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MUSSOLINI REPORTED CONFERRING WITH ITALIAN ANTI-SEMITIC LEADER

PARIS, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Le Temps reported today from Rome that Premier Mussolini had given an audience to Prelozi, Italian anti-Semitic leader and editor in Italy of the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, discredited account of a purported Jewish plot for world domination.

Simultaneously, Rome newspapers published articles urging anti-Semitic legislation, the report said. Signor Cianetti, president of the Italian Labor Confederation is now in Germany being entertained by Julius Streicher, German flagbearer of anti-Semitism, it was stated.

"Do these facts foreshadow the debut of an anti-Semitic movement in politics?" Le Temps asked.

HOLDS BRITAIN'S DECISIONS ON PALESTINE WILL BE RIGIDLY EXECUTED

LONDON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Great Britain and the East, authoritative organ on colonial affairs, declared today that when Britain adopts a stand on the Palestine question it will not be merely a proposal to the League of Nations Mandates Commission but a decision to be rigidly administered.

The policy will be put into effect by June, 1937, the weekly asserted in an editorial, declaring that "the Tiberias troubles prove how near the surface are the feelings of animosity in Palestine."

TURKISH POLICE SEIZE ANTI-SEMITIC PAMPHLETS IN ARMY SCHOOL

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Police today seized anti-Semitic pamphlets distributed in a school for non-commissioned officers and similar institutions.

The police acted under orders of the Attorney-General after the Jewish community had complained about the anti-Jewish propaganda, which was believed financed from abroad.

CZECH WHO SLURRED JEWS JAILED 14 DAYS

PRAHA, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Wenzel Schmidt, a Czech, was sentenced today to 14 days' imprisonment for abusing the Jewish race. He shouted slurs at Jewish passersby while discussing the Spanish civil war in a Praha street.

JEWISH DEPUTIES IN SEJM VOTE AGAINST BUDGET AS PROTEST

WARSAW, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Three of four Jewish deputies voted against the 1936-1937 budget in the Sejm yesterday in protest against what they called the tendency to divide the citizens of Poland according to religion or nationality.

The deputies, Dr. Emil Sommerstein, Rabbi Isaac Rubinstein and Dr. Joshua Gottlieb, explained their stand in a statement:

"The three and a half million Jews of Poland are entirely conscious of their duties as citizens. The Jews of Poland are ready to make the necessary sacrifices in defense of the country but they demand full equality of rights, employment, economic security and protection of life and property."

Deputy Leib Minzberg abstained from voting -- the first time that a deputy of the Agudath Israel, extreme orthodox organization, took such action. He explained that "the anti-Jewish policy is not disavowed by the Government, which actually furthers it."

"GHETTO" DISORDERS RENEWED AT UNIVERSITIES

WARSAW, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Renewed anti-Jewish disorders occurred at Wilno, Warsaw and Lwow Universities yesterday as anti-Semites forced Jewish students to occupy special "ghetto benches."

CONGRESS HEARS POLAND ARRAIGNED OVER ITS JEWISH POLICY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Representative Samuel Dickstein, New York, in an address in the House today, advised Poland to halt anti-Jewish excesses and adopt a more sympathetic attitude toward the Jews if it wished the sympathy of the world.

He reminded Poland of its obligations to the Jews in their aid in obtaining the country's independence, and recalled Poland's traditional tolerance of minorities. Poland gave an asylum to Jews when they were persecuted elsewhere, he said.

WORD FROM POPE WOULD CURB POLISH EXCESSES, CHICAGO EDUCATOR HOLDS

CHICAGO, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- A word from the Pope in Rome would be sufficient to end persecution of Jews in predominantly-Catholic Poland, according to Prof. Paul H. Douglas, of Chicago University. Accordingly he has advised an appeal to the Vatican.

Addressing a conference on the situation of the Jews in Poland called by the Chicago division of the American Jewish Congress, the Federation of Polish Jews and other organizations, Prof. Douglas also counseled appeals to individual governments to intervene in behalf of the Polish Jews. Recalling the action taken by the United States in connection with the Kishineff pogrom of 1905, he said: "What America did in 1905 our present administration can certainly do in 1937."

Other speakers included Rabbi Charles A. Shulman, J. Segal, Max Shulman and Sigmund David.

ARCHAEOLOGISTS UNRAVEL BIBLICAL MURDER MYSTERY

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- Modern detectives of archaeology have shed light on a murder committed 2,500 years ago and related in the Bible.

The court martial of a Jewish general for complicity in the murder of the prophet Uriahu -- a murder mentioned in the Book of Jeremiah -- among other charges, has been partly reconstructed through the translation of ancient Hebrew potsherds.

"The letters dealing with these matters provide us with the background of a highly important chapter of the Old Testament and of the history of religion," according to Prof. Harry Torczyner, of the Hebrew University, who prepared the translation.

The letters appear to be records of a trial of Hoshaaajahu, commander of a place near Lachisch, sent to Ja'ush, commander of the Western Hebrew army and governor of the Lachisch fortress. The military court was in session just before the destruction of the fortress by Nebuchadnezzar in 588 B.C.

The potsherds are part of a find made by Prof. I. L. Starkey, head of the British Wellcome Expedition to the Near East in 1935 at Tul-Duweit, midway between Hebron and Gaza, in excavations on the site of Lachisch. The final translations of the letters will be published shortly in England.

Lachisch is mentioned several times in the Bible. The potsherds, Prof. Torczyner reports, are "nothing less than letters which had been written to a certain Ja'ush during the latter period of the war between the Assyrians and the Jews, a short time before the destruction of Jerusalem."

"Ja'ush appears to have been the governor of Ladisch fortress and commandant of the Western army. The writer of the letters was Hoch-aajahu, the commandant of a smaller place in the vicinity.

"The letters had been found in an open room on one side of the fortress tower, which we at first had taken for a guards' room. In the meantime, however, both Starkey and I, although we proceeded from different angles, have been led to the same conclusion, viz. that the room was used for court proceedings...

"The letters which were in this room and which all have to do with the shortcomings and the excuse of the above mentioned Hoshaaajahu, would appear to be nothing else but the remains of the official files of the last military court which was in session immediately before its conquest and destruction by Nebuchadnezzar in 588 B.C.

"Thus it is explained how it comes that the letters were written over a period of several years. Among the charges against Hoshaaajahu, against which he defends himself, was apparently also that of having contributed to the murder of the prophet Uriahu, of which we have an account from Jeremiah."

DEGRELLE, BELGIAN FASCIST, ARRESTED IN BRAWL

GHENT, Belgium, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Leon Degrelle and a number of his Fascist-inclined Rexist followers were arrested here tonight when they started a tumultuous 1(-minute brawl in the Trade Exchange while Premier Paul van Zeeland was lecturing, the Havas News Agency reported

Degrelle demanded that the meeting be thrown open to general debate. In the ensuing uproar, at the height of the turmoil, the loud speaker on the platform was torn loose and smashed.

LORD MELCHETT BOOK, "THY NEIGHBOR," PUBLISHED HERE

NEW YORK, Feb. 24. (JTA) -- "We must go back to Eretz Israel; it is our Destiny; it is our acknowledged right," declares Lord Melchett, the British-Jewish industrialist, in a book "Thy Neighbour," published today in America by H.C. Kinsey and Co.

The book is a survey of the history of Jewish persecution, an account of the Jews' position in the world today and a description of the rise and progress of Zionism. Lord Melchett presents the Jewish view in the Arab-Jewish dispute and shows the advantages which Palestine, including the Arab population, has enjoyed since Jewish immigration began.

SAN FRANCISCO CHURCH TO NAME ALL JEWISH HOLIDAYS IN ITS CALENDAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- As a gesture of goodwill between Christians and Jews the Rev. Dr. Edgar Allen Lowther, pastor of the Temple Methodist Episcopal Church, announced today the church would publish all Jewish holidays in its official calendar.

He expressed the hope that "the General Methodist Conference will approve the recognition and that Methodist churches throughout the nation will adopt this method of 'taking the first step' to bring Jews and Christians closer together."

NATIONAL FARM SCHOOL INVITES NEW STUDENTS

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. Feb. 25. (JTA) -- The National Farm School, which last year saw all its graduates scheduled for employment three months before commencement day, announced that it is receiving applications for entrance to its new term beginning April 1. Boys between the ages of 17 and 21 may apply for entrance. All applicants must have at least one-year high school education.

CHRISTIANS MUST AID IN SOLVING JEWISH PROBLEM, McDONALD DECLARES

NEW YORK, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Leaving the Jewish problem for the Jews alone to solve is "unjust as it is manifestly impossible," declared James G. McDonald, an editor of the New York Times and former League of Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Coming from Germany, in a broadcast address tonight.

He spoke over a Columbia Broadcasting System network in one of the three radio programs in connection with the celebrations of the 25th anniversary of Hadassah held by 350 chapters throughout the country. Mr. McDonald was introduced by Mrs. Felix M. Warburg.

"What have we who are Christians done to mitigate the wrongs perpetrated against the Jews throughout the centuries?" he asked. "The time has come when the Jewish problem can no longer be regarded as the particular problem of the Jewish group for it alone to carry and to solve."

He condemned the race theories put into effect by Chancellor Hitler in Germany and indicated that Palestine was a solution to the problem of homeless refugees. His subject was "The Challenge of the Refugee Problem."

First Lieutenant Rae D. Landy, of the U.S. Army Nurses' Corps, sent to Palestine by Hadassah in 1913 as the first trained nurse to establish a modern American nurses' settlement in the Holy Land, spoke from Manila in a broadcast over an NBC network. She described some of her experiences in Palestine. On the same program Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt spoke from Washington on "Public Health."

Mrs. Edward Jacobs, national president of Hadassah, Miss Bertha Landsman, who organized the Hadassah child welfare service in Palestine, and Mrs. Alexander Lampert, spoke from New York.

Mrs. Herbert H. Lehman spoke on "Broader Horizons for Women" over the Mutual Broadcasting System.