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Describing developments in England since his arrival there at the beginning of December, and the awakening of public opinion to the Jewish tragedy, he spoke of the important function served in this respect by the Polish Government's Note to the United Nations. This awakening had not only brought sympathetic expressions and condemnation of the murderers but had also raised the demand for practical measures.

It was regrettable continued Mr. Shertok, that the results of this great resurgence of British conscience had been so paltry. The matter was smothered under a weight of talk, discussions, and delays. The principal demand for enemy countries to be approached with the appeal "Let my people go" had met with evasions from responsible quarters.

Apart from the United Nations declaration which Mr. Eden read out in Parliament, and which caused the most profound impression, the British Government had not given that sign for which the public waited. The sole concrete act which it was able to show was the Colonial Secretary's announcement that a number of immigration permits into Palestine would be allotted for children and a few adults from the Balkans; but even this had not yet been given effect.

**Cautious Reserve in America**

Reviewing events in America, where he had gone from England, Mr. Shertok reported on the important activity undertaken by Dr. Weizman and the American Jewish Congress

leaders Dr. Wise and Dr. N. Goldmann. He also mentioned the establishment of a Joint Jewish Committee for the Rescue of European Jewry and described the tremendous effect of the Madison Square Garden rally. But among American Governmental circles the cautious reserve as regards the possibility of action was even greater than in London.

The official results of Bermuda were not yet known since they must await the announcements by the British and American Governments. It was clear already, however, that these results would be infinitesimal compared with the magnitude of the problem. They furnished no appreciable contribution to the rescue project since the Bermuda conference had not been preceded, as the Jewish representation had urged, by decisions of the United Nations on major points. Mr. Shertok continued:

*We must convert the failure of Bermuda into a powerful lever for a fresh effort to arouse the forces of salvation. World opinion and the conscience of humanity will not rest easy.*

**Yishuv's Part**

He dwelt on the important part played by the Yishuv in Palestine in arousing the world, especially Jewry, from inertia into action. It was not merely an enhancement of the prestige of the Yishuv in the world, but also the first time in the sad history of Jewish tribulation and suffering that Palestine Jewry had discharged its function as the heart of a scattered people, bearing responsibility for the existence and future of the Jewish race as the only Jewish entity in the world living an integrated