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FASCIST PAPER RENOVES ATTACK ON JEWS; HITS AT BLUM

ROME, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Foreign observers here expressed the belief today that attacks against Leon Blum, Jewish premier of France, will increase in the Italian press, emboldened as a result of the Anglo-Italian accord which has left Italy a freer hand to deal with France.

The belief is supported by a renewal of anti-Jewish attacks in Il Regime Fascista of Cremona, which was among the first Italian newspapers to publish anti-Semitic editorials.

The latest attack is based on a report that a Catholic procession was prohibited in France. An editorial attributes the prohibition to France's present leadership.

"Such incidents are possible," it declares, "only in countries ruled by Jews and Freemasons."

Considerable speculation has been aroused as to why anti-Jewish propaganda has been chosen by the Fascist press as a means to attack the French Government.

COMMISSION TO PERMIT JABOTINSKY TO TESTIFY, LONDON HEARS

LONDON, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- It was reliably learned here today that the Royal Commission of Inquiry has agreed to permit Vladimir Jabotinsky, leader of the New Zionist Organization, to testify before it at a public hearing in Jerusalem.

Whether this means that Palestine's ban against entry of Mr. Jabotinsky will be lifted to enable him to testify could not be ascertained. At the Colonial Office, it was stated that this was a matter for decision by the Palestine Government alone.

It was learned that Mr. Jabotinsky expects to proceed to Palestine soon. A definite date for his departure has not been set.

(The Royal Commission announced in Jerusalem last week that it expects to conclude its sessions soon and scheduled departure for Jan. 12.)

KOSHER MEAT SITUATION CRITICAL; WARSAW'S JANUARY QUOTA HALVED

WARSAW, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- The kosher meat situation throughout Poland became more critical today as municipalities applied with severity provisions of the new law limiting the practice of shechita, Jewish ritual method of slaughtering animals.

In Warsaw, the municipal administration cut in half the original quota set by announcing that for January only 950,000 kilograms gross of livestock could be slaughtered for kosher meat.

The situation here was further aggravated by the fact that to date only 95 Jewish butchers have received licenses to handle kosher meat, 400 still remaining unlicensed.

In many cities, the Jewish population remained entirely without meat prepared in the ancient ritual way, since the authorities were either slow in issuing licenses to butchers or failed to issue them at all. Only 20 of the 250 Jewish butchers in Lwow, industrial center with a large Jewish population, have so far received the requisite permits. In Radom, none of the Jewish butchers have yet been licensed.

RATIFIED BALFOUR PACT, RUMANIA TOLD IN PLEA TO LIFT ZIONIST FUNDS BAN

CZERNOWITZ, Rumania, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Emphasizing that Rumania is a signatory to the San Remo peace treaty which ratified the Balfour Declaration committing Great Britain to promote establishment of a Jewish National home in Palestine, Dr. Meyer Ebner, president of the Rumanian Zionist Federation, voiced the hope today in a statement that the Government would soon withdraw its restriction on collection of Zionist funds.

The statement explains that hitherto the transfer of Zionist funds to Palestine had been made in accordance with an agreement between the Palestine-Rumanian Chamber of Commerce and the Rumanian National Bank on the basis of Rumanian exports to Palestine.

Following announcement last week by the Minister of Interior that special permits would be needed for Zionist fund collection, J.N.F. collection boxes were confiscated by the authorities.)

PROF. ENGLANDER, ECONOMIST, DEAD IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AT 61

PRAHA, Czechoslovakia, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Professor Oskar Englander, economist and author of many works, died here today at the age of 61 following an operation. He was on the faculty of the German University.

PALESTINE COURT MINUTES TO BE KEPT IN ENGLISH ONLY

JERUSALEM, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Minutes of all court proceedings, hitherto kept in English, Arabic and Hebrew as provided by Palestine law which makes all three languages official, henceforth will be kept only in English, it was announced today.

ABDICATION FILMS BARRED IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government today prohibited exhibition of films connected with the abdication of Edward VIII.

\$200,000 HOSPITAL FOR TRANSJORDAN CAPITAL

JERUSALEM, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- A new hospital will be built in Amman, Transjordan, at a cost of £40,000 (about \$200,000), which will be furnished by Palestine's Health Department, Falastin, Arabic daily, reported today.

WARSAW SCHOOLS OPEN AFTER LONG SHUTDOWN

WARSAW, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- The Warsaw University and various schools, closed as a result of anti-Jewish disturbances in November of last year, were opened today, the Havas News Agency reported. Strict control measures were put into effect regarding the re-entry of the students.

ASK FISHMAN TO RESIGN FROM ZIONIST BODY, IF PARITY REPORT TRUE

CHICAGO, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Poel Hamizrachi decided last night at the closing session of its fourteenth annual convention, to cable the Jewish Agency for Palestine asking that Mizrahi representatives be recognized as the spokesman for orthodox Jewry and appear as such before the Royal Commission of Inquiry.

Another resolution adopted by nearly 300 delegates from various parts of the United States and Canada demanded that Rabbi J. L. Fishman resign as Mizrahi representative on the Zionist Executive if it is true that members of the Executive favor Arab-Jewish parity.

Isidore Epstein, New York, was elected president of the organization for the seventh time. Other officers are: Rabbi Meier Berlin of Palestine, honorary president; Max Hagler, New York and I. Zambrowsky, Cleveland, vice-presidents; Miss Jennie Kotler, New York, secretary; Mr. Hillson, New York, treasurer.

STUDY OF NERVES PLANNED BY OZE, JEWISH HEALTH BODY

WARSAW (JTA) -- The OZE (Jewish health organization) has established a research department to study the nervous system of Jewish children in Warsaw, Wilno, Kaunas, Lithuania, and Riga, Latvia. To fight rickets, it has with the aid of the Joint Distribution Committee opened departments in Latvia, Lithuania and Rumania for distribution of cod liver oil.

DR. FRIEDMANN RE-ELECTED VIENNA KHEILLA HEAD

VIENNA (JTA) -- Dr. Desider Friedmann was re-elected president of the Vienna Jewish Community for four years at a recent meeting of the new Executive. Municipal Councillor Jakob Ehrlich and Robert Stricker were named vice-presidents for a year. The Executive consists entirely of Zionists.

ESTONIAN JEWS TO HAVE ONE MEMBER IN UPPER CHAMBER

TALLINN, Estonia (JTA) -- The Government will give the Jews one seat in the Upper Chamber of Parliament, President Konstantin Paets has informed Hirsch Eisenstadt, chairman of the Cultural Board of the Jews of Estonia. The President can name ten of the eighty members of the Chamber and one of them will be a member of the Jewish minority elected by the cultural board.

NAVIGATION LEAGUE OUT TO MAKE PALESTINE JEWS SEA-CONSCIOUS

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- A Jewish Navigation League has been organized here to make the Jewish population of Palestine "sea-conscious" and to enable Jews to earn a living at sea. It will also seek to foster trade at the Tel Aviv port. An executive of 46 members was elected.

CALENDAR REFORM WOULD MAKE SABBATH "FARCE," GROUP HERE HOLDS

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- An organization calling itself Kehilla Kedoshia (the Jewish Community of New York) has launched a campaign against calendar reform, charging it would make a farce of the Sabbath and make the holy days a fiction.

The organization announced its campaign to organize "united opposition" against changing the calendar and ultimately to go before a League of Nations committee at a rally recently in Brooklyn. The speakers included Benjamin E. Greenspan, Assemblyman Bernard Austin, Dr. Jonas Simon, chairman of the "Kehilla," and several rabbis.

Any of the proposed calendar reforms would "tear out of the Bible its first chapters and break down for the first time in world history the continuous and uninterrupted sequence of the days of each week," the organization says, "thereby depriving us of one of the fundamental sources of our civilization, which in these times is anyhow shaken to the core; depriving us of the mainspring from which social behavior and the legislation of social welfare was derived and the right of relaxation for the toiling masses was born."

COHEN, GUTKIND, LOWENTHAL IN "ROADS FOR JEWRY" SYMPOSIUM

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- Prof. Morris R. Cohen, Prof. Erich Gutkind and Marvin Lowenthal have collaborated in a symposium entitled "Proposed Roads for American Jewry" which the National Council of Jewish Women has just published under the auspices of its committee on contemporary Jewish affairs of which Mrs. Maurice L. Goldman of New York is chairman. The symposium comprises addresses in connection with the third annual institute on contemporary Jewish affairs held in New York last June.

LABOR BODY HERE MAPS DRIVE TO DEFEND POLISH JEWRY

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- The Jewish Labor Committee has decided to launch a nation-wide campaign in defense of the Polish Jews. Its executive committee appointed a special subcommittee, which met to formulate plans for the campaign. The drive will be pressed in various cities throughout the country.

\$75,000 QUOTA FOR CHALUTZIM AID SET BY WORKERS' ALLIANCE

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- The Jewish National Workers' Alliance announced today a decision of its general executive to raise \$75,000 as its quota in the \$500,000 drive of the Gewerkschaften campaign. The quota represents almost double the sum raised last year.

David Pinski, president of the Alliance, said at a meeting of the executive that the enlarged quota was made necessary by the situation created in Palestine by recent outbreaks. He added that the Alliance would seek to redouble its activities for the Jewish National Fund.

IMPORTANCE OF BIBLICAL FINDS STRESSED BY TIMES

NEW YORK, Jan. 4. (JTA) -- An editorial supporting the Oxford University appeal for £100,000 for biblical research and stressing the importance of recent discoveries in connection with the Bible appears in today's New York Times. The editorial follows:

"Oxford University is making an appeal for one hundred thousand pounds for the promotion of biblical research. This is thought not to be an excessive sum for Oxford's part in a work of such magnitude and importance for future biblical scholarship. The appeal springs from the fact that the religion and civilization of the British Empire and of the United States 'have been founded and reared on the basis of the Bible.' It is recognized that the opportunities for scholars have till recently been too circumscribed. But now excavators are finding quantities of original documents on stone or on tablets of clay, written by those who lived near or in the days of the Hebrew patriarchs or onward into the very time of Christ.

"The most important recent discovery (reported somewhat more than a year ago but reproduced in color in The Illustrated London News early in 1936) is that made at Lachish, a Bible city in Southern Palestine where a little red bowl was found with white alphabetical writings painted upon it. These, according to highest authority, form the connecting link between the Sinaitic script, discovered a quarter of a century ago, and the later Phoenician alphabet. The warranted inference is that the Israelites learned the script during the period of their wanderings in the wilderness and brought it with them into Canaan when they conquered the country under Joshua. This allows the abandonment of the theory that the earlier books of the Old Testament were transmitted orally, for the inscription on the bowl in

archaic Hebrew (His righteousness is my hand'), suggests, if it does not prove, 'the existence of written Hebrew documents, of books ascribed to Moses, as early as the thirteenth century (B.C.) and even much earlier.'

"The significance of this "find" must give fresh impetus to a quest in which all the peoples whose civilization as well as religion rests upon the Book should unite."

3 AUSTRIAN JEWISH SWIMMERS TO BE RESTORED TO GOOD STANDING

VIENNA (JTA) -- The Austrian sports authorities are about to lift the three-year ban imposed on three Jewish swimming champions for refusing to compete in the Olympic games in Berlin, it has been learned.

It was stated that the three swimmers, Judith Deutsch, Ruth Langer and Lucie Goldner, would be restored to good standing because Austrian swimming clubs have fared badly in international meets as a result of their disqualification.

NAZIS PRESS DRIVE TO ELIMINATE FOREIGN TERMS

BERLIN (JTA) -- You can search high and low in the new telephone directory and you won't find a cafe. Its a "Kaffeestube" or "Kaffeehaus" now, run no longer by a cafetier, but by a "Kaffeewirt" or, better yet, a true German "Kaffeetreibbesitzer."

It is a part of the Nazi drive against "foreignisms" in use in the German language that has prompted the Central Reichspostamt to drop certain foreign designations from the directory.

The "Tanzlokal" has blossomed out as a "Tanzraum," if you are seeking a dance hall, or a "Tanzzimmer" (dance room). Similarly, the "Weinlokal" has become a "Weinstube." The "Etablissement" (establishment) is another of the words that will no longer be found.

As far as "Aryans" are concerned, there is no longer a "Konfektion," or store where one may buy ready-made dresses. Der Angriff, organ of Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, boasts that this word has now been stricken from use in the dress industry, and "Germans will not be forced to recall the times when Jews controlled the dress industry."