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# JWV Urges U.N. Recruit Substitute Police Force For British in Palestine

## N. E. C. APPROVES FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS IN OPEN LETTER TO SECRETARY OF STATE MARSHALL

General George C. Marshall  
Secretary of State  
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Marshall:

The Jewish War Veterans of the United States representing 600,000 American Jewish veterans who were proud to fight under your command in World War II, and the over 200,000 who fought in the American Armies in World War I, respectfully recommend a course of action to alleviate the present intolerable situation in the Holy Land.

It is obvious that if forthright steps are not taken immediately, violence in Palestine will continue to mount until the rising tide of reprisals by the contending parties will have reached a volume that will gravely menace any attempt at peacemaking.

Under your able leadership, our Government has already pointed out an avenue of solution for the problem through the action recently taken with respect to a state of war between the Netherlands and Indonesia. The successful action of the United States delegate to the United Nations Security Council in pressing a resolution that led to a suspension of armed conflict in Indonesia establishes a precedent which may well prove effective in the Palestine crisis.

We therefore fervently recommend that our Government pursue that precedent to the following extent:

**(1) That our delegate to the United Nations be instructed to have placed upon the agenda of the United Nations Security Council, for immediate action, a resolution requesting the United Nations to assume authority in the Holy Land dispute.**

**(2) That the United Nations order the immediate withdrawal from Palestine of ALL British troops and police, and substitute therefore United Nations personnel. Great Britain has not only proven herself unable to maintain the peace in Palestine, but her actions have incited to continuing turmoil and bloodshed.**

We are convinced that these two simple

steps will facilitate the immediate cessation of hostilities and will serve as a logical preface to the definite and final solution of the entire problem by the United Nations.

Recognizing the practical administrative and manpower obstacles which the United Nations might face in placing and maintaining an adequate police force in Palestine at this time, **the Jewish War Veterans of the United States suggest that such a force be recruited from among trained veterans of all faiths and all nations which would volunteer to compose such a United Nations police force. The Jewish War Veterans offers its total resources to aid in the effort to obtain such force.**

Said police force would be under the jurisdiction and direction of the United Nations. Participation of American veterans would, of course, be subject to the approval of our own government and on the basis of existing laws.

We feel that the presence of a police force responsible only to the United Nations, instead of troops now answerable only to Great Britain—one of the disputant parties—suggests a course of action that can put an effective halt to further unnecessary killings on both sides.

The principles of the Four Freedoms, borrowed from the institutions upon which American democracy is founded, have been incorporated into the Charter of the United Nations. Historical precedent, as well as the basic precepts of human decency, require that the United States now take through the United Nations with respect to Palestine the action that has already been initiated in Indonesia—action that will bring peace to a distracted world. The Palestine problem is a challenge to the necessity for, and the effectiveness of, the United Nations. For the benefit of all freedom-loving peoples and the peace of the world, we appeal for your approval and immediate action on this proposal.

Respectfully yours,

MILTON H. RICHMAN

National Commander

# Post Pourri

PERSONALS . . . Thanks to U. S. Senator Baldwin for his aid on JWV National Charter Bill. Also to Chairman Al Reich and Natl. Leg. Chmn. Dave Block for a swell job . . . NEC commended Comdr. Paul Ginsburg, Atlanta, for his effective work against Columbians, Inc. . . . Post No. 126, Camden, has a public doublet: P. C. George Tartar appointed County Solicitor and Sr. V. Bill Lipkin, Referee in Bankruptcy . . . Commander Joshua L. Goldberg, ranking Jewish U. S. Naval Chaplain, is surveying DP situation for JDC in So. America . . . Rabbi Michael Aaronsohn of Cincinnati, was elected Legion Dept. Chaplain of Ohio . . . PNC Fred S. Harris re-elected as Pres. of U. of Vermont Alumni Council for fifth term . . . NVC Mack Frankel elected Commander of Atlanta Legion Post . . . In their trip to west coast, N. C. Richman and Ex. Dir. Schottland (accompanied by C of S Mary Horwitz) pepped up all echelons and appointed full-time Field Secretary . . . Bernie Rotberg, Philadelphia, and Bob Halper, Dallas, appointed part time Field Secretaries.

AMERICANISM . . . Why have theatres stopped excellent war-time practice of playing The Star Spangled Banner before and after each program? . . . Why have schools discontinued practice of having pupils recite Pledge of Allegiance each morning? . . . Why do so few class rooms now display our flag? September is a good time for posts to renew these minimum patriotic practices . . . A group of Gentile hotels in New York have adopted a new ad slogan: "The American Way—No Discrimination"!

NATIONAL CONVENTION . . . Address inquiries and reservations to JWV Encampment Committee, St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, Minn. (a smart tip—send in your reservations NOW) . . . Your first taste of wild west will come when the Indians meet your train. The redskin "tribe" numbering 55, with guns shooting and blood curdling yip—ees is the pseudo-Indian drum and bugle corps of St. Paul Legion Post No. 8 . . . There will be annual parade Saturday P.M., so bring your uniform (at least cap and arm band) and ALL POSTS are urged to send their colors to St. Paul (let's have no laggards or stragglers. Every comrade and sister in St. Paul should fall in to make a good showing) . . . For transportation information write to Natl. Conv. Comm., St. Paul, or to Natl. Hqrs. You might be lucky enough to ride out in a special JWV train.

STRATTON BILL . . . It's down for this year, but definitely NOT out. It will appear in Congress in 1948 stronger than ever . . . But we've got a job meantime . . . Most of veteran opposition is due to lack of facts or misinformation. It's our job to distribute the facts . . . The arguments of taking up vet housing, jobs for vets, fear of Communist infiltration are not too valid, in face of greater need for real peace, carrying out the objects our boys died for, and American sense of fair play and decency . . . We pray Legion and VFW may change their policy at coming National Conventions.

MISCELLANY . . . Expanded JWV program requires funds. Not right to expect others to contribute if we don't do so ourselves. Show your loyalty by joining JWV "Century Club" . . . Pittsburgh has contributed \$6,000 from Welfare Fund to JWV . . . JWV giving cocktail party to Legion NEC during Legion Natl. Conv. in New York City . . . Recommended movies: "Crossfire" and "Passport to Nowhere" . . . The DAV and Marine Corps League Depts. of Mass. both adopted resolutions endorsing JWV's application for National Charter (Thanks to both and to Dave Lasker) . . . British have started to belittle services of Jewish Brigade in War. So that can't happen here, why don't you familiarize yourself with American Jewish patriotism through the book "Jews in American Wars"? Buy your copy from Natl. Hqrs

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### EDITORIAL

"DISCIPLINE" and "LOYALTY" are two important virtues in any organization. Just as an army without discipline becomes a mob, so an organization without it soon goes defunct. Here are some examples of those "out of step."

There's the member who gets elected to office to gratify his vanity so he can sport a colored cap. He wears it on occasions that make him ridiculous. There's another member who aspires to office for selfish reasons. He belongs to a local political organization and thinks it's smart to use his official JWV title for whatever it may get him.

There's the post commander who is a real isolationist. His post came into being "out of the air"; it's autonomous, doesn't need the Department or National, and so does as it pleases. It doesn't follow National program and "chisels" whatever and wherever it can.

Another post "thinks" IT is the National organization. Experience has found it expedient for National to determine policy on national and international matters. But this post determines its own policy on important problems and rushes into print

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