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SHOOTING OUTRAGE CASTS GLOOM OVER PALESTINE JEWRY: TEN THOUSAND PEOPLE FOLLOW FUNERAL OF VICTIMS: JEWISH NATIONAL COUNCIL INTERVIEWS HIGH COMMISSIONER: HEBREW PRESS DEMANDS SWIFT GOVERNMENT ACTION AGAINST ARAB WIREPULLERS ATTRIBUTING OUTRAGE TO THEIR INCITEMENT: FEAR OF NEW SPREAD OF TERRORISM IF MURDERERS GO UNPUNISHED: POLICE MAY OFFER REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO ARRESTS.

Jerusalem, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The shooting outrage near Haifa has cast a gloom over Palestine Jewry. Excitement is running high. Over 10,000 people followed in the funeral procession to-day of the three Jewish dead. The coffins were carried through the Haifa Jewish suburb, Hadar Hacarmel, and were then taken to the Labour Settlement Yadjur, to which the victims belonged, and were buried there. Mr. David Ben-Gurion, the Palestine Labour leader, speaking at the graveside, said that detectives and trackers are scouring the countryside trying to hunt down the murderers.

Several Arabs belonging to the nearby Arab village of Yadjur, and also a number of Druses have been arrested. The tracks seem to lead to the village of Shafaram.

Jacob Zamir, one of the two men who were killed, came to Palestine from Poland only last year. He was employed at the Athlit quarries, in connection with the Haifa Harbour construction works, and had been visiting some friends at Yadjur. The woman, Hinde Fischman, was also a native of Poland, and joined the Yadjur Labour Settlement only this week.

The four who were wounded are stated to be out of danger.

The ambushade was well organised, a workman at the Nesher Cement Factory told the J.T.A. Representative in Haifa. The attackers fired, he said, from both sides of the road, and continued to shoot after several of the victims had already been hit. He indignantly denied the suggestions made in some quarters that there had been a quarrel between the Jews and the Arabs which had led to the shooting. The outrage was altogether unprovoked, he said.

Colonel Kisch, member of the Jewish Agency Executive, has gone to Haifa. The Haifa Jewish Community has had an interview with the District Governor of the North, Mr. Colville, to demand that the authorities should take energetic action to round up the murderers. The attack was obviously carefully organised, they said, and if the murderers are not caught and brought to justice it may lead to a spread of terrorism throughout the country.

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

The Administration of the Palestine Jewish National Council (Vaad Leumi) had an audience this morning with the High Commissioner, Sir John Chancellor, at which it raised the question of security in the country, in the light of the Yadjur outrage.

The police are prepared to offer a substantial reward for information leading to the arrest of the murderers, the J.T.A. understands. So far the efforts to track them down have been unsuccessful, although the Sheiks and Mukhtars of the neighbouring villages have all been closely interrogated. Colonel Mavrogordato, the Chief of the Palestine Police Force, has personally taken charge of the investigations.

All the Hebrew papers demand swift Government action. The Revisionist daily, the "Haam", urges that the Arab wire-pullers should be punished because the outrage is due to their incitement. The "Haaretz" says that the citizens of the country have no faith in the will or ability of the Government to suppress criminality and incitement, so long as the Arab press is allowed to go on engaging in uncontrolled incitement. How can the sense of security in Palestine be restored when the murderers of Yadjur can commit their crime and get away without the authorities being able to find any trace of them, the Hebrew Labour daily "Davar" asks.

Various theories are prevalent regarding the motive behind the outrage, that most widely held being that either Arab politicians or Communists hired a terrorist gang of expert shots to shoot down a party of Jews, in order to stir up new trouble in Palestine.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR AND HIS WIFE FEARED LOST IN SYRIAN DESERT: NOT HEARD OF FOR MONTH: WERE ENGAGED IN SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION.

Jerusalem, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Great uneasiness exists here because nothing has been heard for a month of Dr. Ahronne, of the Hebrew University, a distinguished zoologist, who went together with his wife on a scientific expedition in the Syrian desert. Their itinerary included the entire desert by slow stages from Damascus to Mosul by way of Palmyra and Baghdad. Dr. Ahronne is well acquainted with the desert, and the lack of news may mean only that he has had no facilities for communication. Dr. Jourdain, an English zoologist who went to join Dr. Ahronne and his wife, arrived here to-day a month after he had left them. The Palestine Government is in communication with the Syrian and Iraq authorities, and it is likely that search parties and an air reconnaissance will be organized.

TEL AVIV STREETS ILLUMINATED FOR MAYOR'S 70TH. BIRTHDAY.

Jerusalem, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The streets of the all-Jewish town of Tel Aviv were specially illuminated last night in celebration of the 70th. birthday of the Mayor, Mr. Mayer Dizengoff, who was one of its founders.

The "Doar Hayom" publishes a 20 page issue to-day full of tributes to Mr. Dizengoff.

A ten acre garden is being planted in Tel Aviv this week in honour of Mr. Dizengoff.

POLISH JEWRY FEARS ECONOMIC DEBACLE THIS MONTH IF GOVERNMENT DOES NOT PROVIDE RELIEF: FEW BUSINESSES STILL HOLDING ON WILL HAVE TO CLOSE DOWN BECAUSE NO PASSOVER TRADE THIS YEAR: GOVERNMENT INTENDS SENDING MIXED POLISH-JEWISH DELEGATION TO AMERICA TO RAISE LOAN PRESS REPORTS.

Warsaw, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

The Polish Government intends to send to America a combined delegation of Jewish and Polish representatives, merchants and artisans, with a view to raising a loan there for reconstruction work, the press reports to-day. In connection with this report, Jewish merchant circles here declare that if the Government does not immediately undertake definite measures to help to alleviate the Jewish situation by providing credits and decreasing taxation, thousands of Jewish business enterprises which are still managing to hold on will be compelled to close down this month, and an economic disaster will be unavoidable. Bankruptcies are foreseen in hundreds of cases, because practically no business has been done during the Passover season this year.

In Government quarters assurances are given that a new 150 million zloty public works plan will be adopted in ten days' time for the purpose of relieving unemployment. The Jews are not very optimistic about this measure, however, because of the notorious discrimination against Jews in employment on public works.

ALL JEWISH HOUSES IN POLISH TOWN DESTROYED BY FIRE: COMMUNITY APPEALS FOR HELP FOR HOMELESS VICTIMS: CATHOLIC PRIEST HELPS TO FIGHT FLAMES AND ORGANISES RELIEF FOR JEWS AMONG NON-JEWISH INHABITANTS.

Warsaw, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Every Jewish house in the township of Jezov has been burned down in a big fire which broke out during the night. 30 Jewish families have been rendered completely homeless. The Jewish Community has sent an appeal for help to the Jews throughout Poland and abroad, stating that the victims of the fire have lost everything they possessed.

The local Catholic priest was prominent among the fire-fighters, trying hard to save some of the Jewish property, and he also persuaded many of the non-Jewish residents to organise relief for the Jewish victims.

POLISH ANTISEMITISM IS ONLY SELF-DEFENCE AGAINST JEWISH ENCROACHMENT WARSAW DAILY SAYS COMPLAINING OF VICE-MINISTER'S ASSURANCE TO J.T.A. HEAD THAT GOVERNMENT WILL SEEK TO IMPROVE JEWISH ECONOMIC SITUATION.

Warsaw, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

Polish antisemitism, which is called into existence by the activities of the Jews, is nothing more than self-defence against Jewish encroachment, its aim being to enable the Polish people to become again a normal social organism, with control over its own creative life, its various activities, its civilisation, and its State; the antisemitic daily "Gazeta Warszawska", the organ of the National Democratic Party, says in an article, protesting against the assurances given by the Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, Colonel Josef Bek, in his interview with Mr. Jacob Landau, the Managing Director of the J.T.A. (given in the J.T.A. Bulletin of the 1st. inst.).

Does Colonel Bek, in speaking of putting down antisemitism, both political and psychological, mean that he intends to suppress this movement for Polish self-expression and self-dominance, the paper asks.

Colonel Bek's promise that the Government will take measures to improve the Jewish economic position, is also resented by the "Gazeta Warszawska", which asks why the Jews should be the only privileged section of the population to enjoy the supervision and benevolent care of the Government to improve their economic position. Colonel Bek's statements, the paper concludes, rouse serious concern regarding the further course of action of the Polish Government in respect to the Jewish question.

POGROM AGITATION IN POSEN AND POMERANIA.

Warsaw, April 6th. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).

A new wave of violent antisemitic propaganda is sweeping the former German provinces of Posen and Pomerania. Leaflets are being openly distributed in the streets, calling for pogroms against the Jews. The boycott movement against Jews coming from Congress Poland is particularly strong, and the Central Federation of Christian Merchants in Pomerania and Posen has gone so far as to approach the authorities in Warsaw officially to ask them to prohibit Jewish pedlars from Congress Poland going to these provinces to do business. There is no likelihood of the Government acceding to the demand, because under the Constitution all citizens have the right of freedom of movement in all parts of the Republic.

Mass meetings are being held in all parts of Posen and Pomerania at which speakers call upon the population to boycott Jewish artisans, shopkeepers, pedlars, lawyers, doctors, etc. "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion", "The Jews, the Enemies of Poland", "The War Against Shechita", and similar pamphlets are being distributed in large quantities.

#### ANTI-ALIEN DEMONSTRATIONS DAILY EVENTS IN CANADA.

Montreal, Mar. 27th. (J.T.A. Mail Service).

Anti-alien demonstrations are becoming almost daily occurrences in Montreal. To-day 800 unemployed French-Canadians marched to the factory of a local tobacco company and demanded that all foreigners should be dismissed and their places given to French-Canadians.

Attempts have been made to stop the employment of aliens in other places, one such attempt culminating in a brawl in which one alien was so seriously injured that he was removed to a hospital. To prevent any further demonstrations special police patrols have been assigned to guard industrial plants where large number of aliens are employed.

#### JEWS DO NOT WANT TO BE OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED AS MINORITY IN CANADA SAYS CANADIAN JEWISH MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

Quebec City, Mar. 27th. (J.T.A. Mail Service).

Jews do not want to be officially recognised as a minority in Canada, with special minority rights, since they regard themselves as "Canadians of Jewish origin, and nothing more or less", Mr. Peter Berkovitch said in the Quebec Provincial Legislature yesterday, when the new Jewish School Bill came up before the Public Bills Committee of the Lower House. Mr. Joseph Cohen, the other Jewish member of the Legislature agreed with Mr. Berkovitch's views.

The creation of an official Jewish minority in the Province of Quebec for school purposes is not in the interest of all parties concerned, the Provincial Secretary, Mr. L. A. David, said during the discussion on the bill. Constitutionally, he said, there is only one minority in Canada, and that is the French-Canadian. Mr. David went on to add that it would be dangerous and inopportune to create another minority in the country.

After a short discussion the new Jewish School Bill, which replaces last year's bill which had given the Jews the right to establish their own schools, was sent back to the House for further consideration.

#### AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE AMONG JEWISH CHILDREN HIGHER THAN AMONG NON-JEWISH.

New York, Mar. 27th. (J.T.A. Mail Service).

The average of intelligence among Jewish children is higher than among non-Jewish is the conclusion reached by Dr. J. B. Maller, research associate at Teachers' College, Columbia University, in an article, "Studies in the Intelligence of Young Jews", which appears in the current issue of "Jewish Education", embodying an enquiry made under the auspices of the Department of Research of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The article includes the findings of a large number of psychological studies, comparing the intelligence of Jewish and non-Jewish children, presenting a summary of reports of some fifteen investigations appearing in various technical journals, such as the British Journal of Psychology, the Journal of Educational Psychology and various dissertations. In practically every one of these researches Jewish children were found to attain a higher average of intelligence than their non-Jewish classmates, Dr. Maller declares. Their superiority was especially marked in tests of abstract intelligence and those involving the use of language, he says. "Jewish children excelled in intelligence age for age. The most striking aspect of the studies presented in this abstract is the consistency of the findings of the various investigators. Such repeated corroboration of results is indeed rare in the studies of race differences," Dr. Maller writes.

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