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BUTCHER'S SON SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR MURDER OF POLISH POLICEMAN

BRZESC, Poland, June 16. (JTA) -- Wolf Szczerbowski, 18-year-old Jewish butcher's son, was under sentence of death today for the slaying of a Polish policeman that set off anti-Jewish riots in this city on May 15 in which about 50 Jews were wounded, three of them fatally.

The verdict, which came late last night, was the conclusion of a one-day trial in which anti-Semitic counsel for the civil prosecution tried to implicate the entire Jewish people in the crime, also included one-zloty (20 cents) damages for the family of Stefan Kedziora, the policeman.

Max Rosenthal and Ignaci Levin, defense counsel, announced that they were appealing the death sentence.

Judge and prosecutor rebuked attempts by Attorneys Kowalski and Niebudok to make the crime an issue against the Jews as a whole. The judge warned that speeches were to be confined to the guilt or innocence of the defendant.

The prosecutor praised the defense put up by Szczerbowski's lawyers, and went on record against implicating all Jews in the crime. Kowalski attempted without success to trap witnesses into statements that the murder had been planned by several Jews months ago.

Young Szczerbowski himself testified:

"I can't imagine how it happened. I just grabbed the knife without thinking and stabbed Kedziora. I hid three days in the cellar. My own mother informed the police of my hiding place."

Disorders in which windows of several Jewish shops were broken occurred yesterday over a false report that Szczerbowski had received only a four-year sentence. The police restored order.

JERUSALEM, June 16. (JTA) -- In the face of general Arab opposition in Palestine to partition of the country with the Jews, the followers of Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, former Mayor of Jerusalem, were reported today by the Hebrew newspaper Haaretz to be increasing their agitation for partition.

Meetings in Bethlehem, called by the prominent Arab leader Isaac Bondak, have been adopting resolutions supporting Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan, for king of a Palestinian Arab State, the paper reports.

High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope will leave for London tomorrow and return to Palestine early in July, it was officially announced today.

It was rumored that the High Commissioner's trip to London had some connection with the final shaping of the report of the Royal Commission on Palestine. The Palestine Post states that he will probably bring the commission's report and a statement of English Government policy when he returns.

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Zionist Political Position Weak, Ussishkin Warns

TEL AVIV, June 16. (JTA) -- Emphatic rejection of any proposal for partitioning Palestine between Jews and Arabs was demanded at the annual national conference of the General Zionist organization, Group A, which opened here last night.

A warning that "our political stand is now weaker, regardless of the fact that our practical power has increased," was voiced by Monachem M. Ussishkin, president of the Jewish National Fund. Complaints were made against the Zionist Executive on the ground it had not budgeted for the colonization of General Zionist workers.

PALESTINE HAS LABOR EXCESS, ORMSBY-GORE SAYS IN REPLY ON ENTRY QUOTA

LONDON, June 16. (JTA) -- The new Palestine labor immigration schedule was hotly debated in Commons today, forcing William G.A. Ormsby-Gore, Colonial Secretary, to plead that there was considerable Jewish and Arab unemployment.

In reply to a cross-fire of questions regarding the schedule limiting to 770 the total number of Jewish labor immigration certificates issued for the four-month period ending July 31, Mr. Ormsby-Gore declared that there was an excess, not a shortage of labor in Palestine.

David Adams, Laborite, insisted that the schedule bore no relation to the absorptive capacity of the country. He asked what steps the Government proposed to prevent any check on the expansion of Palestine's industry and investment of capital.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore would not accept the implication that the schedule was not related to Palestine's absorptive capacity.

"Is the Minister satisfied that we are not exceeding the mandate?" Mr. Adams asked.

"Absolutely," was the reply.

A.T. Lennox Boyd, Conservative, took up the Arab case, claiming that measures to safeguard the interests of Arab labor received overwhelming support in England.

Replying to a question by Geoffrey LeM. Mander, Liberal, Mr. Ormsby-Gore stated that the United Kingdom, since it held the mandate, was solely responsible for deciding on Palestine policies, but admitted that the Dominions and India should be kept informed of all developments of policy which Britain proposed to adopt.

"Will the Minister take General Smuts' views into consideration?" asked Mr. Mander. (General Jan Smuts, South African Minister of Justice, is a strong advocate of the Jewish national home in Palestine).

"General Smuts and General Hertzog (J.M.B. Hertzog, Premier of South Africa) have frequently communicated with me," said Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

MANDATES COMMISSION ENDS REGULAR SESSION

GENEVA, June 16. (JTA) -- The Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations yesterday concluded its regular session and adjourned until July 31 when it will hold an extraordinary session on the Palestine situation.

JEWISH YOUTH SUICIDE IN WARSAW FOR WANT OF MEDICINE

WARSAW, June 16. (JTA) -- A Jewish mother abandoned two children in a park today and a youth committed suicide for want of money to buy necessities.

The unidentified mother left her two-year-old and five-year-old sons in a public park with a note declaring she was unable any longer to watch the sufferings of the children, who had not had food for the past five days.

Shalom Goldberg, 16, committed suicide by hanging himself, because he could not afford 10 groszen (2 cents) for medicine for a headache.

J.N.F. INCOME \$125,000 SINCE FIRST OF YEAR

JERUSALEM, June 16. (JTA) -- The income of the Jewish National Fund, Zionist land-purchasing agency, from the beginning of the year was £25,137 (about \$125,000), it was announced today.

RISE OF ANTI-SEMITISM NOTED AT SOUTH AFRICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

BLOEMFONTEIN, Union of South Africa, June 16. (JTA) -- The serious situation caused by the growth of anti-Semitism in South Africa since 1933 was stressed today by the Executive of the South African Jewish Board of Deputies in its report to the board's twelfth annual congress.

The report called attention particularly to the anti-Semitic policy of the Nationalist Party headed by Dr. D.F. Malan.

"For a long time past an unfriendly note has been detected in the utterances of Nationalist spokesmen and the Nationalist press," the report declared. "Mass meetings, without a vestige of justification have declared that Jewish immigration is organized by Jewish bodies overseas and in South Africa.

"The recommendation of the Transvaal Congress that no Jew be eligible for membership in the Nationalist Party culminated in bitter attacks by Dr. Malan during debates in Parliament. Since then the more reactionary elements of the Nationalist Party have apparently been on the ascendant."

The report declared, however:

"There have been a thousand indications that the heart and mind of the vast majority of the South African people remain sound. Their voice is heard in the utterances of liberals in and out of Parliament; in the vigorous stand taken up by leading newspapers, prominent churchmen and church organizations and by other forces directing public opinion."

ANTI-SOVIET PAPER REPORTS JEWISH DRAMATISTS ARRESTED

LONDON, June 16. (JTA) -- Arrest in Moscow of the director of the Moscow Theatre, Arkadaiëff, and of the chief of the repertory staff, Litovski, both Jews, for attempting to assist Jewish friends to flee from Russia, was reported in dispatches to the Morning Post today from Helsingfors, Finland, a center of anti-Soviet propaganda.

The Post said Arkadaiëff and Litovski were charged with attempting to include their friends in the cast of a company to appear at the Paris Exposition, with a view to facilitating their flight from Russia.

EXCHANGE OF WORKERS AMONG NATIONS PROPOSED TO I.L.O.

GENEVA, June 16. (JTA) -- An exchange of skilled workers among nations needing laborers which other countries can supply was proposed by M. Escabar, the Cuban representative, addressing the directors of the International Labor Office.

Mr. Escabar read the text of a resolution adopted by the Cuban Congress proposing the establishment of an international organization to draft measures regulating international immigration.

Latin American countries, he said, are badly in need of skilled workers from Europe and find it necessary to modify existing laws prohibiting immigration of laborers when the laborers meet the requirements of the countries' industries.

HIGHTSTOWN GARMENT COOPERATIVE GETS PRIVATE SUPPORT

HIGHTSTOWN, N.J., June 16. (JTA) -- Jewish garment workers from New York City, settled in the Government-built community here, were enabled to continue operation of their garment factory by an arrangement completed today substituting private financing for Resettlement Administration support.

Five consumer cooperative associations are advancing \$50,000 as operating capital for next season, Benjamin Brown, executive director of the Workers' Aim Co-operative Association and spokesman for the colonists, announced. Refusal of the RA to furnish this sum had caused a dispute, Mr. Brown charging that he suspected "lack of sincerity" on the part of Washington officials.

The colonists charged failure of the RA to keep up with construction schedules hampered the factory, as there were not enough homes for the number of workers needed to man it. Since last year they have financed the plant by an investment of \$500 by each family. Construction is now proceeding rapidly. Forty families will move to the settlement in three weeks, to join the eighty already there, and eighty more by March 15, 1938.

NEW GERMAN TRANSFER REGULATIONS FOR PALESTINE IMMIGRANTS

BERLIN (JTA) -- The Currency Control Office of the Reich has issued new regulations dealing with emigration to Palestine. The new regulations do not change the old order that permits of the transfer of capital to Palestine and are to be issued only to persons between the ages of 16 and 55.

It will no longer be necessary for a person summoned to Palestine by a relative settled in Palestine to prove that his relative does not possess more than 25,000 marks. On the other hand, this category of emigrants will not be allowed to transfer more than 1,500.

In future the Jewish Agency will be requested to submit proof that persons who had received immigration certificates after May 19, 1937, intend to enter Palestine either under the capitalist category or as holders of labor immigration certificates.

The validity of the permit for the transfer of deposit money to Palestine is to be prolonged from eight months to one year. The transfer of money to facilitate the settlement of persons who are admitted to Palestine on the labor or artisan certificates is to be limited to £250, or, in the case of artisans, to £500, inclusive of the deposit.

The rule that the maximum limits of the money to be transferred are not to apply to cases where the Haavarah undertakes to transfer the money, is cancelled.

A permit for transfer of goods, in addition to the sanctional money, will only be issued if the emigrant to Palestine presents a certificate from the Haavarah that it has no objection to the emigrant's transfer of goods. The same rule applies to an emigrant who wishes his personal effects to be sent after he had already emigrated to Palestine. This rule applies only to household goods or furniture which the emigrant has been using for some time before he had left for Palestine.

Emigrants who are allowed to obtain a permit for the purchase of goods up to 8,000 marks on condition that they agree to a discount of 50 per cent., will in future not be able to get this permit from the German Gold Diskontobank, but will have to get it from the Allgemeine Treuhandstelle fuer die Juedische Auswanderung which is also authorized to issue permits for foreign currency.

GERMANY BANS SPECIAL COLLECTIONS BY RELIGIOUS GROUPS

BERLIN, June 16. (JTA) -- Special collections by religious organizations were forbidden by a decree issued today by Hans Korrl, Minister of Religion, the Havas News Agency reported. Violators will be prosecuted and the collections confiscated.

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Pope Hits Anti-Church Drive in Reich

CASTEL GANDOLFO, June 16. (JTA) -- Pope Pius today gave his blessing to 34 new German and Hungarian priests and sent them out to combat "the blind struggle against God and the Church of Christ now going on in the German countries," the Havas News Agency reported.