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PALESTINE REFUSES TO COOPERATE WITH U.N. ON PALESTINE IMMIGRATION; WILL NOT OPEN PORT

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The British Government today notified the United Nations that it would not comply with the U.N. recommendations that the British withdraw from a port in the Jewish area of Palestine by February 1, in order to facilitate Jewish immigration.

Britain does not intend to admit into Palestine more than the present quota of 1,500 Jewish immigrants a month until the termination of the Mandate, Sir Alexander Cadogan, British representative at the U.N., told the Implementation Commission at a closed session this afternoon. He added that the British navy will continue to intercept all ships carrying "illegal" Jewish immigrants to Palestine until the Mandate is surrendered.

The text of the questions asked by the Implementation Commission and the replies given by Cadogan, on behalf of the British Government, were made public at the conclusion of today's Commission session. They read:

"1. What plan has the Mandatory power for the expediting of immigration beyond its present quota of 1,500 Jewish immigrants per month?

"Answer: It is my government's intention to maintain its present policy regarding Jewish immigration into Palestine under which 1,500 Jews are admitted monthly until the termination of the Mandatory administration.

"2. What plan has the Mandatory power with respect to the recommendations made by the General Assembly calling for a port of entry by February 1.

"Answer: His Majesty's Government has repeatedly made it clear that so long as the Mandatory power is maintained they must retain undivided control over the whole of Palestine. For this reason, it is not possible for my government to comply with the recommendations for the evacuation of a Jewish port or the hinterland so long as the Mandate continues.

"3. Would ships carrying unauthorized Jewish immigrants be prevented from going to Tel Aviv and landing there in the period between February 1 and the termination of the Mandate?

"Answer: Yes, in accordance with the many decisions of my government that the existing immigration policy be maintained until the termination of the Mandate."

"4. Does the Mandatory power intend to transfer all of the Jewish immigrants presently detained on Cyprus to Palestine? If so, when and under what conditions?

"Answer: His Majesty's Government already announced that it cannot permit Jewish illegal immigrants to remain in British territory after withdrawal of their forces from Palestine. The arrangement for the removal of illegal immigrants held in Cyprus are among the responsibilities which have hitherto fallen on the government of Palestine and form one of the points on which my delegation is instructed to negotiate with the Commission."

JEWS REPULSE SECOND ATTACK OF INVADING ARABS FROM LEBANON IN SIX-HOUR BATTLE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- A large force of hundreds of Arab guerrilla fighters today renewed their attack on the Jewish settlement of Yechiam, in northern Palestine, where yesterday they killed nine Jews and lost at least seven of their own men. They were again repulsed.

Today the battle raged for six hours before British police arrived on the scene--too late to be of assistance. The Arab force, variously estimated at from 200 to 500 men, took up positions in trenches and sniping posts erected yesterday during the first attempt to overwhelm the settlement.

A detachment of Jews, whose size and affiliation is still unknown, attacked the Arab villages of Turran and Lubia, in the Nazareth district. Reports from the latter village state that two car loads of Jews attacked it with heavy gunfire and bombs, killing at least one Arab and wounding several others. There were no casualty figures given for Turran.

The day's battles in Jerusalem opened with two loud explosions that rocked several blocks in the Katamon quarter as the Haganah destroyed two houses used by the Arabs as sniping posts. Two other bombs exploded during the day, both in the vicinity of St. Stephens Gate to the Old City. The first went off accidentally while Arabs were attempting to place it, and the second was thrown by Arabs at a Jewish-sha'af-fured motor convoy. Neither was responsible for much damage.

Sniping continued throughout the day, with most of it concentrated in the notorious Sheikh Jarach quarter which dominates the main road up to Mt. Scopus. One Jew was killed there and several were wounded. Stray bullets wounded several more Jews in various parts of the city. In the Nachlat Shimon quarter, a Jewish area facing Sheikh Jarach, police invaded a defense post and arrested 20 Haganah men.

In the Tel Aviv-Jaffa area, where sniping increased to an alarming extent today and a number of persons were wounded, the Haganah blew up ten Arab houses from which snipers were active. Most of the blasting occurred in the Manshieh quarter of Jaffa, which juts into the Tel Aviv perimeter. Last night the Sternists blew up three Arab structures in the same area.

New Mixed Jewish-Arab Police Force to be Established in Jerusalem

The creation of a new mixed police force of Jews and Arabs for the municipality of Jerusalem to augment the force already in use, was announced tonight. The cost of the new force, which will consist of 300 Jews and 300 Arabs, will be shared equally by the Palestine Government and the Jerusalem municipality.

A government spokesman revealed that an amendment to the Emergency Defense Regulations, which will be published tomorrow, gives the military commander of any area the right to prescribe the place and time of burials. The same spokesman, asked by newspapermen why the British did not intervene in the Kfar Etzion battle last week which lasted more than a full day, replied that "apparently" the British did not have "sufficient strength to take part in the battle."

ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE PARLEY POSTPONED TO MARCH; WILL BE HELD IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency today announced that the forthcoming Zionist Actions Committee meeting will be postponed until March 2 and will be held in Jerusalem.

A plenary meeting of the Agency will be convened two days earlier. The reasons for the postponement were given as the U.N. Implementation Commission's deliberations in Lake Success and the inability of some Americans to attend the Actions Committee meeting at this time.

FAMILIES OF U.S. OFFICIALS TO LEAVE PALESTINE; CONSULATES TO BE PERMITTED OWN GUARDS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The State Department today confirmed reports from Jerusalem that the families of American consular officials there will leave Palestine soon because of the current unrest.

Consul General Robert B. Macatee and Vice-Consuls William Porter and Philip Cottell will remain in Jerusalem, the State Department said. The departure of the families, according to the Department, was voluntary, and not ordered by the Department.

(In Jerusalem, a spokesman for the Palestine Government today told press representatives that all consuls in Palestine will be permitted to station small units of armed soldiers on guard at their consulates, but for no other purposes.)

MARSHALL MUM ON PRESENTING CHARGES OF VIOLATING PALESTINE PEACE AGAINST SYRIA AT U.N.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Secretary of State George C. Marshall today declined to state whether the United States might bring charges before the Security Council against Syria for threatening peace and security in Palestine.

Asked at his weekly press conference whether the presence of Syrian troops in Palestine represents a menace to peace and security which the United States might bring up at the Security Council, the Secretary replied that he would not comment on that at this time.

U.S. ACTION ON PALESTINE SITUATION URGED; ARMS FOR JEWISH DEFENDERS DEMANDED

NEW YORK, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- "America's moral credentials in the Palestine question will depend not merely on what it said, but on what it does," Dr. Israel Goldstein, acting chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council, said at a press conference today. "We look to President Truman to prevent this issue from becoming a quagmire of intrigue and inertia," he added.

Dr. Goldstein demanded arms for the Jewish defenders of Palestine, emphasizing that "here the United States has a direct responsibility." He also asked that the American Government denounce the Arab states for flouting the United Nations partition decision, and that it institute economic sanctions against these states. Other demands included the putting of an international armed force at the disposal of the U.S. Implementation Commission and the opening of the Tel Aviv port for Jewish immigration on February 1.

At a press conference arranged by the American Friends of the Hebrew University, it was reported that the University in Jerusalem is functioning despite the present conflict and that classes are continuing. When difficulty develops in reaching the University, classes are held in the homes of various professors and instructors and in other schools. American veterans studying at the University have not been conscripted for service in the Haganah, it was emphasized.

PREMIER OF INDIA DENIES REPORTS THAT HIS COUNTRY SUPPLIES ARMS TO ARAB LEAGUE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Jawahrlal Nehru, Premier of India, today denied press reports that the Government of India had supplied a large quantity of arms and ammunition to the Arab League for use in Palestine. In a cable to Rep. Emanuel Celler, Premier Nehru said that these reports are "wholly devoid of foundation." He expressed surprise that anybody should give credence to them.

THE PRESSING GOVERNMENT FOR PROPERTY RESTITUTION LAW IN BRITISH ZONE OF GERMANY

LONDON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Representatives of leading Jewish organizations in Britain will meet early next week to discuss plans for pressing for restitution of confiscated and stolen Jewish property in the British zone of Germany, it was disclosed today.

The parley is being called on the heels of yesterday's meeting of Jewish leaders with officials of the Foreign Office's German Control Section. The outcome of the conversations was that the Jews received a definite promise that they would be informed of any further developments following the return of a Control Section representative who is now in Germany.

The Jews hope to work out a compensation law for the British zone which will meet with the government's approval. The proposed law would provide for restitution or compensation to both refugees who fled Germany and to Jews who remain there. However, the Jews are particularly concerned over the government's policy of not taking positive action without the prior approval of local German officials in matters of this kind.

BAVARIAN GOVT. GETS 700 APPLICATIONS FOR RESTITUTION OF JEWISH PROPERTY; MORE EXPECTED

MUNICH, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- More than 700 applications for the restitution of Jewish property stolen by the Nazis in Bavaria have been received thus far by the local German government. The applications come from all parts of the world and are forwarded here from Bad Nauheim, where the central registry office for restitution applications is located, and from which many more cases are expected.

Five restitution courts have been established to hear contested cases, under the recently promulgated restitution law for the American zone. Appeals may be carried to a three-man body of Bavarian government officials. The three are: Dr. Philip Auerbach, Commissioner for Persecutees; Joseph Mueller, Minister of Justice; and Hans Kraus, Minister of Finance.

INTERNATIONAL REFUGEE ORGANIZATION PLANS FOR ADMISSION OF 100,000 DP'S TO UNITED STATES

GENEVA, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Funds needed for expenses in connection with the expected resettlement of 75,000 displaced Jews in Palestine, 100,000 DP's of all faiths in the United States and 200,000 in other countries during the current year have been included in the proposed \$155,000,000 budget which the Preparatory Commission of the International Refugee Organization is now discussing at its fifth meeting. The budget is for the fiscal year from July, 1948, through June, 1949.

A representative of the American Jewish Committee hailed the proposal to assign one-third of its budget for resettlement purposes. He also urged the parley to establish a firm policy of prohibiting discrimination in admitting DP's as immigrants to various countries. William H. Tuck, executive secretary of the Preparatory Commission, yesterday asked that the scope of the organization be enlarged to include care for refugees who have arrived in DP camps recently.

The World ORT Union has concluded a new agreement with the Preparatory Commission for the International Refugee Organization for the continuation of ORT vocational and agricultural training for displaced Jews in installations under IRO administration, it was announced here today.

The agreement covers, in addition to maintenance of training facilities, the transfer of certain ORT schools to Palestine and the removal by graduates of ORT schools of tools and machinery which will facilitate their rehabilitation in countries of settlement.

U.S. ARMY PLANS TO CLOSE SEVERAL TRAINING CENTERS FOR DP'S SUPERVISED BY JEWISH AGENCY

MUNICH, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Jewish officials here today expressed concern over the U.S. Army's plan to consolidate and close up several training centers under the supervision of the Jewish Agency where young displaced Jews are receiving agricultural training in preparation for emigration to Palestine.

It is known that the Army is making a study of eleven existing training centers with the idea of closing a number of them and returning the buildings and grounds to the Germans. The Jewish officials, who had been planning to ask the Army to increase the facilities at their disposal, point out that the training centers are key points in the program to train prospective immigrants so that they can enter the Palestine economy without a period of disruption.

U.S. MILITARY ORDERS INSPECTION OF JEWISH DP CAMPS IN VIENNA; RUSSIA CLOSES BORDER

VIENNA, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- American military authorities here today ordered weekly inspections in the six camps for displaced Jews in Vienna chiefly for purposes of hygienic control. The inspection will be carried out by American officials.

All Jewish refugees entering Austria from neighboring countries now receive health certificates. However, the number of such refugees is small and does not average more than ten per day.

The decline in the Jewish migratory wave is due to an order by the Russian authorities in Austria to Austrian border police to maintain the strict controls on the Austro-Hungarian frontier in order to prevent illegal infiltration of Jewish refugees from Rumania to Austria by way of Hungary. As a result of this order, the authorities in Hungary are reported here to be arresting Jewish refugees there and returning them to Rumania.

CZECH GOVERNMENT TO PERMIT 620 JEWS FROM RUMANIA TO ENTER AS PERMANENT RESIDENTS

LONDON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The Czechoslovak Government has given permission for 550 Jewish children and 70 religious leaders from Rumania to enter the country as permanent residents, it was revealed here today by Czech Chief Rabbi V. Vorhand. Rabbi Vorhand came to Britain to confer with the Chief Rabbi Religious Emergency Council.

JEWISH REFUGEES IN ITALY OPEN CAMPAIGN FOR FUNDS FOR DEFENSE OF PALESTINE JEWS

ROME, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Jewish refugees in Italian DP camps have opened a campaign to raise funds for the defense of the Jewish community of Palestine, it was announced here today. The goal of the campaign is 20,000,000 lire. Several camps began collections before the central refugee bodies called for the drive.

Dr. Rafaele Cantoni, chairman of the Federation of Jewish Communities of Italy, has called on Italian Jews to contribute their jewelry and gold to the defense of the Jewish state, as they were forced to do during Mussolini's war against Ethiopia.

BRITISH JEWS PREPARE TO AID VICTIMS OF ADEN ARAB RIOTS; M.P. ARRIVES ON SCENE

LONDON, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Barnett Janner, Labor M.P., representing the Board of Deputies of British Jews, has arrived at the British protectorate of Aden, on the Arabian peninsula, to investigate the circumstances of the local Jewish population, it was revealed here today. Last month rioting Arabs killed at least 75 Jews and wounded twice as many before British forces halted the lynching and looting of Jewish homes and shops.

BRITISH ORGANIZATIONS ASK U.N. TO DENY FREEDOM OF PRESS TO ANTI-SEMITIC PUBLICATIONS

LAKE SUCCESS, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The U.N. Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and of the Press today heard a proposal to deny press freedom to publications which spread or incite racial and religious prejudice. The proposal was made by Dr. Maurice Halperin, secretary of the Coordinating Board of Jewish Organizations, which is composed of the American Jewish Conference, the Board of Deputies of British Jews and the South African Jewish Board of Deputies.

The Coordinating Board had previously proposed that this restriction be included as an amendment in the draft Declaration on Human Rights. The Human Rights Commission referred the suggested amendment to the U.N. Sub-Commission on Press Freedom, now meeting at Lake Success.

In his statement before the Sub-Commission, Dr. Halperin pointed out that Article 17 of the proposed Declaration on Human Rights restricts the right to make public secret information involving national security, incitement to the violent overthrow of governments and dissemination of obscene material. "It is our belief that the necessity and desirability of discouraging and preventing the dissemination of racial or religious hatred are at least as great as the prevention of the dissemination of obscenity," Dr. Halperin said.

"History has proved - in the case of anti-Semitism, or the persecution of Protestants by Catholics, Catholics by Protestants, Moslems by Hindus and Hindus by Moslems, people of one color by people of another color - that the existence of racial and religious prejudice has always represented a constant threat not only to human rights but to human lives," Dr. Halperin continued. "Freedom of expression which does not exclude the perversion of this freedom for purposes unmistakably contrary to the Charter of the United Nations cannot serve the goal for which the United Nations has been created."

CANADIAN IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY PARLEY HEARS CALL FOR ADMISSION OF 100,000 DP'S

TORONTO, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- A call for the admission of 100,000 European DP's to Canada was voiced by David Croll, Liberal M.P. from Toronto, at the first post-war convention of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society.

Croll criticized the present immigration law and suggested that it be liberalized to permit the entrance of cousins of Canadian residents and extension of the age limit in certain immigrant categories which are presently restricted to persons under 21 years of age. M.J. Coldwell, national head of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, called for an immigration set-up which would involve representatives of the federal and provincial governments, industry, agriculture and labor. The convention approved a budget of \$150,000 for next year's activities of the J.I.A.S.

PATTERSON CONGREGATION OFFERS USE OF ITS TEMPLE TO BURNED OUT CHURCH

PATTERSON, New Jersey, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- Congregation B'nai Jeshurun of this city has offered the facilities of its temple building to the First Christian Reform Church of Patterson, whose building was destroyed by fire last week.

YIDDISH SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE PARLEY ADOPTS \$400,000 BUDGET FOR 1948

NEW YORK, Jan. 21. (JTA) -- The annual conference of the Yiddish Scientific Institute concluded here last night after adopting a \$400,000 budget for 1948.