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18 ARABS KILLED, 24 WOUNDED IN HAIFA BLAST; NAZI INTERVENTION SOUGHT

JERUSALEM, June 19. (JTA) -- Renewed tension gripped Palestine tonight following an early morning bombing in Haifa, in which 18 Arabs were killed and 24 others wounded, and violence in other parts of the Holy Land.

The Haifa blast, similar to one which took the lives of scores of Arabs in the northern port city last July, occurred at dawn in the Arab vegetable market. Six of the victims were women and three children, according to an official communique. Curfew was imposed by the authorities at 9 a.m. but was lifted seven hours later.

The bombing was followed by a stormy demonstration of Arab women and the stabbing of a Jew, Alfred Cohen, who was viewing the victims at the city morgue. An official communique said Cohen was stabbed by Arab women. He is in a serious condition.

The women's demonstration concentrated at the German Consulate where demands were voiced for German intervention against the terrorists responsible. When the Consul refused to receive a delegation, the demonstrators announced that they would appeal directly to Chancellor Adolf Hitler of Germany.

Meanwhile, other bombings occurred in Hadar Hacarmel, a Haifa suburb, and in Jaffa. A telephone booth and underground telephone wires were destroyed in the former incident. Jaffa was put under curfew starting at two p.m. following throwing of a bomb into a group of Jewish workers in the boundary area and the hurling of two bombs at the Jaffa police station. No casualties were reported. A Jew named Abraham Zadik, 62, an immigrant from Germany, was shot and seriously wounded in Haifa last night.

A Jewish supernumerary, Yehuda Nissenman, 31, was gravely wounded today when attacked from ambush by Arabs in an orange grove at Ness Ziona.

Leading rabbis and a Jewish Agency representative visited the Assistant District Commissioner in Tiberias, delivering a protest regarding the incendiary fire which yesterday gutted the Ortorah Yeshiva and demanding security measures.

Karpf Cites Contradictory Views on Balfour Phrase By Colonial Secretaries

NEW YORK, June 19. (JTA) -- Flatly contradictory interpretations of the meaning of the disputed "Jewish national home" phrase in the Balfour Declaration have been made by Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald and his predecessor, William Ormsby-Gore, before the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League of Nations, it was pointed out today by Dr. Maurice J. Karpf, American non-Zionist member of the Jewish Agency Executive.

Commenting on Mr. MacDonald's statement to the Mandates Commission last Thursday, in which he said the phrase should be interpreted to mean "something less than a Jewish State," Dr. Karpf called attention to a declaration made to the Commission in July, 1937, by Mr. Ormsby-Gore following publication of the Royal Commission's report recommending partition of Palestine into independent Jewish and Arab states with a British-mandated buffer area.

At that time, Dr. Karpf said, Mr. Ormsby-Gore (now Lord Harlech) declared that the Balfour Declaration "was still a binding obligation, and would remain so until replaced by an independent Jewish State." The declaration by the then Colonial Secretary was incorporated in the January, 1938, White Paper issued by the British Government outlining the terms of reference for the Woodhead Partition Commission, which ultimately brought in a report declaring that the partition scheme was not feasible. The declaration, taken from the minutes of the 32nd session of the Mandates Commission (p. 182), follows:

"(Mr. Ormsby-Gore) had certainly had no intention of conveying the impression that the Balfour Declaration was not still a binding obligation on both the League and the United Kingdom. Obviously, like the mandate, it was still a binding obligation, and would remain so until replaced by an independent Jewish State. It was only if the suggested plan of partition were accepted, and eventuated in the creation of a Jewish State, that the Balfour Declaration would reach its fruition and cease to be binding. Similarly, the mandate was binding until it was replaced by another regime in Palestine."

Dr. Karpf issued the following statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency: "Although I have not changed my view opposing a Jewish State as recommended by the Royal Commission, I feel that this kind of diametrically opposite interpretations by successive British Colonial secretaries in two years, serving in the same Government, should not be permitted to go unchallenged."

NAZI ARSON DRIVE LEVELS ANOTHER CZECH SYNAGOGUE

LONDON, June 19 (JTA) -- The Nazi arson campaign against synagogues in Bohemia-Moravia continued today with the destruction of the synagogue at Friedek, near Maerisch-Ostrau, it was reported from Prague.

Bratislava advises said that the Slovakian Interior Minister, following German complaints and intervention by Propaganda Minister Sano Mach, cancelled police permission for the publication of a Jewish paper in the German, Slovak and Hungarian languages.

IMPROVEMENT IN POLAND. RUMANIA NOTED IN REPORT TO BRITISH DEPUTIES

LONDON, June 19. (JTA) An improvement in the Jewish position in Poland and Rumania, coupled with a new attitude toward Nazi-inspired anti-Semitic agitation on the part of other European states, was reported today to the Board of Deputies of British Jews. The developments were noted in a report of the Joint Foreign Committee of the Board and the Anglo-Jewish Association, which described the plight of the Jewish populations in Germany, the protectorate of Bohemia Moravia. Slovakia and Carpatho-Russia.

Submitting the report, Leonard Stein, newly inducted president of the Anglo-Jewish Association, declared: "There is reason to think that some states with small Jewish populations, where the influence of the Nazi regime led the governments to condone anti-Semitic agitation and discrimination against the Jews, are beginning to see that freedom from the

allegation of Jewish persecution is a moral asset in the eyes of democracies which no country can afford to despise." The report also pointed out that the refugee problem could not be solved without intergovernmental action.

Board President Neville Laski, reporting on defence activities, declared that a decrease in anti-Semitic and anti-refugee letters in the British press had been accompanied by an increase in the "foulest leaflets, pamphlets and propaganda" and recrudescence of Fascist tactics of violence of speech and manner at public meetings.

The Board stood in silence when Mr. Laski commemorated Chief Rabbi Jacob Meir, spiritual leader of Palestine Sephardic Jews, who died last month. Mr. Laski also paid tribute to Leonard Montefiore, retired president of the Anglo-Jewish Association, congratulated Otto Schiff on his work in behalf of the refugees and welcomed and wished success to Mr. Stein, new Association president.

POLISH SEJM GETS ANTI-SEMITIC DEMANDS AS IT ADJOURNS FOR SUMMER

WARSAW, June 19. (JTA) -- A series of anti-Semitic demands was put into the record by two Polish deputies today as the Sejm adjourned for the summer.

Measures to enforce Jewish emigration from Poland, prevent influx of refugees and liquidate the refugee camp at Zbomszyn were demanded by Deputy Stoch. The deputy also demanded segregation of Jewish children in the public schools, charging that they were spreading "atheism and sexual immorality."

Mr. Stock called upon Foreign Minister Josef Beck to report on the results of his London conversations on Polish Jewish emigration to British colonies. He attacked support of Jewish loan banks as "strengthening Jewish wealth in Poland."

Elimination of Jewish participation in foreign trade was demanded in an interpellation by Deputy Juzwiak.

YOUTHS SEIZED IN BRUSSELS AS ANTI-JEWISH VANDALS

BRUSSELS, June 19. (JTA) -- The police today arrested Gaston Jacquemain, 24, head of the National Legion of Youth Guards, and four other leaders of the Fascist organization, on charges of concealing stolen goods. In a raid on the organization's headquarters here, the police seized 15 doorplates recently removed from Jewish shops, organizations and synagogues.

DISTRIBUTION OF ST. LOUIS EXILES COMPLETED AS 500 SAIL TO FRANCE, ENGLAND; 12 NON-JEWS IN GROUP

ANTWERP, June 19. (JTA) -- Distribution of the 907 refugees on the German liner St. Louis was completed today when some 500 of them sailed for havens in France and England. They were transferred from the St. Louis to the German steamship Rhakotis, which will disembark one group at Boulogne, France, tomorrow morning and the Britain-bound group at Southampton on Wednesday morning.

Another 194 were taken to Rotterdam, the Netherlands, yesterday by Belgian Red Cross tender, while the 250 receiving refuge in Belgium were already safely ensconced in the re-conditioned old Marneffe Castle near Brussels. The St. Louis, which arrived here Saturday morning, sailed for Hamburg at midnight, completing its five-week odyssey.

The passengers ranged from children in arms to a woman of 80. They included 12 non-Jews, most of whom are married to Jews. They spoke gratefully of the treatment received at the hands of the St. Louis crew and were warm in expressions of gratitude to the Joint Distribution Committee and the other agencies which arranged their rescue.

One of the cases satisfactorily settled by the committee which directed distribution of the passengers concerned a young man and woman who had fallen in love aboard the ship and were assigned to different countries. It was arranged that both go to France.

The baggage committee handled more than 7,000 pieces, totalling 600 tons. Morris C. Troper, J.D.C. executive who supervised disembarkation activities, in a statement to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, praised the British, French, Belgian and Netherlands authorities for their cooperation. He also paid tribute to the discipline of the passengers in the face of the acute nervous tension.

GOTTSCALK NAMED PRESIDENT BY HIAS ICA ASSEMBLY

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) -- The general assembly of the HIAS-ICA Emigration Association today elected as president Max Gottschalk, Brussels attorney, head of the Belgian Refugee Committee and board member of the Jewish Colonization Association.

LEHMAN, AT BRITH ABRAHAM PARLEY, URGES AID TO EXILES

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y., June 19. (JTA) -- Governor Herbert H. Lehman, addressing the 52nd annual convention of Independent Order Brith Abraham, today urged assistance to those looking for homes in other countries and appealed to Britain to open Palestine's doors to refugees. Demanding that Palestine be maintained as a spiritual center of the Jewish people, the Governor praised the assistance of the United Jewish Appeal to refugees and lauded the work of the Jewish pioneers in the Holy Land.

Mr. Lehman voiced gratitude that human rights and liberties still existed on America's soil and appealed to the delegates to help preserve this freedom. He termed the order a great power for the preservation of democracy in this country. The Governor was introduced by Samuel Goldstein, Grandmaster of the Order, as a great American Jew whose services served as a challenge to those who attacked the Jewish people as Communistic.

The convention, with 800 delegates attending, opened yesterday with the reading of Grandmaster Goldstein's message. Other speakers were Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Mayor Mallory and Dr. Samuel Margoshes.

U.S. OWES GOOD GOVERNMENT TO MINORITIES, SOCIAL WORKERS TOLD BY CATHOLIC LEADER

BUFFALO, June 19 (JTA) -- Characterizing the United States as "a land of minorities," George N. Shuster, associate editor of Commonweal, tonight credited this country's "amazingly good government since George Washington's time" primarily to "the balance which exists between the minorities which make up the population." Mr. Shuster was one of three speakers who addressed a large general session of the 66th annual meeting of the National Conference of Social Work at Broadway Auditorium here. Solomon Lowenstein, executive vice-president of the Federation for the Support of Jewish Philanthropic Societies of New York City, was among the other speakers on "The Call of Our Great Traditions."

C.C.A.R. ELECTS LEIPZIGER AS PRESIDENT, REAFFIRMS FAITH IN DEMOCRACY

WASHINGTON, June 19. (JTA) -- Rabbi Emil W. Leipziger of New Orleans was elected president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis yesterday at the concluding session of its five-day 50th anniversary convention. Rabbi Leipziger succeeds Rabbi Max C. Currick of Erie, Pa. Rabbi James G. Heller of Cincinnati was named vice-president; Rabbis Harry S. Margolis, St. Paul, treasurer; Isaac E. Marcuson, Macon, Ga., recording secretary, and Sidney Regner, Reading, Pa., corresponding secretary.

The Conference adopted a resolution reaffirming its belief in American democracy "as the best form of government." It further advocated that "the positive message of Americanism" be "impressively recommended." Any "departure along the paths of subversive political 'isms' by any group in American life will prove a disaster to our beloved land and a disintegrating danger to our American democratic institutions," a resolution said.

The Conference also recommended approval of the Wagner-Rogers Bill to admit 20,000 German children, called upon all religious groups in America "to join with us in vigorous refusal to countenance un-American and irreligious propaganda" and opposed the Hobbs Bill establishing detention camps for undesirable or criminal aliens subject to deportation.

96 FLANDRES REFUGEES LAND IN FRANCE; 223 of ST. LOUIS GROUP ARRIVE TODAY

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) -- A high police official and representatives of Jewish relief organizations proceeded today to Boulogne to supervise the landing tomorrow morning from the German steamship Rhakotis of 223 refugees, France's quota of the 907 St. Louis refugees. Holders of American visa numbers total 162. The refugees comprise 60 families and 38 single persons. Among them are 80 children. Authorities in Boulogne assigned a special 30-room building for the refugees' free accommodation pending distribution to various sections of France.

Another 96 refugees aboard the French steamship Flandres, also barred from Cuba, landed today at St. Nazaire. They will be permitted to remain in France under \$500 bonds and assurance of maintenance offered by the J.D.C.

FRENCH, BRITISH COLONIAL SECRETARIES DISCUSS JOINT NEAR EAST POLICY

PARIS, June 19. (JTA) - Colonial Secretaries Malcolm MacDonald of Britain and Georges Mandel of France, at a conference today, discussed coordination of Anglo-French activities regarding Palestine and Syria, particularly from the military and economic viewpoints, and also the fate of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, now in exile in Syria.

After the conference, M. Mandel gave a luncheon for Mr. MacDonald at the Ritz Hotel, attended by Cabinet members and the British Ambassador. Afterward, Mr. MacDonald returned to Geneva to resume his testimony before the Mandates Commission on Britain's new Palestine policy.

SENATOR REYNOLDS' ANTI-ALIEN ORGANIZATION FORMS YOUTH 'BORDER PATROL'

WASHINGTON, June 19. (JTA) -- Formation of a "Border Patrol" by Senator Robert R. Reynolds' "American Vindicator" organization, open to boys from the ages of 10 to 18 and aimed at pressing the drive against aliens, is announced in the current issue of the organization's newspaper, The American Vindicator.