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1 JEW KILLED, 7 WOUNDED; ARABS ASK WRITTEN ENTRY BAN PLEDGE

JERUSALEM, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- One Jew was killed and seven others -- including four children -- wounded today in new attacks while Arab terrorist leaders were reported preparing to continue their guerilla warfare despite current peace negotiations.

The four children were injured, two of them seriously, when three bombs exploded in Tiberias. The children are from six to ten years of age. The explosion in which the children were hurt occurred on Peace Street.

A Jewish woman was slightly injured by the explosion of a bomb on Prophet Street, Jerusalem. Earlier, Arabs shooting at a Jewish woman, wounded an Arab when they missed their aim.

Jews pursued four Arabs believing they were responsible for the shooting and beat them. The Arabs were rescued by Jewish constables.

David Nishri, 19-year-old Palestinian student, was killed and two other Jews wounded when Arabs ambushed a bus between Kiriat Anavim and Jerusalem. Nishri's death raised the Jewish toll to 78 in more than 18 weeks of disorders.

A bomb thrown near the Jaffa jail killed an Arab prisoner and three horses that were being watered at a nearby trough.

An Arab bomb exploded near the Royal Air Force headquarters, about 100 yards from the Hadassah hospital. There were no casualties.

While Arab leaders continued peace negotiations with the Government through Nuri Pasha as-Said, Iraqi Foreign Minister, Arab terrorist leaders were understood to have called a meeting for the near future somewhere in the hill regions.

The meeting is expected to resolve on continuance of the guerilla warfare against the Jews and Governmental forces. Reporting the scheduled meeting, an Arab newspaper praised the terrorist bands for their courage.

Wauchope Makes Final Offer

Final concessions by the Palestine government were presented last night to important Arab leaders by Nuri Pasha as-Said. The nineteen-week-old Arab general strike must cease for a fortnight, the Iraq diplomat told the Arab chieftains, before Jewish immigration will be suspended by the British government.

He also told them at a secret meeting after a dinner conference with High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope that the Government would agree to an amnesty for Arab agitators held in concentration camps.

In turn, the Arab leaders, meeting at the residence of Auni Bey Abdul Hadi, Arab youth leader released this week from a concentration camp, presented two counter-demands: a general amnesty for all Arabs imprisoned since the disorders began last April and a written Government guarantee to Arab rulers on the immigration suspension concession.

Those attending the conference included the Grand Mufti, Haj Amin el Husseini; Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, former mayor of Jerusalem and Hilmi Pasha.

Nevertheless, confirmation was still lacking of reports abroad that the Arab Supreme Committee had already decided to call off the general strike.

Haarden, general Zionist daily, was suspended for one month.

WEIZMANN RUSHES TO LONDON TO FORESTALL IMMIGRATION SUSPENSION

ZURICH, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- Following a Sabbath adjournment of the World Zionist Organization's Actions Committee, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Zionist Organization, left for London tonight in an effort to forestall expected suspension of Jewish immigration into Palestine by the British Government.

The political committee spent the morning drafting resolutions, defining and charting the policy to be followed by the Zionist Executive towards the Government, the Royal Commission which will investigate the disorders, and the Arabs.

Details of a special two-month fund-raising campaign, to be proclaimed before the Actions Committee ends its sessions here, were being mapped by its economic body. The campaign will seek funds to continue the upbuilding work in Palestine and provide safety for Jews.

Resolutions covering these points are expected to be adopted unanimously on Sunday.

Dr. Weizmann, David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency's Palestine executive and other members of the executive, maintained constant contact with London and Jerusalem in view of the gravity of the situation.

BRITISH CABINET MEETS WEDNESDAY ON PALESTINE

LONDON, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The political correspondent of the Evening Standard reported today that a meeting of the British Cabinet has been called for next Wednesday to consider steps to end the deadlock arising from disorders in Palestine.

It was learned here that the British Royal Commission, appointed last month to investigate disorders in the Holy Land, has provisionally set the date of its departure for October.

ARABS REPORT IRAQ MINISTER PLEDGING PALESTINE AUTONOMY

LONDON, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The Daily Herald today quoted reports current in Palestine-Arab circles that the Iraqi Foreign Minister, Nuri Pasha as-Said, mediator between the Palestine government and Arab leaders, had pledged Iraq's support of all Arab demands including complete independence for Palestine similar to the status enjoyed by his own country.

According to the reports, the diplomat had availed himself of the Palestine government's acquiescence to his intercession to establish the right of neighboring Arab states to intervene in Palestine affairs.

The New Statesman and Nation, liberal periodical, in an editorial warned that suspension of Jewish immigration into Palestine was too high a price to pay for halting the nineteen-week-old Arab general strike.

JEWISH AGENCY BODY MEETS WEDNESDAY IN LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The administrative committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine will hold its scheduled conference here starting Wednesday instead of in Zurich, it was announced today.

LONDON ANTI-SEMITES PREFERENCES JAIL TO "GOOD BEHAVIOR" BOND

LONDON, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- John Penfold, sentenced to a week's imprisonment or \$10 fine for anti-Semitic agitation today, chose two month's additional imprisonment rather than post \$250 as security for a year's good behavior.

He told the court he preferred jail because "the Jews have all the liberty and we have none."

Penfold was convicted of using insulting words and behavior likely to lead to a breach of the peace and of delivering speeches insulting the Jews.

BEADLE JAILED FOR CHURCH THEFT THAT STIRRED ANTI-JEWISH DISORDERS

WARSAW, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- A court in Czeszochowa, western Poland, today sentenced Valenty Mlartsik, beadle of a Catholic church in the town of Truskolas, to thirty months' imprisonment for the desecration of his church, which led to anti-Semitic disorders when the act was blamed on Jews.

After Mlartsik had stolen sacred objects from the church, a report was spread that the act had been committed by Jews as a reprisal for the bombing of a synagogue. The rumor resulted in serious anti-Jewish disturbances.

Mlartsik is the brother of the priest of the church.

WARSAW PAPER SEIZED FOR ATTACKING NEW ANTI-SEMITIC PARTY

WARSAW, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The Yiddish daily, Moment, has been confiscated for an editorial impugning the proposed new Government party, the "Sluzba Narodowa," under the leadership of Col. A. Koc, which, it is reported, will have a definite anti-Semitic tinge.

ENDEKS ARRESTED IN KATOWICE BOMBING

KATOWICE, Poland, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- Several Endeks (anti-Semitic Nationalists) have been arrested after a bomb explosion had demolished a Jewish shop. There were no casualties.

COUGHLIN DENIES SPEECH MEANT AS SLUR ON JEWS

CHICAGO, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- Father Charles E. Coughlin's publication, Social Justice, appeared today with a denial that the Detroit radio priest is anti-Semitic and says that "such an attitude on his part would be illogical, un-Christian and impractical."

This followed a flood of attacks by Gentile and Jewish religious leaders that the Catholic priest's addresses before the convention of the National Union for Social Justice two weeks ago were tinged with anti-Semitism.

The article quotes Father Coughlin as stating his strictures against "money changers" were not confined to Jews alone but included "prominent Gentiles, both Catholic and Protestant."

"There would be no Jewish question in the United States," the statement reads, "if certain timid Hebrews would cease searching for the burglar under the bed and if certain other citizens of the Jewish race were courageous enough to condemn publicly the unsocial Jew, together with the unsocial Christian, both of whom have exploited the poor Jew and the poor Christian throughout civilization.

"If a repetition of such insidious propaganda is persisted in by the lower strata Jew, to the detriment of the better class Jew who outnumbers the former, rest assured that the National Union for Social Justice and the many thousands of Jews who are enrolled therein will not sit idly by.

"We do not plan to assail only Rexford Tugwell and the Gentile radicals who dabble in Communism and international banking. We also plan to strike hard and fearlessly at Frankfurter, at Ezekiel and the Jewish international bankers, by name and by deed."

ORT TO SETTLE THOUSAND JEWS IN BIRO-BIDJAN

NEW YORK, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The American ORT Federation will settle 1,000 Eastern European Jews in Biro-Bidjan, Adolph Held, president of the Amalgamated Bank of New York, said today after his return from a tour of the autonomous Soviet Jewish region for the ORT.

Mr. Held visited Biro-Bidjan to ascertain the advisability of accepting an offer extended to the ORT to settle 1,000 Jews. He said today that his report would be favorable.

While declaring that the region had great possibilities, Mr. Held said the work was proceeding slowly and quoted the Governor of the region, M. Lieberberg, as saying it was difficult "to rebuild a whole country at once."

The Jewish population of the region is now 15,000, he said, and it can absorb five to ten thousand persons a year. A thousand Jews will emigrate to Biro-Bidjan from Poland this year, he reported.

The great problem is building, Mr. Held declared, and construction is backward. However, the people are satisfied, the schools are good, the Government is friendly and the natural resources are rich, he stated.

He also visited Poland. There, Mr. Held asserted, the Jews' situation appeared hopeless. He held that emigration was not the solution, pointing out that the exodus of 1,000,000 Polish Jews to America had not solved the problem.

"The Polish Jews have to show that they are as much citizens of Poland as anyone else," he declared.

PRESIDENT LAUDS PROPOSED MEMORIAL TO HAYM SALOMON

CHICAGO, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- In a letter to the Patriotic Foundation, President Roosevelt has praised the proposed erection of a memorial to Haym Salomon, Jewish banker during the American Revolution. The memorial will portray Salomon side by side with George Washington and Robert Morris.

"I am indeed gratified to learn," the President wrote to Barnet Hodes, co-chairman of the Foundation, "that belated recognition is to be made of the invaluable services rendered to the cause of the American Revolution by Haym Salomon. History was for a long time strangely silent concerning the unselfish and munificent financial support accorded the struggling colonies by this Philadelphia banker."

"It was never disputed that at a critical period in the affairs of the Revolution, Haym Salomon came to the rescue of the Continental Congress with large loans freely extended. The debt of gratitude which the Nation owes Salomon's memory will in part be paid through the fulfillment of plans of the Patriotic Foundation to erect in Chicago a monument which will portray Salomon with his fellow patriots, George Washington and Robert Morris. I bespeak for the undertaking the fullest measure of success."

EAST EUROPEAN JEWS FACE CRISIS, RABBI JUNG STATES

NEW YORK, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- European Jewry is facing one of the major crises of its history, declared Rabbi Leo Jung, of the Jewish Center, after his return from a three-month trip abroad. He attended the conference of rabbis and Jewish leaders of nineteen Eastern and Central European countries at Marienbad, Czechoslovakia.

Rabbis attending the conference expressed grave concern over the Jewish institute of culture and religion that are being weakened as a result of the destitution of East European Jews, said Dr. Jung. He praised the Joint Distribution Committee for stressing the need and importance of spiritual assistance as well as physical aid for distressed Jews of Europe in its appeal to American Jews.

JEWISH REFUGEES, FLEEING SPAIN, EXPELLED BY GERMANY

NEW YORK, Aug. 28. (JTA) -- The New York Times in a cable from Munich, Germany, reports that Jewish German nationals, brought on Reich transports as refugees from the Spanish rebellion, have been ordered to leave German soil within twenty-four hours.

Failure to obey the edict, says the Times, may mean confinement in "so-called detention camps."

This is counter to the promise of no discrimination made them by German consuls when they were picked up at Barcelona, Madrid and other points where the Spanish revolution rages at its fiercest, the Times reports.

"Not only are the refugees divided into 'Aryan' and 'non-Aryan' groups," the dispatch says, "but passports are taken from the Jewish nationals and withheld until their holders announce the countries to which they desire to go. The passport is then sent on to the frontier station, where it is returned to the owner.

Jewish refugees are not allowed to share in the refugee relief moneys now being officially solicited and consequently the burden of their support has fallen upon Jewish communities.

"Thus far this prejudicial treatment," the Times correspondent declares, "has been meted out only to Jews migrating from Germany since 1933, who are designated as emigres. Those who left Germany before the advent of the National Socialist government have not yet been molested."