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JERUSALEM, TEL AVIV PUT UNDER CURFEW AS LAND ACT RIOTING SPREADS

JERUSALEM, March 5. (JTA) -- The Government today imposed curfew on the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv and Jewish quarters of Jerusalem as demonstrations against the ordinance restricting land sales spread on the eve of tomorrow's debate in the House of Commons in London on a Labor motion censuring the Government for issuing the regulations.

Curfew from 3:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. was declared in Jerusalem's Jewish quarters after Jewish demonstrations had been renewed shortly after midday, accompanied by stone-throwing in which a British constable was slightly injured. Windows were broken on the Jaffa Road and at the Eden Cinema. The demonstrators were dispersed by the police.

In Tel Aviv, curfew was imposed--the second time within four days--from 5 p.m. until further notice. (The censored cable did not give the cause of the curfew in the all-Jewish city of 180,000 population, but it was assumed that demonstrations had broken out there, too.)

Meanwhile, High Commissioner Sir Harold A. MacMichael, according to an official communique, received a delegation of Jewish women representing the Council of Jewish Women, which presented a memorandum in protest against the land ordinance. Sir Harold promised to transmit it to London. The delegation included Miss Henrietta Szold, Baltimore-born head of the Youth Aliyah organization; Mrs. Isaac Herzog, wife of Palestine's Chief Rabbi; Mrs. Kurt Blumenfeld and Mrs. Idelson.

Arabs welcomed the land ordinance. Ragheb Bey Nashashibi, head of the Arab Defense Party, said the regulations had been well received by the Arabs, but the legislation had been too much delayed. Piecemeal implementation of the Palestine White Paper tended to detract from its full effect, he said. He added that he considered the White Paper policy as aimed at promoting cooperation of Arabs and Jews in a common country.

Scores Reported Injured in Demonstrations

NEW YORK, March 5. (JTA) -- The Associated Press, in a Rome dispatch today, quoted a "reliable informant just come from Jerusalem" as stating that scores of Jews and British police were injured in recent demonstrations and in one case British cavalry with drawn sabers charged to disperse a crowd. The largest demonstration was in Tel Aviv, with 15,000 Jews participating, the informant said. Ninety Jews were reported hurt in Haifa when police repulsed an attempt to burn a courthouse.

18 Pickets Arrested, Freed

NEW YORK, March 5. (JTA) -- Eighteen of a group of Zionist youths who picketed the British Consulate today protesting against the Palestine land ordinance were arrested on disorderly conduct charges but were discharged shortly afterward when brought into Magistrates' Court. Police said the pickets, carrying placards, walked before the building, shouting and creating a disturbance and refused an order to disperse. Those arrested included eight women.

'Land Sales Gimmel' Predicted; Weizmann Leaves Today

NEW YORK, March 5. (JTA) -- "Land sales Gimmel," or Jewish acquisition of land in Palestine despite the new British restrictions on such transactions, were held out as a possibility today.

This aspect of the situation had been brought to light by speakers at a mass meeting of 3,000 persons at Carnegie Hall last night, sponsored by the American Emergency Committee for Palestine, held to protest against the land ordinance. The new phrase designating illegal land purchases was coined by Dr. Stephen S. Wise who declared defiantly:

"Months ago Colonial Secretary McDonald announced restrictions against immigration. Well, we have had an Aliyah Beth (illegal immigration). Now we are going to have land sales to Jews and we will call them land sales Gimmel."

Possibilities for continued legal purchase of land were also pointed out by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Jewish National Fund of America, who stressed the fact that Jewish buying was unrestricted in Western Galilee, where the colonies of Hanita and Khirbet Semakh are located, and where a new settlement was established the other day.

A hopeful note was likewise sounded by Jewish Agency President Chaim Weizmann in a farewell to American Jewry which he telegraphed to the meeting. Dr. Weizmann offered "a word of reassurance," declaring the present British policy "stands condemned and will fall under the weight of its own injustice," and that "the forward march in Palestine will not be stopped by what will inevitably become a scrap of paper." Dr. Weizmann is scheduled to leave for Europe by Pan-American Clipper tomorrow from Baltimore, ending a 2-month visit here.

A message from the Pro-Palestine Federation voiced support of the fight against the new restrictions and declared that the United States "has the indisputable right to counsel the cancellation of the new discriminatory anti-Jewish land laws and refuse recognition of any drastic modifications involving violation of the Mandate."

Speakers at the rally included Mrs. Moses P. Epstein, former national president of Hadassah; Rabbi Wolf Gold, chairman of the world executive of the Mizrahi Organization; Haim Greenberg, Labor Zionist leader; and Louis Lipsky, former Z.O.A. president, who presided. At the start of the meeting a colorful procession of boys and girls who had been picketing the British consulate trooped into the hall dressed in uniforms of Zionist youth organizations, carrying placards denouncing the land ordinance and singing Hebrew marching songs.

REFUGEES WITH ENTRY VISAS STRANDED IN EUROPEAN LANDS BY LACK OF STEAMER FARE

PARIS, March 5. (JTA) -- Several thousand Jewish refugees from German territories who hold visas for the United States and Latin American countries are stranded in France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Italy because they lack steamship fare. Many face the danger that their visas will expire and will not be renewed if they are not provided with passage.

A delegation of Jewish leaders from Antwerp arrived in Paris to appeal to central Jewish relief organizations to aid stranded emigrants. The delegation revealed that those stranded in Antwerp alone included 200 holders of American quota visas which were about to expire. Similar is the situation of many refugees in other countries, holding United States and Latin American visas.

The general situation of the 15,000 Jewish refugees in Belgium was termed by the delegation "very critical" since none of them is permitted to work and each receives only about \$1 weekly for food and shelter.

ENVOY HERE SEES REPATRIATION OF EXILES PREFERABLE TO LOT IN LITHUANIA

WASHINGTON, March 5. (JTA) -- While lacking specific information on reports from Kaunas that between 3,000 and 5,000 refugees may be returned to German Poland at the behest of the Nazi Government, the Lithuanian Legation said today that conditions of the refugees in his homeland had become distressing.

(A Kaunas dispatch to the J.T.A. yesterday said a German commission had arrived in the Lithuanian capital to negotiate repatriation of 3,000 to 5,000 refugees and interned Poles.)

Lack of funds for refugee care was blamed largely for the decision to cut down as much as possible the refugee population of Lithuania.

"It might be better," said Minister Zadeikis, "that the refugees be returned to their homeland, even to face hardships, than to live in the distressing economic circumstances they now must face in Lithuania."

While the minister's statements indicated that Lithuania is engaging upon a general program to reduce the number of refugees within its borders, he would make no formal declaration of the new policy.

REICH REPORTED DROPPING EXPULSIONS TO LUBLIN AREA

ZURICH, March 5. (JTA) -- The Neue Zuercher Zeitung reported from Berlin today that the German Government has abandoned for the time being deportation of Reich Jews to the Lublin "reservation" in Nazi Poland.

The decision reportedly was taken upon recommendation of Nazi Governor General Hans Frank, who warned of epidemics resulting from the extremely unsatisfactory sanitary conditions in the Lublin area. The warning followed reported arrival of more than 1,000 Jews, who had been deported last month from Stettin, in Piaska, near Lublin.

NEW YORK, March 5. (JTA) -- A Berlin dispatch to the New York Times, reporting that further deportations from Germany to the Lublin "reservation" had been stopped by order of the highest authorities, said:

"This order apparently has been inspired by a protest from officials of the Government General in Poland. . . The Stettin Jews, on their arrival there in the midst of the almost unprecedented cold spell that prevailed two weeks ago, are said to have found the existing barracks so badly overcrowded and the food and sanitary arrangements so inadequate that the local German officials refused to take responsibility for any further transports that might arrive."

The dispatch said it had been ascertained that the Stettin deportation was carried out by local officials without consulting Berlin.

5 ANTI-JEWISH RIOTERS GET JAIL TERMS IN LITHUANIA

KAUNAS, March 5. (JTA) -- Five persons who participated in anti-Jewish excesses in the town of Neuvilleika on Oct. 29 were sentenced to imprisonment by the District Court today. The ringleader, Kazimierz Czerniak, received a four-year term and his four accomplices received one-year sentences. The prosecutor had demanded severe punishment to show that "the period of unjust treatment for minorities has ended and all citizens are equal in Lithuania."

ALTER, SOCIALIST LEADER, REPORTED EXECUTED IN SOVIET POLAND

PARIS, March 5. (JTA) -- The reported execution by the Soviet authorities of Victor Alter, Polish Jewish Socialist leader, has been confirmed, it was reported today by Glos Polski, official organ of Polish Government-in-exile. Alter was arrested last September when the Soviet forces occupied eastern Poland and reportedly held in jail in the city of Kowel, Wolhynia.

NAZI RED CROSS CHIEF DUE IN CAPITAL MARCH 14; TALKS WITH DAVIS SET

WASHINGTON, March 5. (JTA) -- The Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, president of the German Red Cross, will arrive in Washington March 14. While he is here he will discuss Polish relief questions with Norman Davis, chairman of the American Red Cross, and possibly with ex-President Herbert Hoover, it was learned today. In Washington, the Duke, who is a cousin of the King of England, although a German citizen, will be entertained at the German Embassy.

ROBERT LYNCH, WASHINGTON LAWYER, NAMED COUNSEL TO DIES BODY

WASHINGTON, March 5. (JTA) -- The Dies Committee today announced appointment of Robert E. Lynch, Washington trial lawyer, as its new counsel to succeed Rhea Whitley, resigned. His appointment became effective March 3.

ARABS BEGGING JEWS TO BUY LAND, ZIONISTS TOLD IN LONDON

LONDON, March 5. (JTA) -- Arabs are begging Jews to purchase land from them despite the new Palestine ordinance restricting such transactions, it was asserted at a Zionist meeting here last night by Joseph Baratz, Palestine labor leader. Baratz said that the representatives of 22 Arab villages have petitioned the Palestine Government against the ordinance.

British Zionists Assail Act

LONDON, March 5. (JTA) -- A meeting of the British Zionist Federation's executive council today adopted a resolution denouncing the restrictions on land purchase in Palestine. The resolution said that "the policy announced by the Colonial Secretary, if persisted in, will render further tenure of the mandate by the British Government unjustifiable both morally and in international law."

The Ministry of Information's foreign press review, under the headline "Palestine: Land Regulations Favorably Received," reported today that "the Arab press accorded a favorable reception to the new land transfer regulations." The review quoted three Palestine Arab newspapers.

PALESTINE SURPLUS PUT AT £2,840,000

JERUSALEM, March 5. (JTA) -- The official gazette announced today that the Palestine Government surplus as of the end of November was £2,840,000.

PALESTINE AVIATION FIRM PLANS TO EXTEND PASSENGER SERVICE

JERUSALEM, March 5. (JTA) -- A passenger service linking Tiberias, Lydda and Tel Aviv is under consideration by the Aviron National Aviation Corporation, it was learned today.

The new service is expected to stimulate traffic to the famous Tiberias Hot Spring and offer convenient communication between the Galilee settlements and other points in the country.

It will also provide valuable flying experience for graduates of the Aviron Flying School, which is the only aviation instruction center in the Holy Land. Instruction is being given by the school both at the Lydda Airport and the Aviron's private field in the Jordan Valley, where a large hangar housing eight to ten planes, and workshops are being constructed.

Some 30 pilots have already been graduated from the Aviron institution and hold Government licenses. Aviron owns 11 planes of various types, including four passenger and seven instruction craft. A society to stimulate interest in aviation has been formed here and it hopes to grant scholarships for study at the Aviron school. Glider clubs have a membership of 300 throughout the country.

LANGUAGE RIVALRY LEADS TO WRECKING OF RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEAR TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, March 5. (JTA) -- A religious school recently established in Ramat Gan, near Tel Aviv, was wrecked during the night by unidentified persons. Hebrew newspapers expressed the belief that the wreckers were Hebrew-language enthusiasts angered by the fact that the school's language of tuition was Yiddish. The papers strongly condemn the attack, warning that the "language struggle" must not be conducted with such methods.

BULLETINMany Poles, Jews Seized as High Nazi Leader is Slain in Poland

KOMARNO, Hungary, March 5. (Havas) -- Reinhold Mariekz, a high Nazi official, and his wife were assassinated at Zeran, in German-occupied Poland, it was reported tonight. The double murder brought mass arrests of many Poles and Jews in the area, according to advices reaching here.