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CHIEF RABBI OF BUCHAREST ESCAPES DEATH;  
3 ASSASSINS FIRED AT CLOSE RANGE

BUCHAREST, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Jakob Niemirower miraculously escaped death at the hands of three young assassins yesterday when a bullet fired at close quarters penetrated his clothes, causing a slight flesh wound on his arm.

The three assassins are members of the same anti-Semitic organization, the Iron Guardists, responsible for the slaying in the last days of 1933 of Premier Ion Duca.

The attempt on the Chief Rabbi's life was made while he was enroute to the synagogue. In all five shots were fired by the youths, one of whom was arrested by the police after a chase.

Rabbi Niemirower, who is a Senator in the Roumanian Parliament by appointment, is confined to his home today suffering chiefly from shock. The attempt on his life created a sensation in the Jewish community here.

Rabbi Niemirower is 65 years old and has been chief rabbi of Bucharest since 1921. In 1927 he was appointed to the Senate as the representative of Rumanian Jewry. He is one of the oldest of the Rumanian Zionists and for a long time has been president of the Rumanian branch of the international fraternal order, B'nai B'rith, which has its world headquarters in Cincinnati.

Recently Rabbi Niemirower was the center of an anti-Semitic incident in Czernowitz. An invited guest to a banquet in honor of Archbishop Victor Puiu Visarion, he was barred entrance to the banquet hall by Deputy Robu, member of the anti-Semitic Guzist party. The Archbishop later expressed his regrets.

REICH JEWS STILL OWN 2 BILLIONS, OFFICIAL TELLS TOBENKIN

BERLIN, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- The Jews of Germany still possess a capital exceeding two billion marks, a high Government official told Elias Tobenkin, American-Jewish journalist and novelist who yesterday left Germany after a short stay.

This is the first official estimate of the financial position of the Jews since the advent of the Hitler regime. In informed circles here, the estimate is believed to be exaggerated.

Tobenkin told American correspondents today that he gathered from interviews with a number of leading personalities that Germany's "elder statesmen" are filled with alarm at the extent to which the Nazi extremists are carrying out the anti-Jewish policy.

He said these statesmen are particularly apprehensive for the following reasons: 1) the policy of forcing Jews to sell out to "Aryans" is essentially no different from the expropriation of property practiced by the Bolsheviks; 2) by ruining the Jews, the Nazis are simultaneously ruining thousands of Germans who are rendered jobless by such transfers; and 3) the attempt by Nazi left-wingers to establish a "Nazi International" for the purpose of propagating Nazi views abroad, similar to the Comintern of the Soviet, might have similar international repercussions.

A former minister in the Kaiser's Government told Tobenkin, he disclosed, that "if we'd been allowed to vote on the Jewish question, two thirds of Germany would have voted for abolition of the anti-Jewish legislation."

"Grown-ups realize," the ex-minister is quoted as saying, "realize that the anti-Jewish propaganda is merely political, but the youths who starting April 1 are to be compelled to join Nazi youth organizations might grow up with distorted views on the Jewish question.

191 JEWS, "NON-ARYANS" OUSTED FROM REICH COURT POSTS

BERLIN, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- It was officially announced here that 191 Jewish and "non-Aryan" judges and magistrates, the majority of them war veterans, have been ousted from the German courts in accordance with the Nuremberg "ghetto" laws.

Of this number, 22 were dismissed from the high court, 72 from the district court and 91 from lower tribunals. Among those losing their posts was one rabbi who had been employed for religious purposes.

LEFT WING POALE ZIONISTS ARRESTED IN WARSAW

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- After a raid on the headquarters of the Left Poale-Zion Party, radical labor Zionist organization, police arrested a majority of the party's members. The headquarters were subjected to a thorough search.

ANTI-JEWISH VIOLENCE RENEWED IN POLAND

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- Anti-Jewish violence has been renewed in several parts of Poland, reports reaching here today disclosed.

Two bombs exploded with terrific force Friday night in St. Getruda Street, Krakow, which is thickly populated by Jews.

Three Jewish shops were set on fire by unidentified persons in the village of Moska, near Lwow.

The entire Jewish population of the village of Dumbrowa Koscielna, in the district of Wysoki Mazowieck, was forced to flee when peasants launched an anti-Jewish attack during which they smashed the windows of all Jewish houses.

APPEALS COURT UPHOLDS SENTENCES OF NARA KILLERS OF JEW

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- The sentencing of four anti-Semites to five and a half years each for the murder of a Warsaw Jew in the course of an anti-Jewish riot in June, 1934, was upheld yesterday by the Court of Appeals.

Three others of the eleven who had been sentenced last October, all of them members of the outlawed anti-Semitic National Racial Party, had sentences of two years each confirmed by the court. Four of the appellants won acquittal, sentences of one to two years being reversed.

The eleven Naras were convicted on October 9 of the murder of Jechezkiel Delman, 35, in a riot in the Powonski section of Warsaw. Eleven other Naras on trial for the same murder were acquitted.

LWOW SCHOOL DISCIPLINES JEWISH STUDENTS FOR PROTEST ON "JIM CROW" SYSTEM

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- Jewish students of the Lwow Polytechnicum were yesterday disciplined by the institute's authorities for not attending lectures in protest against the "Jim Crow" system in effect there. The system, recently decreed by the school's rector, forces Jewish students to occupy separate benches in the classrooms.

Deputy Emil Sommerstein announced today that he has again intervened with the central authorities here urging them to force the school to rescind the decree.

SALE OF ANTI-JEWISH PAPER BARRED ON WARSAW STREETS

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- The authorities have prohibited the sale on the city's streets of Warta, an anti-Semitic daily recently founded here, because the newsboys hawking the paper wore swastika armbands. The action was taken since the swastika constitutes the official German colors. On the newsboys were found cards attesting their membership in a Polish Nazi Party with headquarters at Lodz.

WARSAW Y.M.C.A. BARS USE OF POOL TO JEWS

WARSAW, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- The Warsaw Y.M.C.A. has refused to rent its swimming pool to a club which had planned events in which Jewish swimmers were entered, it became known today.

In answer to a query by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, the Y.M.C.A. management confirmed the bar on non-Christians. The "Y" possesses the best sports facilities in the city.

PALESTINE STILL BIG BUYER OF CAMELS DESPITE SWIFT MODERNIZATION;  
CHIEF U.S. EXPORTS TO HOLY LAND CARS, ACCESSORIES

LONDON (JTA) -- Despite the rapid modernization of the Holy Land, Palestine is the Iraqi Kingdom's second best customer for camels, according to the Board of Overseas Trade report on economic conditions in Iraq just made public. Syria was the largest purchaser of Iraqi camels.

Palestine bought camels valued at £18,197 from Iraq in the year from August 1934 to August, 1935, the report discloses. But the "ship of the desert" is few in numbers and value compared to motor-cars in Palestine, the value of automobiles imported in 1934 being £578,271.

Total exports from Iraq to Palestine increased during 1934-35 from £31,000 in 1932-33 and £151,00 in 1933-34 to £237,000. At the same time, Palestine exports to Iraq decreased from £83,000 in 1932-33 to £11,000 in 1934-35.

Japan, which imported only £7,000 from Iraq in 1934-35, was, after Great Britain, the largest exporter to that country, its exports during the year totalling £1,224,000.

The United States remained a good customer of Iraq taking £337,000 in Iraqi products and selling to Iraq goods valued at £381,000.

The principal American exports to Palestine were automobiles and tires and tubes, valued, in all, at £225,000. Iraq's principal exports to the United States were dates (£188,000); wool, £76,000; intestines, £43,868; liquorice root, £16,195.

During the year Palestine and Trans-Jordan bought from Iraq cows, sheep, goats and poultry valued at £29,334; fish, £9,568; ghee (an animal fat), £8,066 and mineral oil, £70,496.

During 1934-34 Iraq's exports totalled £4,875,000 as against imports of £6,105,000. While Iraq imports remained fairly constant for three years, her exports almost doubled in that time.

ADVANCE DATE OF NATIONAL PARLEY ON PALESTINE TO FEB. 1

NEW YORK, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- In order that the delegation of three British Jewish leaders, consisting of Simon Marks, Sir Herbert Samuel and Lord Bearsted, might participate, the National Conference on Palestine, originally scheduled for February 8 and 9, will be held instead February 1 and 2 at the Hotel Willard, Washington, D.C., it was announced today by the provisional committee, headed by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, which is planning the Washington Conference.

The decision to change the date of the meeting followed a series of telephone conversations with members of the delegation in London who urged that the Conference schedule be revised so that they could be present.

The National Conference on Palestine, intended as a mobilization of American Jewish leaders in response to the critical situation of Jews abroad, has been called to stimulate American interest in a large-scale program for the settlement in Palestine of great numbers of the Jews of Germany and other Central and East European lands.

The Provisional Conference Committee in addition to Dr. Stephen S. Wise, include Dr. Israel Goldstein, Maurice Levin, Louis Lipsky, Morris Rothenberg and Nathan Straus.

N. Y. PALESTINE APPEAL DRIVE STARTS TODAY

NEW YORK, Jan. 12. (JTA) -- New York City will tomorrow begin the campaign to raise its share of the national quota of \$2,500,000 for the United Palestine Appeal, it was announced today by Nathan Straus, chairman of the Greater New York drive and treasurer of the nation-wide effort.

Mr. Straus announced the following officers will be associated with him in the local drive: associate chairman: Harold Jacobi and Maurice Levin; vice-chairman: Dr. G. A. Lowenstein and Michael Schaap; treasurer, Arthur M. Lamport; associate treasurer, Abraham L. Liebovitz; executive director, Samuel Blitz.