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JEWISH GUARD WOUNDED; 2 ARABS KILLED; WAUCHOPE DEPARTS

JERUSALEM, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- A JEWISH GUARD WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED EARLY THIS MORNING DURING AN ARAB ATTACK ON THE SETTLEMENT OF KIRATH ZEVI, NEAR BEISAN, IN WHICH THE ATTACKERS, NUMBERING 30, WERE REPORTED TO HAVE USED BOMBS AND A MACHINE GUN. THE JEWISH COLONISTS REPELLED THE RAIDERS, KILLING ONE AND WOUNDING SEVERAL OTHERS.

TROOPS AND ROYAL AIR FORCE PLANES CONDUCTING SEARCHES IN THE NABLUS DISTRICT KILLED KASSEM HASSAD, TERRORIST LEADER FROM THE NORTH, AND CAPTURED HIS AIDE, HUSSEIN ISSA, WHO WAS HEAVILY ARMED.

THESE DEVELOPMENTS CAME AS SIR ARTHUR GRENFELL WAUCHOPE DEPARTED FOR EGYPT AND RETIREMENT AFTER A SIX-YEAR REIGN AS PALESTINE HIGH COMMISSIONER. HE LEFT JERUSALEM SURROUNDED BY EXTRAORDINARY PRECAUTIONS, MOTORING FROM GOVERNMENT HOUSE TO THE RAILWAY STATION, WHERE CIVIL AND MILITARY OFFICIALS, JEWISH AND ARAB NOTABLES, RELIGIOUS DIGNITARIES AND MEMBERS OF THE CONSULAR CORPS BADE HIM FAREWELL. A BLACK WATCH COMPANY AND CONTINGENTS OF MOUNTED POLICE AND THE TRANSJORDAN FRONTIER FORCE GAVE HIM A FINAL SALUTE AS HE BOARDED THE TRAIN FOR RAMLEH, WHERE HE WAS TO TAKE A ROYAL AIR FORCE PLANE TO EGYPT.

SIR ARTHUR'S ITINERARY WAS CHANGED AT THE LAST MOMENT TO AVOID ARAB STREETS ON THE TRIP FROM GOVERNMENT HOUSE TO THE STATION. INSTEAD, HIS CAR TOOK HIM THROUGH JEWISH QUARTERS, WHERE CROWDS SHOUTED "SHALOM" (PEACE) AS HE PASSED.

HOURS BEFORE THE FAREWELL CEREMONIES AT THE STATION, HUNDREDS OF POLICEMEN OCCUPIED ALL VANTAGE POINTS WITHIN A HALF MILE, ADMITTING ONLY TICKET HOLDERS TO THE PLAZA.

JERUSALEM, MARCH 1. (HAVAS) -- ALL PALESTINE PASSENGER TRAINS ARE TO BE EQUIPPED WITH RADIO TRANSMITTERS AS A PROTECTIVE MEASURE AGAINST TERRORISTS, IT WAS ANNOUNCED. HERE-AFTER THE TRAIN CREWS WILL BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH AUTHORITIES IF ATTACKED.

ITALY HAS HALTED ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA, CHAMBERLAIN DECLARES

LONDON, MARCH 1. (HAVAS) -- THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TODAY HEARD PRIME MINISTER NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN EXPRESS HIS BELIEF THAT ITALY -- WITH ANGLO-ITALIAN NEGOTIATIONS FOR A COMPREHENSIVE ACCORD 10 DAYS IN THE OFFING -- HAS PUT A STOP TO ALL ANTI-BRITISH PROPAGANDA.

AUSTRIAN NAZIS SEEK RIGHT TO WEAR SWASTIKA; CITIZENSHIP LAW CHANGES PLANNED

VIENNA, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- NAZIS IN THE PATRIOTIC FATHERLAND FRONT ARE MAKING STRONG EFFORTS TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR WEARING OF THE FORBIDDEN SWASTIKA, "THE TRADITIONAL MANNER FOR EXPRESSING ANTI-SEMITIC SENTIMENTS," IT WAS DISCLOSED TODAY.

THE ADVISER ON NATIONAL POLICY OF THE FATHERLAND FRONT IN UPPER AUSTRIA, WHOSE DUTY IT IS TO REPRESENT NAZI INTERESTS WITHIN THE ORGANIZATION, INSTRUCTED HIS FOLLOWERS NOT TO WEAR SWASTIKA BADGES, DISPLAY NAZI FLAGS OR REVEAL NAZI SENTIMENTS IN A PROVOCATIVE MANNER, WHILE HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES IN PROVINCIAL SECTIONS SOUGHT LEGALIZATION OF THE SWASTIKA. THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT WAS NOT EXPECTED TO RECEIVE THE REQUEST SYMPATHETICALLY.

MEANWHILE, THE LEADER OF JUNGVOBK, OFFICIAL AUSTRIAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION, ORDERED ITS MEMBERS TO WEAR THEIR ORGANIZATION BADGES AT SCHOOL. SINCE JEWS ARE BARRED FROM THE JUNGVOBK, IT IS EXPECTED THAT A SPECIAL BADGE FOR JEWISH CHILDREN WILL BE INTRODUCED AS SOON AS A SPECIAL JEWISH YOUTH ORGANIZATION, AFFILIATED WITH OR INCORPORATED IN THE JUNGVOBK, IS ESTABLISHED.

(THE UNITED PRESS REPORTED THAT A STATE OF ALARM WAS DECLARED IN GRAZ AS NAZIS MOBILIZED ARMED FORMATIONS AWAITING THE ARRIVAL OF INTERIOR MINISTER SEYSS-INQUART AND A SHOWDOWN ON THE NAZI TEST OF STRENGTH. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTED AN ANTI-JEWISH BOYCOTT IN PROGRESS IN GRAZ, WITH NAZIS PICKETING STORES AND REGISTERING NAMES OF PURCHASERS.)

REPORTS OF NEW LEGISLATION RADICALLY ALTERING THE 1925 CITIZENSHIP LAW ARE CAUSING CONCERN IN JEWISH CIRCLES WHICH, WHILE CONFIDENT IT DOES NOT CONTAIN ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION, NEVERTHELESS FEAR POSSIBLE CONCESSIONS TO NAZI DEMANDS.

NEWSPAPERS REPORT THE MEASURE RADICALLY TIGHTENS THE NATURALIZATION REGULATIONS AND IS EXPECTED TO MAKE PERMANENT THE SUSPENSION, BY DECREE ISSUED IN 1933, OF A CLAUSE IN THE PRESENT LAW GIVING STATE, PROVINCIAL AND VIENNA AUTHORITIES THE RIGHT TO GRANT CITIZENSHIP UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. THE 1933 DECREE WAS AIMED ORIGINALLY AGAINST NATURALIZATION OF JEWS FROM EASTERN EUROPE.

THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL, ONE OF FOUR FEDERAL DIET CONSULTATIVE BODIES, HAS RECOMMENDED REDUCTION FROM SIX TO FOUR MONTHS IN THE PERIOD OF RESIDENCE PERMITTED WITHOUT SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER THE BILL REGULATING STATUS OF ALIENS IN AUSTRIA. THE BILL HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY TWO OTHER DIET BODIES.

VIENNA, MARCH 1. (HAVAS) -- ANOTHER NAZI WAS NAMED TO AN IMPORTANT AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT POST TODAY WHEN PRESIDENT WILHELM MIKLAS APPOINTED HUGO JURY TO THE COUNCIL OF STATE. JURY HAS SERVED AS ASSISTANT TO DR. ARTHUR VON SEYSS-INQUART, PRO-NAZI INTERIOR AND PUBLIC SECURITY MINISTER, IN THE OFFICE CHARGED WITH RALLYING AUSTRIA NAZIS TO THE FATHERLAND FRONT.

SOUTH AFRICA URGED TO TAKE STRONGER MEASURES AGAINST NAZIS; DANGER TO STATE CITED

JOHANNESBURG, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- JEWISH NEWSPAPERS CALLED ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TODAY TO SHOW MORE DETERMINATION IN COMBATTING NAZI ACTIVITIES, WHICH WERE HELD TO BE NOT ONLY A THREAT TO THE SAFETY OF THE JEWS, BUT A SERIOUS MENACE TO THE WHOLE STATE.

EXPRESSING ALARM OVER EXTENSION OF NAZI INFLUENCE, JEWISH CIRCLES VOICED THE BELIEF IT WAS NO MERE COINCIDENCE THAT ILL-FEELING AGAINST THE JEWISH COMMUNITY WAS MOST RAMPANT WHERE NAZI ORGANIZATIONS WERE MOST ACTIVE.

FOR A CONSIDERABLE TIME, IT WAS STATED, ALL SORTS OF PUBLICATIONS DIRECTED MAINLY AGAINST THE JEWS HAVE BEEN ENTERING SOUTH AFRICA. THEY ARE ISSUED BY THE DEUTSCHE FICHTE-

BUND OF HAMBURG AND OTHER GERMAN SOURCES. THE PUBLICATIONS HAVE BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE GREYSHIRTS, BLACKSHIRTS AND SIMILAR FASCIST-INCLINED BODIES, WHICH GIVE THEM PUBLICITY IN NUMEROUS JOURNALS AND PUBLICATIONS.

RAMIFICATIONS OF NAZI ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA ARE DESCRIBED BY THE STAR, WHICH STATES THAT SOUTH AFRICAN BRANCHES OF THE NAZI PARTY OPERATE REGULARLY IN NUMEROUS CENTERS, AND THAT NAZI DOCTRINES ARE CAREFULLY INCUCLATED INTO GERMAN YOUTH IN SOUTH AFRICA, WITH THE RESULT THAT THE NAZIS "WELD THE GERMANS INTO AN EFFICIENT AND CONSTANTLY PERFECTED ORGANIZATION COVERING THE WHOLE OF AFRICA WHICH WILL BE USED FOR THE PURPOSES DECIDED BY HEADQUARTERS IN BERLIN."

THE CAPE ARGUS DECLARES THAT NAZI PROPAGANDA HAS CREATED AN "OFFICIAL GERMAN STATE BODY WITHIN SOUTH AFRICA, A NAZI BRANCH WHICH IS PART OF THE GERMAN STATE, RECEIVING ORDERS FROM BERLIN AND EXACTING COMPLIANCE FROM ITS MEMBERS."

WLADYSLAW GRABSKI, SPONSOR OF ANTI-JEWISH TAX POLICY, DEAD IN POLAND

WARSAW, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- WLADYSLAW GRABSKI, A LEADER OF THE ANTI-SEMITIC NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY (ENDEKS) AND FORMER POLISH PREMIER, DIED TODAY. HE ALSO WAS MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND TWICE MINISTER OF FINANCE. AS FINANCE MINISTER IN 1924 AND 1925 HE INTRODUCED CURRENCY REFORMS AND AN ANTI-JEWISH TAXATION POLICY SO SEVERE THAT IT RESULTED IN A GREAT IMMIGRATION MOVEMENT TO PALESTINE, KNOWN AS "THE GRABSKI ALIYAH." HE WAS 64.

JEWISH DEFENDANT IN PRZYTYK DISORDERS FREED PENDING APPEAL

WARSAW, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- ISAAC FRIEDMAN, WHO IS UNDER SENTENCE OF SIX YEARS' IMPRISONMENT FOR PARTICIPATION IN DISORDERS IN THE TOWN OF PRZYTYK IN MARCH, 1935, WAS RELEASED TODAY PENDING APPEAL. TWO OTHER JEWS, SHALOM LESKO AND ELIEZER KIRSCHENZWEIG, ARE STILL IN PRISON. ALL THE POLISH DEFENDANTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RELEASED.

PAUL MUNI HAILED IN BENEFIT PERFORMANCE IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- PAUL MUNI, AMERICAN FILM STAR HERE ON A VACATION, WAS GIVEN A 15-MINUTE OVATION LAST NIGHT WHEN HE GAVE A SCENE FROM "THE LIFE OF EMILE ZOLA," AT A BENEFIT PERFORMANCE FOR NEEDY TEL AVIV CHILDREN. A CAPACITY CROWD OF 5,000 AT LEVANT FAIR CONCERT HALL WITNESSED THE PERFORMANCE AND HEARD MAYOR ISRAEL ROKACH ANNOUNCE THAT MR. MUNI WOULD RETURN TO PALESTINE IN 1939.

FIRST ZIONIST CONFERENCE OPENS IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- THE FIRST ZIONIST CONFERENCE IN MEXICO'S HISTORY OPENED HERE LAST NIGHT WITH 80 DELEGATES, ABOUT HALF OF THEM FROM THE PROVINCES, ATTENDING. JEWISH VICTIMS OF PALESTINE DISORDERS WERE EULOGIZED AND MESSAGES WERE READ FROM JEWISH LEADERS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING DR. STEPHEN S. WISE, MENACHEM M. USSISHKIN AND PROF. SELIG BRODETSKY. THE CONFERENCE IS UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE UNITED ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA.

LONDON TIMES WOULD HAVE OFFICER AS FOURTH MEMBER OF PARTITION BODY

LONDON, MARCH 1. (JTA) -- IN AN EDITORIAL APPROVING THE ANNOUNCED PERSONNEL OF THE PALESTINE PARTITION COMMISSION, THE TIMES TODAY VOICED THE HOPE THAT THE FOURTH MEMBER, STILL TO BE NAMED, WOULD BE AN OFFICER CONVERSANT WITH THE MILITARY AND POLITICAL ISSUES INVOLVED.

JERUSALEM MERCHANTS THREATEN STRIKE FOR LOWER RENTS

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- CONTRASTING DECLINING BUSINESS WITH RISING RENTALS, JEWISH MERCHANTS IN JERUSALEM HAVE THREATENED A STRIKE TO FORCE GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS OF STORE RENTALS. THEY HAVE BEEN JOINED BY ARAB MERCHANTS OF THE OLD CITY QUARTER, WHO ALSO THREATENED A STRIKE FOR LOWER RENTS.

A SURVEY BY THE JEWISH MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION SAID THAT RETAIL BUSINESS HAD DROPPED MORE THAN 50 PER CENT IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, WHILE RENTALS ROSE SHARPLY, IN SOME CASES AS MUCH AS 100 PER CENT. DECREASE IN JEWS' BUYING POWER, ARAB BOYCOTTS OF JEWISH SHOPS, THE DROP IN TOURIST TRADE AND POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY WERE CITED AS CAUSES OF DEPRESSED BUSINESS CONDITIONS.

WITH AN ESTIMATED 18,000 PERSONS AFFECTED -- INCLUDING THE MERCHANTS, THEIR EMPLOYEES AND FAMILIES -- THE ASSOCIATION IS URGING ON THE GOVERNMENT A PROGRAM OF RENT REGULATION, WHICH WOULD EMPOWER THE MUNICIPAL RENT COMMISSION TO ADJUST RATES DOWNWARD AS FAR AS 40 PER CENT AND BAN SUMMARY EVICTIONS FOR NON-PAYMENT OF RENT.

THE DEMANDS LED TO A THREAT OF A STRIKE, WHICH WAS POSTPONED THROUGH MEDIATION OF THE JEWISH AGENCY PENDING NEGOTIATIONS. THE ASSOCIATION HAS ADVISED ITS MEMBERS, HOWEVER, NOT TO SIGN NEW LEASES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

THE ASSOCIATION'S BUSINESS SURVEY SAID THE DECLINE VARIED FROM 30 TO 90 PER CENT, WITH BUSINESS FAILURES ON THE INCREASE, MERCHANTS FALLING BEHIND IN PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS, BANKS REFUSING CREDIT AND MANY MERCHANTS EVICTED FROM LONG-OCCUPIED PLACES OF BUSINESS.

MECCA PILGRIMAGE TO BE USED FOR ANTI-ZIONIST PROPAGANDA

JERUSALEM (JTA) -- THE GREAT ANNUAL GATHERING OF MOSLEMS FROM ALL OVER THE EASTERN HEMISPHERE FOR THE PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA WILL BE MADE THE OCCASION THIS YEAR FOR A VIGOROUS PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN AGAINST GREAT BRITAIN AND ZIONISM BY PALESTINIAN ARABS, IT IS PREDICTED HERE.

FOR SEVERAL WEEKS MOHAMMEDANS HAVE BEEN CONVERGING TOWARD THE DESERT CITY WHICH IS ISLAM'S GREATEST SHRINE. DESPITE THE ECONOMIC DEPRESSION IN PALESTINE AND CONSEQUENT IMPOVERISHMENT OF THE ARABS, MORE THAN 700 HAVE JOINED THE PILGRIMAGE, THE LARGEST NUMBER IN THE HISTORY OF THE HOLY LAND.

MOSLEMS USUALLY WAIT UNTIL THEY ARE PAST THE PRIME OF LIFE BEFORE MAKING THE JOURNEY TO MECCA, BUT MANY OF THE PALESTINIAN PILGRIMS THIS YEAR ARE YOUNG MEN. THE HEBREW PRESS IN PALESTINE, TAKING NOTE OF THESE FACTS, IS UNANIMOUS IN DECLARING THAT THESE YOUTHS PLAN TO AGITATE FOR THE PALESTINIAN ARAB NATIONALIST CAUSE AMONG THE MOSLEMS FROM MANY OTHER LANDS WHO THEY WILL MEET ON THE JOURNEY.

FROM BEIRUT IT IS REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF THE ARAB LEADERS WHO FLED FROM PALESTINE IN RECENT MONTHS TO ESCAPE ARREST FOR THEIR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ARE ALSO JOINING THE PILGRIMAGE. AMONG THEM ARE SAID TO BE SAAD ED DIN EL HAJ, FORMER HEAD OF THE WAQF (MOSLEM RELIGIOUS FUNDS) OF JAFFA, AND IBRAHIM SAID EL HUSSEINI, FORMER MANAGER OF THE HEBRON WAQF. THERE ARE ALSO REPORTS THAT JAMAL EL HUSSEINI, COUSIN OF THE DEPOSED MUFTI OF JERUSALEM AND A LEADING SPIRIT OF THE NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, HAS ALSO GONE ON THE PILGRIMAGE, BUT HEBREW PAPERS HOLD IT INCREDIBLE THAT JAMAL, A POLITICAL REFUGEE, WOULD BE ALLOWED TO MOVE FREELY IN AND OUT OF SYRIA.

THE MOVEMENT OF THE EXILED LEADERS TOWARD MECCA IS ALSO INTERPRETED BY THE HEBREW PRESS AS A PART OF THE PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN. IT IS PREDICTED THAT THE AGITATORS WILL DIRECT THEIR EFFORTS PARTICULARLY TOWARD MOSLEMS FROM INDIA.