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### 20 REBELS KILLED OVER WEEKEND; ARABS TO MARK 100TH STRIKE DAY TODAY

JERUSALEM, July 26. (JTA) -- Twelve Arabs were killed today and a soldier wounded in a heavy engagement near a Government forest on the Jerusalem - Jaffa road, it was officially announced.

Army planes, speeding to the assistance of troops attacked by Arabs, dropped four bombs on the band. The soldiers were fired on while investigating the cause of a fire that had broken out in the forest. The injured soldier was a private of the Dorsetshire regiment. Ten rifles and a quantity of ammunition were confiscated.

The new deaths raised to twenty the toll of weekend disorders. Approximately 180 Britons, Jews and Arabs have been killed in the current disturbances, which entered their fifteenth week today.

Government forces took precautions to preserve order tomorrow when Arabs observe the hundredth day of their strike against the Jews and the Government. Police arrested a number of agitators as tension reached its highest point in predominantly-Arab Jaffa since the outbreak of current disorders.

The British destroyer H-58 captured an Arab boat smuggling arms off a ship anchored on the high seas. Suspicious Arab movements along the Mediterranean shore, particularly at night, were reported.

Peasants said to possess bombs were secretly entering Jerusalem from various parts of the country and bivouacking near approaches to the Wailing Wall to prevent Jews from passing it in their traditional procession, which had been scheduled for tomorrow evening, in observance of the beginning of the Fast of Tisha B'Av.

The peasants' convergence on Jerusalem was in response to a call from Haj Amin el Husseini, the Grand Mufti, posted throughout the country, urging Arabs to "defend the holy places against the Jews."

Jews will break a centuries-old custom in shunning the wall, one of the last remnants of the ancient temple, in their Tisha B'Av procession, which marks the destruction of the temple by the Chaldeans in 586 B.C. The site is holy both to Jews and Arabs.

The Jewish National Council and the Agudath Israel, extreme orthodox organization jointly ordered the Jews to avoid nearing the wall. The authorities yesterday issued orders to the chief rabbinate prohibiting a procession to the wall since the route would follow the tortuous streets of the Old City quarter where attacks might occur.

In apparent determination to prevent an outbreak of violence as a result of the coincidence of the Jewish holiday with the Arab strike observance, the Government augmented military forces. Two detachments were stationed at Beit Vegan.

A number of bomb explosions occurred in Jaffa. In Lifta, after a thorough search for arms carried out by Government forces, a Government employee was arrested with four rifles and a quantity of ammunition in his possession.

A delegation from the Arab Supreme Committee headed by the Grand Mufti left for Amman, Transjordan, to confer with Emir Abdullah, Arab ruler of Transjordan, at the latter's invitation. The Emir has been exerting his influence with the Palestine Arabs for cessation of terrorism.

High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope today expressed the hope that Police Inspector-General Roy G.B. Spicer would take measures to prevent repetition of the bombing of a Jewish religious school in Tel Aviv last Thursday in which seven children were injured.

In reply to a protest from Isaac Ben Zvi, head of the Jewish National Council, Sir Arthur gave assurances that he deeply regretted the incident and that he was glad there was no loss of life. Two Arabs have been arrested in connection with the bombing.

#### Yesterday's Developments

Eight Arabs were slain in encounters with British troops in various parts of the Holy Land yesterday. Four other Arabs were wounded, two of them seriously, by premature explosion of their own bombs. The authorities arrested nineteen Arabs on charges of intimidation and possession of arms.

Traffic was interrupted for an entire day when a freight train was derailed by Arabs near Raselein.

Meanwhile censorship of the press, in effect almost since the disorders started on April 19, was lifted by the authorities.

A Jewish watchman, Israel Wertheim, 29, at the Kadoorie Agricultural School on Mt. Tabor was reported accidentally shot and killed by a fellow employee.

A crowd of Arab boys, one of them shooting a revolver, attacked two Palestine constables in Jerusalem. There were no casualties.

A bomb explosion broke a water pipe feeding Jerusalem. The explosion, which occurred at Ataroth, near Jerusalem, was followed by fire.

Arabs destroyed 500 trees in groves at Yakhin.

#### REPORT IMMIGRATION MAY BE HALTED DURING COMMISSION INQUIRY

LONDON, July 26. (JTA) -- The Daily Herald reported yesterday that Jewish immigration into Palestine might be suspended during the forthcoming Royal Commission inquiry into the causes of current Arab disorders, adding that it was now felt the disorders would stop completely if it were announced that the commission would start its work in the Autumn.

#### 440 MORE POLISH JEWS TO GO TO PALESTINE THIS WEEK

WARSAW, July 26. (JTA) -- Despite disorders continuing in Palestine, 440 Jews will leave this week to make their permanent homes in the Holy Land, it was announced today by the Palestine Office. This will bring to 1,140 the total migrating to Palestine from Poland in July.

#### NAZI URGES FINGERPRINTING TO DETERMINE RACE

BERLIN, July 26. (JTA) -- A project for instituting a system of fingerprinting to determine racial origin was published today by Dr. E. Karl, a Nazi theoretician. He asserts that fingerprints help not only to distinguish criminals, but to set off races.

Dr. Karl holds that Jewish fingerprints show that they are not of "European stock."

#### USE OF HEBREW BARRED AT PUBLIC MEETINGS IN FRANKFURT

BERLIN, July 26. (JTA) -- The secret State police at Frankfurt yesterday issued an order prohibiting the use of the Hebrew tongue in public gatherings.

Even single words or phrases may not be spoken in the ancient language of the Israelites, according to the order. The prohibition holds good even if such words or phrases are immediately translated into German after they have been uttered.

All speeches at public functions, the ruling decrees, must be made in German.

An exception is noted in the case of students studying Hebrew with the intention of going to Palestine.

BERNHARD PROTESTS CLEARING OF POLIAKOFF IN "SELL-OUT" TO NAZIS

PARIS, July 26. (JTA) -- A protest against the verdict of an unofficial investigating committee clearing Vladimir Poliakoff, publisher, of ex-employees' charges he "sold out" the Pariser Tageblatt to the Nazis was voiced yesterday by Dr. Georg Bernhard, former editor of the German emigre daily, in a statement.

According to the statement, the committee that investigated the charges was composed partly of Mr. Poliakoff's friends and partly of his business associates.

Dr. Bernhard insists that he possesses genuine proof of Mr. Poliakoff's alleged negotiations with the German Embassy in Paris. This proof has not been made public because it is confidential, the former editor of the Tageblatt declares, but will be produced before a French legal court.

The committee that investigated the charges against Mr. Poliakoff was under the chairmanship of Dr. Henry Sliosberg, famous attorney and champion of Jewish rights. Others on the committee included Vladimir Jabotinsky, head of the New Zionist Organization, and Justizrat Dr. Werthauer.

Dr. Bernhard and his associates, who now issue a new paper, the Pariser Tageszeitung, had refused to appear before the committee, declaring they would testify in the defamation suit brought against them by Mr. Poliakoff.

PRZYTYK CEMETERY DESECRATED

WARSAW, July 26. (JTA) -- Unidentified persons today desecrated the Jewish cemetery and demolished gravestones at the town of Przytyk in Central Poland for the second time since anti-Jewish disorders in the town last March 9.

J.D.C. SPENT \$300,000 FOR GERMAN JEWS LAST YEAR

NEW YORK, July 26. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee last year contributed \$300,000 -- greater than the aggregate contributions from all other countries -- for the rehabilitation of the Jews in Germany, bringing to almost \$1,000,000 the total expended from 1933 through 1935.

This was shown today in the annual report of the committee's activities in Germany, by Joseph C. Hyman, executive director. It contains a foreword by Felix M. Warburg, honorary chairman, and constitutes the first of four reports on J.D.C. work in Poland, Eastern Europe and the countries harboring German refugees during 1935.

"The past three years," Mr. Hyman declares, "have increasingly drawn upon the resources of the German Jews themselves. Their means are rapidly being drained. They are forced to look for assistance from Jews abroad in ever greater measure...If 400,000 Jews still in Germany are not to die, new strength must come from abroad. That strength, to a large degree, must come from the Jews of America."



Emigration of Jews from Germany during 1935 through organizations operating under the Central Committee for Relief and Reconstruction, which the J.D.C. in cooperation with Jewish leaders in the Reich helped organize, reached 16,524. Emigrants helped by organizations subvented by the J.D.C. during the three-year period totalled 65,144, the report said.

In 1935, 3,982 persons were assisted to emigrate to Palestine; 9,998 of foreign birth helped either to leave Germany for their native lands or native Germans helped to move from one German city to another; 2,544 assisted to emigrate to European and overseas countries, including 927 to European countries and 1,617 to North and South America and South Africa.

The report held rigid immigration laws the chief obstacle to large scale emigration, adding that since European countries were still suffering from economic depressions, the migration movement was chiefly overseas, with Palestine, the Americas and South Africa the chief centers.

The Central Committee extended vocational retraining centers during 1935 to teach Jews trades still open to them in Germany and to re-train youths between 18 and 25 to meet vocational requirements of overseas countries. Farming and agricultural training became the predominant course, and 72 per cent of the men and 80 per cent of the women undergoing training in Germany chose farming. In training centers outside Germany, 84 per cent of the men and 55 per cent of the women chose farming.

At the beginning of 1935, 4,005 persons were undergoing training in centers in Germany, Denmark, France, Holland, Italy, Yugoslavia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Memel. From January through December 2,133 either completed their courses or were enabled to emigrate.

An increasing number of Jewish children were forced out of state schools, and 20,000 between the ages of 6 and 19 -- double the number cared for in 1934 -- attended special schools. Aided by J.D.C. funds, the school committee spent 543,650 reichsmarks for education, including 374,028 reichsmarks for children and the remainder for adult education and supplementary work. The committee must now care for 44,000 to be removed from government schools during the year.

An estimated 62,000 families -- about 45 per cent of the Jewish population -- sought economic aid from various agencies of the Central Committee during 1935. Special winter relief programs organized by Jewish communities after Jews were barred from general relief aided 75,000 Jews.

The report describes extension of the loan bank system, and, in general assistance in the five major fields of rehabilitation -- emigration, welfare aid, economic aid, education and vocation training.