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ARABS TO LET GENERAL STRIKE PETER OUT

JERUSALEM, Aug 2. (JTA) -- A meeting of the Arab Supreme Committee, called to consider ending the fifteen-week-old general strike against the Jews and the Government, took no action but left the strike to peter out by itself, it was learned today.

Police circles expected Arab Christians to open their stores tomorrow.

The meeting, attended by Palestine's most important Arab leaders, devoted its attention mainly to formulating an attitude on the Royal Commission appointed by the British Government to inquire into current disorders.

It was understood that the Arab notables, who previously had firmly opposed an inquiry until Jewish immigration was halted, came to look more favorably on the commission, believing that it might benefit the Arab cause.

To hasten the dispatching of the commission, it was necessary for the Arab leaders to end the strike, since the British Government has repeatedly declared it will not begin the investigation until order is restored. Precipitately halting the strike was out of the question because none of the Arab Nationalist demands have been met, so it was decided to let the strike peter out by itself.

The strike was launched just 106 days ago, almost simultaneously with the outbreak of the current disorders. It was aimed at forcing the Government to halt Jewish immigration, prohibit sale of land to Jews and set up a national government.

2 JEWS, 2 ARABS KILLED AS DISORDERS ENTER 16TH WEEK

JERUSALEM, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Two Jews and two Arabs were killed today and a British soldier wounded as Arab disorders entered their sixteenth week.

Police Inspector Achmed Naif was shot dead this morning in Haifa while walking in the city square. An Arab constable accompanying him was seriously injured. The assailant escaped.

A Sephardic Jew, Josef Kaleb, 21, was shot by an Arab and seriously wounded in Haifa yesterday while taking a Sabbath walk. His assailant escaped.

An Arab was killed, another injured and a British soldier wounded in a clash between a band of rebels and a military detachment.

Yehoash Zoller, 22, and Itzhack Klishevsky, 23, Polish Jewish special guards, were found dead of bullet wounds at a watchman's hut in Yoknear. The head of one was mutilated by a dum dum bullet. They had gone out last night for an inspection tour of the neighborhood.

Secret transfer of sums of money from Shaki Barslan, Syrian Arab leader, to the Palestine Arabs was revealed when receipts and vouchers were found on Abu Zaid, of Beirut, who was arrested here.

A British soldier was seriously wounded and four others slightly injured yesterday by Arab snipers on the road to Kfar Yelodim. The town of Safad was fired on, but no casualties were reported. Three bombs exploded at Beit Vegan near Tel Aviv.

Curfew from 6:30 p.m. to 4 a.m. was proclaimed on the area 200 meters on either side of petroleum pipe lines after a band of Arabs had set fire to oil escaping from a damaged Iraq Petroleum Co. pipe two miles from the banks of the Jordan River. They escaped to Transjordan.

An official communique denied reports in local newspapers that Jewish constables in Tiberias -- which was swept last week by three days of disorders -- had been disarmed while Arabs were given arms. The communique also denied that the assistant superintendent at Beersheba, Ronald Broadhurst, had been photographed with Arabs stoning Jews.

PALESTINE MAY INVOKE MARTIAL LAW BECAUSE OF COURTS' 'NON-COOPERATION'

JERUSALEM, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The possibility that the Government might proclaim martial law loomed today after Chief Justice Sir Michael F. J. McDonnell, in a sweeping decision, upset the emergency system of collectively punishing Arab towns for acts of terrorism.

Refusal of the courts to uphold administrative measures issued to check fifteen-week-old disorders was regarded as making the position of the authorities difficult in dealing with guerilla warfare.

Justice McDonnell's verdict, which provided for remission of a \$5,000 collective fine levied on the town of Gaza for damaging of railway telephones, invalidates eighteen other collective fines.

Arabs instituted habeas corpus proceedings for release of strike leaders held in a concentration camp at Sarafand. An action for their release had been dismissed by the High Court on technical grounds. The Arabs were encouraged in their new action by the decision of Justice McDonnell.

ARAB PRESS SCORES ORMSBY-GORE FOR NOT HALTING IMMIGRATION

JERUSALEM, Aug 2. (JTA) -- Arab newspapers yesterday launched a vehement attack on William Ormsby-Gore, British Colonial Secretary, for failing to declare suspension of Jewish immigration in his announcement of a Royal Commission to investigate Palestine disorders in the House of Commons last Wednesday.

The papers called for continuation of the general strike and terrorism.

Hebrew newspapers were guarded in their comment on the Royal Commission announcement. They expressed satisfaction that immigration had not been halted, but voiced apprehension that Mr. Ormsby-Gore had not made a clearer statement on the possibility of future suspension.

ZIONISTS EXPECT HALTING OF IMMIGRATION

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Zionist circles today anticipated temporary suspension of Jewish immigration into Palestine by the Colonial Office so that the newly-appointed Royal Commission could make its inquiry into current disorders. Arabs have demanded that immigration be halted before they will cease their terrorism.

It was understood, however, that the possible advantages to the commission of suspension of immigration were still under consideration in official quarters.

The Sunday Times stated that the commission has made provisional arrangements to leave for the Holy Land in October, but that its departure depends entirely on discontinuance of the disorders.

REPORT SPANISH REBELS PLAN TO EXPEL JEWS

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Reports from Madrid today said the rebels had issued a proclamation declaring that when they came into power they would expel all the Jews from Spain.

In 1492, King Ferdinand of Spain expelled the entire Jewish population. The Republican Government had been encouraging repatriation of old Spanish Jewish families. Last June, 144 stateless Jewish families were granted Spanish citizenship under article 23 of the 1931 constitution, which provides:

"A law is to be passed to facilitate the acquisition of Spanish origin resident abroad."

POLAND SEEKS COLONIES FOR SURPLUS JEWISH POPULATION

WARSAW, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Arguing that the Jewish problem can be settled only if Poland obtains colonies, the Government moved today to demand that the League of Nations grant territory in South Africa and South America.

An official communique said it was the League's duty to deal with the problem as early as possible.

"The acute Jewish problem and Poland's own overpopulation make it imperative that Poland claim colonies now in the vast and almost uninhabited territories of South Africa and South America best fitted for Polish immigration and colonization," the communique said.

It added that countries with large capital resources at low interest -- meaning Great Britain and France -- should provide the capital necessary for the scheme under League guarantees.

ARSON WAVE TAKES HUGE TOLL IN POLISH DISTRICT

WARSAW, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- A wave of anti-Jewish arson spread yesterday through towns and villages of the Wolyn district in Eastern Poland, taking heavy toll in property. No arrests were made.

Twenty-five Jewish houses were fired in the township of Derazhne near Rovno. Simultaneously, eight Jewish houses in neighboring villages were razed by blazes that left forty families homeless. Rabbi Senderel Enter of Derazhne issued an urgent appeal for their relief.

Jewish homes were also burned down in the villages of Yakovitch, Podluzhne, Berastowitz and Kartchvola. A serious explosion was narrowly averted in the Jewish township of Kostopol last night when a fire set to a gasoline station was extinguished.

Arson reports from other localities in the Wolyn district continued to reach Warsaw.

BIRO-BIDJAN TO ADMIT FIRST 200 FOREIGN FAMILIES IN OCTOBER

MOSCOW, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Soviet Government will admit the first 200 Jewish families from abroad to the autonomous Jewish territory of Biro-Bidjan in October, it was announced yesterday by Sergei Tauskaieff president of the Comzet, Soviet commission for settling Jews on land.

His declaration was made in an interview with Adolph Held, president of the Amalgamated Bank of New York, who passed through Moscow on his way home after an unofficial visit to Biro-Bidjan. Mr. Held was accompanied by B. Charney Vladeck, manager of the Jewish Daily Forward of New York.

After Mr. Vladeck visited Palestine, the two toured Jewish colonies in the Crimea and were received by the Crimean Government. They said that Crimea agricultural collectives reported a plentiful grain harvest.

RUMANIA ACTS TO HALT ANTI-SEMITIC VIOLENCE

BUCHAREST, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Premier Tatarescu, conferring with Ion Inculetz, Minister of Interior, decided yesterday to take strict measures to prevent anti-Semitic violence.

Simultaneously, the Ministry of Education issued an order prohibiting students from engaging in political activity.

NAZIS BEAT JEWS IN HUNGARIAN TOWN

BUDAPEST, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Many Jews were beaten yesterday in the town of Steinamanger when the Nazi Arrow-and-Cross organization marched into the orthodox Jewish Theokel Street, shouting anti-Jewish threats. The disturbance followed weeks of anti-Semitic pamphleteering.

FRANKFURTER TO GET SANITY TEST BEFORE TRIAL

GENEVA, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- David Frankfurter, Yugoslavian Jewish medical student charged with the premeditated murder of Wilhelm Gustloff, Nazi leader of Switzerland, will not go on trial before he is given a psychiatric examination, it was announced yesterday.

The prosecuting chamber of Chur in canton Grisons, where Frankfurter is to be tried in October, said in an official statement it would meet early in September to decide whether the charge could be upheld. This decision will be taken only after Frankfurter's mental normality is ascertained, the statement said.

Frankfurter shot Gustloff last February in a hotel in Davos, Switzerland, in what he said was meant as a blow against the Nazi Government.

AUSTRIAN PATRIOTS DEMAND DISSOLUTION OF SECRET NAZI GROUPS

VIENNA, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Demands for dissolution of secret Nazi organizations were voiced Friday night by 60,000 persons at a demonstration of the Fatherland Front. A number of Nazis were arrested for throwing stench bombs.

State Secretary Guido Zernatto declared in an address that only the Fatherland Front had the right to inflict punishment and that the Government could not alter its course. The demonstration was organized to counteract Nazi manifestations when the Olympic torch was carried through Vienna last Wednesday.

REPORT REICH WITHHOLDING PASSPORTS FROM JEWS

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Times reported yesterday from Berlin that the practice of withholding emigration passports from Jews, long prevalent in Bavaria, was becoming general under a new police order because the Nazis wished to prevent further outflow of capital, also to prevent information reaching abroad of worsening conditions in Germany.

27,400 JEWS IN TUNIS

TUNIS (JTA) -- According to a recent census of population, there are at present in the city of Tunis 27,400 Jews, as compared with 25,000 in 1931. The total population of Tunis is 220,000.