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### FRANCE PROTESTS USE OF BLUM'S NAME FOR RUMANIAN ANTI-SEMITIC PROPAGANDA

BUCHAREST, June 28. (JTA) -- Threatened anti-Jewish disorders in connection with the convention of the Cuzists failed to occur today as Jews remained in their homes and special gendarmes brought from provincial cities patrolled the streets.

Minister Lefevre d'Ormesson of France invited Rumanian press representatives to a conference and expressed his Government's displeasure that the name of Premier Leon Blum, a Jew, was being used for anti-Jewish propaganda.

It was reliably learned that France has protested to the Rumanian Government against the continued anti-French demonstrations and has demanded a clarification of its attitude toward her.

It was announced over the Government-controlled radio station this afternoon that quiet prevailed in Bucharest and throughout the country. However, the usual leaves for the Bucharest garrison were cancelled and troops remained in the barracks, prepared for possible contingencies.

The usually crowded streets of the capital were deserted. Jewish communal leaders had instructed Jews to remain at home in order not to give Cuzists an excuse for anti-Semitic provocations.

The authorities took the first energetic measures against the Cuzists yesterday by closing their Blue House, party headquarters in Bucharest and the prototype of the Nazis' Brown House.

Police have been given instructions to arrest all rioters and to stop anyone molesting pedestrians.

A detachment of 25 policemen has been assigned to guard the offices of the Jewish Community until Monday.

Meanwhile, newspapers reported yesterday that an additional 1,000 Cuzists have arrived in Bucharest to attend today's convention of adherents of the notorious anti-Semite, Dr. Alexander Cuza. Holding of the convention has been forbidden by the authorities under a regulation barring all meetings until July 12.

Yesterday, despite the instructions to police, molestation of Jews continued in Bucharest and other parts of Rumania. Jews were thrown from a Bucharest-Czernowitz train.

Burning of newspapers continued. A large truckload of Democratic newspapers was burned near the railway station.

The Union of Rumanian Jews sent a memorandum to Premier Tatarescu outlining the danger to Jews in the present situation. Another memorandum was dispatched to the Chief of Police asking special protection for Jews tomorrow in connection with the Cuzist convention.

King Carol returned unexpectedly today from a hunting trip. It was learned that when he left Friday, Minister Fabricius of Germany was the only diplomatic official he invited to accompany him.

A delegation of Jewish lawyers interviewed Minister of Justice Valeriu Pop in connection with the attack on the steps of the Supreme Court Building, during which Dr. William Filderman, president of the Union of Rumanian Jews, was injured.

A group of Iron Guardists (members of the outlawed anti-Semitic organization which more than two years ago assassinated Premier Ion Duca) clashed with non-Jewish workers at Petrosani, stabbing two of them. The Guardists shouted "Heil, Hitler!" as they attacked. There were no arrests.

#### TROOPS BATTLE ARABS AS DISORDERS ENTER 11TH WEEK

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- Police and military forces, attacked near Hebron, fought a protracted battle with Arabs today as disorders against the Government and the Jews entered their eleventh week. Casualties totals were not ascertained. Rebels also fired on the Hebron barracks.

Police and troops from Transjordan repulsed an attack on the Jewish settlement at Kfar Ezekiel.

An Arab was sentenced to two years' imprisonment today for possessing a rifle.

The Arab daily, El Jamia al Islamia, was suspended for ten days.

A new railway station was opened at Kfar Hayarden, between Haifa and Samakh, to serve the Jewish colonies of Dagania, Kinereth and surrounding settlements.

District Commissioner Foote attempted to persuade Arabs in northern Palestine to abandon the general strike. He told them they had never gained by violence.

The Arab Supreme Committee, in a statement today, rejected as illogical the assurances given by William Ormsby-Gore, British Colonial Secretary, that the Arab people's future was safe in Palestine. It denied assertions that the Moslem Supreme Council was not striking.

Complaining that the Colonial Secretary's declaration revealed no Government policy except that of sending a Royal Commission of inquiry, the Arab committee held this proposal disappointing because the Government had disregarded the findings of previous commissions and the Arabs did not trust in further promises.

The statement protested against the Balfour Jewish homeland declaration and demanded a change in present policy to grant Arab national rights.

### 2 Killed, 6 Wounded in Encounters

Two Arabs were killed and at least six wounded in encounters with British troops yesterday.

One Arab was slain and three, including a woman, wounded in an attempted ambush of a military patrol at Azzun in northern Palestine. Snipers fired on a plane circling over the same village. The pilot returned the fire, wounding several.

Another Arab was killed and one wounded at Kalkillia during a search by troops for munitions. Four Arabs who tried to break through a cordon thrown around the town were arrested. Three were found with ammunition in their possession.

Curfew was to be imposed, starting today, over an area extending 500 meters from the center of the permanent right-of-way of all railways with the exception of the Afuleh-Beisan line. The curfew, in effect from seven p.m. until four-thirty a.m., does not apply to municipal areas unless otherwise specified.

Twenty-six Arabs were arrested for violating new curfew regulations in Lydda. One Arab was wounded for breaking curfew along the Jaffa-Lydda railway.

Snipers fired at the Jerusalem-Lydda train near Dir-el-Shoikh.

Railroad tracks near Majdal were damaged by explosion of two bombs. A bridge between Hebron and Beersheba was also damaged by bombs.

Two Arabs were arrested for strewing nails on Haifa streets. Another was seized with a bomb in his possession.

### SCOUT REPORTS OF BEDOUIN INVASION FROM TRANSJORDAN

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- Government officials yesterday voiced skepticism at reports from 100,000 armed Bedouins were ready to cross the Jordan to join the Palestine Arabs in their fight against Jews and Britain.

They expressed doubt that there were that many armed Bedouins in the Transjordan, or that they were eager to come to Palestine to push the war.

The Government has ordered several hundred mules from Cyprus for use in the mountain fighting against Arab rebels.

High authoritative quarters declared that the report in Doar Hayom, outlining four peace proposals reportedly being considered in Government circles, was without foundation. The report said temporary stoppage of Jewish immigration and an "autonomous legislature" were among the proposals being considered.

#### AGUDAH BOYCOTTS ZIONIST FUNDS, LAUNCHING OWN DRIVE

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- The Agudath Israel, extreme orthodox group, today launched an independent appeal for funds to aid sufferers from recent disorders and announced it would not contribute to Zionist funds.

The action was taken after attempts to form a united appeal for funds had failed when the Jewish National Council refused to participate.

#### AGUDAH, MIZRACHI JOIN HANDS ON RELIGION

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- The two important Jewish religious bodies of the Holy Land joined hands today when the Mizrachi, orthodox Zionist organization, and the Agudath Israel, extreme orthodox group, elected a joint committee for religious supervision of public life.

#### ZIONIST ACTION COMMITTEE TO MEET IN AUGUST

LONDON, June 28. (JTA) -- The London Executive of the World Zionist Organization today notified members of the Zionist Action Committee that a meeting of the committee will be convened somewhere in Europe next August. The exact date and place of the meeting will be announced later.

In the interim, it was stated, the European members of the committee will hold a one-day session at Praha, Czechoslovakia, on July 7.

#### POLISH JEWS CALL PROTEST DAY ON PRZYTYK DECISION

WARSAW, June 28. (JTA) -- Tuesday was proclaimed today as a nationwide Jewish day of protest against the verdict of the Radom District Court, which Friday sentenced eleven Jews to terms ranging from six months to eight years on charges arising from disorders in Przytyk last March 9 in which two Jews and a peasant were killed and scores of Jews injured.

Explaining the heavy sentences meted out to Jewish defendants, the District Court said it had been established that the Jews provoked the excesses. The judge declared there was no necessity for any defense action by the Jews and upheld the charges that they had attacked peasants as they returned from the market.

It explained acquittal of four Poles accused of the Minkowski murders on the ground of insufficient evidence against them.



The non-Jewish population of Przytyk yesterday accorded a triumphant greeting to the four Poles who were acquitted of charges that they murdered two Jews during the excesses. The market place was decorated with flowers and a band played popular airs in honor of their return.

A scheduled performance in a Jewish theatre in Radom was cancelled in protest over the verdict, whose severity with the Jews and mildness with the 43 Poles has shocked all Polish Jewry. Of 43 Poles tried in connection with the excesses, four were freed, three were given one-year terms and the remainder six months each. Three of the 14 Jews were acquitted.

#### WISE DEFENDS WORLD CONGRESS AT BRITISH ELECTORAL CONFERENCE

LONDON, June 28. (JTA) -- Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York, president of the American Jewish Congress, today defended the forthcoming World Jewish Congress in an address to more than 250 delegates summoned to elect sixteen British representatives to the Geneva congress.

"We are neither fearful nor ashamed," he declared. "The world should know what it has done to the Jew and against the Jews and what they are suffering.

"This does not mean," he added, "that the World Jewish Congress will become a wailing wall, but a tribunal before which the facts of Jewish life will be registered in the sight and hearing of man."

Attacking the opponents of the congress, Rabbi Wise declared that the parley was an expression of the will of the Jews in many lands. It will meet in Geneva on August 8 and aims to set up a system of collective security for Jews throughout the world.

The Board of Deputies of British Jews, British Jews' representative body, which has gone on record against convocation of the world congress, did not participate in today's conference.

#### REFORM RABBIS HEAR PROPOSAL FOR JEWISH SYNOD

CAPE MAY, N.J., June 28. (JTA) -- The annual conference of the Central Conference of American Rabbis closed last night after electing of officers and hearing a proposal for creation of a synod council to "reintegrate liberal Judaism in this country and help to increase the number of adherents of reform."

The proposal was made by Rabbi William F. Rosenblum of New York in the annual sermon to the conference. He suggested a synod council including delegates of the conference and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, declaring, "The time has come to discard the policy of having each congregation autonomous and each rabbi his own authority."

He declared that the conference's re-statement of the principles of Reform Judaism must be "terse and cryptic as the Ten Commandments or the Thirteen Principles of Maimonides." He stressed the necessity for the rabbi to follow "the voice of God and to be the interpreter of history and the prophet of the Lord."

Dr. Felix A. Levy of Chicago was re-elected as president. Other officers re-elected are: Max C. Currick of Erie, Pa., vice president; Harry S. Margolis of St. Paul, Minn., treasurer; Rabbi Isaac E. Marcuson of Macon, Ga., recording secretary, and Rabbi Samuel M. Gup of Columbus, Ohio, corresponding secretary.

The following were added to the executive board: Rabbi Morton Berman and Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein of New York; Rabbi Abram Brill of Shreveport, La.; Rabbi Alvin Luchs of New Rochelle, N.Y.; Rabbi Albert Minda of Minneapolis and Rabbi Samuel Wohl of Cincinnati.

New officers of the Hebrew Union College Alumni Association are: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, president; Dr. Joseph L. Rauch of Louisville, Ky., vice-president; Rabbi Sidney Regner of Reading, Pa., secretary, and Rabbi Leo Feuer of Toledo, treasurer.

Deploring the strained relations between the United Palestine Appeal and the American Joint Distribution Committee, the conference voted to appoint a special conference committee to confer with leaders of these bodies to compose their differences. This action was taken on the recommendation of the committee on the presidential message of Dr. Felix A. Levy, Chicago, which was delivered at the convention's opening session, June 23.

The conference accepted, upon the recommendation of the committee, the following recommendations made by Dr. Levy in his address:

To appoint a special committee to study the implications concerned in making the Synagogue Council of America the representative body of American Israel and to report to the next conference;

To encourage the study and use of the Hebrew language in all congregations and religious schools;

To emphasize religion as opposed to secularism as central to the soul of Israel;

To endorse the resolution passed by the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods opposing gambling in any form at events conducted under auspices of the Federation or any synagogal organizations.

Upon recommendation by the committee on resolutions, the conference accepted the following:

"To express its heartfelt sympathy through the Jewish Agency to the bereaved families now in sorrow in the ancient homeland through the outbreak against them in recent months and to express pride at the fine spirit of restraint and calm which has characterized the great mass of Palestinian Jewry during the crisis."

"In regard to the Mexican situation with reference to oppressed religionists, we wish to voice our religious objection to the policy of any state which strikes at the very practice of religion. This stricture applies specifically to the treatment of Catholics in our sister republic of Mexico."

Papers were read by Dr. Abraham Franzblau of the Hebrew Union College on "Re-orientation of Reform Religious Education," and Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, Cincinnati, educational director Commission of Jewish Education, on "New Methods in Teaching Hebrew."

The committee report on the re-statement of principles of Reform was voted to become the basis for future study and a report to be made at the next meeting of the conference.

### U.S. URGED TO INTERCEDE WITH POLAND FOR JEWS

ASBURY PARK, N.J., June 28. (JTA) -- The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Federation of Polish Jews in America opened last night at the Clarendon Brunswick Hotel with memorial services for Nahum Sokolow, late Zionist leader, and the reading of the president's report. Eighteen states and Canada are represented by 475 delegates.

Benjamin Winter, president, declared in his report, that the American Committee Appeal for Relief of Jews in Poland had aroused public opinion to Jewish suffering, even to prompting the "foremost agency engaged in relief of European Jewry" to "sit up and take notice of the trend of awakened public opinion, which demanded more energetic action for the threatened Polish Jews."

The convention was preceded by the annual session of the women's division, Ezra, which adopted a resolution urging the United States Government to intercede with the Polish authorities in behalf of the Jewish minority.

Magistrate Anna M. Kross, the principal speaker, urged Jewish women to spread knowledge of high Jewish ideals among non-Jews. Mrs. Anna Platt, president of Ezra, outlined the responsibility of women towards the persecuted Jews of Poland.

### BRITH ABRAHAM URGED TO TAKE LEADING PART IN WORLD CONGRESS PREPARATIONS

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y., June 28. (JTA) -- Independent Order Brith Abraham was urged today as "the greatest unit and the strongest link in the chain of the American Jewish Congress" to "take a leading part in the preparations for the World Jewish Congress."

Reading his Grand Master's message at the opening session of the order's three-day forty-ninth annual convention, Max Silverstein declared the organization supported the "movement for establishment of an international Jewish body of cooperation," regarding this as "a paramount need in Jewish life."

He reported that the order had been active in the American Jewish Congress and recommended that affiliation continue and that the executive board be authorized to contribute toward the A.J.C.'s activities.

A colony is to be established in Palestine called Nachlath I.O.B.A., he announced. A committee has been negotiating with the Jewish National Fund through which the order's membership contemplates raising by voluntary subscriptions \$25,000. The colony will be maintained by the J.N.F. and laid out in accordance with the order's wishes to be "a home for members of our order and others who feel the urge of living in Palestine."

Mr. Silverstein denounced present immigration laws as "extremely discriminatory and unfair" and urged that the conscience of the American people be awakened "to grant relief to people who desire to make this country their home."

Max L. Hollander reported as grand secretary. His statement dealt largely with finances. Governor Lehman is scheduled to speak tomorrow.

#### JEWISH VETERANS HONOR DOLLFUS

VIENNA, June 28. (JTA) -- The Congress of Jewish Ex-Servicemen today laid a wreath on the grave of Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss, who was assassinated by Nazis in 1934. Representatives of the Fatherland Front attended the ceremonies.

#### FIRE IN POLISH TOWN

WARSAW, June 28. (JTA) -- Fire yesterday destroyed 22 houses and ten farmsteads in the township of Wiazyn, near Wilno.

#### LATEST PALESTINE BULLETIN

JERUSALEM, June 28. (JTA) -- The Eighth Hussars, a regiment of mechanized cavalry, arrived here today from Egypt.

Searches for arms continued throughout the country. Large quantities of arms and munitions have been discovered in the possession of Arabs.

Two Arabs were arrested in connection with an attack on Government forces at Motza yesterday.

Police began using motor launches today to prevent striking Jaffa boatmen from interfering with activities at the temporary harbor at the neighboring all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv.

A bus convoy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem this morning ran a gauntlet of Arabs' rifle fire 23 miles from Jerusalem. A bus convoy on the way to Tel Aviv was also fired on.

The Hebrew daily, Doar Hayom, said today 54 Arabs were killed and 98 wounded in battles with Government forces at Nablus, Tulkarem and Lubban last week.

Fruit-bearing trees numbering 1,600 were destroyed last night at the Ness Jonah groves. At Beth Schlomo, 7,250 vines were uprooted.

Ingress to the Lydda railway station was prohibited without special permits.

The Hadarga settlement near Petach Tikvah was attacked last night by Arabs. Police using machine-guns beat off the attackers.