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BRITISH AUTHORITIES ACT AGAINST JEWS IN JERUSALEM, HAIFA FOR ATTACKS ON ARABS

JERUSALEM, July 4. (JTA) -- British authorities today suspended Jewish traffic to and from Jerusalem, searching three sections and collectively fining three others, and closed Jewish amusement places in Haifa as a result of attacks on Arabs.

British forces carried out house-to-house searches in Rehavia, modern Jewish residential district in Jerusalem, the Romema quarter and on Jaffa Road in midtown after one Arab was officially declared to have been seriously wounded and two slightly injured in the bombing of a truck by Jews. Later an Arab was shot at and slightly injured on King George Avenue. Military cordons halted traffic within the city as well as on inter-urban routes, preventing men from going to work and crippling commerce. Among the houses searched in Rehavia was that of Menachem M. Ussishkin.

District Commissioner Edward Keith-Roach collectively fined the Boukharian, Beth Israel and Mea Shearim Jewish quarters and vicinity a total of L1,000 to be collected from all males over the age of 15 because of shooting attacks on Arabs. The affected sections are outside the city walls and in the center of the community of religious Jews living on charity from abroad.

Curfew imposed on Haifa last night after one Arab had been killed and 35 injured in the bombing of a Christian Arab cafe on Kingsway was lifted today, but the military commander took punitive action by ordering the indefinite closing of all Jewish cinemas, cafes, dance halls and other amusement places in the city, disrupting the Summer resort trade, and also prohibiting Jewish taxicabs and private cars from leaving the city.

Meanwhile, terrorism against Jews also continued. Isaac Kagan, supernumerary policeman, was shot dead yesterday from an orange grove near Givat Ramban in the vicinity of Tel Aviv. He was a blacksmith who had immigrated from Latvia six years ago. In addition, a Government Health Department employee, Haim Malcha, was shot and seriously wounded by an Arab in Tiberias.

An Arab bandsman was seriously wounded and two Jewish supernumeraries were slightly injured when a detachment of supernumeraries routed a terrorist band which had attacked a Jewish watchman in the fields of Yagur near Haifa.

A member of the dwindling community of Samaritans at Nablus was shot dead in Haifa -- the first to die in the three-year-old reign of terror in Palestine. He was Ibrahim Yussef Kaban.

Jewish Newspapermen Boycott Government Reception

JERUSALEM, July 4. (JTA) -- All Hebrew newspapers and correspondents of foreign Jewish newspapers and agencies, after consulting Jewish officials, have decided not to attend a tea given by the Government press officer to meet James S. McPherson, new Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, as a protest against Britain's new Palestine policy. The editors of the local Hebrew newspapers decided to decline the invitations and the Jewish foreign correspondents followed suit.

840 Illegal Immigrants Await Government Action

HAIFA, July 4. (JTA) -- The Greek schooner St. Nicola, which steamed boldly into the harbor yesterday flying the blue-white Zionist flag and carrying 697 Jewish illegal immigrants, including 470 men, 190 women and 37 children, was held under arrest in the port today pending instructions from the authorities in Jerusalem.

The 370 illegal immigrants captured off Gaza aboard the steamship Los Parlos on Sunday were interned in the Jewish Agency's immigrants' hostel in Haifa and will probably be released in a day or two.

Britain Denies Interfering with Refugee Transit

LONDON, July 4. (JTA) -- Foreign Undersecretary Richard A. Butler denied in Commons yesterday that the British Government had induced foreign governments to refuse transit visas to refugees in order to check illegal immigration to Palestine. Replying to a question by Tom Williams, Laborite, Mr. Butler said Britain had contacted foreign governments only to secure their assistance in preventing illegal traffic in refugees from Germany, Czechoslovakia and other countries. He added that the British Government would consider the question of whether these measures were also causing hardship to legitimate immigrants.

SLOVAKIA BANS SHECHITA; CONTINUED ATTACKS IN BOHEMIA-MORAVIA

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia, July 4. (Havas) -- The departure of some 750 Jewish emigres, including 210 women and 40 children, who are bound for Liberia, provoked new anti-Semitic demonstrations here yesterday.

The Slovak Government meanwhile banned the sale of kosher meat on grounds that slaughtering of animals by the Jewish ritual was "inhuman and contrary to the directive principles of the Slovak State." The orthodox Jewish community sent a delegation to Premier Joseph Tiso to protest against this measure.

LONDON, July 4. (JTA) -- Continued anti-Semitic attacks and arrests of leading Jews in Bohemia-Moravia were reported today from Prague. Czech Fascists supported by Germans demonstrated on the streets of Iglau, beating up Jewish pedestrians and breaking windows of Jewish shops. A number of Fascists were arrested after inadvertently breaking windows of Germans' shops.

Dr. Leon Selmanowitz, former general secretary of the Jewish Party, was arrested by the Gestapo in Prague shortly after the release from a Gestapo prison of Ernst Frischer,

president of the party, who had served a three-and-a-half month term. Among others arrested, it was learned, was Councillor Kaemph, former Higher Court judge, who presided at the treason trial under the former regime of Nazi Professor Partscheider. Kaemph will have to spend two-and-a-half years in prison to match Partscheider's term despite the fact that the Nazi professor intervened with the Gestapo, declaring that Kaemph had conducted the trial fairly.

Pathetic scenes occurred at the Prague railway station when 260 Jewish children left for England under a stipulation that their parents would not be permitted to visit them until they had become of age. Only one adult was allowed by the Gestapo to accompany the transport to the Netherlands frontier.

In Slovakia, 556 Jewish lawyers were eliminated in accordance with the decree restricting Jews to 4 per cent in the law profession. Only 24 lawyers were permitted to continue practice, restricted to representing Jewish clients.

TOLERANCE PLEDGE TAKEN IN 5,000 COMMUNITIES; NATION-WIDE BROADCAST HELD

NEW YORK, July 4. (JTA) -- Independence Day meetings in an estimated 5,000 communities today adopted an "American Declaration of Tolerance and Equality," while a nationwide broadcast under the auspices of the Council against Intolerance in America, linking the New York and San Francisco fairs, brought to America a message of equality.

The "declaration," framed in the form of a pledge on the model of the Declaration of Independence, stresses repudiation of "all doctrines of inequality," condemnation of intolerance and reaffirmation of the doctrine that all men are created free and equal. It was drafted by William Allen White, Senator W. Warren Barbour and George Gordon Battle, co-chairmen of the council.

The pledge was read during intermission in New York theaters, by arrangement with the League of New York Theaters, and at the Fourth of July concert at the Lewisohn Stadium tonight. It was recited during this afternoon's radio broadcast by Governor Culbert Olson of California, who declared that "the means of unity is tolerance."

Mayor LaGuardia, speaking from the New York World's Fair before a large crowd in the Court of Peace, declared that America would resist foreign propagandas of hatred. He compared dictatorships to gangster rule in their attacks on defenseless minority groups. Other speakers were Mr. White, Mr. Battle, Grover Whalen and clergymen of three faiths. The program included music and plays dedicated to tolerance in which the participants included Lawrence Tibbett, Melvyn Douglas and Eddie Dowling. At the two fairs, contingents of patriotic, veteran and civic groups participated in massing of the colors ceremonies.

LAGUARDIA ASKED TO STOP COUGHLINITE CAMPAIGN AGAINST JEWS IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, July 4. (JTA) -- An appeal to take immediate and energetic action to curb the "campaign of slander" directed by the followers of Father Charles E. Coughlin against the Jews of New York City, has been addressed to Mayor LaGuardia by the General Executive Committee of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance of America, it was announced today by Louis Segal, general secretary of the Zionist fraternal order.

Calling attention to the fact that "in recent months it has become a daily occurrence for Jews to be subjected to insults and abuses on the streets of New York, and in the subways, by the vendors of Father Coughlin's 'Social Justice'," the memorandum to the Mayor declares that "it is often difficult for Jewish and non-Jewish individuals to control them-

selves in the face of such provocation," with the consequence that there already have been disturbances in some sections, resulting in bloodshed.

This situation, the memorandum asserts, is created by the "enemies of democracy and of peace of our city," and represents a danger not only for the Jewish people, but for the entire population of the city. "In view of these facts," the memorandum continues, "we believe we have the right to inquire, Mr. Mayor, what you are doing to stop such provocations. What orders, if any, have been given to the police force to curb these insults, which Jewish citizens of New York are subjected to? Surely you must realize that the continuation of such an intolerable situation may lead to civil strife among the various religious and national groups within our City, with results that can easily be imagined."

HEAD OF LATIN GROUP ACCUSED OF ANTI-SEMITISM AT YOUTH CONGRESS

NEW YORK, July 4. (JTA) -- An anti-Semitic issue was injected into the proceedings of the American Youth Congress general meeting yesterday when one of the proponents of an anti-Communism resolution was accused of anti-Semitism and "Coughlinism." Floyd Caridi, chairman of the Young Latin American League, arising to defend the resolution, was charged by Ben Epstein of the American Jewish Congress Youth Division with being "an open anti-Semite who has beaten Jews in the streets of New York." Later, Mr. Caridi denied that he was either anti-Semitic or a member of the Coughlinite Christian Front organization.

CONSERVATIVE RABBIS ASK SHORTER SCHOOL DAY TO PERMIT RELIGIOUS TEACHING

ASBURY PARK, N.J. July 4. (JTA) -- Resolutions urging a shorter school day permit time for religious education, reaffirming adherence to democracy and endorsing the Wagner-Rogers child refugees' bill were put before the 39th annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America today by its Social Justice Committee.

Reporting for the committee to more than 100 Conservative rabbis gathered at the Clarendon-Brunswick Hotel, Rabbi Isadore B. Hoffman urged the shortened school day to "make it possible for families to give their children an adequate religious education without overburdening the child's daily program." On the ground that the public school should be "the central agency for the building of the American nation" the committee opposed "any such step as the segregation of children along religious lines or the dismissal of children for denominational religious instruction during the school day," as has been proposed in some quarters.

The resolution on democracy declared: "The practice of Judaism requires devotion to the democratic ideal. We repudiate all forms of totalitarianism and dictatorship of the Right or of the Left. We emphasize the constitutional guarantees of freedom contained in the American Bill of Rights and reject any theory or effort to abridge the privilege of every American of whatever race, color or creed to work peaceably for any political principles or party."

The recommendation regarding refugees urged the rabbis' cooperation in obtaining consent from as many families as possible to take a child refugee into their homes. The convention held special religious services to mark Independence Day and the fast day of the Seventeenth of Tammuz.

Last night, Dr. Simon Greenberg, in his presidential message, condemned Britain's new Palestine policy, but warned against those who "adopt violence as a path of Jewish emancipation."

"We consider the policy enumerated in the recent White Paper published by the Colonial Office of the British Government as a most unjustifiable breach of the sacred pledge offered to a physically defenseless people by a mighty nation at a most solemn hour in its own history," he said. "With all the fervor of our souls we pray that the determination of all Jews to continue their constructive work in Palestine in justice and peace will not be marred by those whose strained nerves and misguided minds may lead them to adopt violence as a path of Jewish emancipation. For those who turn to these paths we have but utter condemnation."

Dr. Greenberg also urged rabbis to "assume a more definite position of leadership in Jewish life." He said: "For the promotion of better understanding in America the rabbis who address thousands of gatherings annually are the great natural channel through which goodwill among faiths can express itself."

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, provost of the Jewish Theological Seminary, declared that "the time has come when we must reassert the primary of religious faith in man's spiritual life and recognize that knowledge may lead to destruction unless it is combined with faith." Other speakers at the opening session were Dr. Max Arzt, vice-president of the assembly; Dr. Robert Gordis and Dr. Israel M. Goldman. A greeting was read from Dr. Cyrus Adler, president of the Seminary. Others who greeted the convention were Louis J. Moss, president of the United Synagogue of America, and Miss Sarah Kussy, vice-president of the Women's League of the United Synagogue.

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Amendment of the act compelling refugee children to re-emigrate from England when they reach 18 was urged by Sir Benjamin Drage in a letter to The Times, citing a letter of the school authorities praising the abilities of refugee children as raising the intellectual standards of British schools. "They are the type England needs," Sir Benjamin said. He concluded that permitting the refugee children to remain here would help to offset the falling birthrate and shortage of juvenile labor in England.

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