two letters released today by the International Refugee Organization.

The letters, which were distributed by IRO headquarters in Heidelberg, instruct immigration officers not to accept Jewish refugees for various projects. One letter, marked No. 7, and dated Dec. 1, 1947, covers railway maintenance men. It says that because Jewish people in Canada do not normally engage in this type of work, it is recommended by this (Canadian) mission that Jewish persons not be presented (by IRO aides.) However, the mission will interview a very (which is underlined) limited number of applicants if sufficient evidence can be shown that the individual applicant intends and is likely to remain in this type of employment in Canada."

The railway project called for 720 men for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company and for the R.F. Welch Construction Company. The wages offered were between 50 and 60 cents an hour, with \$1.20 to be deducted daily for board and lodging.

Letter No. 8 also dated Dec. 1, 1947, concerns a hard rock miners project. It advises that in general the employing companies are unable to place Jewish applicants in this type of work. The project involves 1,100 men. The letter stated that previous experience was not necessary. Payment was between 58 and 75 cents per hour with \$1.75 deducted daily for living costs.

Both letters were signed by Robert J. Corkery, chief of the Department of Refugee Re-establishment of the IRO, but Corkery was merely passing on Canadian instructions, which is required by the IRO agreement with affiliated nations. The two documents have brought into the open previous charges of anti-Semitism made against the Canadians. It is known that restrictions on Jewish applicants also apply to lumbering and domestic projects.

Another project which openly discriminates against Jews is the recruitment of domestic servants for Britain. It has been specified that "no Jewish people are accepted regardless of the circumstances and the applicant's experience."

FRENCH PARLIAMENT APPROVES AFFILIATION TO INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ORGANIZATIONS

PARIS, Jan. 8. (JTA)--The Council of the Republic, France's upper house, has unanimously approved participation in the International Refugee Organization, it was announced today.

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PRESIDENT TRUMAN RECEIVES DR. LEO BAECK, HEAD OF UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. (JTA)--President Truman today received Dr. Leo Baeck, president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, in the company of Dr. Maurice Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Dr. Baeck, former Chief Rabbi of Berlin, congratulated the President on the magnificence and social vision of the social program outlined in Mr. Truman's State of the Union message yesterday. Rabbi Baeck is in this country as a guest of the U.A.H.C. and will tour the U.S. on an extended speaking tour as part of the organization's second annual American Jewish Cavalcade.

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES TO GET REPORT ON BIAS RECOMMENDING VOLUNTARY CORRECTION

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA)--The Association of American Colleges, which meets in Cincinnati next week, will hear a report on discriminatory admissions practices in institutions of higher learning which condemns such activities but opposes "coercive legislation" to solve the problem, it was reported here today.

The report, drafted by five university and college heads under the chairmanship of Chancellor William P. Tolley of Syracuse University, takes cognizance of the fact that many colleges discriminate against religious and racial minority groups, but asserts: "It is our conviction, however, that the problem of discrimination should be solved by education and voluntary action and not by coercive legislation. However well intentioned such legislation may be, it would place in the hands of the state a threat to the freedom of colleges now independent of political control."

As their recommendation for a voluntary solution of the problem, the members of the committee offer the opinion that "the most practical approach" is the "appointment under the auspices of the Association of American Colleges of a national commission" to investigate all complaints and "establish the facts as accurately as possible."

SECRETARY OF LABOR BACKS ANTI-BIAS MEASURES AND ADMISSION OF DP'S

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8. (JTA)--Labor Department support for bills that would establish a Fair Employment Practices Commission and that would admit a number of displaced persons to the United States is reaffirmed in the annual report for 1947 of Secretary of Labor Lewis Schwellenbach, issued today.

The freedom to earn a livelihood for oneself and one's family without discrimination "on the irrelevant basis of race, religion, color, national origin, or ancestry is no less important than the more generally recognized and accepted freedoms," the report points out. Such discrimination is "a constant threat to wage levels adequate to sustain an American standard of living and levels of purchasing power and production adequate to maintain prosperity."

The Labor Department also backs the passage of legislation to admit 400,000 European displaced persons, predicting that it would have "beneficial rather than harmful consequences for our country. During the present period of almost full employment labor shortages have developed in some fields and surveys have shown that many displaced persons who would be brought in under this legislation possess skills that are needed to meet these shortages," the report added.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY TO OPEN SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ADMINISTRATION

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- A School of Education and Community Administration will be opened at the Yeshiva University in September, 1948, Dr. Samuel Belkin, president, announced today.

The school, which will be located in buildings now being constructed adjoining the University's main building, is the first to be opened under the University's recently undertaken physical expansion program. The courses at the new school will be offered to full-time graduate students as well as part-time students already serving in the respective areas.

The expansion program will provide for an adult education section, to expand undergraduate facilities in arts and sciences, extend mathematical studies and provide additional training for teachers and supervisors in Hebrew schools.

NATIONAL JEWISH WELFARE BOARD TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING IN CHICAGO IN MAY

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- The 1948 annual meeting of the National Jewish Welfare Board will be held at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, from May 8 to 10, it was announced here today following a meeting of the JWB convention committee.

A national conference of Jewish youth will be held this year, according to a decision reached by the JWB-sponsored National Jewish Youth Planning Commission, but definite time and place has not yet been set. Representation to the Conference will be from local and regional youth and young adult councils and other Jewish youth groups.

CZECHOSLOVAK GOVERNMENT, JAN MASARYK INSCRIBED IN J.N.F. GOLDEN BOOK

LONDON, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Certificates testifying to the fact that the Czechoslovak Government and Czech Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk have been inscribed in the Jewish National Fund Golden Book in recognition of their services in connection with the establishment of a Jewish state, were today presented to Dr. B. Kratochvil, Czech Ambassador in London, at a special ceremony.

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN ELECTED TO 20TH TERM AS HEAD OF JEWISH CONCILIATION BOARD

NEW YORK, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Dr. Israel Goldstein was last night re-elected to the 20th term as president of the Jewish Conciliation Board of America, which attempts to settle out of court legal and moral problems and disputes involving Jews through adjudication by three-man panels composed of a rabbi, an attorney and a layman.

RICHARD TAUBER, NOTED OPERA SINGER, DIES IN LONDON; WAS BANISHED BY NAZIS

LONDON, Jan. 8. (JTA) -- Richard Tauber, noted opera singer, composer and conductor, died here today at the age of 56.

Born in Linz in 1892, Tauber made his debut in 1913 at the state Theatre in Chemnitz, after which he achieved rapid and continuing success in various opera houses throughout Europe. He was banished from Nazi Germany in 1933 and went to Austria which he left after the Anschluss. He became a British citizen in 1940. His last appearance in the U.S. was at a recital in Carnegie Hall last March.