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## FRANKFURTER SENTENCED TO 18 YEARS FOR GUSTLOFF KILLING

CHUR, Switzerland, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The Grisons Cantonal Court today sentenced David Frankfurter to 18 years in prison for the confessed assassination last February of Wilhelm Gustloff, Swiss Nazi leader. Eight months of the sentence was deducted for time already served while awaiting trial.

The verdict against the 27-year-old Yugoslavian medical student, who suffers from incurable tuberculosis of the bone, also provides banishment from Switzerland for life following completion of the prison term. Frankfurter must pay the court costs, it was ruled.

The sentence was the maximum demanded by the prosecution, which contended the murder was premeditated.

Five judges, headed by A. R. Ganzoni, handed down the verdict after a trial lasting only four days.

Counsel for the defense pleaded the crime was committed while in a state of high mental excitement brought on by Nazi persecution of Jew

## Case Not Closed, Nazi Press Holds

BERLIN, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- Sentencing David Frankfurter to 18 years imprisonment does not close the case, German newspapers said today in special editions announcing the verdict, the Havas News Agency reported.

"Numerous important questions were not cleared up," a semi-official German news agency said, "but one cannot blame the Swiss court. Another authority must clarify the question. If now the Reich takes this affair in hand nobody can criticise it for mixing in the trial."

"World Judaism may be certain of one thing," the Voelkischer Beobachter wrote. "Neither David Frankfurter nor those behind him carried out the mission which was confided to them for the profit of world Judaism."

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### Berlin Plastered With Posters of Slaying

BERLIN, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- Large posters with a caricature of a Jew with a gun, standing over the dead body of a uniformed Nazi, were displayed throughout Berlin today with the caption, "I killed him because I am a Jew."

### LAND SURVEY, LOWER INTEREST RATES, URGED BY DR. HEXTER

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- A demand that the Government speed up a survey of the extent, value and ownership of land in Palestine was voiced before the British Royal Commission today by Dr. Maurice B. Hexter, of the Jewish Agency's executive.

Other demands presented by Dr. Hexter as he completed his testimony included:

Government assistance to the system of concentrated small holdings, as well as for cooperatives; reduction in interest rates; introduction of legislation to aid irrigation and to encourage water borings in the Beersheba district in Southern Palestine; and allocation of a fair portion of State waste lands to Jews.

Sir Morris Carter and Sir Laurie Hammond joined in questioning Dr. Hexter on aspects of the land problem.

They asked particularly what was to be done when all cultivable land was divided up, whether legislation should be passed prohibiting land sales (one of the cardinal demands in the recent Arab general strike) and how future Arab generations could go on without land.

Sir Morris asked also if introduction of irrigation legislation by the Government would mean that the Arabs would be enabled to sell four-fifths of their property, leaving the land occupied in the proportion of four Jewish families to one Arab family. (According to present laws governing sale of land, Arabs selling their property must keep one-fifth of it as a subsistence area.)

"Isn't that depriving the Arabs of their rights?" Sir Morris asked.

Dr. Hexter replied that the League of Nations Mandate provided, in Article 6, for encouragement of close Jewish settlement. He said that this provision was reiterated in a letter to Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, by Ramsay MacDonald, then Prime Minister. (The letter, written in 1931, modified provisions of the famous Passfield White Paper, issued in 1930 following the Shaw Commission's

investigation of the 1929 riots. It set a new immigration basis, permitted Jews to share in public employment in proportion to their contributions to revenues and removed restrictions on Jewish land purchase.)

Lord Peel at this point asked: "Did Arabs appear before Mr. MacDonald in connection with this one-sided document?"

I. Wolffson, manager of the Palestine Jewish Colonization Association, also testified at today's session.

#### \$1,250,000 LYDDA AIRPORT OPENED; FINEST IN NEAR EAST

LYDDA, Palestine, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The largest and most modern airport in the entire Near East was formally opened here today by the British authorities.

The airport, covering several thousand dunams of land (a dunam is the equivalent of one-fourth of an acre), was constructed at a cost of approximately \$1,250,000. It will be used both for military and commercial purposes.

Its location is along the main route between Jerusalem and the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, to which it is nearest.

#### ARABS MAP \$250,000 FUND DRIVE TO COMBAT BRITISH, JEWS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- Arab leaders met in Jaffa yesterday to discuss launching a \$250,000 campaign for funds to fight the British and the Jews, and considered widening the anti-Jewish boycott.

The Arab Supreme Committee took up the future of the Jaffa port which, Arab leaders hold, is menaced by the development of a new harbor at neighboring Tel Aviv. It also considered the advisability of the merging of Arab villages near Tel Aviv with the city.

Arab notables have rejected an invitation of the Palestine Government to testify before the British Royal Commission of inquiry, according to Falastin, Christian Arab daily, in line with the Arab Supreme Committee's boycott of the investigation.

The same paper reported that the British Colonial Office has allocated \$15,000 to build a village for Arabs dispossessed when army engineers razed a part of the Old City quarter of Jaffa to build roads.

#### 7 SEIZED NEAR SAFED AS ILLEGAL ENTRANTS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The immigration authorities today arrested seven Jews as illegal entrants. Without visas, they were apprehended near Safed, not far from the Syrian border.

#### TROOPS, BANDITS IN NEW CLASHES

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- A military patrol clashed with an Arab band near Ras al Nakura today following reports of two more highway robberies in that vicinity. Another engagement between troops and bandits was reported near Jenin.

UNEMPLOYMENT FUND IN PALESTINE PUT AT \$550,000

JERUSALEM, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The unemployment fund of the Palestine Labor Federation has reached £113,000 (about \$550,000), it was disclosed yesterday at a meeting of the Tel Aviv and Jaffa Labor Council. This represents an increase of £73,000 (about \$360,000) since the end of 1935.

1,000 TROOPS HELP PUT OUT BLAZE AT TEL AVIV FAIR GROUNDS

TEL AVIV, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- A thousand troops were required last night to extinguish a huge fire on the Levant Fair grounds in the northern part of this city which razed the Tel Aviv stadium, the Histadruth pavillion and four boats lying offshore.

Arab resentment against the harbor being developed here in competition with the neighboring Arab port of Jaffa led the authorities to suspect that the blaze might have been of incendiary origin.

The grounds are bounded on one side by the Mediterranean and on two sides by the Yarkon River. The fair was held in the Spring but many of the structures were left standing.

MUNICH BOOK, DARING NAZI WRATH, SKES JEWS BRIGHTER THAN GERMANS

ROTTERDAM, The Netherlands (JTA) -- A minor sensation has been created here by the disclosure that three eminent German scientists and a publishing house have dared the wrath of the Nazi regime by issuing in Munich, cradle of the Nazi movement, a new edition of their standard work on race in which it is asserted that the average Jew is more intelligent than the average German.

The authors who have thus, and in a number of other equally daring conclusions which are anomolous in the Third Reich of Chancellor Hitler, risked their future status are Prof. Erwin Bauer, Prof. Eugen Fischer and Prof. Fritz Lenz, acknowledged leading authorities in this field of science.

The book is titled "Menschliche Erblehre und Rassenhygiene" (Law of Inheritance and Racial Hygiene) and its publisher is Lehmanns Verlag of Munich.

The result of research work undertaken by the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute the volume, of which this is the fourth edition, the third having been sold out after publication ten years ago, has always been regarded as a standard on the subject.

According to a report on the book by the Jewish Press Committee, published in the Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant, influential liberal daily, the new edition deals also with the Nazi racial theories.

But this part of the work, which is covered by Prof. Lenz, while it gives evidence of great pains having been taken to do justice to the present official German ideology, nevertheless does not sacrifice scientific self-respect.

In what is described as an outstanding example of this attitude, a chapter titled simply "The Jews" presents conclusions and a point of view held unique in present day anti-Semitic Germany.

Militant anti-Semitic books are mentioned as sources for this chapter books which formerly never were to be mentioned in serious scientific writings, the report states. But the author also gives facts taken from Jewish publications, it adds.

Introducing this chapter, Prof. Lenz cautions that one should not underestimate an adversary, intellectually or morally. In this spirit while noting the Jews' faults, the author credits them with great spiritual powers and strong will.

According to Prof. Lenz, the Jewish spirit, next to the Germanic, has been one of the fundamental powers in bringing about modern civilization.

"If it were possible to isolate the most intelligent one hundredth part of the German population," Prof. Lenz writes, "this part would, of course, stand above the Jews intellectually. However, according to my opinion, it cannot be denied that the average Jew possesses a higher intelligence than the average German."

Continuing in this vein, heretical according to Nazi ideology, Dr. Lenz declares:

"Jews are more strongly represented in the various fields of science than their percentage within the population warrants. Of all the Nobel prize winners for physics, chemistry and medicine up to 1933 there were eleven Jews and five half-Jews. This is about ten per cent of all Nobel prize awards, a figure which towers high above the percentage of Jews in all countries.

"Further, it cannot be denied that traits of genius are to be found among Jews, genius in the sense of higher and creative intuition. I remind the reader of Heinrich Hertz, the discoverer of electric waves. Present day radio and wireless are founded on his work. In general it must be stated that in the world of learning and sciences the Jews have taken a more important role in shaping and transmitting facts than in the fundamental creative work."

Other conclusions presented by Dr. Lenz are:

That criminality is lower among Jews than among the other parts of the German population.

That Jews have an outspoken family sense, strong community feeling and are active in charitable endeavors.

That Germans and Jews have much in common intellectually. Both have great spiritual powers and both are possessed of a strong will. Both are endowed with much self-reliance and initiative, and both show a strong urge to rule. The difference is that the German is more inclined to reach his aim by ~~craftiness~~. As far as business abilities are concerned, the Jews easily find their masters in Nordic Hanseats, Scots and Yankees.

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That the Nordic race leads humanity intellectually, but certain Near-Eastern-Oriental elements among the Jews hold the same place in many fields, if not a higher one.

#### NAZIS TRACE "ARYANISM" OF BERLIN CONVERTS TO 1800

BERLIN, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The Nazis have started a new investigation into family records of all residents of the capital converted to Christianity back to 1800, it was disclosed today, because as the Voelkischer Beobachter put it, "every Berlin resident is able to identify Aryan antecedents for four generations."

The records in the investigation just completed required the services of 33 typists working a whole year.

All children of mixed marriages are to be expelled from sports clubs, it was announced. They will include those with "25 per cent Jewish blood," who are not classed as "non-Aryans" under the Nuremberg marriage and citizenship laws.

#### WILNO BODY TO COMPLETE TRANSLATION OF DUBNOW WORK IN YIDDISH

WILNO, Poland, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The Jewish Scientific Institute announced today it has taken over from the Jewish Culture League the publication in Yiddish of Simeon Dubnow's ten-volume history of the Jews, originally written in German.

The sixth volume, dealing with the Middle Ages, will appear in the next two weeks, it was stated, and translation of the other four volumes is in progress. The institute is considering announcing subscriptions to the history in low installments.

#### TO RESUME TRIAL OF DANISH FASCIST EDITORS TODAY

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- The trial of six Fascist editors for anti-Jewish defamation, temporarily adjourned several weeks ago, will be resumed tomorrow, it was announced today.

The court will examine statements of leading Danish theologians, including Dr. Thor. The prosecutor and defense counsel will address the court. A verdict is expected later.

#### M. MORGENTHAU, UNCLE OF TREASURY CHIEF, DEAD AT 89

NEW YORK, Dec. 14. (JTA) -- Maximilian Morgenthau, prominent real estate man, died here yesterday after a short illness. Mr. Morgenthau was the brother of Henry Morgenthau Sr., former Ambassador to Turkey, and uncle of the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr. He was 89 years old.