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AND ARABS DESIGNATE REPRESENTATIVES TO NEGOTIATE PALESTINE PEACE AT U.N.

LAKE SUCCESS, April 6. (JTA) -- Both Jews and Arabs today named their representatives to attend Palestine truce talks called by the U.N. Security Council at suggestion of the United States. The Jewish Agency named Moshe Shertok, while Arab Higher Committee has designated its vice-president, Jamal Husseini.

Informal talks will be resumed tomorrow by the U.S. delegation and members of the Council on the Palestine trusteeship plan proposed by the United States. U.S. delegate Warren Austin told newsmen that he hopes to secure an initial reaction from members of the Council to the 15-point American plan at tomorrow's meeting.

Delegates were generally cautious today in expressing their views on the U.S. which is, thus far, opposed by both the Jews and the Arabs. Syrian delegate el Khoury today indicated that the Arabs would not accept any trusteeship plan which would allow trustee powers to bring their troops into Palestine.

ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE OPENS DELIBERATIONS; BEN GURION DELIVERS HOPEFUL REPORT

TEL AVIV, April 6. (JTA) -- The Zionist Actions Committee, the supreme body between world congresses, today opened its emergency session here on a note of optimism by David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency executive, who reported the steps taken to proclaim a Jewish government on May 16. He also reported an increase in the Haganah's strength in terms of manpower and arms.

A discussion of the U.S. trusteeship plan for Palestine is one of the major items on the agenda of the Actions Committee. It is understood that the Jewish Agency today cabled instructions to its delegation at Lake Success to oppose British mediation on the grounds that Britain is a party in the Palestine dispute. The delegation was told to emphasize that no truce is possible as long as Arab gangs from neighboring countries remain in Palestine.

The U.N. Security Council's call for a truce in Palestine is the first item on the agenda. One of the basic conditions of the Jewish Agency is that the truce should not involve any long term concessions on the part of the Jews, nor political surrender.

Other items to be considered by the parley include ratification of an agreement between the Haganah and the Irgun, establishment of a Jewish Provisional Government immediately after expiration of the Palestine Mandate on May 15, election of new members to the Jewish Agency executive and approval of plans to meet various aspects of the Palestine situation.

In his report today, Ben Gurion spoke lengthily on the military and political situation in the country and indicated that the Jewish Agency was determined not to permit any trusteeship plan to prevent the creation of a Jewish state as provided in the partition decision of the United Nations.

SIEGE OF JERUSALEM BROKEN; JEWISH FOOD CONVOY OF FIFTY TRUCKS ENTERS CITY

JERUSALEM, April 6. (JTA) -- The Arab siege of Jerusalem was lifted today as the first Jewish food convoy to arrive in the city for almost two weeks rolled through the Jewish area under Haganah protection. There were 50 vehicles in the convoy when it arrived.

The convoy, which originated in Tel Aviv, was on the road six days before it managed to break through Arab traps, roadblocks and minefields. Most of the time it was in or around Hulda, about midway between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, and the final push was made after the Haganah poured an estimated 5,000 troops into the battle to gain control of the road. At least ten of the caravan's trucks were lost during the

Jewish forces occupying the Arab village of Castel, five miles west of Jerusalem, fought off a new counterattack today, the fifth day of the occupation of the village. Attacking forces also hit at the Jewish suburb of Motza and inflicted some casualties before being driven off. They also blasted several huge craters in the main road which Castel dominates.

Three Jewish armored cars speeding to the assistance of the Jewish forces in the village were attacked last night, but with the aid of a small unit of Haganah men stationed near the road succeeded in beating off the guerrillas. Some estimates of the strength of the Arab forces in the area west of Jerusalem set them as high as 100 fighting men.

Meanwhile, the Jews have occupied several other Arab villages from which traffic along the main road to Jerusalem has been attacked. The Arabs report that the village of Deir Mouhaisin, near Hulda, has been seized and occupied and the Jews report that Yazcur and Yehudia, in the Tel Aviv area, have also been occupied after heavy engagements.

Irgunists Raid British Camp, Kill Commander and Seven Soldiers

An Irgun unit today attacked a British Army camp at Pardes Hanna, midway between Tel Aviv and Haifa, killing the commanding officer and seven soldiers. Wearing British police uniforms, the Irgunists entered the camp in an armored car and opened fire before the British were aware of their presence. One report said they came off with a considerable amount of arms and ammunition after destroying radio transmitting equipment.

The police station at Beit Dajan on the main Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road, was attacked today by unidentified persons using mortars. Eight mortar shells landed in the station's courtyard. No casualties for damage were reported.

Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog conferred with the High Commissioner yesterday on the situation in Jerusalem, particularly in the Old City. Results of their discussion were not revealed. Two Jews were killed by Arab snipers in Jerusalem.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE CONSIDERS INVESTIGATION OF ANTI-SEMITIC DRIVE IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, April 6. (JTA) -- Investigation of a spurious anti-Semitic campaign now being conducted in the Capital by followers of Gerald L.K. Smith may be undertaken here by the House Un-American Activities Committee which met today to study available evidence.

Vitriolic pamphlets with titles such as, "Is Communism Jewish?" and "The Jews and the Atom Bomb" have flooded trolleys, buses and other public places in this city within the last ten days. Prof. Albert Einstein is described as "Stalin's friend" and Dr. Norman David Lillenthal of the Atomic Energy Commission as "King of the Jews" in these leaflets. Bernard Baruch and other leading Jews are also assailed in the pamphlet's literature.

TRUCK REPORTS TO U.N. ON FOOD SHORTAGE IN JERUSALEM; BLAMES PALESTINE GOVERNMENT

LAME SUCCESS, April 6. (JHA) -- The Palestine Government was blamed today for the gravity of the food situation in the Jewish section of Jerusalem in a memorandum submitted to the U.N. Palestine Commission by Moshe Shertok, in behalf of the Jewish Agency. The memorandum asks the Commission to use its good offices to request the British authorities in Palestine to assume responsibility of conveying supplies to Jerusalem until the termination of the Mandate.

"We are constrained to call the attention of the United Nations Palestine Commission to the increasing gravity of the food situation in Jerusalem where 100,000 Jews are threatened with starvation as the result of the indifference of the Mandatory Government to the depredations of armed Arab gangs," the memorandum says. "Primary responsibility for the depletion of Jerusalem's food supply must rest with the Mandatory Power which, despite its pledges and protestations, has utterly failed to maintain law and order in the highways.

"Press reports from Palestine emanating from official British sources alleging that the Jewish Agency has refused to cooperate with the Mandatory Government in arranging for the adequate protection of such convoys. Such reports," the memorandum continues, "are apparently inspired to divert attention from the facts and thus to exonerate the Mandatory Government from its responsibility. We have sought information on this subject from Jerusalem and are now able to inform the Commission that these reports are untrue. The facts are as follows:

"1. The Mandatory Government has not offered to escort food convoys in Jerusalem, nor has it stipulated any conditions under which such escort might be provided. Since November 29 the Mandatory Government has never acknowledged a duty to protect vehicles bringing food to Jerusalem. The Jewish vehicles undertaking this journey were for several weeks halted, searched and sometimes disarmed by British security forces. This practice has now ceased and the present position is that the Mandatory Government no longer obstructs the journey of food convoys to Jerusalem, but it takes no active measures to facilitate their safe arrival.

"2. Whatever food now reaches Jerusalem for the Jewish population arrives through the efforts and usually through the self-sacrifice of Jewish defenders. Only today it is reported from Jerusalem that a fifty-truck Jewish convoy finally entered Jerusalem after battling its way through Arab forces which attempted to block its way.

"3. Mr. R.M. Graves, a British official, chairman of the Jerusalem Municipal Commission, appointed by the High Commissioner, informed the press on March 3, 1948, that the Commission had not taken any special steps to assure the food supply to Jerusalem. Mr. Graves expressed himself as satisfied by the statements of the Government Food Controller that the supply of foodstuffs was adequate for the next three months, i.e., till the end of May.

"4. We are informed that the President of the Vaad Leumi has called on Mr. Shertok to communicate to him the facts about the dangerous depletion of Jerusalem's food supplies. The president of the Vaad Leumi has suggested that the U.N. Advance Party use its good offices to request the Mandatory Power to assume the responsibility of conveying supplies to Jerusalem until the termination of the mandate. For the Mandatory Government to tolerate the free operation of Arab bands, whose stated purpose is the starvation of the population of Jerusalem, is incompatible with the necessary obligations of any government worthy of the name. The Jewish Agency fully supports the Vaad Leumi's suggestion and expresses the hope that the Commission will use its influence to secure the fulfillment of its request."

CZECHOSLOVAK PARLIAMENT GETS LEGISLATION LIMITING PROPERTY RESTITUTION PROCEDURE

PRAGUE, April 6. (JTA) -- The Czechoslovak parliament today received an amendment to the national restitution law which provides for several significant changes in the process of restoring confiscated and stolen industrial holdings.

Most important is a provision which would limit the return in kind of confiscated industrial property to applicants who apply within three months after passage of the measure. Applicants who file later and whose claim is validated will be compensated in government bonds rather than in kind or in cash. Agricultural property in lots classified as small farms would be exempted from restitution under the amendment.

2,500 DISPLACED JEWS FACE TRANSFER FROM THEIR CAMP IN ITALY ON EVE OF ELECTIONS

ROME, April 6. (JTA) -- Approximately 2,500 Jewish DP's will be transferred from the Jewish Adriatica DP camp, near Milan, to the International Refugee Organization's camp at Triani, several miles from Bari. Police officials in Milan explained that they plan to convert the Adriatica camp into a police "stronghold" in preparation for the coming national elections on April 18.

Nearly 1,000 of the Jewish refugees have already been moved and the remainder will be transferred by the end of this week. Many of the Adriatica refugees have been shifted in and out of five different refugee camps in Italy since their arrival in the country.

I.R.O. GETS LOOTED U.S. CURRENCY; NINETY PERCENT earmarked FOR JEWISH REHABILITATION

WASHINGTON, April 6. (JTA) -- Over \$96,000 in United States currency looted by the Nazis from the bodies of concentration camp victims has been redeemed by the Treasury Department and turned over to the International Refugee Organization to aid in rehabilitating survivors of the camps, the Preparatory Commission of the I.R.O. announced here today. Ninety percent of the money will be allocated for the care of Jewish victims, in accordance with arrangements worked out at the Paris conference on restitution.

Abba Schwartz, director of the Reparations Department of the I.R.O. and his deputy, David Holbein, who completed the transaction, reported that additional amounts of currencies still held by military authorities will be turned over to the I.R.O. in the near future. No estimate of the redemption value of those currencies is available as yet, they said.

WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS ASKS U.S. PARLEY TO BAN PUBLICATIONS INCULCATING RACE HATRED

LONDON, April 6. (JTA) -- The World Jewish Congress today submitted a memorandum to the U.S. conference on freedom of information now taking place in Geneva, urging that the parley prohibit the incitement to racial hatred by newspapers and publications; it was revealed by Congress headquarters here.

A conference sub-committee recently rejected such a ban by a vote of six to five. The Congress memorandum asked the parley to reconsider the sub-committee's position in the interests of protecting individuals and groups from being singled out by the press as targets for racial, national or religious propaganda.

ANTI-SEMITISM IN GERMANY, AUSTRIA INCREASING, J.D.C. PARLEY HEARS; DP MORALE LOW

PARIS, April 6. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism in Germany and Austria is on the increase despite the firm policy of the American Military Government, Joint Distribution Committee officials from those two countries reported to the all-Europe conference of J.D.C. directors now taking place here.

Samuel Hallob, director in the British zone of Germany, sharply criticized the British occupation authorities for their apathetic attitude toward anti-Jewish incidents in that area. He pointed out, however, that "in view of the situation in Palestine, British troops are behaving admirably" toward the Jews.

Louis Horowitz, director of the J.D.C. program in Italy, declared that although the Italian Government and the Italian people are sympathetic to the plight of the refugees in that country, they would nonetheless like to see them leave Italy because of the unemployment problem. All speakers at the conference agreed that the morale of Europe's Jewish DP's is at the lowest point since the end of the war.

Dr. William Haber, advisor on Jewish affairs to the U.S. Command in Europe, said that the United Nations decision to reconsider partition was a stunning blow to the Jewish DP's. He emphasized that the new developments in Palestine should not affect the emigration of the refugees to Palestine and other countries, adding that the United States must take the lead in the admission of displaced Jews.

Asserting that it is impossible for Jewish refugees in Germany to participate in the German economy, Dr. Haber insisted that they are safe for the moment only because of the presence of the U.S. Army. He disclosed that of 2,200 DP's now imprisoned in German jails, only 105 are Jews.

M.W. Beckelman, J.D.C. deputy European director, emphasized the need for speed in solving the DP problem by emigration and also noted the growth of anti-Semitism in Germany. The J.D.C. and the International Refugee Organization, he stated, are preparing for the departure of the Jews from Europe through vocational retraining programs, conducted by the ORT. He also expressed concern over the delay in passing legislation for the admission of DP's to the United States.

New U.S. Palestine Policy Causing Despair Among DP's, ORT Leader Reports

NEW YORK, April 6. (JTA) -- A report on the anti-Semitic atmosphere prevailing in Germany and affecting the life of the displaced Jews there was presented here last night by Jacob Oleiski, director of the ORT trade schools in the U.S. zone of Germany, at a meeting arranged by the American ORT Federation at the Parkinson-Plaza Hotel. The American reversal on Palestine has caused bitter disappointment among the displaced Jews in Europe and has filled them "with fear and despair," he said.

George Backer, president of the World ORT Union, told the gathering that "the present change of attitude of the United States towards Palestine, which decreases the chances of large-scale emigration into that country within the near future, confronts American Jewry with a new situation and increased responsibilities. The ORT expected to see the greater part of its program in the displaced person's camps completed in 1948. However, the present situation will necessitate ORT's prolonging its program in the DP camps and in the European countries, and at the same time expand its activities in the countries of the Middle East, where about 800,000 Jews--some of the most depressed and oppressed Jews in the world--are in great need of vocational training."

GOV. DEWEY SIGNS MEASURE OUTLAWING DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES IN NEW YORK COLLEGES

ALBANY, April 6. (JTA) -- Gov. Thomas E. Dewey yesterday signed a measure banning religious and racial discriminatory practices in admitting students to colleges and universities in New York and giving the State Education Department the power to eliminate such practices. The bill was based on a recommendation by a Commission on the Need for a State University, headed by Owen D. Young, which studied the problem of a state university and discrimination for two years.

In signing the bill, Gov. Dewey said that it was another step by the state "to reduce obnoxious and undemocratic barriers based on religious belief or the accident of birth." Discriminatory restraints, he declared, "are foreign to a country of growth, a country of progress, a country of moral leadership and a country born and preserved by the sacrifice of those who thought they were fighting for freedom."

STATE DEPARTMENT GETS PETITION ON PALESTINE SIGNED BY 100,000 NEW ENGLAND RESIDENTS

WASHINGTON, April 6. (JTA) -- Petitions bearing 100,000 signatures and urging immediate implementation of Palestine partition were presented to Acting Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett today by a five-man delegation representing the New England divisions of the American Zionist Emergency Council, the American Jewish Congress, the Jewish War Veterans, the American Christian Palestine Committee, and the Massachusetts Federation of Labor.

Secretary Lovett spent an hour with the delegates in an off-the-record discussion of the Palestine situation. Rabbi Joseph S. Shubow, honorary president of the New England division of the American Jewish Congress, said that the group had pointed out to Lovett that attempts over a quarter-century to conciliate the Arabs had been exhausted and could not be expected to succeed now. Oscar Toye, representing the J.W.V., said that he had urged lifting of the embargo.

B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION HOLDS TWO-DAY PARLEY; REPORTS 106,000 MEMBERS

WASHINGTON, April 6. (JTA) -- Membership in the B'nai B'rith's Women's Organization has increased from 92,000 to 106,000 during the past year, Mrs. Abram Orlow, of Philadelphia, president of the B'nai B'rith Women's Supreme Council, reported to 50 delegates gathered here for a two-day session.

During the year, 52 new chapters were organized and the total contributions to various B'nai B'rith projects increased from \$600,000 to \$850,000, she said. Ten chapters are now functioning in foreign countries, including five in Palestine, two in England, and one each in Australia, Mexico and Greece.

SAMUEL TELSEY RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HEBREW IMMIGRANT AID SOCIETY

NEW YORK, April 6. (JTA) -- Samuel A. Telsely was today re-elected president of HIAS by the board of directors to serve a second term as head of the organization. John L. Bernstein was again chosen chairman of the executive committee, Isaac L. Acsfsky, executive director, was re-elected secretary and Sannal Goldstein was elected treasurer.

INSTITUTE OF GRAPHIC ARTS SELECTS TWO JEWISH BOOKS AMONG FINEST PUBLISHED IN 1947

NEW YORK, April 6. (JTA) -- Two volumes published by Schocken Books, a firm devoted to publishing Jewish literature, have been selected by the American Institute of Graphic Arts for inclusion among a group of volumes representing the best examples of American book-making.

The two volumes are "Polish Jews," by Roman Vishniac, a collection of photographs on the life of pre-war Polish Jewry; and "The Pharisees," by Dr. Leo Baeck, former Chief Rabbi of Germany. They are among the "Fifty Books of 1947" now being exhibited at the N.Y. Public Library and which will later be shown in all major cities in the U.S.