JTA

Daily News Bulletin

SELISHED BY THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY

166 EAST 41st STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

PALESTINE CEASE-FIRE EFFECTIVE TODAY; FIGHTING CONTINUES ON ALL FRONTS UNTIL DEADVINE

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JPA) -- Fighting continued on all Palestine fronts tode; as the deadline for the United Nations four-week cease-fire approached. The truce is no into effect at 2 A.M. tomorrow.

Fighting was particularly heavy on the northern front where Syrian units have been attacking in the Mishmar HaYarden sector in an attempt to straighten out their lines before the truce halts all operations. An Israeli communique revealed that Jevish planes bombed Bint Jabbail, five miles inside Lebanese territory yesterday. On the Palestine side of the northern border Lebanese forces attacked Jewish-held Ramath Repitali and the Nebiyusha police station, a fortress which dominates several major roads in western Galilee. Jewish artillery soon scattered the Arab infantry which has supported by artillery.

In the south, the Egyptians trapped in the Ishdud-Yibneh pocket for over a wek made a new attempt to break out. The battle is now on for control of a main road which could be used to evacuate the badly mauled Arab infantry.

The Israelis have occupied the former British airfield at Ramath David, some is miss southeast of Tel Aviv. In the same area, two Egyptian Spittfree and two Jewish fightrr planes engaged in a dogfight in the skies over Rehovoth. One Egyptian plane was shot down near the town within three minutes and the second soon limped sway in such condition as to make observers believe it would not reach its base. Early this morning Tel Aviv had two air alerts as enemy planes came into view, but no bombs were dropped.

On the central front Iraqi artillery commenced shelling Ramath Hakovesh, near Mar Sabu, several hours after Arab acceptance of the cease-fire terms was announced. In appling up operations in Galilee Jewish patrols found a number of Arab villages completely abandoned.

In Jerusalem Arab artillery bombarded the southern suburbs of Talpioth and Remain Rachel. A mortar duel developed in the city after Arab Legionnaires opened fire on Jevish positions with large four-inch mortars. For about six hours this morning Jerusalem Jews enjoyed a peaceful existence while both sides halted firing to permit a Red Cross convoy to leave for Amman, capital of Transjordan. Toward the end the legionnaires began shelling the convoy which was vaiting near the Jewish lines for an Israeli military clearance.

IRGUE BLASTS GOVERNMENT FOR ACCEPTING TRUCE; BEE GURION APPEALS FOR ADMERSICE

TEL AVIV, June 10. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben Gurion today appealed to the nation at large to adhere to the provisions of the U.N. truce, following a blast by the Irgum radio against the government's acceptance of the terms of the plan.

The former dissidents asserted that the government had accepted a plan "worked out by British intelligence" and which would give the Arabs time to gather their at the send of the month's truce or even carlier. "By strength and launch a new attack at the end of the month's truce or even carlier. "By

excepting the truce," the Irgun announcer stated, the government has "sold out our independence" and will prevent the arming of the Jews. Finally, the broadcast warned
the nation that it was in the hands of a government "which has shown disgraceful spirit
to the tradition of the Jewish Agency."

J.T.A. NEWS

Commenting at a news conference on the Irgum's attitude toward the truce in present -- where the dissidents remain as a separate unit -- Foreign Minister Moshe gentok stated that the Irgum was not an important factor in the Jewusalem military situation. Speaking of the composition of the U.N. team of observers to check on the case-fire, Shortok stated that the Soviet Union was "perfectly entitled" to claim participation in the control, "like other U.N. members." However, he objected to British mrticipation because Britain "is not neutral."

ESS REMEMS DEMAND FOR PART IN PALESTINE TRUCE CONTROL; ISRAEL ASKS U.N. RECOGNITION

IAKE SUCCESS, June 11. (JTA) -- The Soviet demand for representation on the corp of military observers assigned to Count Folke Bernadotte's mediation staff in Palestine received a chilly reception in the Security Council today.

The meeting of the Council adjourned until Tuesday when it became plain that the other members were not ready to decide the question. The United States alone opposed my change in the present arrangement under which the military corps is drawn from Pauce, Belgium, and America — the three countries comprising the Truce Commission.

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko had the support only of Vassili Tarasenko of the Uraine. He made the point that the Council had never officially clarified the procedume by which the military observers were to be selected. He challenged the United States to declare on what basis it objected to "a very small group of Soviet observers taking part in the truce observance," but received no reply.

Fhilip C. Jessup, who stated the American position, did not completely reject the Soviet request, but maintained that the military observers had been sent at the request of Count Bernadotte, after the Council had assigned to him the responsibility for setting up observance machinery. He added that if the Council wished to change the instructions in order to permit Soviet participation, the U.S. would be bound by that decision.

The Provisional Government of Israel called upon the U.N. today to recognize is full sovereignty and independence or jeopardize the hope that the four-week true will become the basis of a lasting settlement. Major Aubrey Eban, in a statement issued here, said: "Israel has vindicated its statehood, not only by natural, legal and listoric rights on which the statehood is based, but also through its proved capacity to fulfil the obligations of the charter and its success in maintaining its integrity and holding its own with striking success against Arab attack and invasion."

Full recognition of Israel's sovereign independence is "the only hopeful starting point in the quest for peace," Eban said. He declared that the Provisional Government in Tel Ayir had accepted "restrictions and conditions which should not have been imposed upon it" in the anticipation that Count Bernadotte would not interfere with the independence of the Jewish state while exercising his discretionary powers to control immigration.

Evan added that while the mediator's discretionary powers go beyond "the proper limits" of the Security Council cease-fire resolution adopted on May 29, the Tel Ariv Government had accepted this condition as consistent with its unbroken policy of compliance with the appeals and requests of the United Nations.

MENCH NATIONAL COUNCIL URGES GOVERNMENT TO RECOGNIZE ISRAEL; MOROCCO DEATH TOLL RISES

PARIS, June 10. (JTA) -- The Foreign Affairs Commission of the French National Commoil, upper legislative body, today adopted by a vote of 12 to zero, with three abstentions, a motion asking the French Government to recognize the state of Igrael.

Meanwhile, a dispatch from French Morocco reported today that the number of jews killed in Monday's pogrom in Djerada has risen from 37 to 41. The name report said that the National Moroccan party, Sitiquial, issued a statement appealing to all jews and Moslems in the country to "stay calm." The Moslems were urged in this statement to head the Sultan's plas for restraint, while the Jews were advised not t joint themselves "to be provoked by Zionist propaganda."

ERITISH CANCEL REPATRIATION OF KENYA DETAINEES; RED CROSS ASKED TO INTERVENE

LONDON, June 10. (JTA) --British authorities in the Gilgil detention camp in Kenya yesterday cancelled all arrangements for the repatriation of the more than 200 Jevs detained there, the Assire Zion committee here was notified today in a message from the detainees.

The cable said that this action was taken as part of Britain's determination to keep all immigrants who are potential soldiers out of Palestine during the four-week truce. The internees pointed out that they are not prospective immigrants, but Palestine exiles.

The Assire Zion committee asked the International Red Cross to intervene with the British Government on behalf of the detainess. The organization also cabled protests against the British action to U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie and U.N. seight Count Folks Bernadotte.

ERITAIN CONSTDURING SUPPLYING VESSELS TO CHECK PALESTINE TRUCE; NOT APPROACHED BY U.N.

LONDON, June 10. (JTA) -- Despite the fact that neither U.N. mediator Gount Folke Bernadotte nor any international agency has approached the British Government to supply sea, land or air forces to help check on observance of the U.N. cease-fire in Falestine, Reuters today reported that the government was "considering supplying coastal vessels and aircraft," for this purpose. Reuters credited the report to "authoritative" sources.

The news agency also reported that it had learned that the British Government would make no move to permit the emigration of some 24,000 Jewish interness from Cyprus unless either Bernadotte or one of the belligerent parties raises the issue.

The Trade Advisory Council of Britain, an organization affiliated with the Board of Deputies of British Jews, today adopted uninimously a resolution uning the British Covernment to grant Israel early recognition. The Council is biding its annual meeting here.

IDALIAN COVERNMENT TO BAN ENICHATION OF COMBATANTS, SHIPMENT OF ARMS TO PALESTINE

ROME, June 10. (JTA) -- The Italian Government today announced that it will ben the emigration of combatants from Italy to Falestine as of tomorrow when the U.H. cease-fire comes into effect. The order will also prohibit shipments of arms and munitions from Italy to any of the belligerents.

6/11/48

EN YORK PRESS GREETS PALESTINE TRUCE; HOPES IT WILL LEAD TO INDEPENDENCE OF ISRAEL

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA)-All New York newspapers today published editorials greating the achievement of a truce in Palestine. The New York Times and the Herald Fribme--leading U.S. newspapers--emphasized in their editorials that the truce must lead to a peace based on the continued existence of the state of Israel.

Expressing the hope that a final settlement of the Palestine problem may now be achieved, the Times said: Whatever settlement may be proposed, there can no longer be any doubt that it must be based on the continued existence of the state of Israel. That state now has behind it not only the sanction of the United Nations, as expressed in the partition resolution, and of the recognition accorded to it by the Imited States, Russia and other nations; it has likewise stood the test of battle in serense of its sovereignty and independence. The very proclamation of the truce issued by Court Bernadotte takes automatic account of that fact by specially addressing itself to the "Governmente" of both the Arab states and of Israel, which are the parties to the truce. Nothing can now undo that historic accomplishment. There remains the same that both the truce and the following negotiations may be wrecked by extreme elements to both sides, intent on achieving. In their own specific ends. It will be the responsibility of all Governments to keep these elements in check.

The New York Herald Tribune in its editorial declared: "It has long seemed mobable that there could be no settlement in Palestine until a direct triel of strength had been made. The triel has been joined; and the willingness on both sides to still the Sunfire suggests that both sides have read the answer and will ultimately accept the verdict. At last there exists a real basis for peace--for a peace which must certainly include an independent Israel, but which will equally protect the kmb states against the more extreme trends of Jewish mationalism."

The New York Sun editorial stated: "A truce is not peace, but it can be the arenus to peace, and the world must retain enough optimism to hope that the cease-fire order which takes effect in Pelestine teacrow will be in force far beyond the limit of four weeks. The unconditional acceptance of the truce by Israel and by sweakrab states is a premising beginning, even though four weeks is a perfously which period for settling differences which have endured for years and which have led to bloodshed."

The New York World-Telegram commented: "Agreement on a Palestine truce will be wloosed by men of good will everywhere. It should do more than stop the blooshed and destruction of holy places. It provides a chance for settlement of the dispute. From though that chance is meager, the United Nations authorities must do everything humaly possibly to take advantage of the 28 days of luil in the fighting. Without placing our hopes too high, we have a right to be encouraged by the attitude of both lews and Arebs which permits this truce."

An editorial in PN said today that "in the stillness of the cease-fire, the mited Mations need only examine its own conscience and abide by its own unexpunged decision: The right of Israel to its place in the family of nations."

U.S. HAILS ACCEPTANCE OF PALESTINE TRUCE; 41 AMERICANS SEIZED BY LEBANON TO BE WREED

WASHINGTON, June 10. (JTA)-June United States Government is "delighted" that the truce in Palestine has been accepted by both sides, a State Department appleaman sid today.

The 41 American citizens seized by the Lebanese Government abcard a United States ship in Beirut May 19 will be released and returned on the same ship, the Marine Carp, the next time it stops in Beirut, the State Department spokesman said.

J.T.A. NEWS - 4 - 6/11/48

BUSE BEGINS DEBATE ON DP BILL; COSSETT SAYS GERMANS ARE "MORE IN NEED THAN DP'S"

WASHINGTON, June 10. (JTA) -- The House began debate today on the Fellows bill to admit 200,000 displaced persons during the next two years.

Leading the opposition to the bill during the three hours of sharp debate was Rep. Ed Gossett of Texas. Attempts to secure its passage were spear-headed by Rep. Frank L. Chelf of Kentucky.

Gossett maintained that "if the DP's are worth anything to us, they are worth more to their home countries. If they are no asset to their home countries they would be no asset to us. We need them less than any other nation on earth." There are ten million good Germans more displaced, more distressed and more in need than the mp's. "Gossett asserted.

Rep. Chelf, a member of the House Foreign Affairs sub-committee that made a study of displaced persons camps last summer, said he thought the bill was a "fair, homes, equitable approach" to the problem. He bitterly attacked charges that the "s's are "all Communists, all Jews, all black marketeers, all criminals or unclean and unkempt."

Only 23 percent of the DP's are Jewish, he pointed out. "We are to blame, the I.R.O. is to blame, the Congress is to blame," if the DP's are in the black markst, he stated. Showing to House members examples of handiwork that had been made in Te camps, he explained that the DP's had to get the materials by bartering cigarettes. Tive never seen a people who do so much with so little." he exclaimed.

Reps. Javits and Kersten said they regretted that the racial issue had been injected into consideration of the bill. "It's too bad people have to apologize because there are Javish DP's in the camps," Javits said.

An amendment offered by Rep. Karl Stefan of Nebraska to include persons "who fled their countries for fear of persecution because of the overthrow of their governments" was adopted by a vote of 75 to 52. Another amendment offered by Rep. Charles Clason of Massachusetts to admit Polish soldiers who fought with U.S. troops was defeated by a vote of 78 to 60.

DP Camps Filled with "Scum of Europe," Rep. Cox Maintains

Rep. Ellsworth Foote of Connecticut said the Fellows Bill, while not as liberal as the Stratton bill that would have admitted 400,000 DP's, was "a fair compresses between those who would let down the bare entirely and those who would completely restrict immigration."

Rep. John Lesinski of Michigan criticized a section of the bill that would acrtage the 200,000 quots numbers against future quotas of the refugees' countries of origin. He said it would endanger the right of future generations to immigrate to the United States.

At the opening of the three-hour general debate, Rep. E.E. Cox of Georgia charged that the DP camps are filled with "the soum of the whole of Europe" who do not work and are unwilling to work. He said the camps were "hotbeds of revolutionists" and that to pass the bill would "bring in hordes of people who identify themselves with people who are creating so much disturbance and causing so much trouble here."

Rep. Herbert Ellis of West Virginia charged that "an alert minority has whipped up propaganda to do incomparable harm to our immigration laws." Rep. Thomas A. Jenkins of Ohio said he would "tell England, France and Italy that 'this is your problem.' We'll send you the money, but you take care of these people."

JEMISH DP'S IN U.S. ZONE OF AUSTRIA DECREASING; MANY LEFT SINCE PROCLAMATION OF ISRAEL

VIRNA, June 10. (JTA) -- The number of displaced Jews in the American zone of Austria, where the overwhelming majority are concentrated, has been decreasing steadily during the past few months, a report to U.S. military headquarters here reveals.

Two factors have been chiefly responsible for this state of affairs -- a reduction in the number of refugees arriving from eastern and central European countries and the constant migration of DP's southward to Italy en route to Israel, particularly swring the past month. It is estimated that some 1,700 Jewish refugees crossed Austria and entered Italy during the first two weeks after the proclamation of the state of Israel, May 16.

American military sources estimate that there are some 17,000 Jews in camps or in transit in the U.S. zone. The last publicly revealed figure for displaced Jews entering the zone was 346 for the entire month of April. Although the totals are not jet available for May, it is believed that Jews from Hungary, Póland and Rumania entered U.S. occupied territory in even fower numbers last month.

American authorities have matched the data on arrivals with a report that 819 displaced Jows left Austria during April. The Americans estimate that some 120,000 Jows left the U.S. zone of Austria during the three years since the war's end. Jewish sources place the total at closer to 150,000. The major portion of the emigrants were lasted for Palestine -- certainly the ones who left within the past several months.

Americans' Attitude Toward DP Migration to Israel Favorable

Meanwhile, Jewish leaders here are awaiting the arrival of a representative of Israel -- who is expected momentarily -- to continue conferences with high American officers which were begun last week. At that time the Jewish leaders were surprised to find that the attitude of the Americans was highly favorable to the desires of the refuses to leave Austria for Israel. Although the officers limited themselves to promising "not to hinder the departure" of Jewish DP's -- the same note which has always been heard at such parleys -- the Jews received the impression that the Americans were prepared to go even further to liquidate the problem of Jewish DP's in Austria.

It was agreed that all problems involved in the emigration of the DP's from Austria, such as the issuance of visas, would be discussed again shortly after the arrival of the Israeli representative. The American officers indicated their willingness to arrange a meeting between the Israeli and Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes, American commander in Austria. The officers also reitorated their ban against military training and warmed that DP's caught engaging in such training would not be permitted to depart.

In the British and French zones, however, new difficulties have cropped up for the displaced Jews. The British intensified their earlier bans on the movement of Jews headed for Palestine, while within the past week a number of DP's have been halted and even jailed for several days in the Austrian Tyrol, which is occupied by the French.

A spokesman for the French Army here admitted the arrests, but asserted that they affected only "suspected persons." Infiltrees from Germany were sent back there, he insisted, and those from southeastern Europe were turned over to the International Esfugee Organization because they could not be returned to the country from which they came.

It was learned that the arrests followed action by provincial authorities in the Tyrol, which adjoins Italy. The local administration protested to the French after they learned that dozons of Jews from Germany were moving through the province.

U.H. COMMISSION ACCEPTS RELIGIOUS SAFEGUARDS FOR DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

IAME SUCCESS, June 10. (JTA) -- A provision safeguarding freedom of religion and the right to "practice any form of religious worship, teaching and observance" was included in the Declaration of Human Rights by the U.N. Commission on Human Rights following its submission yesterday by Dr. Leane Lewin, Agudae Israel representative. Pr. Lewin stated that the text which he proposed was agreed to by the other organizations with consultative status to the U.N. Economic and Social Council.

The Commission also accepted a paragraph granting everyone an equal opportunity to engage in public employment and hold public office in a state of which he is a citizen or national. It also adopted a provision granting everyoperson theoright to take an effective part in the government of his country.

Barnett Janner, member of the British Parliament speaking for the Coordinating Rend of Jeviah Organizations, before the Human Rights Commission, urged that provision should be made in the International Bill of Human Rights to safeguard groups and communities against incitement and violence on account of their race or religion. He argued that a safeguard would prevent the abuse of freedom of expression.

HAMASSAH DISASSOCIATES ITSELF FROM BI-NATIONAL STATE PROGRAM OF DR. JUDAH MAGNES

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- Hadassah today disassociated itself from the political program of Dr. Judah L. Magnes, chairman of the Hadassah Council in Palestins, who registered with the Department of Justice in Washington last week as an agent for the Ihud Association of Jerusalem. The Department's announcement was quoted as saying that Ihud is an organization which "favors the establishment of a binational Arab-Tevish state in Palestine."

The Hadassah statement, released by Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, national president, said that the step was taken to "avoid any confusion in the public mind between Ir. Magnes! Position as chairman of the Hadassah Council of Palestine, nost in which he has given distinguished and selfless service in the supervision of Hadassah's countryvide system of health and medical institutions of Palestine, and his activities of behalf of Thust."

The statement pointed out that "Hadassah has consistently fought for the stablishment of an independent Jewish state and will continue to bend all its best-state to secure the firm rooting of that State within the territorial boundaries set forth in the Palestine resolution of the United Nations General Assembly of Nov. 29, 1947."

CAPADIAN COVERNMENT URGED TO OBTAIN RELEASE OF THREE CANADIANS DETAINED BY LEBANESE

OTTAWA, June 10.(JTA).-The Department of External Affairs is being flooded with telegrams demanding that the Canadian Government take steps immediately to obtain the release of three Canadian citizens who were among the Israel-bound Jews forcibly removed two weeks ago from an American vessel at Beirut by Lebanese officials to prevent their going to the Jewish state.

The Wimipeg Jewish Post has asked the Minister for External Affairs, Louis St. Laurent, to explain whether "Sanada's delay in extending recognition to Israel is predicated upon valid reasons-or whether it is being delayed in deference to the Eritish Foreign Secretary's pro-drap and candidly anti-Jewish stand."

METICAN PRESIDENT TO DEDIGATE "ALBERT EINSPEIN SCHOOL" DONATED BY JEWS TO GOVERNMENT

MEXICO CITY, June 10. (JTA) -- President Miguel Aleman today received a Jewish delegation and accepted an invitation to dedicate the "Albert Einstein School," which will be opened here shortly. The school is a gift from Mexican Jewry to the government, in appreciation of Mexico's efforts to stamp out illiteracy. It was constructed at a cost of \$400,000 (2,000,000 pesos).

MAYOR O'DWYER HONORED BY U.J.A. AT CITY HALL RALLY; RECEIVES SCROLL EROM GOV. LEHMAN

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- A rally attended by several thousand persons on the steps of City Hell today marked the observance of June as United Jewish Appeal month in this city. Mayor William O'Dwyer, who was the principal speaker, was given a histal Jewish Appeal scroll by as Governor Herbert H. Lehman for his activities on healf of the state of Israel.

Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, the has just returned to the U.S., reported that the thousands of DP's who will migrate to Israel from Europe need continued support. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, presided at the rally.

Dr. Wise was honored at a dinner of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York last night. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt joined other leaders in paying tribute to br. Wise's efforts on behalf of the establishment of the Jewish state.

At the same time, the American Jewish Congress made awards to four publications-The New York Horald-Tribune, New York Post, PM and The Nation---"for their condribution to the advancement of justice and democracy by support of the establishment of the state of Imrael."

Lehman Advocates Support of National Conference of Christians and Jews

NEW YORK, June 10. (JTA) -- Former Governor Herbert H. Lehman today told a bothen meeting of the National Conference of Christians and Jews that "there is toking more important than to bring about general and sincere acceptance of the concept of the brotherhood of man and the all-embracing fatherhood of God."

Alluding to the organization's plans for establishing a network of agencies in various European countries, Governor Lehman declared: "The scope of this work is wlimited and I am confident that, given sufficent time and resources, it will contribute much to the peace and security of the world."

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR DR. LIEBMAN TODAY; DR. SOLOMON GOLDMAN WILL DELIVER EULOGY

BOSTON, June 10. (JTA) - Funeral services for Dr. Joshus Loth Liebman, outstanding American rabbi and author of the best-seller, "Peace of Mind," who died here peterday of a heart attack at the age of \$1, will be held togorney afternoon. Rabbi Solmon Goldman, of K.A.W. Temple in Chicago, where Dr. Lin an isorved for five years before coming to Temple Israel here nine years ago, will deliver the culogy.

Born in Hemilton, Ohio, the descendant of rabbis on both sides of the family, Dr. Liebman studied at Hebrew Union College and the University of Cincinnati where, while he was still a rabbinical student, he taught philosophy. He was ordained in 1930 and served as rabbi in Larayette, Ind., as well as in Chicago and this city. He also studied in Jerusalem for four years immediately after he was ordained.

THE CONTENTS OF THIS BULLETIN ARE NOT FOR PUBLICATION WITHOUT SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION