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FASCIST ATTACKS ON ZIONISM SPLIT ITALIAN JEWISH LEADERS

ROME, April 30. (JTA) -- The Executive of the Union of Jewish Communities resigned today in a controversy between Zionist and non-Zionist members sharpened by recent Fascist attacks on the Jewish homeland movement.

An Italian Government commissioner will be appointed to administer the affairs pending liquidation of the crisis, it was announced.

Divergencies between Zionists and non-Zionists became acute after a section of the Fascist press and certain Fascist leaders had charged that Zionism was an unpatriotic movement since it included Jews in many countries and since it depended on Great Britain, mandatory power in Palestine.

Considerable attention was attracted by a book, "The Jews of Italy," by Parliament Deputy Paolo Orano, a prominent Fascist, which declared that "it is impossible to be good Italians and Zionists at the same time."

ORTHODOX BODY ASSAILS PARTITION; SEES RELIGION MENACED

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- Warning of "annihilation" of religion in a Jewish state, the extreme orthodox and non-Zionist Agudath Israel came out today against the partition of Palestine, reputedly under consideration by the British Royal Commission.

The organization's official organ, Israel, declared:

"The Torah (Law) and the Jewish religion will be annihilated in Palestine if left to the will of the Jewish agnostics. Unfortunately, the last refuge of orthodox religion is the Palestine Government, which is the only safeguard to prevent Jewish irreligious bodies from maintaining ascendance over orthodox Jewry. But in a Jewish state, where agnostics would be the rulers, orthodox Jewry faces the danger of annihilation."

Orthodox Jewry regards the "agnostic" leaders of the Palestine Jews as its real enemies, the paper asserted.

The organization also opposed the proposed partition, which would create separate Jewish and Arab states, on the ground that Jerusalem would be excluded from the Jewish state.

"From the point of view of orthodox Jewry, no partition is permissible, particularly since it is intended to exclude Jerusalem from the Jewish state," the paper said. "Without Jerusalem, a Jewish state would be like a body without a head, without a soul."

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Moslem Leaders to Hold London Parley on Partition

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- Haboker, Hebrew daily, reports from London today that the presence of Moslem leaders at the coronation exercises will be utilized by the Arab propaganda delegation now there to mobilize opinion against the reputed intention of the Royal Commission to divide Palestine into Jewish and Arab states or cantons.

The delegation, under leadership of Sheik Barslan and Jamal Husseini, is laying stress on the contention that partition will cause a revolt among the Arab countries.

A conference of the Moslem leaders will be summoned, Haboker states, to counteract the influence of Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan, who is reported favoring partition. The Emir, who is said to vision himself king of the Arab state if created, will be in London for the coronation.

BATTERSHILL, NEW PALESTINE SECRETARY, REPORTS FOR DUTY

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- William Denis Battershill, newly-appointed Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, arrived here today and reported to the Government offices. He replaces John Hathorn-Hall, who has been transferred to Zanzibar.

31 ENDEKS PUT ON TRIAL FOR ANTI-JEWISH RIOT IN CZYCZEW

LOMZA, Poland, April 30. (JTA) -- Thirty-one Nationalists went on trial in District Court here today on charges of participating in anti-Jewish disorders in the town of Czyzew last Jan. 5. All pleaded not guilty.

The defendants refused to answer questions by Jewish lawyers. The court rejected a proposal of defense counsel that Jewish victims of the disturbances not be allowed to enter civil claims.

Police who testified told of being compelled to take stringent measures to halt the disorders. They identified all the accused as having been active in carrying on agitation for an anti-Jewish boycott.

POLISH-JEWISH DAILY BOMBED; ENDEK STUDENT SEIZED

WARSAW, April 30. (JTA) -- A Warsaw University medical student was arrested tonight running from the building of the newspaper Nasz Przegląd after three bombs had been thrown on the premises of the Polish-language Jewish daily. The student had a revolver when he was captured. A second man climbed the roof and escaped.

TIGHTER CURBS ON POLISH SCHOOLS URGED TO END DISORDERS

WARSAW, April 30. (JTA) -- Rectors of all Polish high schools conferred at the Education Ministry yesterday in the wake of a new wave of student anti-Semitic disorders.

Education Minister Swietoslowski introduced a proposal to amend the regulations to discipline high schools in an effort to end anti-Semitic disturbances.

ORT-OZE LEADER ENDS SO. AFRICAN DRIVE

CAPE TOWN, Union of So. Africa, April 30. (JTA) -- Dr. A. Singalowski, leader of the ORT-OZE, health and retraining organization for central and east European Jews, left for Europe today after a successful campaign in South Africa.

HUNGARY DEFENDS SUPPRESSION OF NAZI ORGANIZATION

BUDAPEST, April 30. (JTA) -- A Government spokesman, answering a question on dissolution of the Hungarian pro-Nazi "National Will Party," affirmed in Parliament today the right of the authorities to take preventive measures against any party "threatening the security of the State."

Deputy Czoor had asked why the party, led by Major Franz Szalassy, had been dissolved by the police while a court decision in a case against Szalassy was still pending.

MAJOR NATHAN REGAINS SEAT IN COMMONS

LONDON, April 30. (JTA) -- Major Harry Louis Nathan, Laborite, regained his seat in Parliament today, winning a by-election in Wandsworth.

NATIONAL LABOR UNION HOLDS THIRD PARLEY IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, April 30. (JTA) -- The third annual conference of the Union for Jewish National Labor opened here yesterday with 200 delegates and hundreds of visitors attending. Speakers included Mayor Israel Rokach, M. Goralski, a Zionist-Revisionist leader, M. Babkov and Dr. Altman.

ISTANBUL LACKS FUNDS TO EMPLOY CHIEF RABBI

ISTANBUL (JTA) -- Istanbul has no chief rabbi. The Jewish Community has an excellent candidate for the position, but it cannot raise \$2,500 a year to pay his salary. The Istanbul Jewish Community was once considered the most important and prosperous in the East.

SOCIOLOGICAL STUDY OF BIRO-BIDJAN TO BE MADE

MOSCOW (JTA) -- The Leningrad Anthropological and Ethnographical Museum is sending an expedition to Biro-Bidjan to study the cultural and sociological situation of the Jews in the autonomous Jewish region. The materials collected are to be shown at the exhibition, "Socialist Biro-Bidjan," to be held in Leningrad.

BACHE TURNS OVER ART COLLECTION TO STATE

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- The residence of Jules S. Bache, housing one of the finest art collections of its size in the country and valued at many millions of dollars, will become a public museum as a result of the banker's decision to give it to the State as a gift.

The building, 814 Fifth Ave., will be administered by a foundation set up by Mr. Bache with funds for its maintenance. It houses 97 paintings, including works of Rembrandt, Raphael, Titian and Velasquez, sculpture, furniture and porcelains gathered by Mr. Bache.

The gift has been approved by the New York State Board of Regents and first steps taken to transfer the collection to the Jules Bache Foundation. The original trustees of the foundation are Lord Duveen, Grover A. Whalen, Lewis L. Fawcett, Maurice Newton and Louis S. Levy.

Mr. Bache is director of the museum, acting without compensation. It was hoped that the museum could be adapted for public opening before the end of the year. Under the terms of the gift the collection will be kept as an entity.