

Unity Urged in Fight Against 'White Paper'

An end to British terror against Palestine Jews is demanded in a statement issued by the N. Y. State Committee of the Communist Party. The statement calls for opening the doors of Palestine, and demands that the British Labor Party Government fulfill its pledges:

The statement follows, in part:

Dispatches from Palestine tell of British attacks on Jewish colonists. Armed British patrols are inciting a wave of terror. Pro-fascist Arab leaders who openly supported Hitler are permitted to return to Palestine to disrupt whatever friendly relations have been achieved between the Arab and Jewish leaders of the democratic elements among both peoples. The British-sponsored "Arab League" makes inflammatory threats against the Jews. The old "divide and rule" policy of the British imperialists has been dragged out.

The Attlee-Bevin Government of Britain continues the infamous Chamberlain White Paper against Jewish immigration to Palestine despite tremendous protest. Six million Jews have perished at the hands of Nazi terror. Tens of thousands of Jewish survivors are still in concentration camps in

British and American-occupied territory in Europe, as revealed by the Harrison report to President Truman. Thousands of these have expressed their desire to go to Palestine, whose Jewish community is ready and anxious to receive them.

Yet the doors of Palestine remain closed!

World Labor's Stand

The Attlee-Bevin Government of Britain does not speak for British or World Labor in its stand on Palestine.

In Palestine, the Jewish people are acting unitedly against British imperialism. All political parties in Palestine, from the most conservative to the Communist Party, are standing together in this critical hour. All anti-fascists, Jew and non-Jew, can agree with Chief Rabbi Herzog's statement at a recent Jerusalem protest meeting. He assured the Arab people, in the name of the Jews, that they would find the Jews "faithful friends and brothers." He warned that the propaganda saying that the "Jews were desirous of taking something away from the Arabs" was organized by circles seeking to cause trouble.

Here in America, the unity of all democratic and anti-fascist Americans must be forged to combat the poisonous, divisive anti-Semitism at home and for the rights of the Jewish people everywhere. Zionist and non-Zionist, Jew and Gentile, must unite in demanding the abrogation of the White Paper. The National Convention of both the CIO and AFL have committed American labor to the fight against anti-Semitism and against the British White Paper.

The Communist Party supports the struggle of the Jewish people, labor and all democratic people on this question. Its public spokesmen, Councilmen Benjamin Davis, Jr. and Peter V. Cacchione, are committed to fight for the Communist Party program which states:

"Outlaw anti-Semitism, one of the most pernicious and damaging of fascism's weapons. Support the just demands of the Jewish people for the immediate abrogation by the British Government of the imperialist White Paper. Support of the upbuilding of a Jewish National Home in a free and democratic Palestine in collaboration with the Arab people, on the basis of the agreement

of the Big Three in the Near East."

The attempt of the Jewish Daily Forward to cover up the Attlee-Bevin betrayal, while it utters pious phrases against the White Paper, must be exposed. Typical was its editorial of Oct. 2: "The present English Government, the Labor Government, has not yet made any decisions concerning Palestine and it is therefore a great injustice to blame it for a 'betrayal of the Jewish people.'" This, while Jewish men, women and children are homeless, hungry and many are dying! This, after the great Madison Square Garden protest! Statements like this reveal the treachery of the Forward leaders (the Cahans, Chanins, Dubinskys), who so energetically support the same Polish "Government-in-Exile" whose men still incite pogroms against Jews!

At this critical hour, every American must speak out! We must make our voices heard against the White Paper! Send letters and telegrams (personally and through your organizations) to Lord Halifax, British Embassy, Washington, D. C., and to your Congressmen, Senators and the State Department.