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### POLICE TO CHECK FASCIST TERRORISTS IN LONDON, SIMON TELLS COMMONS

LONDON, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Sir John Simon, Home Secretary, asserted in the House of Commons today that the police would take "every possible step" to halt Fascist intimidation of Jews "in this country."

Replying to questions as the issue of terrorism against Jewish shopkeepers in London's East End was raised on the floor for the second time, Sir John declared:

"While the source of the offense is difficult to detect and bring home to the offenders, it is intolerable that any section of the population should be subjected to these methods."

Sir John had received a petition from 1,000 tradesmen in the Shoreditch section asking protection from persons, who, they charged, were attempting to destroy their trade. The petition was presented by Ernest Thurtle, Labor M.P., a former New Yorker.

Mr. Thurtle said he had received a letter from the Fascists containing the following threat: "We of the local Fascisti are going to smash you by fair means or foul means. Take this as a warning." The letter was addressed to "Judenized Aryan."

After denouncing Fascist intimidation in Commons, Mr. Thurtle said: "The tradesmen complain of Jew-baiting. I have received letters from some of them stating that their windows have been smashed." He added:

"In the petition they point out that men parade up and down Hoxton Streets, shouting such anti-Jewish slogans as 'Clear out the Jews from Hoxton' and 'The Jews have got your job' or 'The Jews have robbed you long enough.'"

"I have had a long talk with the Home Secretary, and I think he is in earnest about stopping this stirring up of strife and racial feeling."

REPORT MILITARY MAN NAMED TO BUILD PALESTINE CHANNEL

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- El Liwaa, Arab daily, reported today that the British Colonial Office has named a military director of public works to carry out plans for a channel between Gaza, on the Mediterranean, and El Akaba, Red Sea port.

The channel would be of great war time value, serving as an alternative route from the Mediterranean to the Red Sea in the event that the Suez Canal were blockaded.

SAYS LONDON U. WILL SNUB HEIDELBERG FETE

LONDON, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- It is unthinkable that London University should accept the invitation to the 550th anniversary celebration of Heidelberg University in Germany, it was declared today by Graham Little, Conservative M.P. for the university, in The Times. He said that acceptance would contradict "the unbroken tradition of a century."

Oxford and Birmingham Universities have announced that they will not send delegations to the observance.

Seventeen British university teachers recently stated in a letter to The Times that they support the view of Dr. N. Hensley Henson, Bishop of Durham, that in view of anti-Semitic propaganda at German universities, no British universities should participate in the Heidelberg celebration.

They wrote: "Every one would know that only the intolerance of all real freedom of thought on some of the most vital interests of life, the relentless persecution of those bold enough to express opinions contrary to Nazi doctrine and the savage treatment of 'non-Aryans' had prompted the decision."

GUZISTS WRECK JEWISH SHOPS IN BUCHAREST

BUCHAREST, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- A number of Jewish-owned shops were demolished today by members of the Cuzist anti-Semitic party after they had left a political meeting.

PALESTINE TRADE CHAMBERS PLAN PARLEY IN PRAHA

PRAHA, Czechoslovakia, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- A congress of Palestine chambers of commerce will be convoked here during 1936 to map plans for increasing exports from the Holy Land, it was learned today.

NAZIS INCREASE ACTIVITY IN HOLY LAND

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- A survey today showed that German Nazis are intensifying their activities throughout the country, particularly in the seaport of Haifa.

Nazi organizations hold frequent meetings at which addresses are delivered by representatives from Germany. Reich Government officials are reported to be involved in the activities, but the Palestine Government is taking no action.

Recently a delegation of Nazis returned from Germany with three swastika emblems which, they said, they had received from the hands of Reichsfuehrer Hitler himself.

55 SEIZED AS THIEVES BY TEL AVIV POLICE

TEL AVIV, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Police today arrested fifty-five alleged thieves in a raid on a secret meeting which they were holding. The raid climaxed a police campaign launched recently when the number of robberies reported in this city increased sharply.

DR. RUPPIN WILL BE 60 ON MARCH 1

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Dr. Arthur Ruppin, head of the special department for economic planning of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and expert on colonization, will observe his sixtieth birthday on March 1.

POZNAN BANS KOSHER MEAT IMPORTS

WARSAW, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- After having banned kosher slaughtering, the city of Poznan today prohibited the importing of kosher meat "for sanitary reasons."

Under the edict issued by the President of the city, animals must be stunned before slaughtering. Stunning violates the Jewish ritual code.

2,432 JEWS ENTERED PALESTINE IN JANUARY

JERUSALEM, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- A total of 2,432 Jews, including 297 in the capitalist category, entered Palestine in January, according to statistics published today in the official Government gazette.

REPORT 2 PEDDLERS SLAIN BY POLISH PEASANTS

WARSAW, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Newspapers reported today that peasants in the city of Kozenice murdered two Jewish peddlers, Leib Schlaumenbaum, 70, and Melech Goldwasser, 45 years old.

EUGEN CURTI, NOTED ZURICH LAWYER, TO DEFEND GUSTLOFF

GENEVA, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- It became known today that David Frankfurter, confessed slayer of Wilhelm Gustloff, Swiss Nazi leader, will probably be defended by Eugen Curti, well known Zurich advocate.

The trial will take place in the town of Chur, Canton Grisons, in about two months. Police meanwhile are conducting an exhaustive investigation.

A Berlin report had quoted Reichsfuehrer Hitler's Voelkischer Beobachter as stating that Frankfurter's attorney would be Dr. Lurie of Bruenn, Czechoslovakia, whom the paper described as a member of the Communist International.

MANCHESTER GUARDIAN HITS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

LONDON, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- The Manchester Guardian asserted today that "the Palestine administration is about to stamp the Jewish population, which is entitled to complete equality, with the status of a permanent minority," in commenting on yesterday's debate in the House of Lords on the proposed Palestine representative legislative council.

Citing the reply of Lord Plymouth for the Government to criticism of the project in which he stated that the council could not be delayed, the Guardian declared that despite warnings on all sides, the Government is bent on proceeding with formation of the council.

"It is disposed to ignore Jewish opinion, which is entitled both in the name of justice and under the Mandate to be consulted," the editorial said. Jewish organizations have declared their opposition to the council.

The Guardian warned that the Arabs would use their new position "to frustrate the development of a Jewish national home, doing this when, more than ever, the Mandatory Power should practice the utmost generosity and consideration to the Jews, who, as never before are the victims: of persecution and so much need refuge."

DR. LOWENSTEIN TO TOUR COAST FOR J.D.C. DRIVE

NEW YORK, Feb. 27. (JTA) -- Dr. Solomon Lowenstein, executive vice-president of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies, has accepted invitations to speak in a number of cities on the Pacific Coast in furtherance of the Joint Distribution Committee's \$3,500,000 campaign for overseas aid among Jews in 1936.

SOVIET COURT SETS PRISON TERMS FOR ANTI-SEMITES

MOSCOW (JTA) -- The Soviet Court in Novozybkov, in the Ukraine, has sentenced three members of the local artisans' group to two, four and five years imprisonment respectively for anti-Semitic activities.

Two of the members of the group were accused of having driven a Jewish member of the group named Kabalkin to suicide by their anti-Semitic attacks.

Kabalkin, it was stated at the trial, had been carrying on an energetic fight against the thefts and disorderly behavior among the members of the group. This was chiefly the reason why he was persecuted. In a note left by Kabalkin, he stated: "I wish I could have remained alive, but the anti-Semites of our artisan group have poisoned my existence."

ELEVEN NEW EMIGRATION OFFICES TO BE OPENED IN GERMANY

BERLIN (JTA) -- Eleven new emigration offices are to be established by the Hilfsverein der Juden in Deutschland, Jewish relief organization, to meet increasing demands for emigration facilities.

The offices will be in addition to the main office in Berlin and branches in Hamburg and Bremen. The new branches will be opened in Koenigsberg, Breslau, Leipzig, Stettin, Hanover, Cologne, Frankfort-am-Main, Mannheim, Karlsruhe, Stuttgart and Munich.

Special emigration courses are being organized to train officials who will head the branches. Prospective officials will study immigration possibilities in various countries, transfer of capital, cooperation with foreign Jewish organizations and relief methods.

18 SENTENCED IN ALGIER FOR RIOTING

ALGIER (JTA) -- Eighteen Mohammedans have been sentenced by the Orleansville Court to prison terms varying from five to twenty years for having murdered Michel Attal and injured his wife and children during the anti-Jewish riots of August 5, 1934. Three others were acquitted.