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### PALESTINE SETS UP MILITARY COURTS TO DEAL WITH TERRORISTS; CURFEW IN OLD CITY

JERUSALEM, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- THE PALESTINE AUTHORITIES TODAY SET UP MILITARY COURTS EMPOWERED TO IMPOSE THE DEATH SENTENCE TO COPE WITH SPREADING ARAB TERRORISM CLIMAXED YESTERDAY BY THE SLAYING OF FIVE JEWISH LABORERS IN AN AMBUSCADE.

THE MURDERS WERE FOLLOWED BY THE FATAL SHOOTING OF AN UNIDENTIFIED ARAB AND THE WOUNDING OF SHEIKH ZAUDATH ANSARI, MOSLEM RELIGIOUS FUNCTIONARY, IN JERUSALEM TODAY, LEADING THE AUTHORITIES TO IMPOSE SEVEN O'CLOCK CURFEW ON THE OLD CITY AND LOCK THE GATES OF THE QUARTER.

MEANWHILE THE PALESTINE CHIEF RABBINATE PROCLAIMED NOV. 15 AS A DAY OF PRAYER THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN CONNECTION WITH THE CURRENT REIGN OF TERROR. MOSHE SHER TOK, HEAD OF THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE JEWISH AGENCY, INTERVIEWED ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER WILLIAM D. BATTERSHILL ON INCREASED PROTECTION FOR JEWISH SETTLEMENTS.

THE SHEIKH, FORMER CHIEF IMAM OF THE MOSQUE OF OMAR AND AN ENEMY OF THE FUGITIVE MUFTI OF JERUSALEM, WAS SHOT WHILE LEAVING THE HALLOWED MOSQUE. POLICE SURROUNDED THE MOSQUE AND BEGAN AN INTENSIVE SEARCH FOR THE ASSAILANT. THE SHEIKH IS 40 YEARS OLD.

TWO JEWS WERE ARRESTED ON SUSPICION OF THE MURDER OF THE UNIDENTIFIED ARAB, WHO WAS SHOT IN THE SCHNELLER QUARTER OF JERUSALEM AND LATER DIED.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MILITARY COURTS CAME AS THE AUTHORITIES PRESSED A HUNT FOR THE SLAYERS OF FIVE JEWS NEAR KIRIAT ANAVIM. (THE NUMBER SLAIN WAS INCORRECTLY REPORTED YESTERDAY AS SIX AS A RESULT OF CONFUSION ARISING FROM THE FACT THAT ONE OF THE VICTIMS, MOSHE BARGORA, ALSO HAD THE NAME OF BAUMGARTEN, AND THE NAMES WERE LISTED SEPARATELY.) TEN ARAB SUSPECTS WERE ARRESTED IN ADDITION TO THREE YESTERDAY, AND THREE HOUSES IN THE ARAB VILLAGE OF YALU, TO WHICH THE MURDER BAND WAS TRACKED, WERE MARKED FOR DYNAMITING.

THE COURTS, WHICH WILL BEGIN FUNCTIONING NOV. 18, WILL EACH COMPRISE A FIELD OFFICER AS PRESIDENT AND TWO OTHER ARMY OFFICERS. THEY WILL HAVE AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE THE DEATH SENTENCE FOR DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS, POSSESSION OF ARMS OR BOMBS, AND FOR ACTS OF SABOTAGE.

SENTENCES WILL BE CONFIRMED BY THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING BRITISH TROOPS (MAJOR-GENERAL ARCHIBALD P. WAVELL), FROM WHOSE DECISION THERE WILL BE NO APPEAL. AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT SAID THE COURTS WERE CREATED TEMPORARILY FOR REASONS OF PUBLIC SECURITY.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MEASURE EMPHASIZED THAT THE COURTS WERE BEING ESTABLISHED SOLELY TO SUPPRESS THE DISTURBANCES AND WERE NOT DUE TO ANY FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE CIVIL COURTS, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH OTHER OFFENSES.

A TRUCK CARRYING WORKERS OF THE PALESTINE POTASH COMPANY WAS FIRED UPON ON THE JERICHO ROAD, BUT NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED. A VOLLEY OF SHOTS WAS FIRED INTO A JEWISH HOUSE IN THE MEKOR BARUCH QUARTER OF JERUSALEM.

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#### NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY PUT INTO EFFECT; SCHEDULE OF 8,000 APPROVED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- AN ORDINANCE IS BEING ENACTED TODAY, IT WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED, GIVING EFFECT TO THE PALESTINE GOVERNMENT'S RECENTLY-STATED POLICY OF SETTING A POLITICAL MAXIMUM ON IMMIGRATION, AND APPROVING A SCHEDULE OF 8,000 CERTIFICATES FOR THE EIGHT-MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 1938.

THE FIRST INSTALLMENT OF THE LABOR IMMIGRATION SCHEDULE, WHICH THE GOVERNMENT WAS TO GRANT TODAY TO THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE, WAS REPORTED TO PROVIDE FOR ISSUANCE OF LESS THAN 2,000 CERTIFICATES. NO NEW APPLICATIONS FOR ENTRY PERMITS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT UNTIL JANUARY, 1938, IT WAS STATED.

THE ORDINANCE CARRIES OUT THE IMMIGRATION PROVISION OF THE BRITISH CABINET'S STATEMENT OF POLICY, ISSUED ON JULY 7, WHICH APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE THE PARTITION OF PALESTINE RECOMMENDED BY THE ROYAL COMMISSION AND PROPOSED "THAT A TOTAL JEWISH IMMIGRATION IN ALL CATEGORIES OF 8,000 BE PERMITTED FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS' PERIOD, AUGUST, 1937, TO MARCH, 1938, PROVIDED THAT THE ECONOMIC ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY OF THE COUNTRY IS NOT EXCEEDED."

#### M. MELAMED NAMED TEL AVIV HARBOR'S PASSENGER SUPERINTENDENT

TEL AVIV, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- MOSHE MELAMED WAS APPOINTED BY THE PALESTINE GOVERNMENT TODAY PASSENGER SUPERINTENDENT AT THE TEL AVIV HARBOR. PERMISSION TO LAND PASSENGERS AT THE NEW HARBOR WAS GRANTED RECENTLY.

#### SEVERAL JEWS WOUNDED IN POLISH ATTACKS MARKING ANNIVERSARY OF "MARTYR"

WARSAW, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- A NUMBER OF JEWS WERE INJURED IN NATIONALIST STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS IN ALL UNIVERSITY CITIES TODAY MARKING THE SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF A NATIONALIST STUDENT NAMED WACLAWSKI IN RIOTING.

SEVERAL JEWS WERE BEATEN IN MARSZALKOWSKA STREET IN WARSAW AND SHOP WINDOWS WERE BROKEN, ALTHOUGH ANTI-SEMITIC LEADERS, RALLYING STUDENTS TO A DEMONSTRATION WARNED THEM NOT TO ATTACK JEWS OR BREAK WINDOWS. SEVERAL STUDENTS WERE INJURED AND A NUMBER ARRESTED IN CLASHES WITH THE POLICE. NO LECTURES WERE HELD IN WARSAW COLLEGES.

POZNAN UNIVERSITY SEGREGATES JEWISH STUDENTS

WARSAW, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- THE UNIVERSITY OF POZNAN TODAY INTRODUCED "GHETTO BENCHES" FOR JEWISH STUDENTS, BECOMING THE FIRST UNIVERSITY OUTSIDE OF WARSAW TO COMPLY WITH NATIONALIST DEMANDS FOR SEGREGATION OF JEWS.

THE JEWISH STUDENTS, FOLLOWING THE PRACTICE OF CORELIGIONISTS IN THE WARSAW COLLEGES, REFUSED TO OCCUPY THE BENCHES, ELECTING TO STAND THROUGHOUT THE LECTURES. THE UNIVERSITY RECTOR WARNED THE STUDENTS TO USE THE BENCHES OR INCUR DISCIPLINARY MEASURES.

JEWISH PARTY TO SEEK PARLIAMENT SEATS IN RUMANIAN ELECTION

BUCHAREST, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- THE RUMANIAN JEWISH PARTY ANNOUNCED TODAY ITS INTENTION TO CONTEST THE DECEMBER NATIONAL ELECTIONS AS AN INDEPENDENT BODY.

IN A STATEMENT FOLLOWING A MEETING OF THE PARTY'S CENTRAL COMMITTEE, ATTENDED BY DELEGATES FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, DR. SAMUEL SINGER, VICE-PRESIDENT, DECLARED: "WE WILL PUT UP A STRONG FIGHT IN THE ELECTIONS TO OBTAIN ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION OF THE JEWISH MINORITY IN THE RUMANIAN PARLIAMENT."

UNCERTAINTY DELAYING PALESTINE'S DEVELOPMENT, BALFOUR MEETING TOLD IN LONDON

LONDON, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- UNCERTAINTY AS TO THE FUTURE IS DELAYING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF PALESTINE, A PUBLIC MEETING CELEBRATING THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BALFOUR DECLARATION WAS TOLD LAST NIGHT BY PROF. SELIG BRODETSKY, MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE.

DECLARING THE GOVERNMENT HAD CLEARLY REALIZED A CHANGE IN POLICY WAS NECESSARY, PROF. BRODETSKY SAID: "THE PRESENT UNCERTAINTY IS DELAYING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IT MUST BE ENDED. WE HAVE GONE TO PALESTINE TO STAY. NOTHING CAN PREVENT REALIZATION OF THE AIMS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN PALESTINE."

OTHER SPEAKERS AT THE MEETING, HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE BRITISH ZIONIST FEDERATION, INCLUDED SIR WYNDHAM DEEDES, MRS. EDGAR DUGDALE, LADY READING AND THE REV. MAURICE GOLDBLOOM, WHO DELIVERED A MEMORIAL ADDRESS ON THE FIVE JEWS SLAIN IN PALESTINE YESTERDAY.

AMONG THE MESSAGES SENT TO THE MEETING WAS ONE FROM GENERAL JAN C. SMUTS, MINISTER OF JUSTICE IN THE UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, DECLARING "COURAGE AND FAITH ARE NEEDED FOR A GREAT CAUSE, AND A CLOSING OF THE RANKS FOR A SUPREME EFFORT."

JEWS MOURN McDONALD'S PASSING; MODIFIED PASSFIELD WHITE PAPER CURBS ON SETTLEMENT

LONDON, Nov. 10. (JTA) -- JEWISH CIRCLES JOINED TODAY IN MOURNING THE DEATH OF J. RAMSAY McDONALD, FIRST LABOR PRIME MINISTER OF GREAT BRITAIN, WHO DIED LAST NIGHT OF A HEART ATTACK AT THE AGE OF 71 WHILE ON A SHIP BOUND FOR SOUTH AMERICA.

MR. McDONALD WAS PRIME MINISTER AT A TIME WHEN BRITISH POLICY ON PALESTINE WAS UNDERGOING A CHANGE. THE OUTSTANDING EVENT IN HIS CONNECTION WITH THE JEWISH HOMELAND WAS HIS WRITING A LETTER TO DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN IN 1931 MODIFYING THE RESTRICTIONS ON JEWISH SETTLEMENT CONTAINED IN THE PASSFIELD WHITE PAPER OF 1930 BY RE-INTERPRETING IT.

BRAZILIAN JEWISH LEADERS, ALARMED AT RISE OF ANTI-SEMITISM, SEE U.S. JEWS AS ONLY HOPE

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL. (JTA) -- DEEPLY CONCERNED AT THE RISING TIDE OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN BRAZIL, JEWISH LEADERS HERE ARE CONVINCED THAT ONLY INTERVENTION OF AMERICAN JEWRY CAN SAVE BRAZIL'S 40,000 JEWS FROM DISASTER.

WITH THE COUNTRY UNDER MARTIAL LAW, THEY DARE NOT, HOWEVER, GIVE VOICE TO THEIR FEARS, PROTEST TO THE AUTHORITIES OR EVEN MAKE THE SITUATION KNOWN TO THE JEWS IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE ANTI-SEMITISM THAT NOT LONG AGO WAS RIDICULED IN LIBERAL QUARTERS, REGARDED LIGHTLY BY THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULACE, AND DISMISSED AS UNIMPORTANT EVEN BY THE JEWISH LEADERS THEMSELVES, WHO THOUGHT IT BEST TO IGNORE IT, APPEARS NOW TO HAVE ATTAINED DANGEROUS PROPORTIONS.

WHERE FORMERLY ONLY INTEGRALIST (FASCIST) NEWSPAPERS ASSAILED THE JEWS, NEWSPAPERS REPRESENTING OTHER FACTIONS HAVE TAKEN UP THE CAMPAIGN AND A LARGE SECTION OF THE PRESS IS NOW IN FULL CRY AGAINST THEM.

THE PRESS CAMPAIGN ALONE, HOWEVER, WOULD NOT HAVE CAUSED THE JEWISH LEADERS TO CHANGE THEIR OPINION ON THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR THE FACT THAT IT HAS BEEN ACCOMPANIED BY A NOTICEABLE CHANGE IN THE ATTITUDE TOWARD JEWS OF CERTAIN HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND MILITARY LEADERS.

FOR SOME TIME THIS CHANGED ATTITUDE HAS BEEN GROWING MORE MARKED, SO MUCH SO AS TO GIVE STRONG GROUNDS FOR THE BELIEF THAT THE GOVERNMENT ITSELF IS SEEING EYE TO EYE WITH THE ANTI-SEMITES. BRAZILIAN POLICE OFFICIALS HAVE LONG BEEN REFUSING TO ISSUE "JAMADAS," OR PERMITS FOR JEWISH RESIDENTS TO BRING OVER RELATIVES FROM ABROAD. LATELY, BRAZILIAN CONSULS HAVE STOPPED GRANTING VISAS TO JEWISH APPLICANTS. IN SOME COUNTRIES, THE CONSULS HAVE BEEN ISSUING VISAS ONLY TO PERSONS WHO COULD PRODUCE CERTIFICATES OF BAPTISM.

OF MORE SERIOUS IMPORT THAN EVEN THESE ACTS ARE STATEMENTS RECENTLY MADE OPENLY BY TWO IMPORTANT MILITARY LEADERS, GENERAL NEWTON CAVALCANTI AND COLONEL AZAMBUJA VILANOVA. THE FORMER, ONE OF THE THREE MILITARY RULERS OF THE COUNTRY, PUBLICLY STATED THAT COMMUNISM IS JEWISH AND THAT JEWS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL REVOLUTION. HIS STATEMENT WAS HEAVILY CAPITALIZED BY ALL SECTIONS OF THE ANTI-SEMITIC PRESS.

COL. VILANOVA, COMMANDANT IN THE PERNAMBUECO AREA, CHARGED PUBLICLY THAT MASONRY AND COMMUNISM (BOTH OF WHICH ARE PROSCRIBED IN BRAZIL) ARE "SUPPORTED BY ZIONISM, WHICH IS THE EXPRESSION OF THE WILL OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE FOR THE LAST 2,000 YEARS TO RULE THE WORLD."

THE EFFECT OF BOTH THESE STATEMENTS BY TWO SUCH IMPORTANT PERSONAGES HAS BEEN TO STIMULATE THE ANTI-SEMITIC CAMPAIGN IN THE PRESS AND TO GIVE ANTI-JEWISH SENTIMENTS A REAL FOOTHOLD AMONG A PUBLIC WHICH HAD HITHERTO BEEN APATHETIC.

BECAUSE OF THE RIGOR OF THE MARTIAL LAW, ALL PROTEST AGAINST BOTH PROPAGANDA, WHICH IS OF THE UNMISTAKABLE STREICHER VARIETY IN ITS UNRESTRAINED VIOLENCE AND VULGARITY, AND ANTI-SEMITIC ACTIONS, HAS BEEN STILLED. EVEN THE MOST LIBERAL OF POLITICIANS, WHO FORMERLY DEFENDED THE JEWS WARMLY, DARE NOT SPEAK ON THEIR BEHALF BECAUSE TO DO SO WOULD EXPOSE THEM TO THE CHARGE OF COMMUNISM.