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NEW RIOTS FLARE IN CENTRAL POLAND; PROTEST STRIKE CALLED

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WARSAW, March 13. -- While Jewish labor proclaimed a nation-wide strike for next Tuesday in protest against anti-Semitic excesses, new disorders broke out today in the town of Skrzyn, near Radom, and Turka, near Sambor, both in Central Poland.

The entire Jewish population fled from Skrzyn after a mob had attacked thirty families during the night, seriously injuring two persons.

At Turka, a mob raided Jewish shops after incitement had been carried on under the pretext that Jews made a practice of ritual murder of Christian children for Passover. Order was restored by police of Sambor, who arrested twenty rioters and removed them in chains to the Sambor jail.

The walkout was called by an emergency conference held under the initiative of the Bund, Jewish labor party and the Left Poale Zion, radical Jewish Socialist organization, with non-partisan Jewish labor groups participating.

The move threatened to spread to non-Jewish workers as the president of the Polish Federation of Labor announced he would propose a complete, all-Polish strike at the next meeting of the federation's executive. Upon receiving the decision of the Jewish groups, he expressed sympathy with their plight.

The statement of the Jewish labor groups said the strike would involve all Jewish laborers and office workers and had been called in protest against growing anti-Jewish agitation and

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"the increased menace of reactionary forces, which finds expression in anti-Jewish boycotts, the ousting of Jews from their economic positions and pogroms."

Meanwhile, an appeal to relatives in the United States and Canada for assistance in emigration from the district was made today by the 700 Jewish families of Przytyk, where three persons were killed and twenty-two seriously injured in a pogrom which broke out last Monday.

The rabbi of the town came to Warsaw today after receiving letters from local anti-Semitic Nationalists threatening his life.

Merchandise stolen from Jewish marketmen during Monday's riots were recovered today in the homes of peasants in neighboring villages.

Nearby Jewish communities sent food and medical supplies to aid stricken Przytyk Jews. They also despatched workmen to help repair damages to Jewish homes.

Police in Warsaw today confiscated the Catholic newspaper, Maly Dziennik, for publishing anti-Jewish incitement.

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TWO CONFERENCES CALLED HERE ON POLISH EXCESSES

NEW YORK, March 13. (JTA) -- The Jewish Labor Committee announced today it would hold a conference March 29 at the Hotel Delmonico "to raise the voice of Jewish labor in America" in protest against anti-Jewish excesses in Poland. The statement announced the conference said it would "launch a real campaign to stop these shameful and barbarous attacks."

The Federation of Polish Jews in America announced a conference for April 12 at its office to map plans for aiding the Polish Jews.

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AMERICAN COMMITTEE APPEAL SENDS 5,000 ZLOTYS TO POLAND

NEW YORK, March 13. (JTA) -- The American Committee Appeal for the Polish Jews announced today it had sent 5,000 zlotys to Senator Rabbi Moses Schorr in Warsaw to aid in the relief of Jews stricken by anti-Semitic excesses in Przytyk.

CONTRITE POLISH POGROMIST, NOW IN U.S., MAKES AMENDS 17 YEARS
LATER

WARSAW, March 13. (JTA) --- Stefan Kolczak, a Pole now residing in the United States, today made retribution to a local Jewish family for his part in the slaying of the family's head during a pogrom in 1919.

Through a local attorney, Leon Shlivinacy, Kolczak paid \$10,000 to the victim's wife, Mrs. S. Meinfeld, and her four children.

After Meinfeld's death, Kolczak fled to the United States where he has since made his home.

CRIME WAVE IN PALESTINE STIRS POLICE INSPECTOR

JERUSALEM, March 13. (JTA) --- A campaign to reduce crime in Palestine was called today by Roy G. B. Spicer, Inspector General of Police.

In a letter to police precincts throughout the country, he declared that crimes have increased, and criticized the police for their inability to apprehend the criminals.

Falastin, Arab daily, commenting on the letter stated that crimes were being committed on political grounds and were prompted by the Arabs' desperation about Britain's policy.

The increase of crime has resulted from the attempts to establish a Jewish national home, declared El Jamea al Islamia, another Arab newspaper.

Mr. Spicer's letter was written following the murder of Abraham Goluthman, one of the founders of the Jewish colony of Nahalal, in the holdup of a motor bus near Tul Karem. Police searching for the murderers found a cache of 250 explosives in an Arab's house.

Recently, police in Tel Aviv arrested 55 persons in a raid on a secret meeting of thieves.

KATTOWICE BANS SHECHITA; LODZ MAYOR BARS MEASURE

WARSAW, March 13. (JTA) -- Shechita, Jewish ritual method of slaughtering, was today outlawed by the municipal council of Kattowice, in Polish Silesia.

At the same time, the Mayor of the large industrial city of Lodz, which is heavily populated by Jews, ruled out of order a proposal to ban shechita.

Anti-shechita laws passed by municipalities throughout the Lodz district were today temporarily suspended when the District Gover-

A road linking Bagdad and Damascus, in Syria, which is under French mandate, is now under construction. The present negotiations are for the construction of a similar highway between Amman, capital of Transjordan, which is under British mandate and control, and the Iraq capital. The Transjordan Government, it is learned, originated the scheme which has the full backing of the British Government which is said to be ready to furnish heavy financial assistance for the project. The Iraqi Government is reported ready to cover the costs of the project from Bagdad to the Transjordan frontier.

In addition to its great strategic value for military purposes, the proposed new highway would have great economic significance for Transjordan which, economically, is the most backward of the new Arab countries established since the break-up of the old Ottoman Empire. The route, it is believed, would deflect freight and traffic from the present Syrian routes through Palestine ports and Transjordan. It would also be attractive to Moslem pilgrims to the holy cities who now proceed from Bagdad along the new routes built by Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

PALESTINE CITRUS TRADE USED AS MODEL BY SYRIA

BEIRUT, Syria (JTA) -- With one eye cocked toward the well-organized citrus industry in Palestine, French officials in Syria today were seeking to organize Syrian orange and lemon growers in order to put citrus exports on a more satisfactory basis.

Palestine's citrus industry, in a comparatively few years, has reached the point where it exports around eight million cases a year. Syria's much older citrus industry only exports about 300,000 cases.

The Department of Agriculture here is now insisting on the proper care of trees, spraying against fruit blights and other factors which lower the quality of the produce and are seeking to improve the quality of the Syrian orange.

All cases of fruit destined for shipment abroad are now being examined and improperly graded and packed fruit is being rejected.

Syrian plantation owners are enjoying their best season in years owing to the ban on Italian fruit and the delay in completing the Franco-Spanish commercial agreement which gave Syria a chance at the French market.

REICH JEW WINS VERDICT AGAINST FIRM THAT FIRED HIM

BERLIN, March 13. (JTA) -- The Labor Court in Frankfurt-am-Main has ordered a local firm to pay a Jewish commercial traveller 5,000 marks as compensation for having been dismissed on the sole ground that he was Jewish. The court disregarded the defendants plea that the dismissal was made in accordance with the Nuremberg anti-Jewish laws.

NAZIS JAIL VETERAN WHO REFUSED TO QUIT "ARYAN" FRIEND

BERLIN, March 13. (JTA) -- A Jewish war veteran who won distinction on the battlefield and whose three brothers were killed fighting for Germany in the World War was today under sentence by a Leipzig court to serve one year in jail for "Rassenschande," or race defilement. He had refused to give up his friendship with an "Aryan" working woman whom he had known since 1932.

BRITISH JEW REPORTED HELD ON RACE DEFILEMENT CHARGES

BERLIN, March 13. (JTA) -- A charge of race defilement was lodged yesterday by the authorities against Erich Wohlgenut, said to be a British subject. He was arrested in Worms and taken to Essen.

WAUCHOPE GOES TO CAIRO

JERUSALEM, March 13. (JTA) -- Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, High Commissioner for Palestine, has gone to Cairo in connection with the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations.

SAMUEL HARRIS DIES IN TORONTO

TORONTO, Ont. March 13. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held today for Samuel Harris, a founder of the Hebrew Free Loan Society, who died yesterday at the age of 69. He was a former president of the Jewish Old Folks Home and a leader in Jewish philanthropy, having been associated with the Hebrew Free School, the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, and B'nai B'rith. His widow and three sons survive him.

NETWORK OF SUPER-HIGHWAYS TO LINK NEAR EAST CENTERS

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- A series of super-highways linking the important centers of the Near East will be one outcome of the tension in the Mediterranean zone caused by the Italo-Ethiopian conflict.

Military requirements have caused Great Britain to give serious consideration to the question of transport in the Near and Middle East. They are behind the present discussions between England, the Kingdom of Iraq and the Emirate of Transjordan, looking toward construction of motorways across the desert.