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1 KILLED, 4 INJURED IN NEW PALESTINE VIOLENCE

JERUSALEM, July 7. (JTA) -- One Jew was killed and eight Jews and four Britons wounded today in a new outbreak of Arab violence that sent the death toll in eleven weeks of disorders to nearly 150. Forty-five Jews have been killed.

An official investigation was launched into the death of Eliahu Said, 20, of Beirut, Syria, this morning on the road between Hatikvah and Tel Aviv by an Arab's bullet fired from an orange grove. A strong military detachment under Major Hearington carefully searched the neighborhood and the nearby Manshieh quarter of Jaffa.

Two Jewish policemen, three Jewish refugees from Jaffa and three other Jews were injured in a bomb explosion at a police station in the Neve Shanaan quarter of Jerusalem. They were removed to Hadassah hospital.

The injured policemen are Yehuda Lachman and Asher Bengen. The refugees are Chaim Osheroff, Zev Gold and Abram Zinoff, a child. The others are Jacob Astrog, Haim Amati and Zevi Dagaiev.

A British army officer and private were wounded when rebels ambushed a convoy en route from Tulkarem to Nablus. Two British constables were injured when an armored car turned over near the Jewish settlement of Petach Tikvah.

Jewish vintners working at Tel Josef were heavily fired on by Arabs in the Gilboa hills. Special policemen replied, driving off the attackers. The workers resumed their activity under a police guard.

Tension grew in Jaffa today as reports were spread that peasants were massing to march to the city from the countryside. Members of the Arab Strike Committee intensified their propaganda, warning Arabs not to resume work. Jewish settlements south of Jaffa appealed to police for protection.

Egyptian laborers were busy cleaning up debris in the Old City quarter of Jaffa where army engineers had demolished condemned houses to build roads to the harbor.

A demonstration of Arab children was dispersed by the police.

Soldiers replied to shots fired at the Ain Charod settlement. No casualties were reported. Sniping occurred in the vicinity of Jerusalem, including Kalandia, at the Bait Vegan police station and the Bet Dajan police post.

A bomb exploded at the Maspero International Cigarette Factory in the Jaffa-Tel Aviv area without causing damage. Two bombs went off in Jaffa, injuring no one. An Arab grocer was arrested after a bomb explosion near the Anglo-Palestine Bank in Jaffa which caused no damage.

Two heavily-armed Bedouins were arrested near Ramleh. Two members of the crew of the Polish liner Polonia were arrested at the Haifa customs house for possessing automatic revolvers.

Three Arabs accused of murdering Israel Chazan, 70, a Greek Jew -- the first Jew to die in the current disorders and whose funeral was made the occasion for demonstrations in Tel Aviv -- were freed for lack of evidence. One of them was sentenced to two months' imprisonment for possessing a revolver.

Hassan Sidky el Dajany and Selach Abdou, leaders of the Arab strike, were brought from a concentration camp to a Jerusalem court and fined fifty shillings each for resisting police who arrested them in May.

High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wachope decided to nominate a committee representing the District Commissioner, the Tel Aviv municipality and the Jewish National Council to consider the problem of Jewish refugees quartered in Tel Aviv.

He took this action after a lengthy interview with Moshe Shertok, of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who pointed out that the care of refugees was a government duty.

WAUCHOPE WARNS FORCES WILL BE INCREASED TO END TERRORISM

JERUSALEM, July 7. (JTA) -- Sir Arthur Grenfell Wachope, British High Commissioner for Palestine, warned terrorists tonight that the forces at the Government's disposal have been greatly increased and will be further augmented if necessary to end current Arab disorders.

In a personal appeal for peace broadcast by the Government-owned Palestine Broadcasting System he said:

"I believe everyone knows the Government has power and will use it to end these criminal acts and restore peace."

He declared no object could be gained by continued disturbances except "misery for many innocents" and announced that "it will be necessary to continue unhesitatingly to employ military force" until order is restored.

Addressing his listeners as "men and women of Palestine," he said he wished public opinion to grow up against the current violence. Declaring he wished to remove misconceptions aroused in people's minds he stated:

"Ignorant people think the Government uses force wantonly and ruthlessly. This is not so. I saw in my life too much bloodshed and suffering entailed in fighting. This is one reason why I want to see a speedy end to the disorders.

"It is the first and fundamental duty of the Government to ensure the security of lives and property of all citizens. There cannot be any misconception about that. Consequently, it will be necessary to continue unhesitatingly to employ military force until this rightful object is attained.

"Sabotage acts, shooting on troops, murder of innocent people by shooting and bombing may continue for a time, but eventually the end is certain. The forces at the Government's disposal have been greatly increased and will be further increased if need be.

"I believe everyone knows the Government has power and will use it to put an end to these criminal acts and restore peace. There is, therefore, no object to be gained by continuance except to cause more misery for many innocents."

Referring to the Royal Commission which Britain contemplates sending to investigate the disorders, Sir Arthur said its sole aim would be to obtain a report to enable the Government to do justice to all sections of the population.

The present disorders, he said, are seriously affecting the Government's financial resources and making reductions in the land tax impossible. To the contrary, he said, they may necessitate an increase.

DAMASCUS JEWS WEAR FEZZES TO AVOID ATTACKS

DAMASCUS, Syria, July 7. (JTA) -- Attacks on Jews in streets and cafes continued today, forcing them to wear fezes to avoid being assaulted, and to remain at home after dark.

The Jewish community of Aleppo telegraphed the French Government declaring support of the Nationalist demands of the Arab delegation now in Paris.

NAZIS START NEW ANTI-JEWISH DRIVE IN CONNECTION WITH OLYMPICS

BERLIN, July 7. (JTA) -- Newsstands in railway depots and on main streets of Berlin received large supplies of newly-published anti-Semitic books today with orders to display them conspicuously with the avowed aim of converting visitors to the Olympic games into Nazi propagandists.

Newspapers reported that Dr. Wilhelm Stuckart, author of the Nuremberg race and citizenship laws, was preparing new laws to be enacted after the Olympics fixing the status of children of mixed marriages in connection with admission to schools, labor camps and the army.

Wilhelm Frick, Minister of Interior, published an order permitting revocation of licenses of physicians found "unreliable from the national standpoint." This was regarded as opening the door to cancellation of Jewish doctors' licenses.

With the Olympic games in Berlin only a month off, anti-Jewish propaganda was widely resumed today.

Der Angriff, Propaganda Minister Goebbels' newspaper featured an article against the Jews. It also attacked Pope Pius for criticizing Nazi racial laws.

Fuehrer Hitler's Voelkischer Beobachter lists anti-Semitic books and recommended them to their readers.

5 NATIONS SIGN PACT ON REFUGEES

GENEVA, July 7. (JTA) -- Five nations have already signed a provisional arrangement for German refugees adopted yesterday by an inter-governmental conference under League of Nations auspices, it was disclosed today. The signers are France, Denmark, Great Britain, Holland and Switzerland.

The arrangement, which goes into effect thirty days after the League receives the signatures of all subscribing nations, provides for issuance of certificates of identity to exiles by the nations in which they take refuge.

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS SERVICES FOR RABBI FEUCHTWANG

VIENNA, July 7. (JTA) -- Large crowds attended the funeral today of Dr. David Feuchtwang, chief rabbi of Vienna, who died Sunday of angina pectoris at the age of 71. He was buried next to Zvi Perez Chajes, whom he had succeeded as chief rabbi in 1933.

Chief Rabbi Israel Taglicht recited the eulogies. An oration was delivered by State Councillor Desider Friedmann. Representatives of the Government, the Fatherland Front and the fraternal order B'nai B'rith attended the services.

INVALID RUMANIAN JEWISH VETERANS COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM

BUCHAREST, July 7. (JTA) -- A group of 860 invalid Jewish war veterans today formed a special union for establishment of closer relations with Rumanian veterans to combat anti-Semitism.

CAROL HONORS 27 JEWS

BUCHAREST, July 7. (JTA) -- King Carol today honored 22 Rumanian Jews with the Order of King Ferdinand. In addition, he conferred public health decorations on five Jewish physicians "for exceptional patriotic merit."

ZOA CLOSES CONVENTION IN UNITY, VOICING RESISTANCE TO ARABS

PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 7. (JTA) -- Firmly united in the face of the Arab menace in Palestine, the Zionist Organization of America closed its twenty-ninth annual convention today after electing Dr. Stephen S. Wise president, and voicing solidarity with the Jews in the Holy Land.

The program of reorganizing the Z.O.A. to place greater responsibility and authority upon regions, which was proposed by Morris Rottenberg -- outgoing president and newly-elected chairman of the administrative committee -- was not adopted.

The following resolutions were passed:

1- Conveying to the Palestine Jews "the sense of outrage against the forces arrayed to uproot them." It pledged "unceasing and inflexible determination to supply moral and material support in the fullest measure until the goal of the Jewish national home is established securely and permanently."

"We disavow vengeance, but we vow resistance," the resolution declared. "We disclaim dispossession but claim restoration; we deny that Jewish resettlement of Palestine causes or aims at injustice to the Arab people, but we reaffirm with whole-souled conviction the justice of our aim to return to the land where Jews were and again will be free people for themselves."

"To the Yishub we say: we are strengthened by your strength. May you in turn be strengthened by ours."

2- Recording "profound appreciation of the leadership of the World Zionist Executive, which has acted with dignity and vigor in presentation of the Jewish position in Palestine toward the Mandatory Power and toward public opinion."

The resolution reaffirmed faith in Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, and endorsed his program of action.

3- Extending "heartfelt solicitation" to the World Jewish Congress and declaring "deepest loyalty to its aims and aspirations" in conformity with the resolution adopted by the Zionist Congress at Lucerne last Summer.

4- Exhorting Great Britain to "adhere to that spirit of goodwill and that desire for historic reparation to the Jewish people which animated the issuance of the Balfour Declaration."

The Z.O.A. associated itself wholeheartedly with the twelve-point program adopted at the June meeting of the Palestine members of the World Zionist Organization Actions Committee.

Another resolution condemned the role of the Communists in the Palestine disorders. The Z.O.A. also reaffirmed its support of the anti-Nazi boycott.

Contest Straus as Vice-President

A tempestuous half hour developed unexpectedly when the nominations committee, reporting Nathan Straus for reelection as one of vice presidents, met strenuous objections from several delegates, notably Dr. Samuel Margoshes.

Dr. Margoshes demanded Straus' removal from the list on the ground he signed a cable to Dr. Weizmann demanding the resignation of Moshe Shertok as political chief of the Jewish Agency for allegedly making ultra-nationalistic speeches.

After a spirited defense by Rabbi Robert August, of Brooklyn, and Rabbi Irving Miller of Long Island, the convention voted to reelect Straus.

Vice presidents elected are: Max Shulman, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Elihu Stone, Mr. Straus, Solomon Goldman, Joseph Kraemer, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Judge William Lewis, Prof. Gustav Klausner, the last four being new and the others reelected.

Officers of the Executive Committee are: Louis Lipsky, Abraham Goldberg, Louis Rucker, Samuel Markewich, Rabbi Edward Israel and Israel Levinthal.

An impassioned appeal in behalf of Palestine trees delivered by Rabbi Israel Levinthal evoked an emotional response. The entire convention was moved to tears. Special memorial services for trees were held, followed by spontaneous pledges which were expected to reach a total of twenty thousand trees. The pledges were made by various districts and individuals.

The resolutions committee reported a resolution for adoption which recommends proclamation of a nationwide campaign to enable the Keren Kayemeth to plant shortly 100,000 new trees to replace those destroyed by Arabs. The resolution described "the murder of trees one of most shocking acts of vandalism in a turbulent period of Eretz Israel."

Another storm was precipitated when the nominations committee brought in the names of Robert Silverman and Ira Kahn for administrative committee membership. Silverman as co-director of the United Palestine Appeal and Kahn on the staff of the Bronx section of the appeal are not eligible under the terms of the "peace agreement" barring paid staff members from administrative boards. The names were brought in as a test case and rejected when the delegates overwhelmingly voted to uphold peace terms.

In addition, the convention elected two treasurers: Morris Weinberg of Brooklyn and Harry Fierst of Mt. Vernon.

Resolutions were adopted urging establishment of a publications committee with functions to coordinate the activities of the various publications; to create bureau archives and research and a comprehensive library of source and secondary materials; and to issue popular pamphlets and brochures on Zionism.