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### 79 JEWS KILLED, 500 WOUNDED IN POLISH DISORDERS IN 6 MONTHS, KAHN REPORTS

LONDON, April 1. (JTA) -- Seventy-nine Jews have been killed and more than 500 wounded in Polish disorders during the last six months, according to a survey made by Dr. Bernhard Kahn, European director of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.

Reporting his survey in an address to the Federation of Jewish Relief Organizations last night, Dr. Kahn declared that anti-Semitism in Poland has never been as well organized as today. He urged that the plight of the 5,000,000 Eastern European Jews not be forgotten because of the situation of the Jews in Germany.

He asserted that while the Polish Government was not anti-Semitic, it was doing nothing or almost nothing in an active way to help the Jewish population.

Neville Laski, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, deplored the fact that there has never been a consolidation of Jewish relief effort.

"Maybe the time will come," he stated, "when the Jewish community the world over will interest itself not in Polish Jewry, in Rumanian or even in German Jewry, but in Jewry as a whole, that it may think it necessary from the Jewish viewpoint to regard the world as one battle front, not as a series of battle fronts."

"We are dealing with the problem piecemeal instead of as a whole," he added.

Tribute was paid to Dr. Kahn on completion of thirty-five years of service to Jewry by Mr. Laski, Nahum Sokolow, honorary president of the World Zionist Organization, and other speakers. Dr. Kahn will celebrate his sixtieth birthday April 9.

\$500,000 DRIVE FOR POLISH JEWS OPENS IN PALESTINE

TEL AVIV, April 1. (JTA) -- A \$500,000 drive to aid the Jews in Poland was announced today at a meeting of the Olei Polania, organization of Polish Jews in Palestine. It was disclosed that Abe Yedlin had made the first contribution of \$5,000.

The parley discussed measures for aiding the Polish Jews. Among those participating was F. Rottenstreich, former Polish deputy and member of the Zionist Executive, and Isaac Gruenbaum, head of the labor department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

3,800 JEWS ENTERED PALESTINE IN MARCH

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Approximately 3,800 Jews entered Palestine during March, it was learned today.

FIRST JEW IN CORK, IRELAND, DEAD AT 104

DUBLIN (JTA) -- Joseph Levi, said to be the first Jew to settle in Cork, has died at the age of 104. He came here from Poland and worked as a peddler and glazier.

J.G. McDONALD JOINS TIMES STAFF

NEW YORK, April 1. (JTA) -- The New York Times announced today that James G. McDonald, former League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, has joined its editorial staff. Mr. McDonald has been for many years chairman of the board of the Foreign Policy Association.

In addition, he is vice president of the National Council for the Prevention of War, a member of the Advisory Council of the League of Nations Association, a member of the Commission on International Justice and Good-Will of the Federal Council of Churches and a trustee of the American Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

HITLER PAPER IMPUGNS WAR RECORD OF REICH JEWS

BERLIN, April 1. (JTA) -- Nazi newspapers and periodicals today resumed the anti-Jewish campaign on a wide front.

Das Schwarze Korps, organ of Fuehrer Hitler's black-shirted praetorian guards, publishes a full-page attack on the record of Germany's Jews in the World War. It concludes with the demand that they never again be admitted to the Reichswehr. (About 12,000 German Jews, or two per cent of the entire Jewish population of Germany, were killed during the war.)

"The new German Army," the publication declares, "must not admit Jews not only for reasons of sentiment, but because of the un-

happy experiences we have had." (A decree made public this week states that, while Jews are barred from the army in peace time, they shall be subject to draft in "Military Reserve No. 2" in the event of War. A later order forbids Jews of military age to emigrate without special permits signed both by the military and civil authorities.)

An editorial in Der Angriff, official Nazi organ, halls the recent broadcast in Poland by August Cardinal Hlonda in which he urged continuance of the economic boycott against Jews while urging cessation of anti-Jewish excesses. Der Angriff voices strong agreement with the Cardinal's accusation that Jews are Communists.

At the same time the Voelkischer Beobachter, Fuehrer Hitler's paper, makes use of the financial irregularities uncovered in the affairs of the Phoenix Life Insurance Society of Austria to deliver a tirade against the Jews. The paper describes the insurance company, the largest in Austria, as "purely Jewish." (Former chairman of the firm was Dr. Wilhelm Berliner, a Jew, who died more than a month ago. His post was filled by an "Aryan" and "Aryanization" of the company was instituted.)

#### JEWISH NAMES BARRED TO CHILDREN OF GERMAN PEASANTS

BERLIN, April 1. (JTA) -- German peasants may not give their babies Jewish or foreign-sounding names, according to instructions today to clerks of registry offices. The instructions empower the clerks to refuse to register names that are incompatible with "Germany of today."

#### 58,837 REFUGEES LEAVE GERMANY FOR EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

NEW YORK, April 1. (JTA) -- A total of 58,837 refugees have left Germany for European countries since Hitler's accession, according to figures made public by the Joint Distribution Committee. Almost half of these, 25,000, have gone to France, of whom 9,000 remain and 3,000 are reported in urgent need.

Refugees emigrated to other European countries as follows: Holland, 5,837, registered by committee for refugees, of whom 3,500 remain; Czechoslovakia, 8,000, of whom 2,600 remain; Poland, 9,000 registered by the refugee committee; Belgium, 3,000; Scandinavian countries, 2,000; Spain 2,000; Austria, 1,000; Italy, 1,000; Switzerland, 2,000.

The J.D.C. quoted a report from HICEM, emigration agency, that 13,428 refugees were aided in emigrating from countries of refuge to permanent homes between May, 1933, and Jan., 1936. Of these, 3,371 were sent to Palestine, 2,022 to the Americas and South Africa.

PERSIAN DIPLOMAT DENIES DISCRIMINATION AGAINST JEWS

ISTANBUL (JTA) -- In a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency the Persian Charge d'Affairs here denies anti-Semitism on the part of his Government, declaring "Jews enjoy equal rights with the rest of the population." He adds that Jews were well represented in the army, Parliament and universities.

HEBREW THEATRE OPENS IN HAIFA

HAIFA (JTA) -- The Hebrew theatre, "Orah," opened here with a performance of Shakespeare's "Othello" in Hebrew. It was acclaimed by a large audience.

PALESTINE J.N.F. GETS \$15,815 IN FEBRUARY

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- The income of the Jewish National Fund in Palestine during February was \$15,815, it is announced here. From the beginning of the Jewish year last October, \$71,505 was received, \$8,970 more than during the same period the previous year.

VAAD LEUMI STARTS CULTURAL DEPARTMENT

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- The Vaad Leumi, Jewish national council, has established a special cultural department headed by Dr. Judah Kaufman, Hebrew writer and scholar.

JEWISH GROUPS RAIDED BY WILNO POLICE; COURT JAILS 2 JEWS WHO WOUNDED ATTACKERS

WILNO, Poland, April 1. (JTA) -- The police today raided Jewish educational, sports and labor organizations and made many arrests after searching their quarters.

An official communique explained that the action was justified because Communists were known to have joined the raided organizations. Among the groups whose quarters were searched were the Brith Hachayal, Zionist Revisionist organization, the Hashomer Hazair, labor Zionist youth group, the Maccabi Sports Club, the Bund, Jewish labor body, and various trade unions.

A court here today sentenced two respected business men, Abraham Maspai and Shlomo Chelm to jail terms of three years and one year respectively for having wounded anti-Semitic hoodlums who had attacked them. They were also each ordered to pay the victims the sum of 120 zlotys monthly for life. The jail terms later were halved by order of the administrative authorities.

27 BOMB-THROWERS ON TRIAL IN LODZ COURT

LODZ, Poland, April 1. (JTA) -- Twenty-seven anti-Semites, twenty-four of them members of the Endek (Nationalist) Party, went on trial here today on charges of having hurled bombs at Jewish shops.

PHOENIX AFFILIATE, KOMPASS BANK, CLOSES DOORS

VIENNA, April 1. (JTA) -- The Kompas Bank, an affiliate of the Phoenix Life Insurance Society, in whose affairs financial irregularities were disclosed last week, closed its doors today.

CATHOLIC SOCIETY IN POLAND ISSUES RACIAL DIPLOMAS

WARSAW, April 1. (JTA) -- The Catholic Society today began issuance of racial diplomas testifying that their bearers are of pure Polish origin dating six generations back.

WAUCHOPE BUYS RUBIN PAINTING, DONATES IT TO TEL AVIV

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- A painting by Rubin, Palestine Jewish artist whose works are well known in America, has been purchased by High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, who has donated it to the museum in Tel Aviv, it became known here today.

SOVIET COUNCIL UNSATISFIED WITH BUREYA PROGRESS; MAY REORGANIZE

COMZET

MOSCOW (JTA) -- Warning that Biro-Bidjan, autonomous Jewish territory, may never become a republic at the present rate of development coupled with an indication that reorganization is pending of the Comzet, Government commission for Jewish settlement, and the Ozet, society for settlement of Jews in the Soviet, is given by A. Chatzkievitch, secretary of the Soviet Nationalities Council, in an article in Emes, Yiddish daily.

"If the settlement of Jews in the region proceeds at the same rate," he is quoted, "it will never be transformed into an autonomous Jewish republic." He contends it is necessary that Government plans for more rapid settlement and creation of a Jewish majority not only be carried out, but exceeded.

One of the most difficult obstacles, he asserts, to more rapid development is the slow rate of house-building and setting up of industrial and cultural enterprises.

That the region can attract more settlers than it has, he says, is shown by the fact that in the past year 8,000 settlers arrived there of whom 2,000 paid their own passage. The present population is only 21 per cent Jewish, he stated, and in the course of the past year the Jewish population has increased by only three per cent.

He ascribes the slow development of Biro-Bidjan to the reluctance of Jews to leave good positions to migrate there. The chaotic situation and unemployment in Russia ten years ago, he explains, impelled thousands of Jews from the Ukraine, White Russia and the Western provinces to seek homes in the Jewish region, while at present, he states, the situation has changed radically.