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Jews Wrest Haifa From Arabs After Hearing Fighting Reports From Palestine

Leaders Of Embattled Arabs Sue For Peace

Mediation By British Asked

HAIFA, Palestine (AP)—Jews virtually seized control today of Palestine's richest port city of Haifa after heavy all-night fighting.

Arab leaders sued for peace, asking British military authorities to mediate.

"It was a massacre," said one Arab spokesman. "It was another Balfour."

CEASE-FIRE ORDER.—By request of the British, the Jewish military force, Haganah, is to cease fire one hour shortly after noon.

A Haganah spokesman said the terms handed the Arab National Committee included:

Disarmament of all Arab forces and surrender of movement in all parts of Haifa with an end to looting and burning.

Delivery of all foreign Arab troops to Haganah for immediate transport.

Surrender of all German and Italian arms.

36-hour curfew during which the Arab disarmament would be carried out.

All persons to return to their normal pursuits.

A guarantee that Arabs could carry on their lives and work as free and equal citizens of Haifa and enjoy all municipal services.

The security of Haifa outside Haifa zones to be maintained by Haganah.

Haganah orders to be binding on both Arabs and Jews.

There was every indication from the Arab spokesman that Arab National Committee members still in Haifa will accept the Haganah conditions.

One Arab spokesman said: "Many women and children in Arab areas were shot when they attempted to flee to the port area."

The port area is controlled by British security forces. A Haganah spokesman denied the accusation.

"We are not taking more than 10 per cent of what we had expected," he said. "As for women and children, there just hasn't been any such thing. We deny it most emphatically."

The Haganah spokesman said Jewish attackers suffered four deaths and 22 were wounded. He estimated the Arab dead at "not more than 100."

Haganah forces, aided by one detachment of the underground organization, the Irgun, moved down from the all-Jewish area of Carmel halfway up Mount Carmel.

"We used mortars, Bren guns and machine guns which had lasted much longer than we thought would be necessary," he said. "One unit only cleared down with us. They wanted to argue and we weren't prepared to say no."

In the course of overnight fighting, the port area was limited and Arab sections along the port area huddled in stone houses or tried to flee into British-controlled territory.

It has been widely reported yesterday that British security forces announced they would continue to operate in the port area until the British security zone atop Mount Carmel and a narrow residential strip along the coast were cleared of the eastern Mediterranean's most militant installations.

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Truman To Speak In California

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman will speak in California exercises at the University of California on June 12.

The White House announced that Mr. Truman accepted today a personal invitation from University President Robert C. Sproul.

23 Farben Men Cleared Of Plundering Charges

PRAGUE (AP)—Twenty-three American, Czech and German officials were cleared today of charges of plundering Austria and Czechoslovakia.

The chemical firm's executives still face counts of plunder in Poland, Norway, France and Russia and other charges.

Work Call Answered By More Miners

Lewis May Delay Pension Payments

PITTSBURGH (AP)—Approximately 200,000 more soft coal miners today answered the return-to-work call of John L. Lewis, Incomplete reports indicated at least 330,000 of the 400,000 bituminous miners are now back at work.

Work resumption was heavy in the big coal states—West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and Ohio—besides Illinois, Alabama, Colorado, Virginia and Tennessee. The rapidly shrinking list of idle now embraced these states: West Virginia, 50,000; Pennsylvania, 750; Kentucky, 5,000; Alabama, Virginia and Tennessee, all about 2,000 each; Utah, 900. Five comparatively small producing areas were unreported.

The figures, given out by union and operator sources, were rough estimates in some cases. In West Virginia, for example, some mines were not called to obey a strike-halt injunction.

The Pennsylvania anthracite field, however, was still unreported. It sympathized yesterday, reported only 100 of its mines. There are 80,000 hard coal mines.

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This indicated, police theorized, that more than one man took part in the attempt on the life of the 40-year-old CIO U. P. leader.

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Detectives—there are 40 of them assigned to the widespread search for the would-be killers—said the shell apparently was thrown from the right window of a car. If it came from the red sedan, they added, it might mean that another man besides the gun handler was at the wheel.

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Partition Demanded

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y.—Australia demanded today that the United Nations proceed immediately to carry out partitioning of Palestine.

The Soviet-satellite bloc also rejected the partition plan. The United States proposed to shift from partition to trusteeship.

In a direct challenge to the American proposal to disband partition, Australia laid a three-point demand before the 38-member political committee of the U. N. General Assembly.

The Australian resolution proposed that the United Nations partition Palestine. The committee is to be formed immediately with the creation of a provisional council of government for the projected Jewish and Arab communities in Palestine and with the establishment of local military forces for the two new countries.

Take over of the civil administration in Palestine in co-operation with one or both of the provisional governments when British rule terminates the mandate May 15.

Call on the Arab countries to prohibit their nations from taking part in the Palestine fighting.

France pleaded before the committee for urgent action to safeguard Jerusalem's people and holy relics.

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Mouse Trap Flips Victim Out Window

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Want an air-conditioned straw hat equipped with an electric fan?

Or a mouse trap that doesn't kill but flips its victim out of the house?

The inventor is J. W. Haynes, 60-year-old grain broker, and he's perfected a lot more similar gadgets. His inventions were on display today at a hobby club show—and they attracted the most spectators.

Here are some of the others: A soap bowl that tilts automatically as the contents become too heavy, making it easier, Haynes says, to get the last few spoonfuls.

A fishing rod that retracts and reaps the holder's knuckles to swat him when he gets a bite.

A fork that has a windmill arrangement for winding up spaghetti.

The air-conditioned straw hat has vents that allow for removal of warm air and intake of cool air.

The mouse trap has a miniature catapult. When the trap gets its victim, the catapult automatically released and the mouse goes flying into the window.

"What will prevent the mouse from coming back into the house?" Haynes was asked.

Only his self-respect," Haynes responded. "No self-respecting mouse is going to keep on coming back to a house from which it has been pitched out three or four times."

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Airmen New Titles Chosen For Air Force

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Air Force has chosen titles for its "airmen" to distinguish them from the army's airmen.

The new ratings would be authorized under pending legislation.

The warrant officers there would be four grades—chief airman, 1st class, 2nd and 3rd class. Chief airman would be the highest grade.

That of a major it would range down to a 2nd lieutenant's pay for the airman.

Here is how the Air Force proposes to re-name the grades for enlisted men. Master sergeant becomes a senior air sergeant; 1st class sergeant, 1st class air sergeant; 2nd class sergeant, 2nd class air sergeant; 3rd class sergeant, 3rd class air sergeant; 4th class sergeant, 4th class air sergeant.

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Hartran Marshall Plan Envoy Charles Sawyer Is Named Secretary Of Commerce

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman today nominated Charles Sawyer, former ambassador of Ohio to the Secretary of Commerce.

Presidential Secretary Charles G. Ross said Sawyer's nomination probably will go to the Senate today, along with that of W. Averell Harriman to be moving ambassador under the European Recovery Program.

Mr. Truman offered the Commerce post to Sawyer by telephone last night after Harriman agreed to give up that position to take over the ERP job.

Ross said Sawyer telephoned Mr. Truman today from his home at Cincinnati to accept the appointment.

Mr. Sawyer, 42, is a former Oklahoma lawyer and War Assets Administration chief, was rated a "good bet" for the No. 3 spot in the Economic Co-operation Administration.

ECA Chief Paul Hoffman is known to have put Larson's name on a preference list prepared for Mr. Truman, who must nominate the deputy ECA administrator, a \$17,500 job.

Larson hasn't indicated publicly whether he would accept if the position were offered.

Sawyer, a 42-year-old Cincinnati lawyer, has been a frequent White House caller.

Administration such as titles also said Mr. Truman hopes to decide on a new Secretary of Agriculture before Clinton P. Anderson steps out next month to run the Democratic Senatorial nomination in New Mexico.

The said the President has given no indication whom he has in mind for that Cabinet job.

A member of the Cincinnati City Council from 1911 to 1915, Sawyer served as lieutenant governor in 1938 and as Democratic national committeeman from 1936 to 1942.

He was ambassador to Belgium in 1944 and in that capacity, he met Mr. Truman at Antwerp in 1945 when the Chief Executive arrived there en route to the Potsdam "Big Three" conference.

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Cost Of Living Dispute Steel Pay Hike Denied; Firm Will Slash Prices

PITTSBURGH (AP)—The U. S. Steel Corp. today denied a wage increase demanded by United Steelworkers and announced price cuts for its products.

The price cuts are effective May 1. Philip Murray, president of the CIO and the steelworkers' union, asserted the corporation had devalued its stock.

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However, the union would continue to demand a 10% strike pledge in a two-year contract, prepared for wage discussion.

The union leader declared in a statement "We charge that the corporation has not negotiated in good faith."

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Long Range Bill Gets Approval On Voice Vote

Designed To Spur Building

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate today passed the Taft-Ellender-Wagner long-range housing bill designed to spur more building in America.

Passage was by a voice vote.

The Senate passed the bill after adding a \$268,500,000 farm housing program.

By a voice vote, the Senate adopted an amendment by Senator Louis B. Russell (D-Ga.) providing for Federal subside and loans to farmers.

Before the housing program would be under direction of the Agriculture Department, Latta would be for 13 years at more than a 4 per cent interest.

The goal of the bill is building of 1,100,000 new homes in the next ten years.

Most of the money goes to an uncertain fate in the House.

The House Banking Committee has similar Senate-passed measure die in 1946. There is serious opposition in the House committee to some provisions of the bill, particularly a section authorizing construction of 600,000 public housing units.

The T-W-B bill liberalizes home loan terms, contains proff incentives for construction of homes, rent, and sets up a slum clearance program.

Sponsors have estimated the direct cost of housing program at about \$100,000,000 a year. In addition, it provides for up to \$150,000,000 in loans and for insurance of more than \$2,500,000,000.

Before adoption of the farm housing amendment, the bill dealt with rural housing only to the extent of providing for a study of that matter.

Young-Russell amendment would allow a farmer to borrow during next four years on a show-down basis.

He is the owner of a farm which is without a decent, safe and sanitary home.

He is without sufficient resources to provide the necessary housing on his own account.

It is unable to obtain a loan from other sources on reasonable terms.

The bill would be rejected an amendment by Senator Cain (R-Wash.) for construction of public housing units from the program. The vote was 49 to 25.

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MacFadden's 2nd Seeks To Halt Wedding

MIAMI, Fla.—37-year-old Bernard MacFadden, 2nd, today sought to halt the wedding of his daughter, Mrs. Mary MacFadden, whom he said he had divorced.

MacFadden's second wife, Mrs. Lee, 42-year-old grandmother, said he had a license to marry tomorrow despite the fact that MacFadden's second wife is still legally divorced.

Under Florida law a man is legally divorced only if a final decree has been filed with the clerk of the circuit court. Johnston said he had filed with MacFadden's second wife the divorce decree was filed and the divorce later was upheld by the Florida supreme court.

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Air Restrictions Loom

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