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ARAB TROOPS LAUNCH HEAVY ATTACK ON JEWISH FORCE IN JAFFA; USE ROCKET PLANES AND ARTILLERY

TEL AVIV, April 28. (JTA) -- British troops fortified with armored vehicles, tanks and artillery were attacking tonight Haganah and Irgun positions in Jewish-occupied suburbs of Jaffa in order to prevent the Jews from seizing the rest of the city.

Rocket-firing Spitfires of the Royal Air Force were used for the first time in Palestine in the British assault. The aircraft struck at Irgun headquarters at Tel Yam, on the outskirts of Jaffa, from which Jewish artillery has been hitting the Arab seaport.

The British attack followed on the heels of a warning delivered to Mayor Daniel Rokach of Tel Aviv that if the Jewish forces continued their advance into Jaffa, British troops would defend the city. Even if the Jews succeed in capturing Jaffa, the warning said, the British will drive them out.

The British warning was issued as the joint armed forces of Haganah and the Irgun captured the Manshieh quarter of Jaffa and were continuing their assault on the Arab city. A Haganah communique issued earlier reported that Jewish forces have occupied the suburbs of Jaffa and surrounding villages which have been used by the Arabs as "key positions." A similar communique was issued by the Irgun emphasizing that "the advance into Jaffa continues."

Many Arabs Taken Prisoner; Red Cross Asked for Aid

A large number of Arabs have been taken prisoner in the battle and have been transferred to a Haganah-Irgun camp. At the same time, the Jewish forces have asked the Red Cross to care for Arab women and children in the fighting area. A white flag was raised over the Mosque in Manshieh and the Jewish troops were ordered by their commanders not to harm the Moslem house of worship.

Towards the end of the day, incomplete reports said that only four Jews had been killed in the Jaffa battle. Mortar shells were still falling in the center of the city at dusk while the Arabs were reported to be using field guns to repel the Jewish attack. The Haganah command has issued an order to the Jews in the Tel Aviv-Jaffa border area to keep their windows open and shutters closed in order to prevent flying glass, and to remain in nearby shelters.

Jews were taking cover in cellars in the southern part of Tel Aviv because the shells from Jaffa were landing in the area. Tel Aviv residents were not sure whether the shells came from Arab or British guns.

Hundreds of Arab families are reported to have fled Jaffa, which has been under attack since Sunday morning, while Arab police in Manshieh have also withdrawn. Jewish troops have been using tanks, armored cars and mortar batteries in the four-day-old assault.

JEWS AND ARABS AT U.N. PARLEY AGREE ON IMMEDIATE TRUCE FOR OLD CITY IN JERUSALEM

LAKE SUCCESS, April 28. (JTA) -- Representatives of the Jewish Agency and the Arab Higher Committee today agreed at the Trusteeship Council meeting to recommend to their home authorities the issuance of an immediate cease-fire order in the Old City of Jerusalem. As proposed by the Belgian delegation, the agreement calls for a minimum three-day cessation of hostilities pending a detailed working out of precise truce terms.

At the outset, Moshe Shertok indicated that the Jews were far from satisfied with a truce limited only to the Old City. Such a truce, he argued, is "extremely unrealistic" and may subject the New City to violent fighting. He demanded that the truce terms contain guarantees against firing into the Old City from the outside and firing into the New City from the ramparts of the Old. He categorically rejected an Arab demand for a withdrawal of Haganah forces from the ancient quarter, but council president Francis B. Sayre indicated that Jamal El Hussein had already withdrawn this demand.

Shertok Says U.N. Cannot "Capitulate" Jerusalem to Violence

Shertok made it clear that he could only recommend a cease-fire order, but that its practicability had to be determined by on-the-spot considerations. In strong, challenging terms he denied the right of the Council to capitulate any part of the city to violence, both under the Nov. 29 Assembly resolution calling for the safeguarding of Jerusalem's population and Holy Places and under the assembly partition decision in which the Trusteeship Council assumes primary responsibility for the safety of the City.

The U.S., France and Belgium agreed with Shertok that a truce for the Old City alone is not sufficient. They insisted, however, that it constitutes the first step of an agreement which must be expanded to include the entire city.

Iraq delegate, Khalidi, speaking for the Arab states, outlined the terms of a truce in the Old City. These are: 1. Freezing of military positions; 2. No further infiltration of armed forces; 3. Full preservation of all Holy Places and accessibility to all faiths and nationalities; 4. The truce commission should be composed of representatives from the three major faiths under the neutral chairmanship of a British subject.

(The United Nations truce committee, consisting of the Consuls-General of Belgium, France and the United States, conferred in Jerusalem with Jewish Agency representatives today. An official announcement issued by the committee said that the Arabs have rejected its plea to discuss peace in Palestine.)

U.S. Proposes Exploring Possibility of U.N. Provisional Regime

A resolution urging the United Nations to explore the possibility of a U.N. provisional regime for Palestine after May 15, when the British Mandate terminates, was presented today by the American delegation and appeared certain of acceptance.

The resolution, which came as an amendment to a proposal introduced yesterday by Dr. Jorge Garcia Granados of Guatemala designed to study the possibilities of the U.S. trusteeship plan being accepted by the people of Palestine, was accepted by Granados to the surprise of the anti-trusteeship delegations. Granados' original resolution was considered a strategic move to strengthen the position of the pro-partitionists.

The amended resolution provides for the appointment by the Political Committee of a sub-committee, which, after the testimony of the Mandatory Power, the

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Jewish Agency, the Arab Higher Committee and legal, economic and military experts of the U.N. Secretariat, should report its findings to the main committee. The sub-committee is to consider the following questions:

1. The terms of a possible trusteeship or other United Nations provisional government for Palestine.
2. Whether trusteeship or another U.N. provisional government for Palestine is likely to be accepted by the Jewish and Arab communities of Palestine.
3. Whether it is possible to implement trusteeship or another U.N. provisional plan and make it workable.

Amendments were also submitted by Carlos Holguin De Lavallo of Peru and Alexandre Parodi of France. The Peruvian delegate wanted the sub-committee to consider the prospect of any alternative solution of the Palestine problem. The Argentinian delegate submitted a sub-amendment to the U.S. amendment providing for the deletion of any reference to "trusteeship or any other U.N. provisional government for Palestine."

Gromyko Attacks U.S.-Guatemala Resolution; Chairman Postpones Vote

Following a strong attack by Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko on the U.S.-amended Guatemalan resolution, the chairman of the Political Committee, instead of calling for a vote on the resolution, announced the resumption of the general debate.

Gromyko expressed doubts as to whether an outright American proposal for Palestine trusteeship would receive the necessary majority of votes at the General Assembly. He said that he has done some figuring on the composition of the proposed 17-member sub-committee which would deal with the U.S.-Guatemala resolution. Thirteen have either openly declared themselves against partition or have recently changed their attitude in favor of the U.S. proposals, he said, while only four were still pro-partition.

Emphasizing that the U.S.-Guatemala resolution seems to him "definitely harmful," Gromyko announced that he will oppose its acceptance. He also bitterly criticized the Arab representatives for "neither accepting nor rejecting trusteeship." The reason, he felt, was that it would be embarrassing for the Arabs to espouse trusteeship when their people desired independence.

Late in the evening the terms of the Arab-Jewish truce for the Old City in Jerusalem, as agreed to by Jewish and Arab representatives at the Trusteeship Council, were announced. They are:

1. All fighting and acts of violence are to cease in the limits of the Old City;
2. A cease-fire order is to be issued by both parties;
3. Immediate instructions are to be sent to both Arab and Jewish communities in Palestine notifying them of the agreement;
4. The Trusteeship Council, together with the Jews and Arabs, is to proceed at once to draw up the detailed conditions of the truce.

The Trusteeship Council notified the Jews and Arabs it will now seek to expand the truce to the entire city of Jerusalem to include the New City with its more than 100,000 inhabitants. The Council will proceed at once to a practical consideration of a French plan to supplement the truce with an international police force to maintain law and order in the entire city.

GEN. HILLDRING APPOINTED HEAD OF STATE DEPARTMENT SECTION ON PALESTINE AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, April 28. (JEA) -- The appointment of General John Hilldring to the specially-created post of Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Palestine Affairs was announced today by the State Department. He will head the section which will handle all matters relating to the shaping of U.S. policy on Palestine.

PALESTINE HOPES FOR ARAB-JEWISH TRUCE; STATE DEPT. REFUSES PASSPORTS FOR PALESTINE

WASHINGTON, April 28. (JTA) -- Secretary of State George C. Marshall today at a press conference that the State Department has no information that King Abdullah of Transjordan has invaded or intends to invade Palestine. He emphasized that hopes a truce for Palestine can be worked out.

While Secretary Marshall was addressing the news conference, the Associated Press distributed a report from Amman, capital of Transjordan, quoting Abdullah as saying that his Arab Legion has occupied Jericho, 20 miles northeast of Jerusalem. Abdullah said the force was made up of "scout troops which always precede the regular army."

The State Department revealed today that it has recently refused to grant passports for Palestine "in a number of instances" where there appears to be "no good reason" for traveling to that country. A spokesman for the Department declared that in each case the applicant was told to reapply later "when conditions may be more normal."

This action is in line with a policy formulated in 1937, the spokesman pointed out. Every U.S. passport issued carries the stipulation that the holder does not intend to serve in any foreign army. If he does, he immediately loses his right to protection as a U.S. citizen and his passport may be recalled. At the conclusion of his military service with a foreign power, the U.S. may reconsider his status as an American citizen.

The State Department spokesman emphasized that no applications have been received by the Department for Palestine passports which have stated that the applicant intends to participate in hostilities there. The Department has no evidence that there are Americans now in Palestine fighting with any of the armed forces there, he said.

BRITAIN WILL WITHDRAW ARAB LEGION FROM PALESTINE BEFORE MAY 15, BEVIN TELLS COMMONS

LONDON, April 28. (JTA) -- Foreign Secretary Bevin told the House of Commons today that Britain intends to withdraw the Arab Legion from Palestine before May 15. He said, however, that British arms and subsidies will continue to be supplied to King Abdullah after that date.

Asked whether British officers, arms and money will continue to be supplied to Abdullah irrespective of whom the Legion attacks, Bevin replied that the British Government must await the results of the U.N. discussions now taking place at Lake Success. He refused to commit himself to a direct answer.

The Foreign Secretary declared that contracts with Arab states are being carried out as speedily as possible. He said he refused to interfere with the delivery of arms and munitions to Arab states until the U.N. decision is received. "It seems to me," he said, "that the Jews have the best arms."

A comment by M.P. Maurice Edelman that "murder will be committed before you do anything" provoked the rejoinder from Bevin, given amidst cheers, that "the British sergeants were not hanged by Arabs." Bevin added: "I say to the Jews and to the Arabs - the Arabs are not in this House - that the way for both of you to settle this is to stop fighting."

Earlier, the Foreign Office announced receipt of a message from Sir Alec Kirkbride, British Minister to Transjordan, denying that King Abdullah has "declared war on Zionism." The report also denied a news-agency dispatch that the Arab Legion has taken Jericho, northwest of the Dead Sea.

WAYS TO INDUCE COUNTRIES TO ACCEPT PROFESSIONAL REFUGEES DISCUSSED AT I.R.O. PARLEY

GENEVA, April 28. (JTA) -- Methods to overcome the immigration barriers of grant-receiving countries discriminating against professional, intellectual and artistic workers in favor of agricultural and industrial immigrants were discussed today at a special five-day parley in Gwatt sponsored by the International Refugee Organization and attended by representatives of voluntary relief agencies.

William H. Tuck, I.R.O. executive secretary, told the parley that refugee professional workers should be prepared to accept employment in non-professional jobs. "I believe that no DP who does not wish to return to his country of origin should pass by an opportunity to be resettled as an ordinary immigrant," he said. Conference chairman Hilda Verwey-Jonker estimated that approximately 30,000 refugee specialists, representing 28 professions, arts and sciences, are at present in DP camps in Europe.

TURKISH GOVERNOR PAYS FIRST VISIT TO SMYRNA JEWISH COMMUNITY SINCE REPUBLIC FOUNDED

ISTANBUL, April 28. (JTA) -- For the first time since the Republic of Turkey was founded, after World War I, a Turkish Governor has visited the Jewish community in his city to inquire into its needs and activities, it was reported here today.

The Governor, Osman Chukru Adal, visited the Grand Rabbinate of Izmir (Smyrna) recently to inspect the activities of the large Jewish Community. He expressed particular interest in the intellectual activities of the youth and told them that they were full citizens of the republic. He urged them to call on him in the event that they needed something which he could provide or if they had a complaint to make.

JEWISH COMMUNITY OF PEST REVEALS ITS INCOME EQUALLED EXPENSES IN 1947; STILL NEEDS JDC AID

BUDAPEST, April 28. (JTA) -- The Jewish community of Pest revealed today that for the first time since the end of the war its income was equal to its expenditures during 1947. In a special report issued here, community leaders stressed, however, that they were dependent to a large extent on Joint Distribution Committee assistance, particularly for maintenance of reconstruction programs.

STARO HEAD OF GHETTO IN TRANSYLVANIAN TOWN RECEIVES SENTENCE OF LIFE IMPRISONMENT

BUCHAREST, April 28. (JTA) -- Laszlo Krasznay, former Gestapo chief in the Transylvanian town Simleu Silvaniei, who was tried on charges of inflicting inhuman treatment on a group of 8,500 Jews confined in the town's ghetto, was sentenced to life imprisonment today.

REVISIONISTS MAY ACCEPT PARTITION IF THEY ARE INCLUDED IN FUTURE JEWISH CABINET

PARIS, April 28. (JTA) -- A resolution that Revisionists should refuse to accept the principle of partition if they are excluded from the proposed Jewish Cabinet was adopted here today at the closing session of the World Revisionist Party Council. The resolution, however, is subject to confirmation at a second parley.

Other resolutions adopted urged the immediate proclamation of a Jewish state in Palestine; recognition of the fact that since the Jews are at war, they must accept help from anyone wishing to extend them aid; solidarity with the combined Irgun-Haganah fighting force; mobilization of all Revisionists throughout the world and the transfer of the organization's executive headquarters to Palestine.

RECOVERY OF JEWS IN EUROPE IS THREATENED, WARBURG REPORTS UPON RETURN FROM PARIS PARLEY

NEW YORK, April 28. (JTA) -- Whether Europe's Jewish survivors, facing a series of conditions that threaten their recovery efforts of the past three years, will continue to make progress towards health and self-support, depends primarily upon immediate and increased American aid, Edward M.M. Warburg, chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, declared today following his return from Paris.

In a report on the all-Europe J.D.C. conference held in Paris which he attended, Mr. Warburg told a meeting of the J.D.C.'s Administration Committee here: "We must increase our help this spring and summer to meet new and serious problems confronting Europe's Jews. These problems include the fact that despair is growing greater every day among the 250,000 Jews in Europe's DP camps who, in the light of the U.N. partition decision, had confidently expected that thousands of them would be leaving for the Holy Land this summer."

"A second great problem," he declared, "grows out of the economic change in Eastern Europe that has displaced large numbers of Jews who formerly were engaged in individual enterprises. These economically displaced are increasing J.D.C. relief roles daily, making it necessary to broaden programs aimed at economic reconstruction."

Reviewing the current condition of the Jewish D.P.'s, Mr. Warburg said: "Their standard of living has worsened as a result of the reduction of international assistance. To fill the gap J.D.C. has found it necessary to revise upward its original D.P. aid program this year in an attempt to make up many of the current deficiencies." He added that in addition to increasing its supplies and services, the agency must expand its reconstruction programs as a means of meeting the problem of those displaced economically, and as a morale booster.

Mr. Warburg headed a delegation of six American Jewish leaders who attended the Paris conference. J.D.C. area directors from 19 European countries and Cyprus, North Africa and the Middle East also were in attendance. The other Americans at the parley were Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Judge Maurice Bernon, Cleveland, Moses A. Leavitt, Robert Klein, Chicago, and Simon H. Scheuer, of New York.

PROGRAM TO TRAIN HEBREW TEACHERS LAUNCHED IN RUMANIA; WILL SERVE IN SMALL COMMUNITIES

BUCHAREST, April 28. (JTA) -- The Tarbut cultural organization has opened a teacher training course to meet the shortage of qualified Hebrew teachers in many small Jewish communities. Forty advanced students are at present studying Hebrew, Yiddish, Jewish history, pedagogy and sociology in preparation for assuming teaching posts.

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE AWARDS MEDALS TO FIGHTERS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

NEW YORK, April 28. (JTA) -- The Anti-Defamation League last night awarded medallions to five persons for "distinguished contributions toward the enrichment of America's democratic legacy." They are: Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric, who served as chairman of the President's Committee on Civil Rights; Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, for her work on the U.N. Human Rights Commission; Barney Balaban, for his role in organizing the Freedom Train; Darryl Zanuck, for producing the film, "Gentleman's Agreement," and Dore Schary, Hollywood producer.

BENJAMIN RABINOWITZ, J.W.B. OFFICIAL, DIES IN MONTREAL WHILE ON SURVEY

MONTREAL, April 28. (JTA) -- Benjamin Rabinowitz, director of the Jewish Welfare Board's Jewish Center Division, and a veteran American social welfare leader, died here today while on a field survey for the J.W.B. He was 52 years old.

BECAUSE OF PASSOVER, THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL APPEAR ON SUNDAY