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### RUMANIAN CABINET ACTS TO QUELL TERRORISM

BUCHAREST, Sept. 1, (JTA)--Alarmed by the extent of terroristic activities throughout Rumania, Premier Tatarescu summoned his revamped cabinet to a special session which at noon today decided to dissolve and disarm immediately all "shock troops" affiliated with the various political parties.

The cabinet announced that all acts of terrorism would be severely punished.

Special instructions were issued to local authorities throughout the country to enforce the cabinet's measures. Members of the police and legal branches of the Government who fail to enforce them will be dismissed, the cabinet warned.

The cabinet's first constructive measure to cope with the growing terrorism and lawlessness was simultaneously announced.

It provides for the formation of a compulsory labor army in which will be enrolled all unemployed youths between the ages of 18 and 21. Most of the terrorism, it has been established, is the work of unemployed youngsters.

The cabinet also decided to abolish the traditional university autonomy, permitting entrance of police and soldiers on university grounds to enforce order.

### 2 ARABS KILLED, 2 BRITONS, 1 JEW WOUNDED IN NEW CLASHES

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1, (JTA)--Renewed violence flared in the Holy Land today, taking the lives of two Arabs and causing serious wounds to two British soldiers and slight injuries to two others.

The Arabs were killed in an engagement with troops near the Jewish colony of Nathania. Four Arabs were wounded in the clash.

Two soldiers were seriously wounded when a lorry they were riding in struck a mine on the Jerusalem-Nablus road. An Arab band fired at the truck from ambush at the same time.

A second lorry taking a side road to attack the rebels from the rear, also struck a mine which exploded causing injuries to two soldiers.

Bernard Klein, a watchman near Petach Tikvah, was seriously wounded in performance of his duties. He was taken to the Hadassah Hospital in Tel Aviv.

A police patrol, fired on between Lydda and Wilhelma, returned the fire, wounding one Arab.

A section of the Iraq Petroleum Company's pipeline near Tamra, a suburb of Beisan, was destroyed by an explosion. The escaping oil caught fire.

Brigands set fire to a Jewish-owned packing shed near Rehovoth and an Arab shed near Ramleh.

#### WAUCHOPE HINTS HE'LL IGNORE ARAB NEGOTIATIONS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1. (JTA)--Warmly receiving a delegation of the Palestine Agudath Israel, orthodox Jewish organization, High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope today assured the group that Jewish rights in the Holy Land would not be curtailed and hinted that he would ignore reported negotiations with Arab leaders, it was learned.

Sir Arthur pointed out that any restriction of Jewish privileges would not be in conformity with the policy formulated by Colonial Secretary William G. A. Ormsby-Gore.

Regarding stoppage of Jewish immigration, reliable sources said that the High Commissioner had been unable to add anything to previous statements but that he had declared that under no circumstances would the administration be cowed by terrorism.

"The civil government," he is quoted as having said, "is strong enough to pacify the country. However, we are unable to terminate the violence because of its guerilla character."

#### REPORTED ARAB PEACE TERMS LISTED

JERUSALEM, Sept. 1. (JTA)--The reported terms on which the Arabs would abandon the general strike against Jewish immigration and its attendant violence were disclosed today in the Palestine Post, the Holy Land's only English-language newspaper.

The terms include the following:

- 1) General amnesty for all Arabs held in connection with the disorders.
- 2) Suspension of immigration until the Royal Commission completes its forthcoming investigation.
- 3) Guarantee by the Palestine Government that the Royal Commission will recommend restriction of immigration in the future.
- 4) Iraq's representative (Foreign Minister Nuri Pasha as-Said) to appear before the Royal Commission to support Arab demands.
- 5) Iraq to be allowed to continue its efforts to ensure execution of the commission's findings.

LONDON TIMES HITS FAILURE TO INVOKE MARTIAL LAW

LONDON, Sept. 1. (JTA)--The London Times in an editorial today strongly criticizes the Palestine administration for not having declared martial law in the Holy Land during the recent disorders.

It condemns the expected stoppage of Jewish immigration into Palestine pointing out that such a step by the British Cabinet would mean repudiation of the spirit of the League of Nations mandate.

Warning against conceding to Arab demands, the editorial declares that governmental concessions would only result in further Arab violence seeking the realization of further demands.

The editorial points to the need for tightening provisions in the criminal code regarding sale and possession of arms and recommends necessary administrative changes.

The Times calls for an investigation of the land reserves problem and asks the government to exercise closest control on the immigration of capitalists.

ONLY \$50,000 OF HUGE TREASURY SURPLUS INVESTED IN PALESTINE

GENEVA, (JTA)--Although the continued prosperity of Palestine resulted in the accumulation of a \$25,000,000 surplus by the Palestine Government at the end of 1935, the Government invested less than \$50,000 in Palestine securities out of some \$17,000,000 of the surplus invested.

This was revealed by the Palestine Government in its report to the League of Nations on the administration of the country and drew criticism from members of the Mandates Commission.

M. Rappard, member of the Commission, pointed out in an analysis of the report during the Commission's sessions that the Palestine Government received a much lower rate of interest on its investments than it paid on the Palestine loan and asked whether the Government could not convert some of its holdings.

Attorney General H. H. Trusted, who represented the Mandatory Power for Palestine at the sessions, admitted that the Palestine loan was now considerably above par and a premium would have to be paid in conversion operations.

Despite the attractiveness of the Palestine issue, he declared that there was no possibility of investing Government surpluses in Palestine itself.

It was of benefit to Palestine, he said, to possess certain outside securities. Money could, of course, be spent in the country, but if it were to be invested, the Administration felt it was better to obtain the widest measure of security possible.

According to the financial report of the Palestine Government, available balances and loan funds are invested in British Guiana, Ceylon, Jamaica, Kenya, Natal, Nigeria, Northern Rhodesia, Straits Settlements, Trinidad, Uganda, Australia, Canada, India, Newfoundland, New South Wales, New Zealand, Queensland, South Australia, Ulster, Victoria, West Australia, British municipals, and Federated Malay States issues.

Most of these pay from 2½ to 4 per cent, although a few issues pay as high as 5 per cent. The Palestine loan issue pays five per cent.

#### BRITISH CABINET, AGENCY BODY MEET TODAY

LONDON, Sept. 1. (JTA)--Zionist and non-Zionist leaders from America and Europe prepared today for two important meetings tomorrow that may have far-reaching effects on the future of the Jewish national home in Palestine.

In one, the British Cabinet will meet to discuss the continuing disorders in the Holy Land and possibly take action on suspension of Jewish immigration, principal Arab demand. Ramsay MacDonald, Secretary for the Dominions, will preside in the absence of Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin who is away on vacation.

While the British Cabinet is in session, the administrative committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine will open a special conference to consider the current Palestine emergency.

This afternoon the Zionist and non-Zionist leaders, the latter including Dr. Maurice J. Karpf, Dr. Maurice Hexter and Morris Waldman of the United States, met for informal discussions with members of the Jewish Agency executive.



Tomorrow's session of the administrative committee is expected to result in the non-Zionists aligning themselves with the decisions taken by the Zionist actions committee at Zurich which concluded its session yesterday.

It is understood that at the informal meeting today, the administrative committee members were informed of yesterday's conversation between Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, David Ben-Gurion, chairman of its Palestine executive, and Colonial Secretary William Ormsby-Gore.

The administrative committee meeting will be held in the offices of the World Zionist Organization and is expected to continue until Thursday.

Most of the committee's Palestine members will be absent since they rushed back to Palestine from Zurich.

Mr. Ben-Gurion is flying back to the Holy Land Thursday immediately after the sessions end.

A number of German-Jewish members of the committee are attending the meeting in view of the seriousness of the Palestine immigration issue, in which they are largely concerned.

#### BRITISH ENVOY IN POLAND RECEIVES PALESTINE MEMORANDUM

WARSAW, Sept. 1. (JTA)--Assuring a delegation which called upon him today that the British Government and public opinion sympathize with Jewish upbuilding activities in Palestine, British Ambassador H.W. Kennard today accepted a memorandum for transmission to London submitted by the group protesting impending stoppage of Jewish entry into the Holy Land.

#### WEALTHY POLE SPONSORS ANTI-JEWISH EXHIBIT

WARSAW, Sept. 1. (JTA)--In an effort to acquaint the public with "the Jewish danger", a wealthy Polish estate owner, Francis Zekwysowski has organized an anti-Semitic exhibition in Kattowice, it was disclosed today.

The exhibition is titled "Poles and Jews" and one section attempts to reveal Jewish "conspiratorial" activities, including alleged links to Freemasonry.

#### BELGIUM HONORS DANISH JEWISH PORCELAIN FACTOR

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Sept. 1. (JTA)--The Belgian government today conferred the order of Leopold II on P. Simonsen, director of Bing and Groendahl, famed for its artistic porcelain products.

COURT JAILS POLE WHO REFUSED TO AID DROWNING JEW

WILNO, Poland, Sept. 1. (JTA)--A Polish river steamer captain was sentenced today to a year in prison for having refused to rescue a drowning Jew.

The Court of Appeals set aside a previous verdict by a lower court of six months for the indicted man, Captain Kostecki, who had declared that a Jew was "not worth saving."

Another Jew rescued Chaim Seidel, the almost victim.

PLAN TO MOVE HACHSHARA FARMS FROM REICH TO POLAND

BERLIN, Sept. 1. (JTA)--Jewish leaders today laid plans for removing training of German-Jewish youth for Palestine colonization work to Poland in view of increasing difficulties facing such work here. It is also feared that the forthcoming Nazi Nuremburg Congress would completely prohibit Jews from working on farms.

Under present plans, special farms will be established around Wilno and other Polish districts where German-Jewish youth will be trained prior to departure for Palestine.

The farms will be supported by the Council for German Jewry, a representative of which will soon leave for Poland in connection with the project.

REICH CULTURE GROUPS TO HOLD PARLEY SEPT. 5-7

BERLIN, Sept. 1. (JTA)--The Federation of Jewish Culture Leagues will meet here September 5-7 to discuss its future and to stimulate Jewish cultural work in the Reich, it was announced today.

20 U.S. JEWISH GROUPS PROTEST BRITISH POLICIES IN PALESTINE

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. (JTA)--Twenty leading Jewish organizations, including The American Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith, and Hadassah, representing two million American Jews have lodged protests with Secretary of State Cordell Hull against British policies in Palestine, it was announced today by the Zionist Organization of America.

The protests charge that the Palestine government's policies were responsible for continuance of Arab disorders responsible for the death of 79 Jews in the past five months.

In his message to the State Department for transmission to the British Ambassador, Alfred M. Cohen of Cincinnati, president of B'nai B'rith, international fraternal order, warned Great Britain against taking any steps to curb Jewish immigration into Palestine.

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