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POLAND ACTS TO SUPPRESS DISORDERS; WARSAW ADDS POLICE PATROLS

WARSAW, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- A POLISH GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE, WITHOUT SPECIFICALLY MENTIONING RECENT ANTI-JEWISH EXCESSES, WARNED TODAY OF STRINGENT MEASURES TO SUPPRESS DISTURBANCES.

RIOTERS WILL BE ARRESTED ON THE SPOT AND PUNISHED WITH ALL THE SEVERITY OF THE LAW, THE COMMUNIQUE SAYS, WHILE IF MINORS ARE AMONG THE ATTACKERS THEIR PARENTS WILL BE PUNISHED.

THE GOVERNMENT BLAMED "IRRESPONSIBLE ELEMENTS" FOR DISTURBANCES TO PUBLIC ORDER IN RECENT WEEKS.

WITH JEWS STILL BEING ATTACKED IN WARSAW STREETS AND PARKS, A CONFERENCE OF POLICE CHIEFS CALLED BY THE CAPITAL'S GOVERNOR DECIDED TODAY TO STRENGTHEN POLICE PATROLS.

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POLICE GUARD POLISH SILESIAN TOWN AFTER 2-DAY RIOTING

BIELSKO, POLISH SILESLIA, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- LARGE DETACHMENTS OF POLICE TODAY PATROLLED THIS HOLIDAY RESORT'S GLASS AND DEBRIS STREWN STREETS FOLLOWING TWO DAYS OF SAVAGE ANTI-JEWISH DISORDERS PRECIPITATED BY THE FATAL SHOOTING OF A DRUNKEN POLISH LABORER DURING A FIGHT WITH A JEWISH RESTAURATEUR.

THE TOWN'S PRINCIPAL STREETS PRESENT SCENES OF DEVASTATION COMPARABLE ONLY TO THOSE IN LAST MAY'S POGROM AT BRZESC-LITEWSKI.

A SPECIAL J.T.A. CORRESPONDENT SENT HERE AND TO THE NEIGHBORING TOWN OF BIALA, TO WHICH THE DISORDERS SPREAD ON SEPTEMBER 19 AND 20, FOUND ALL JEWISH SHOPS BOARDED UP AND THE JEWISH POPULATION STILL IN A STATE OF PANIC. DESPITE PRESENCE OF POLICE, JEWS FEARED TO VENTURE ON THE STREETS.

JEWISH SHOPS AND HOMES WERE DEMOLISHED AND PILLAGED DURING THE TWO DAYS OF RIOTING ON MAY THIRD STREET, STATION STREET, PILSUDSKI STREET, JEGIALONKA STREET AND NOVEMBER ELEVENTH STREET.

SEVERAL NON-JEWISH SHOPS ALSO WERE WRECKED BY THE RIOTERS, EVIDENTLY IN ERROR, BUT POLICE ARRESTED A NUMBER OF JEWISH YOUTHS ON SUSPICION OF HAVING ATTACKED THEM IN REPRISAL. ALL NON-JEWISH SHOPS NOW PROMINENTLY DISPLAY IN THEIR WINDOWS NOTICES BEARING THE LEGEND, "CHRISTIAN SHOP."

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POLISH TRADERS' UNION SPURS BOYCOTT

WARSAW, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- INTENSIFICATION OF THE ANTI-JEWISH BOYCOTT WAS DECIDED UPON TODAY BY THE UNION OF POLISH TRADERS WHICH ORDERED ITS MEMBERS TO DISPLAY "CHRISTIAN SHOP" NOTICES IN THEIR WINDOWS. THE UNION SET DECEMBER 19 AS A DAY TO "FIGHT ALIEN TRADERS AND POLONIZE BUSINESS."

STONE ASSAILS LIPSKY'S "WAVERING" ON PARTITION; ASKS NEW ZIONIST LEADERSHIP

NEW YORK, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- ASSAILING LOUIS LIPSKY, AMERICAN MEMBER OF THE WORLD ZIONIST EXECUTIVE, FOR "WAVERING" ON THE QUESTION OF PROPOSED PALESTINE PARTITION AT THE ZURICH CONGRESS, ELIHU D. STONE OF BOSTON TODAY CALLED FOR NEW ZIONIST LEADERS IN AMERICA "WHOSE ACTIONS ARE BASED ON CONVICTION AND NOT UPON EXPEDIENCE." MR. STONE, A VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA AND RECENTLY ELECTED TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE, HAS HITHERTO BEEN REGARDED AS AMONG MR. LIPSKY'S STAUNCHEST SUPPORTERS.

IN A STATEMENT TO THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY FOLLOWING HIS ARRIVAL FROM EUROPE AND PALESTINE ON THE QUEEN MARY, MR. STONE ACCUSED MR. LIPSKY OF "WAVERING BETWEEN GOD AND THE DEVIL WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO REACH A DECISION UNTIL THE MAJORITY OF THE AMERICAN DELEGATES MADE UP HIS (LIPSKY'S) MIND."

MR. STONE WAS ONE OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR SWINGING THE AMERICAN ZIONIST DELEGATION TO SUPPORT OF THE MAJORITY RESOLUTION EMPOWERING THE EXECUTIVE TO NEGOTIATE WITH GREAT BRITAIN ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION.

HIS STATEMENT FOLLOWS IN FULL:

"THERE SEEMS TO BE CONFUSION WITH REFERENCE TO THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSAL FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOVEREIGN JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE. BECAUSE OF THE GRAVITY OF THE QUESTION AND BECAUSE OF ITS BASIC EFFECT ON THE FUTURE COURSE OF JEWISH LIFE AND HISTORY, BOTH IN PALESTINE AND IN THE DIASPORA, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE ISSUE BE CLARIFIED AND THAT THE ZIONISTS OF AMERICA SHOULD PROPERLY APPRAISE THE PROCEEDINGS AND THE ZURICH DECISION.

"THE DIFFERENCE OF OPINION THAT PREVAILED WITH REFERENCE TO THE QUESTION OF A JEWISH STATE INVOLVING PARTITION OF THE NATIONAL HOME, IS UNDERSTANDABLE. IT COULD NOT HAVE BEEN OTHERWISE. THE POSITION TAKEN BY DR. STEPHEN S. WISE, PRESIDENT OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA, WAS CLEAR AND SUBJECT TO NO TWO INTERPRETATIONS. ONE CAN LOGICALLY DISAGREE WITH THAT POINT OF VIEW, BUT ONE IS COMPELLED TO RESPECT IT.

"THE POSITION OF THOSE WHO VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MAJORITY RESOLUTION MUST BE EQUALLY FRANK AND INTELLECTUALLY HONEST. THE MAJORITY RESOLUTION OF THE CONGRESS DEFINITELY IMPLIES AN ATTITUDE IN FAVOR OF NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOVEREIGN JEWISH STATE, EVEN THOUGH IT INVOLVES, AS IT MUST, THE PARTITION OF PALESTINE.

"IT IS THE SACRED DUTY OF THE ZIONISTS OF AMERICA TO MAKE THEIR CONTRIBUTION TOWARD CRYSTALLIZATION OF THIS GRAVE AND PARAMOUNT ISSUE OF JEWISH LIFE BY BEING OUT-SPOKEN AND VIGILANT. GREAT BRITAIN IS ACTING WITH SPEED AND THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS HAS DONE EVERYTHING TO EXPEDITE THE CRYSTALLIZATION OF THE BASIC IDEA CONTAINED IN THE REPORT OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION WITH REFERENCE TO PALESTINE.

"IT IS TRAGIC THEREFORE TO NOTE THE ATTEMPT TO PLACE THE ZIONISTS OF AMERICA IN A POSITION OF FLIRTING WITH BOTH SIDES OF THE QUESTION FOLLOWING THE EXAMPLE OF MR. LIPSKY AT ZURICH WHO WAS WAVERING BETWEEN GOD AND THE DEVIL WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO REACH A DECISION UNTIL THE MAJORITY OF THE AMERICAN DELEGATES MADE UP HIS MIND.

"INDEED THE AMERICAN ZIONISTS ARE WORTHY OF A DIFFERENT KIND OF LEADERSHIP AT THIS TIME. LEADERS MUST COME TO THE ZIONIST FRONT WHOSE ACTIONS ARE BASED ON CONVICTION AND NOT UPON EXPEDIENCE. ONE MUST EITHER BE IN FAVOR OF A JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE INVOLVING PARTITION OR ONE MUST BE AGAINST IT. THE TWO POINTS OF VIEW ARE MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE.

"THE ATTEMPT ON THE PART OF THIS 'VETERAN' TO PLACE AMERICAN ZIONISTS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE FENCE WILL DO VIOLENCE TO THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN AND WILL BE A DIS-SERVICE TO PALESTINE.

"FORTUNATELY ERETZ ISRAEL IS AN ELOQUENT FACT. OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN PALESTINE AND THE COURAGEOUS ATTITUDE OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN THE NATIONAL HOME SERVES TO INSPIRE FAITH IN THE FUTURE. THERE IS AT PRESENT AN ECONOMIC DISLOCATION IN PALESTINE CAUSED BY THE POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY OF THE SITUATION. AMERICAN ZIONISM BECAUSE OF ITS STRATEGIC POSITION MUST MAKE ITS VOICE HEARD IN CLEAR AND UNMISTAKABLE TERMS AND THEREBY UPHOLD DR. WEIZMANN."

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY NAMES GEORGE BACKER FOR CONGRESS RACE

NEW YORK, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- THE AMERICAN LABOR PARTY ANNOUNCED THE CANDIDACY OF GEORGE BACKER, BUSINESSMAN AND PHILANTHROPIST, FOR REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE "SILK-STOCK-ING" SEVENTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT TO FILL THE PLACE OF THE LATE THEODORE PEYSER, DEMOCRAT. MR. BACKER IS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE AND PRESIDENT OF THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY. THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE IS STANLEY OSSERMAN.

HULL SOUNDS WARNING ON ALLEGIANCE OF FOREIGNERS HERE TO OTHER NATIONS

NEW YORK, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- SECRETARY OF STATE CORDELL HULL, IN WHAT WAS INTERPRETED AS A REFERENCE TO THE NAZIS, WARNED MONDAY NIGHT THAT IF A POPULATION OF FOREIGN BIRTH TAKES ORDERS FROM GOVERNMENTS OR POLITICAL PARTIES ABROAD, "A SITUATION WOULD ARISE WHICH WOULD FILL US WITH FOREBODING."

MR. HULL ADDRESSED AN AUDIENCE OF AMERICAN LEGION LEADERS, GOVERNORS, MAYORS, UNITED STATES SENATORS AND OTHER DIGNITARIES AT A DINNER GIVEN BY HARRY W. COLMERY, RETIRING COMMANDER OF THE LEGION, AT THE HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA. MR. HULL SAID, NEAR THE CLOSE OF HIS ADDRESS.

"WE ARE A YOUNG COUNTRY, WITH INFUSIONS OF BLOOD FROM MANY NATIONS OF THE WORLD, OFTEN WITH CONFLICTING PHILOSOPHIES AND DIVERGENT SENSES OF VALUE. AND IT HAS BEEN THE GENIUS OF AMERICA THAT INSTEAD OF LOSING VITALITY FROM A MIXTURE OF THESE DIFFERENT ELEMENTS, WE HAVE DRAWN NEW STRENGTH FROM THEM, AND MERGED THEM INTO A SINGLE NATION, HAVING ITS OWN TRADITIONS, ITS OWN BELIEFS AND ITS OWN INSTITUTIONS.

"MEN WHO HAVE COME TO OUR SHORES AND SETTLED IN OUR MIDST HAVE NOT LOOKED BACKWARD TO THE LANDS FROM WHICH THEY HAVE COME, BUT FORWARD TO THEIR FUTURE AND THEIR CHILDREN'S FUTURE IN THE UNITED STATES. THEY HAVE BECOME AN INTEGRAL PART OF US, ANXIOUS TO ADOPT OUR WAYS, TO THINK OUR THOUGHTS, TO ACQUIRE OUR TOLERANCE, AND TO SHARE IN OUR NATIONAL LIFE.

"IF EVER OUR POPULATION OF FOREIGN BIRTH SHOULD PUT AMERICA SECOND, IF EVER IT SHOULD SUBORDINATE AMERICAN INTERESTS TO THE INTERESTS OF SOME OTHER COUNTRY, BY ACCEPTING DIRECTIONS GIVEN BY GOVERNMENTS OR POLITICAL PARTIES ABROAD, THEN INDEED A SITUATION WOULD ARISE THAT WOULD FILL US WITH FOREBODING."

3 FAITHS JOIN IN RADIO TRIBUTE TO CONSTITUTION'S RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROVISION

CINCINNATI, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- ALFRED M. COHEN, PRESIDENT OF B'NAI B'RITH, PAID TRIBUTE TODAY TO "THE FOUNDERS OF A GOVERNMENT WHICH ESTABLISHED THE INDISPUTABLE RIGHT OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL TO WORSHIP GOD ACCORDING TO THE DICTATES OF HIS OWN CONSCIENCE."

MR. COHEN SPOKE ON AN INTER-FAITH CONSTITUTION DAY BROADCAST OVER A COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM NETWORK ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF JEWS AND CHRISTIANS. ILLINOIS SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE JOHN B. MCGOORTY AND REV. ERNEST FREMONT TITTLE OF CHICAGO REPRESENTED CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT GROUPS RESPECTIVELY.

B'NAI B'RITH LODGES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES ARE CELEBRATING THE SESQUICENTENNIAL OF THE CONSTITUTION.

TORONTO JEWS SET UP UNITED JEWISH WELFARE FUND; DRIVE OPENS NOV. 7

TORONTO, SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- TORONTO JEWRY'S EFFORT AT CENTRALIZED FUND-RAISING WILL BE LAUNCHED NOV. 7 WHEN THE NEWLY-ORGANIZED UNITED JEWISH WELFARE FUND OPENS A DRIVE FOR \$170,000 FOR THE BENEFIT OF 25 LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, IT WAS ANNOUNCED TODAY. THE CAMPAIGN IS SPONSORED BY NINETEEN ORGANIZATIONS AND THE FUND IS AFFILIATED WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS.

THE CHAIRMEN OF THE FUND ARE ARTHUR COHEN, SAM GODFREY AND BEN SADOWSKI. MARTIN M. COHN IS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

JEWISH ALDERMAN WINS APOLOGY FOR RACE SLUR BY CANADIAN MAYOR

GALT, ONT., SEPT. 22. (JTA) -- THE GALT COUNCIL, BY A VOTE OF 7 TO 2, DECLINED MONDAY NIGHT TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ALDERMAN SAMUEL LUNENFELD, OFFERED AFTER HE HAD BEEN PUBLICLY ATTACKED BY MAYOR SERVISS BECAUSE HE IS JEWISH.

"THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF GALT AND THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL BEAR NO MALICE OR PREJUDICE WHATSOEVER TOWARD THE JEWISH RACE OR THE PEOPLE OF ANY OTHER CREED," SAID THE COUNCIL RESOLUTION. MAYOR SERVISS ADDED IN A STATEMENT, "I HAD NO INTENTION THAT MY REMARKS SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN AS AN INSULT TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE."

MR. LUNENFELD, AN INDUSTRIALIST, HEADED THE ALDERMANIC POLL IN GALT IN THE LAST MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND HAS SERVED EIGHT MONTHS OF HIS TERM.