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NOT QUIET IN VIENNA: JEWISH QUARTER IN STATE OF SIEGE BECAUSE OF "ALL QUIET" PERFORMANCES: THREE THOUSAND POLICE ON GUARD TO PROTECT POPULATION AGAINST HITLERIST INVASION: JEWISH SHOPS CLOSED AND BARRICADED: PEOPLE AFRAID TO VENTURE OUT: CLASHES BETWEEN POLICE AND HITLERIST DEMONSTRATORS: RUBBER CUDGELS USED: FIREWORKS THROWN BY HITLERISTS UNDER LEGS OF MOUNTED POLICE HORSES: SEVERAL SHOTS FIRED: WINDOWS SMASHED IN DESERTED CAFES AND SHOPS: FILM TO BE TRANSFERRED TO LABOUR DISTRICT WHERE ORGANISED WORKERS CAN THEMSELVES PROVIDE PROTECTION AGAINST HITLERIST AGGRESSION: POLICE DEPARTMENT COMPLAINS OF HUGE COST OF POLICE MOBILISATION.

Vienna, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Jewish quarter of Vienna was in a state of siege to-day because of the performance of the "All Quiet" talkie in the Apollo Cinema, situated there, the Social Democrats having rejected the suggestion made by the authorities that since the Socialist Mayor of Vienna, Herr Seitz, insists on its production, despite the threats of the Hitlerists, it should be transferred to one of the more purely Labour districts where the organised workers could themselves provide the forces necessary to maintain order. It is understood that to-morrow the film will, however, be transferred to one of the Labour districts, since the police complain that the expense of providing sufficient forces to keep the peace is more than the Police Department can afford, and intend otherwise to use the power given them by the Government to prohibit further performances.

About three thousand police, mounted and on foot, were mobilised in the Jewish quarter to-day heavily armed to repulse demonstrators. All Jewish shops, even in the streets outside the ghetto, but adjoining it, were closed and barricaded. All Jewish meetings which had been arranged for to-day were called off, and altogether there were more police about in the streets than civilians, who feared to venture out lest they were molested. Traffic was stopped, even the tramway service being suspended, and the roads leading into the Jewish quarter from the bridges over the Danube, were cut off. Apart from the demonstrators and the police, Vienna as a whole was a deserted city. The Hitlerists tried repeatedly to break through the police cordons and invade the Jewish district. Just before midnight, additional police reinforcements were called out, because it was feared that the Hitlerists might attempt a rush at the time the audience would be leaving the cinema after the final performance (there were several performances, beginning at five o'clock in the afternoon). Arrangements had been made by means of strict control over the sale of the tickets, which were not available for the general public, but were distributed privately through various societies, to prevent Hitlerists or others opposed to the film, obtaining admission to the cinema.

Despite all the precautions taken, several serious clashes occurred between the police and the Hitlerists, who were joined by members of the Heimwehr organisation. The demonstrators threw fireworks under the legs of the horses of the mounted police when they charged, and one or two shots were fired. The police were compelled to use their rubber cudgels to disperse the mob. In a number of places outside the immediate protected area the windows of several deserted cafes and of some of the big shops were smashed.

About thirty arrests were made and a number of demonstrators were injured.

ROUMANIAN GOVERNMENT TAKES ACTION AGAINST ANTISEMITIC TERRORISTS:
TOTU ARRESTED AND CODREANU PUT UNDER POLICE SURVEILLANCE:
ANTISEMITIC ORGANISATIONS SUPPRESSED: BLACK LISTS GIVING NAMES
OF PERSONS TO BE ASSASSINATED SAID TO HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED.

Bucharest, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Nicolas Totu, who murdered the Jewish student David Falik, has been arrested, Zelea Codreanu, who killed the Police Prefect of Jassy, M. Manciu, because he had suppressed the antisemitic activity in his town, has been placed under police surveillance, being held at the disposal of the Public Attorney and not allowed to leave the town of Galatz, where he was found, and several other leaders of the antisemitic organisations, the Iron Guard and the Order of the Archangel Michael, have been arrested, in pursuance of the Government instructions issued recently (reported in the J.T.A. Bulletin of the 5th. inst.), that the antisemitic societies are henceforth to be treated as illegal bodies in the same way as the Communist organisations are in Roumania.

Police searches have been conducted in a number of clubs belonging to the Iron Guard and the Archangel Michael organisations, particularly in Galatz, the town to which the student Dumitrescu, who shot at M. Socor in the office of the "Adeverul", belongs. 26 terrorist cells were found in existence, linking up a complete system of terrorist organisations, with "black lists", containing the names of persons to be assassinated.

The Government, it is stated, has decided to proceed vigorously against these organisations, and to have them all suppressed.

IMPRISONMENT FOR HITLERIST CAUGHT RED-HANDED SMASHING WINDOWS IN
JEWISH SHOP DURING REICHSTAG OPENING DEMONSTRATIONS IN OCTOBER.

Berlin, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Otto Kurtz, a tailor, was sentenced to-day to 8 months' imprisonment for participation in the Hitlerist riots which took place on October 13th., when the new Reichstag was opened. Kurtz was caught red-handed smashing the windows of a big fur store owned by a Jew named Cohn in the Leipziger strasse, one of the principal West End shopping streets in Berlin. He is the only Hitlerist who was actually caught in the act during these disturbances.

MOHAMED ALI TO BE TAKEN TO JERUSALEM TO BE BURIED IN MOSQUE OF OMAR.

London, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The highest honour which it is possible for the Moslem world to offer is to be conferred on Maulana Mohamed Ali, the Indian Moslem leader who died in London last Sunday while representing his community at the Indian Round Table Conference, the "News Chronicle" states. He is to be buried, it says, with the Prophets of Islam in the Moslem Holy of Holies, the Mosque of Omar, in Jerusalem. It will be the first occasion on which an Indian has been interred in the temple. The offer of burial at the Holy Shrine was telegraphed to London by the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, the paper adds.

The body of Mohamed Ali will be taken by boat to Port Said and will never be left by his relatives until it is placed in the tomb. Every minute, day and night a relative will be beside the remains, reciting from the Koran. At Port Said the funeral party will be met by thousands of their co-religionists, and a great pilgrimage will escort the remains of the departed leader by road to Jerusalem.

NO SUNDAY WORK ORDER AT ATHLIT QUARRIES RESCINDED.

Jerusalem, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The order suspending work on Sundays at the Athlit quarries, providing stone for the building of the Haifa Harbour, has been rescinded, the High Commissioner has informed the Jewish Agency, the J.T.A. here learns.

Referring to the decision that no work should be allowed on Sundays at the Athlit quarries, Dr. Selig Brodetsky, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, speaking at the Conference of the English Zionist Federation a few days ago, said that a Jewish National Home in which Jews have to fight for liberty to keep their own Sabbath and to work on the other six days of the week was not a Jewish National Home as he understood it. It is not a question of economics, he said. I deny the right to any Government to dictate to Jews in their Jewish National Home on which days of the week they have to work.

Dr. Drummond Shiels, the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, replying in the House of Commons about the middle of December to a question put by Mr. James Hall, the new Labour member for Whitechapel, said that he was not aware that any instructions prohibiting Sunday work had been issued in connection with the Haifa Harbour construction, Lord Passfield, the Colonial Secretary, he said, was in communication with the High Commissioner and as soon as a reply was received the matter would be fully considered.

Last week Dr. Shiels explained to a deputation consisting of Rabbi Dr. Pinchas Cohn, the President of the Agudath Israel World Organisation, and Mr. H. A. Goodman, the Secretary of its Political Executive, that he sympathised with the religious scruples put before him by the delegation with regard to the decision enforcing Sunday closing of the Athlit quarries. The decision, he said, had been arrived at after much consideration. It was not intended as a precedent, and had been decided purely for economic reasons, as the expense was greatly increased and the supervisory staff had been working for seven days a week, which had militated against their health and efficiency. The matter would be kept under observation, he added.

RABBI MAYER BERLIN REMAINS ON ZIONIST EXECUTIVE: MATTERS ADJUSTED AT SPECIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING: TELLS J.T.A. RESIGNATION WAS NOT CONCERNED WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH GOVERNMENT.

London, Jan. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Rabbi Mayer Berlin, the leader of the Mizrahi Organisation, informs the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that his resignation from the Zionist Executive was not concerned with the negotiations with the British Government, but with another matter. An adjustment was reached with the Executive at yesterday's special meeting called to consider his resignation, and in view of the forthcoming meeting of the Actions Committee next week, Rabbi Berlin has decided to remain in the Executive.

ZIONIST CONGRESS POSTPONEMENT FOR AND AGAINST: POLISH REVISIONISTS INSIST CONGRESS MUST BE HELD AS ARRANGED WHILE ET LIVNOH ORGANISATION PREPARED TO AGREE TO POSTPONEMENT IF AMERICAN ZIONISTS DEMAND IT.

Warsaw, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Polish Revisionist Organisation has adopted a resolution protesting strongly against any postponement of the Zionist Congress from the date in February arranged for it. The Polish Zionist Organisation Et Livnoh, on the other hand, is prepared to agree to a postponement of the Congress if the American Zionists demand a postponement.

DECLINE OF YIDDISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE IN SOVIET RUSSIA REPORTED BY MOSCOW YIDDISH DAILY "EMESS"

Moscow, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The future of the Yiddish language and literature in Soviet Russia, or more correctly in the larger Russian cities, is not very promising, according to an investigation into the conditions prevailing in the two Yiddish libraries in Moscow, conducted recently, the results of which have just been made public in the Yiddish Communist organ "Emess" here.

There are 18,000 Jewish workmen employed in the factories of Moscow, the investigations report, nearly all of whom are recent arrivals in the capital. That these workmen are among the most progressive in the country is testified to by the fact that they left their homes in what was formerly the Pale of Jewish Settlement to come to Moscow, where the opportunities are greater and life is more interesting. That these workers, who were readers in their home towns, have not broken with the reading habit upon arriving in Moscow is also evident to all attending a meeting of such workers. They are in touch with all current events, politics, economics, the progress of the Five Year Plan, etc. They are Marxists, the investigators state, versed in the literature of Socialism, both of an earlier day and of the modern period. They are readers of literature, of novels, and of critical works.

But the language they read in, they add, is for the most part Russian. At least that is what study of the attendance at the two Yiddish libraries in Moscow indicates. Both the Central Yiddish Library and the Library connected with the Communist Club have scarcely more than two hundred patrons.

The writer in the "Emess", reporting on the results of the investigation, suggests the merging of the Yiddish Library with the library at the Communist Club for the sake of greater efficiency. It is further suggested that a new collection of books should be obtained by the libraries to replace the old shabby-looking volumes, so that the taking out of books should be made more attractive.

But, the report goes on to suggest that such palliatives will not greatly alter the situation. The neglect of libraries in their so-called "national" tongue is characteristic, it says, not only of the Jews, but of all other minorities. Moscow teems with libraries in the languages and dialects of its varying national minorities, but these libraries seem to exist merely because they are subsidised in one form or another. They are not kept alive by the interest of their readers. They are looked upon more as museums for the curious or as scientific libraries for specialists and students. The masses are not reached by them. The masses in Moscow, the report concludes, read and speak the language of the country and of the city - Great Russian.

SOVIET SHOE INDUSTRY MAKING BIG PROGRESS: OLD RUSSIAN FOOTGEAR PARK SANDALS ALMOST DISAPPEARED FROM STREETS: PEASANT NOW WEARS SHOES

Moscow, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

With the closing in Moscow of the Ninth All-Russian Congress of Leather and Shoe Workers, whose membership is strongly Jewish, some interesting sidelights on the shoe industry in Russia have come to the public notice. Although there is a cry that there is a shortage of shoes in the country, the leather and shoe industry for the year 1930 showed remarkable advance. In 1928 there were 23 million pairs of shoes manufactured in Russia, while in 1930 the number increased to 62 million pairs. The number of shoe and leather workers increased proportionately during this period from 124,747 in 1928 to 168,484 in 1930. The total number of workers connected with the leather and shoe industry is now close on 200,000 men.

The fact that together with this big increase in production there is a big shortage of shoes was explained by the Conference by the fact that the old Russian national footgear of the peasant, Lapti (bark sandals) has almost entirely disappeared from the cities. The peasant to-day wears shoes.

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"BOYCOTT JEWS" SIGNS ON MUNICIPAL-OWNED KIOSKS IN MONTREAL: JEWISH PAPER DEMAND TEST CASE AGAINST CITY FOR ALLOWING ITS PROPERTY TO BE USED FOR ANTISEMITIC PURPOSES.

Montreal, Dec. 26th. (J.T.A. Mail Service).

A call for an active fight against antisemitism in the Province of Quebec has been issued by the Montreal Yiddish daily the "Jewish Eagle", which draws attention to the growing antisemitic movement, particularly in Montreal.

The local municipal authorities recently decided to control the sale of newspapers in the streets by erecting and leasing kiosks at important corners to recommended news vendors, the paper says. Many interpreted this act as a move to drive Jewish news vendors off the streets, one Alderman having openly demanded that newsagents must be bi-lingual, meaning that they should understand French as well as English. Though there was a good deal of protest against its action, the city persisted and has now erected the first kiosk in a busy thoroughfare. This kiosk now carries signs with the following inscription: "Buy your papers from French-Canadians. Don't buy from Jews".

The "Eagle" demands a test case against the city for allowing its property to be used for antisemitic purposes.

SON OF ONE-TIME JEWISH MINISTER IN HUNGARY LATE DR. VASZONWI ENTERS PUBLIC LIFE IN BUDAPEST.

Budapest, Jan. 7th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Dr. Johann Vaszonyi, son of the one-time Minister of Justice, the late Dr. Wilhelm Vaszonyi, who died in 1926 from the effects of an attack made on him by antisemites in the streets of Budapest and who was one of the outstanding champions of the Jewish cause in Hungary, has just entered public life, by being elected for the first time as a member of the Budapest City Council. Several of his father's old colleagues in the fight against the antisemitism which swept Hungary with the coming of the Christian regime, like Dr. Paul Sandor, Dr. Bela Fabian, Dr. Brody, Dr. Eugen Gal, and Dr. Marzell Hajdu, are among the new members of the Budapest City Council, which so far has 17 Jewish members belonging to the middle class parties. It is possible that several more Jews will find places on the Council, because some Councillors have been elected several times, and it is expected that among those who will replace them on their duplicate representation will be some Jews.

There are several Jews also among the Social Democrats who have been returned to the new Council and both the Government Party and the Opposition in the new Council this time include Jews among their representatives.

JEWISH PROFESSOR AT VIENNA UNIVERSITY DIES WHILE PREPARING REPLY TO PALESTINE WHITE PAPER.

Vienna, Jan. 8th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Professor Leo Strisower, Professor of International Law at the University of Vienna, has died to-day at the age of 73. He was engaged in drafting a memorandum in reply to the British White Paper on Palestine, at the request of the Jewish students in Vienna, who wanted to submit it to the League of Nations in Geneva and the Permanent Court of International Justice at The Hague.

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