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ENDEK ORGAN HITS POGROMS, BUT ASKS LEGAL CURBS ON JEWS

WARSAW, June 18. (JTA) -- A denunciation of pogroms appeared today in one of Poland's leading anti-Semitic newspapers, the *Warszawski Dziennik Narodowy*, organ of the National Democratic Party. At the same time, however, the paper urged the disfranchisement of Jews.

"Pogroms are only introducing anarchy into Polish life," the newspaper stated. "They demoralize the population and ought not to be tolerated."

The Jewish problem is already being solved gradually, the paper declared, by the elimination of Jews from the nation's public life, despite the Government's passive attitude, which it held chiefly responsible for anti-Jewish excesses.

It demanded the introduction of anti-Jewish measures, beginning with laws depriving them of political rights and barring them from parliamentary and municipal elections. It pleaded the "necessity" of giving the anti-Jewish movement a legal character, claiming there were no legal obstacles to enactment of anti-Jewish laws in Poland and such laws were "a life and death matter" for the Polish people.

"It does not matter if the Jews claim that such measures are unconstitutional," the paper stated, "since the constitution anyway has undergone important changes recently without protest."

NINE POLES SENTENCED FOR PARTICIPATION IN BRZESC RIOTS

BRZESC, Poland, June 18. (JTA) -- Nine Poles were sentenced to terms ranging from a week's detention to a year's imprisonment in two trials yesterday for participation in the anti-Jewish riots here last May 13.

One-year sentences were meted out to three who were tried together for desecrating a synagogue during the pogrom.

In the other trial, involving a band of seven charged with demolishing the shop of Rebecca Kalman, pillaging and illegal assembly, the leader, named Piechowski, drew an eight-month jail term. Four of his followers, including two women, got six-month suspended sentences, one was sentenced to a week's detention, and the other was acquitted.

This group, defended by the anti-Semitic lawyer Kowalski, escaped paying symbolic damages. The court rejected this claim, recognizing only material damages.

POLISH AUTHORITIES REJECT BAN ON JEWS BY DOCTORS, HOTEL GROUPS

WARSAW, June 18. (JTA) -- Exclusion of Jews from the Doctors' Union and the Association of Hotel Keepers by introducing the "Aryan paragraph" into their statutes was rejected today by the administrative authorities.

200 HOUSES RAZED IN FIRE NEAR WILNO

WARSAW, June 18. (JTA) -- More than 200 houses were destroyed by a fire in Kleck, near Wilno, today. A synagogue and Jewish community building were gutted.

ROYAL COMMISSION DROPPED PARTITION PLAN, ARAB PAPER SAYS

JERUSALEM, June 18. (JTA) -- The Royal Commission on Palestine has rejected plans for partition of the country between Jews and Arabs, and postponed any final solution of the problem, according to a dispatch from London published in the Arab newspaper Adifa today.

According to the paper, the commission will recommend . . . for the time being establishment of a Legislative Council with wide jurisdiction, reserving the right of veto to the British Colonial Secretary, and that the immigration of Jews be restricted.

It is also asserted that High Commissioner Sir Arthur Grenfell Wauchope, will conclude his term in September, and that he will then be granted a title by King George.

JEWISH COMMUNIST LEADER EXILED TO SIBERIA

MOSCOW, June 18. (JTA) -- Abraham Merozhin, 57-year-old leader of the former Jewish Section of the Communist Party and one of the founders of the Comzet, Government commission for Jewish land settlement, has been exiled from Moscow to Siberia as a Trotskyist, it was announced today.

Merozhin had been a Communist leader in the Ukraine for many years before going to Moscow. He was recognized as the leader of the Jewish Communists in Soviet Russia. He was director of the Jewish Division of the People's Commissariat for National Minorities.

SOVIET COUNCIL TO GET BIRO-BIDJAN PLAN FOR APPROVAL

MOSCOW, June 18. (JTA) -- An ambitious new five-year plan for developing the Jewish autonomous region of Biro-Bidjan will be submitted to the Council of People's Commissars for approval on June 20, it was announced today.

The plan, bearing the endorsement of the Government commission for Jewish land settlement, provides for increasing the region's population to 185,000 by 1942 through settlement of some 100,000 immigrants.

The scheme foresees the settlement of 30,000 immigrants on collective farms, absorption of 30,000 in Government-owned industries, 18,000 to be employed as artisans, 9,000 as building workers; 6,000 as transport laborers and 7,000 in various other occupations.

Numerous industrial enterprises are to be completed or launched during the five years ending 1942, including two brick factories with an annual production of 28,000,000 bricks, a factory for manufacture of musical instruments a sho factory and a brewery.

The plans also envisage the building of a theatre seating 900 persons, a music academy, a museum, two cinemas, fifteen schools and sixteen kindergartens.

JEWISH SWIMMING STARS REINSTATED IN AUSTRIA

VIENNA, June 18. (JTA) -- Three Jewish swimming stars suspended last Summer for refusing to join the Austrian team at the Olympic games in Berlin were reinstated today by the Austrian Athletic Union, effective in September.

The swimmers are Lucie Goldner, of the Hakoah Sports Club; Ruth Langer, 15-year-old swimming champion, and Judith Deutsch, 17 years old. Their refusal to participate in the events was in accordance with the decision of the Maccabi Sports Union, parent athletic body, to boycott the games in Germany.

HUNGARIAN CATHOLIC DEPUTY HITS PERSECUTION OF JEWS

BUDAPEST (JTA) -- A Roman Catholic deputy's attack in Parliament on the "detestable persecution" and "demagogic attacks" against the Jews of Hungary has cheered Jewish leaders here.

"It is not true that a Jewish question exists in Hungary," declared Deputy Rudolf Rupert. "What does exist is an artificially-stimulated, demagogic movement against the Jews, and this movement does irreparable harm to the Hungarian nation, its honor and its material interests."

the address, which featured a long recital of Jewish contributions to Hungary's economic and cultural life, was a commentary on the recent speech of Premier Koloman Daranyi, who had spoken of a "Jewish question" and advocated a halt in immigration of Jews from Eastern Europe.

Deputy Rupert, declaring he was "forced to stand up for the Jewish people as a Christian who has no connection whatsoever with Jewish big business," gave a long list of "the great Jews who deserved well of Hungary."

He credited Jews with founding Hungary's cotton, sugar, leather, lumber and timber, sap and candle, printing, incandescent lamp, beer and shipping industries, as well as contributing to the development of many others.

"The Hungarians of the Jewish faith have done their duty to their country, but we Christians are in duty bound to recognize this," he asserted.

REVISIONISTS ASK JEWS TO TELL NATIONS OF PARTITION DANGERS

LONDON (JTA) -- The New Zionist Organization has issued a statement on "The Danger of the Palestine Partition Proposal" calling on all Jewish groups to make known its attitude against partition to world opinion, the British Government, the League of Nations and the various governments.

Declaring world Jewry unanimous in its opposition to the proposal, reported under consideration by the Royal Commission, the N.Z.O. said the dangers "are not outweighed by the false glitter which may be conjured up by the name 'Jewish State' being applied to an entity which does not itself contain the possibilities for a durable State or Dominion."

Among the reasons cited in the statement for opposing the scheme are that it would violate the Balfour Declaration and mandate, could not fulfill Jewish needs for an emigration outlet, would hinder Jewish agricultural and industrial development, and that the Jewish region would produce an infiltration of Arabs from the Arab area.

SHERTOK WARNS BRITAIN NOT TO OBSTRUCT JEWISH PROGRESS

HAIFA (JTA) -- "We warn the British statesmen not to put any obstacles in the way of Jewish historic progress," Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, declared at a public meeting here.

Discussing the forthcoming report of the British Royal Commission, Mr. Shertok said that "we must strengthen our inner selves in order to save ourselves."

in the present world political situation," he asserted, "the Jews cannot expect any favorable turn of events. The Royal Commission was sent to us because the British Government is terrified at the murderous and subversive forces of the country."

"The question of partition or cantonization does not exist for us," the Zionist leader said. "We shall overcome all difficulties. The final decision depends on ourselves. We today possess the powerful weapon, namely, the necessary strength implied in a Yishuv of 420,000 people."

JEWS' POSITION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA 'HORRIBLE EXAMPLE' TO NAZIS

BERLIN (JTA) -- The advantageous position of the Jews in Czechoslovakia is pointed out as a horrible example by the Voelkischer Beobachter, chief Nazi Party organ, in an article in its current series on the Jews in Central Europe.

Czechoslovakia is regarded by the paper as the only obstacle to "solution" of the Danube problem, because of the alleged predominance of Jews there. In previous articles it advised Rumania to ally with Germany and in this way obtain a free hand with the Jews.

While the 1930 census shows only 186,000 Jews in Czechoslovakia, or 1.3 per cent of the population, the paper says, there are actually 500,000, counting those enumerated as Jews in religion but not nationality, and those of Jewish blood listed as agnostics. This half-million the census counted Jews as Czechs, it charged, to enable the Government to claim a 51 per cent Czech majority in the country.

Jews occupy prominent positions in economic and cultural life, the paper adds, strengthened by the influx of Jewish emigrants from Germany, and it says, "behave in Praha in the same arrogant and loud manner as they behaved in Berlin before 1933."

The entire Eastern province of Ruthenia, the Beobachter continues, is "practically ruled" by the "Wonder Rabbi" of the city of Munkacs, Baruch Rabinovich. Rabinovich, it says, is the second of a dynasty founded by his father-in-law, the late "Wonder Rabbi" Elcazar Spira.

"The real ruler of Munkacs," it says, "is not the military commander of the city, but the wonder-rabbi. Rabinovich now occupies the office of the uncrowned ruler of Carpatho-Russian Jews and is practically the ruler of this eastern province of Czechoslovakia."