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# MANY JEWS INJURED, HOMES LOOTED IN RIOTS IN CZESTOCHOWA, POLAND

WARSAW, June 20. (JTA) -- Many Jews were injured, their homes and shops pillaged or set afire, in serious riots last night and today in the Western Polish city of Czestochowa following the murder of a Polish railway porter, allegedly by a Jewish butcher.

Casualty totals and the extent of property damage were not immediately established, but both were reported great. The disorders broke out at eight o'clock last night after a Nationalist anti-Jewish demonstration and continued until 12:30 this morning,

A telephone report received by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency at 2:30 p.m. today said the disorders were spreading to the city's outskirts where anti-Semites were pillaging Jews' shops, invading their homes, attacking Jews and carrying off their property.

The Jewish Community of the city in the Kielce province, not far from the German border, telegraphed Premier Skladkowski and the provincial governor:

"The position of the Jewish population of Czestochowa is most dangerous. Large numbers of Jewish shops and houses are being demolished and pillaged, and many Jews attacked and injured. The excesses are taking place in the presence of the police who are not taking adequate measures to stop thom. In the name of the Jewish population we request you to take all appropriate measures to restore order and preserve peace."

The mayor of Czestochowa issued an appeal to the Polish population to keep calm and end the excesses.

With sporadic anti-Jewish attacks continuing during the night, this morning found tension at a high pitch. Large police forces and troops stood by. Jews were awaiting further developments with trepidation, particularly the funeral of the slain porter, Stefan Baran. Monday.

Minor disorders broke out yesterday after the murder of Baran following a personal quarrel for which Joseph Bendrak, Jewish butcher, was arrested. The Iskra News Agency reported Baran accosted Bendrak and demanded money for drink, resulting in a quarrel with the fatal sequel. The butcher's assistant, Feiwel Kozuch, was also arrested.

After the shooting, the Jewish community requested the district governor to take protective measures. Police patrols were immediately detailed to guard the streets. The governor also summoned the president of the National Democratic Party and demanded that he use his influence with the anti-Semitic party members to keep order and not wreak vongeance on the Jewish people for the act of an individual.

Despite the warning the party held an anti-Jewish demonstration last evening on the city's principal street which was followed by the excesses. Anti-Semites broke windows of many Jewish houses and of an old synagogue. They set fire to and pillaged shops on principal streets, including Warsawska and Aleja Streets.

Jews were attacked in the streets. Among the seriously injured was Dr. Ignacy Schreiber, a high school teacher. Christian shopowners displayed sacred images in their windows.

The Jewish Deputies Club in Warsaw intervened with the central authorities, who gave assurances strict measures would be taken to maintain order.

An illustration of the extent of anti-Jewish feeling was furnished by an invasion of a Government school for Jewish children by Polish schoolboys who forced their way into the building, broke all the windows, demolished furniture and tore up text books, throwing them into the street.

## ENDEKS LAUNCH DRIVE TO OUST JEWS FROM BRZESC

WARSAW, June 20. (JTA) -- The anti-Semitic National Democratic Party today launched a drive to prohibit Jews from living in Brzesc (Brest-Litovsk) for military reasons. The city was the scene of serious anti-Jewish riots May 13 after a Jew had killed a Polish policeman.

A resolution adopted at a meeting of the party in Warsaw declared that removal of Jews from places of strategic importance would be "a fitting reply to the interference in Polish internal affairs by the British Parliament."

Anti-Jewish disorders in Poland were denounced in a recent discussion in the British Parliament,

"English intervention in behalf of the Jews of Brzesc must provoke a sharp protest by the Polish people, not only in words but in deeds," the resolution said.

After the meeting, young Endeks (National Democrats) organized an anti-Jewish demonstration in which a Jew was beaten. The demonstrators were dispersed by the police.

The newspaper Wieczor Warszawski reported that the military commander of the Brzesc fortress had turned out all Jewish butchers in the fort area and brought in a Polish butcher from Bydgoszcz in the Poznan district.

The policeman had been slain by a Jewish butcher's son during a raid on the butcher shop for illegally slaughtered kosher meat.

#### BUND DENIES DISLOYALTY TO POLISH STATE, ARMY

WARSAW, June 20. (JTA) -- The Bund (Jewish Socialist party) today denied disloyalty to the State and army in a statement on the sent-encing to death of Judah Leib Chatzkalewicz, a former member, for the murder of a Polish sergeent in Minsk-Mazowicc.

The statement declared that the Bund merely complied with the policy of other Socialist parties, being opposed to militarism and not against the army.

## COMMISSION REPORT MAY BE SIGNED TOMORROW, LONDON HEARS

LONDON, June 20. (JTA) -- The Sunday Times reports that the findings of the Royal Commission on Falestine will be signed this week, probably Tuesday, and that its terms will probably not be published until early next month...

The report will contain a fairly drastic line of policy, the Times says, devised with a view to imperial requirements as well as to the settlement of racial problems in Palestine.

#### PALESTINE COMPENSATION CLAIMS TO BE HEARD TODAY

JERUSALEM, June 20. (JTA) -- Claims for compensation for death of relatives and injuries arising from last year's disturbances will be heard tomorrow and Tuesday by a commission comprising Commander Bodilly and A.F. Nathan.

The commission will sit in Chief Magistrate's Court. Seventeen cummonses to Jewish claimants have been issued. They will be obliged to produce evidence and present their claims as though they were appearing at court hearings. The commission will not consider property claims.

#### HEBREW VOLUME TO MARK DR. MAGNES! BIRTHDAY

JERUSALEM, June 20. (JTA) -- Dr. Judah L. Magnes, president of the Hebrew University, who will be 60 years old on July 5, will be honored by the university staff by the issuance of a special volume including articles by all scholars and scientists now active at the university.

The volume will be printed entirely in Hebrew to demonstrate that the ancient language now possesses a comprehensive modern scientific and technical vocabulary.

Dr. Magnes was formerly rabbi of Temple Emanu-El in New York.

## SCANDINAVIA TO SEND DELEGATES TO ZIONIST CONGRESS FOR FIRST TIME

COPENHAGEN, June 20. (JTA) -- Scandinavian countries will be represented at a Zionist congress for the first time this year, it was announced today. Denmark and Sweden, and probably also Norway, will send one delegate each to the twentieth biennial World Zionist Congress opening in Zurich Aug. 3.

B. Slor, president of the Scandinavian Zionist Union, will represent Denmark, and Dr. Hugo Valentin, vice-president, will represent the Swedish Zionists.

#### VATICAN PROSCRIBES ITALIAN BOOK ON RACE

VATIGAN CITY, June 20. (JTA) -- A book entitled "Razzismo" (Racism) by the Italian writer Professor Cogni was placed on the Index today as "contrary to Catholic scientific and moral conceptions."

Vatican authorities said that under cover of an "objective" study of race theories, the book actually exhits the extreme racial ideas enunciated by Alfred Rosenberg, the Nazi ideologist, and other German leaders.

## 800 RABBIS DENOUNCE STUNNING IN SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS

LONDON, June 20. (JTA) -- A statement has been issued here in behalf of 800 rabbis declaring that electrical stunning of animals before slaughter, proposals for which are being considered in certain Scandinavian countries, would violate Jewish ritual laws on slaughter.

The statement was made public by the Agudath Israel, extreme orthodox organization, which said leading rabbis of Eastern Europe, led by Oser Grodžienski, "the sage of Wilno," Poland, had signed the declaration.

"We have learned of plans in some Northern countries to introduce electrical stunning," the statement said. "We declare to the Jews of the world that this definitely is forbidden by Jewish religious law. It is the duty of the spiritual and lay leaders of the Jewish people to prevent such descration of the law."

#### SALONICA KEHILLA ACTS TO REDUCE DEFICIT

SALONICA, Greece, June 20. (JTA) -- The Salonica Jewish Community's budget for 1937-38 foresees a deficit of 112,000 drachmas. The deficit is now 2,500,000 deficit.

Mayor Cassemis of Neopolis, near Salonica, has granted 10,000 drachmas toward the repair of the Chaim Synagogue.

## ROLE OF YOUTH IN JUDAISM STRESSED AT YOUNG ISRAEL CONVENTION

ATLANTIC CITY, June 20. (JTA) -- The future of Judaism in America depends largely upon the energy of Jewish youth in meeting its problems, Rabbi David Gavalensky declared in a keynote address to the annual convention of the National Council of Young Israel, which opened last night at the Breakers Hotel.

Jacob 0. Zabronsky, president of Young Israel, said in a message that Young Israel's program of Jewish education would play its part in educating Israel's youth to uphold traditional Judaism.

#### BROOKLYN TRANSIT LINES ASKED TO BAR NAZI STEEL

NEW YORK, June 20. (JTA) -- Brooklyn rapid transit lines were asked today to stop using German steel, in a letter from Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, chairman of the Joint Boycott Council of the American Jewish Congress and the Jewish Labor Committee.

## NAZIS SAVED! THEATRE FROM JEWS, GOEBBEIS SAYS

DUESSELDORF, Germany, June 20. (JTA) -- A claim that the Nazi Government had rescued the German theatre from destruction at the hands of Jewish producers was voiced by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Reich Propaganda Minister, at the Theatre Festival here.

"While the really legitimate theatres remained empty," he said, "nothing was done. Meanwhile the Jews made use of the theatre and theat-rical criticism as a powerful means of propaganda for themselves."

## GERMAN PUPILS TOLD TO BOYCOTT JEWISH SHOPS

BERLIN (JTA) -- Elementary and secondary school purils are to be told by their teachers that they are forbidden to bry in Jerish shops, under an order issued by Bernhard Rust, Reich Minister of Education. Such advice, the order declared, corresponds entirely with the National Socialist conception that German youth must be educated in the spirit of National Socialism.

## IRISH SUPPORT JEWISH NATIONAL HOME, DUBLIN'S MAYOR SAYS

DUBLIN (JTA) -- The Lord Mayor of Dublin, the Rt. Hon. Alderman Alfred Byrne, opened the Jewish National Fund bazaar at the Mansion House here, declaring in his address that the Irish nation sympathizes with the efforts of the Jews to establish a national home.

Deputy Robert Briscoe, of the Irish Parliament, criticized British Government policy on Palestine, declaring that, if they are not helped, the Jews should at least not be hindered in establishing a refuge for their persecuted brethren.

## ARABS SPLIT OVER ROYAL COMMISSION REPORT

JERUSALEM, June 20. (JTA) -- Rumors concerning the tenor of the forthooming report of the Royal Commission on Palestine have already split the Holy Land's Arabs into two hostile camps, detracting for the moment from the bitter anti-Jewish campaign, the Havas News Agency reported.

Main cause of the dispute between the two Arab groups -- one headed by the Grand Mufti and the other by the moderate Nashashibi -- is the report that the Royal Commission will recommend placing part of Palestine under the sovereignty of the Emir Abdullah of Transjordan and leaving the rest of the country to the Jews.

The argument reached new heights with the recent return of the Emir from Europe. Al Liwaa, organ of the Grand Mufti, accused the ruler of Transjordan of preparing to annex his territory to Palestine. The Palestine's Arab population and consequently lead to authorization for greater Jewish immigration.

Falattin, organ of Nashashibi's party, on the other hand, supports the Emir, hotly denies the Grand Mufti's allegations and calls for dissolution of the Arab Supreme Committee in Jerusalem, headed by the Mufti, on the grounds of its inactivity.

#### UNITED ANTI-JEWISH COMMITTEE FORMED IN FRANCE

PARIS (JTA) -- A united "Anti-Jewish Committee of France," seeking to combat the "Jewish influence" and "foreign and Jowish invasion" has been formed here at a meeting of leaders of a number of small anti-Semitic groups.

Deputy Darquier de Pellepoix, founder of the anti-Semitic National Club, is chairman of the committee, and other members of the committee's board include Henri-Robert Petit, M. Poirso, of the Anti-Masonic Union, and Jean Boissel, editor of Awakening of the People, anti-Jowish monthly.