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### ANIT-JEWISH RIOTING LASTS 2 DAYS IN TRIESTE; 8 BEATEN IN ROME

ROME, May 19. (JTA) -- Anti-Jewish domonstrations lasting two days occurred in Trieste, it was learned today. Wirdows of Jewish schools and synagogues were broken. Several stores were wrecked and ransacked.

Similar demonstrations were planned for Rome, but were called off, it was learned. However, eight were beaten up here.

The demonstrations coincided with Berlin reports that Italy has refused transit to German Jews holding emigration visas for the United States and other countries on the ground that Italy's entry into the war would leave her with emigrants for whom no overseas transportation was available.

Meanwhile, police authorities in various Italian cities have started a fresh drive against Jews employing "Aryan" servants. Although most Jews had been previously forced to discharge their "Aryan" servants, some were permitted to retain them for special reason, such as illness or invalids in the family. Now this group are being also deprived of "Aryan" servants.

Historical archives belonging to the State have been closed to Jewish scholars. This action was felt especially by a number of Italian Jews who, since being discharged as professors in Italian universities, had been using their time for research work. The Vatican library is the only one of importance which remains to Jews.

# Panic Reported in Italy

PARIS, May 19. (JTA) --Reports from Italy today said that panic prevailed among Jews, especially among refugees from the Reich and Poland. The former feared deportation to the Reich if Italy entered the war and the latter feared being cut off from emigration to Falestine.

The Palestine office in Trieste was besieged by hundreds of refugees from Poland who clamored for Palestine immigration permits. The Palestine office was in telegraphic communication with the Zionist Executive in Jerusalem, urging the securing of a maximum number of entry permits before the Mediterranean became closed to navigation.

#### PALESTINE SPEEDS DEFENSE WORK; COAST CITIES START BLACKOUTS

JERUSALEM, May 19. (JTA) -- Palestine today rushed preparations to meet the emergency that would result if Italy's possible entry into the war spread the area of conflict to the Mediterranean.

The first blackouts in Tel Aviv, Jaffa and the Haifa district were held last night and will be continued indefinitely. The civil guard was making intensive preparations for an emergency.

Officials of the Jerusalem Jewish Community conferred with the authorities and stressed the need of accumulating food and water supplies and preparing shelters, despite the prevailing belief that no one would dare bomb the Holy City. The community also organized Air Raid Precautions squards.

A major portion of the second contingent of the Australian Imperial Force arrived by train early yesterday morning from Egypt and was welcomed by the High Command. The contingent brings Anzac forces in Palestine to full war strength.

### REFUGEES FROM BELGIUM REACH PARIS, TELL OF BOMBINGS

PARIS, May 19. (JTA) -- Groups of Jewish refugees from Belgium began reaching Paris today. Today's arrivals were estimated at several hundred, consisting chiefly of Polish Jews coming from Antwerp, but also including German emigres, most of them penniless and some of whom crossed the frontier on foot under German bombardment and machine-gunning by planes.

The refugees had no difficulty in entering France, but those holding Reich passports stamped with the letter "J" (Jew) were separated from the others by French frontier officials to be interned, as has been done with German refugees in France.

The refugees, who included an official of the Jewish Relief Committee in Antwerp, gave gripping details of their experiences in Belgium.

A radio broadcast reported last night that Nazi planes had bombed a steamer loaded chiefly with Jewish refugees enroute from Holland to England. The passengers, according to the report, were largely German Jews who had been living in Dutch refugee camps.

All Jewish organizations joined with the American and Belgian Red Cross units in efforts to aid the refugees pouring in from the Low Countries. Special hostels and soup kitchens were opened by the Federation of Polish Jews, which also helped place many of the refugees in private homes, while representatives of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee and the HIAS-TCA Emigration Association conferred on how best to continue refugee emigration work under the circumstances.

Permission has been given to alien physicians, for the duration of the war, to practice in France, it was announced today. The concession is intended chiefly for Polish, Dutch and Belgian refugees, but interested medical circles in Paris expect that Jewish refugee doctors from Germany and Austria may also benefit from it. Special individual authorization may be granted them after investigation of each applicant. Heanwhile, German Jewish physicians are interned along with other refugees.

#### All Faiths Join in Red Cross Relief Drive

WASHINGTON, May 19. (JTA) -- Leaders of all faiths rellied in support of the Red Cross drive to raise \$10,000,000 for war-ravaged Europe today, with Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland taking the lead on behalf of American Jews.

Rabbi Silver- co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, declared in a message to Red Cross Chairman Norman H. Davis that "the tragedy which has overtaken the peoples of Europe knows no boundaries of race or religion."

Catholic Archbishop Curley of Baltimore and Episcopal Bishop Freeman of Washington emphasized that all religions - must cooperate in support of the Red Cross, which ministers to all without respect to color, race, nationality or creed.

#### Danish Jews Reported Unhampered

STOCKHOLM, May 19. (JTA) -- While news concerning the position of Jewish refugees in Demmark and Norway was scarce, there were some indications today that Jewish life in Demmark thus far is continuing unhampered.

There is still no direct news about refugees from Germany who were in Copehagen at the time of the occupation. On the other hand, it has been ascertained that Danish chalutzim (Palestine trainees) working on farms have had to report to the police but have otherwise been unmolested.

. Some German refugees who made their escape over the mountains from Norway into Sweden have been interned. Many Norwegian Jews were also reported to have escaped over the frontier.

The fact that the Nazi invaders have installed their own civil administration is taken here as an indication that drastic anti-Jewish measures may soon be expected.

## Rumania to Intern Refugees

PARIS, May 19. (JTA). Dispatches from Rumania said today that all Czech and Polish refugees would be interned under a special order just issued. About 900 Jewish refugees from Poland and an undetermined number from Czechoslovakia are affected.

### Noted Journalists Among Dutch Refugees

LONDON, May 19. (JTA) -- A. Cohen, former editor-in-chief of the Netherlands News Agency, arrived in London yesterday with five members of his staff after a two-day crossing of the North Sea in an open trawler with 40 other refugees.

Another Dutch Jewish publicist who reached London was Dr. M. van Blankenstein, chief editorial writer of the weekly Haagsche Post. He had formerly been editor of the Nieuwe Rotterdamsche Courant, one of Holland's foremost dailies, but was forced out of his position several years ago as result of German pressure.

Dr. Van Blankenstein revealed that German parachutists had instructions to capture and kill him, his anti-Nazi articles for many years having been a source of great irritation to Berlin. Following discovery of a blacklist of Dutch notables when a Nazi plane was shot down, Dr. Van Blankenstein was notified that his name was on the list and was advised to proceed immediately to Hook-of-Holland, where a British destroyer was waiting.

Efforts of the Jewish Agency for Palestine to obtain news of youths who were being trained for Palestine farming in Holland and Belgium have thus far been unavailing, it was learned today.

### MIZRACHI LEADER URGES BRITAIN TO RECTIFY MISTAKES OF PREVIOUS REGIME

BATLIMORE, May 19. (JTA) -- An appeal to the British Government to "rectify the mistakes" of the previous regime and "lift the restrictions stifling us in Palestine" was voiced today by President Leon Gellman in an address opening the twenty-third annual convention of the Mizrachi Organization of America, religious Zionist group.

More than 500 delegates representing 25,000 members in 100 chapters throughout the United States and Canada are attending the three-day convention which this year has been dedicated to "Strengthening Traditional Judaism in America." Because of the breakdown of Jewry in European lands overrun by the war, the convention will take steps to create a new spiritual center for orthodoxy in America, it was announced prior to the meeting.

A banquet in honor of Rabbi Wolf Gold, chairman of the Mizrachi World Center in Jerusalem, featured tonight's session.

### 1,146 JEWS ENTERED PALESTINE IN FIRST 2 MONTHS OF YEAR

JERUSALEM, May 19. (JTA)--A total of 1,146 Jewish immigrants entered Palestine in the first two months of 1940 as against 3,435 in the same period of last year, it was reported today by the Government statistics office.

#### MOSLEY RALLY BROKEN UP BY HOSTILE DEMONSTRATIONS

LONDON, May 19. (JTA) -- An election meeting staged by Sir-Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Fascist movement, to support the by-election candidacy of a member of his "British Union" was broken up today by a whole series of hostile demonstrations in which Sir Oswald himself barely escaped injury.

Magistrate Basil Watson yesterday ordered held for investigation a number of Fascists arrested Friday night after a disturbance had occurred at a meeting organized by Mosley Fascists at which speakers abused the Jews.

## Lord Tavistock Hits at Jewish Bankers

LONDON, May 19. (JTA) -- The charge that "some Jews, especially American, have been international financiers of an anti-social type" is made by Lord Tavistock, leader of the British Peoples Party, in a letter to the Northhampton-shire Evening Telegraph.

Lord Tavistock, who recently has repeatedly denied that his party was anti-Semitic, points out that "international finance is a very real and evil influence in the opinion of a great number of other people besided Lord Haw-Haw (British-accented Hamburg broadcaster.)" He admits, however, that it is "certainly unfair to identify it with international Jewry."

### BOLIVIA PROBES FIFTH COLUMN ACTIVITIES OF GERMANS

LA PAZ, May 19. (JTA) -- The Interior Ministry has ordered a strict police inquiry into possible "fifth column" activities in Bolivia after newspapers disclosed that students in German schools were forced to deliver the Nazi salute and chant the Horst Wessel song.

### FINLAND PERMITS EMBARKATION OF REFUGEES FROM PETSAMO

PARIS, May 19. (JTA) --Finland is permitting embarkation from Petsamo for refugees in Lithuania and Sweden bound for the United States, according to information received today by the HIAS-IOA Emigration Association from Lithuania. This will spare holders of American immigration visas the necessity of proceeding from Baltic and Scandinavian countries to the United States via the Far East.

## BERNSTEIN, HIAS-ICA LEADER, HONORED ON 65TH BIRTHDAY

PARIS, May 19. (JTA) --With the war casting a damper over it, a celebration was held here yesterday marking the sixty-fifth birthday of Dr. James Bernstein, European director of the HIAS-TCA Emigration Association, and his 15 years of association with Jewish emigration activities. Speakers included Dr. Edouard and Louis Oungre, and Morris C. Troper, European director of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. Congratulatory messages were received from all parts of the world.

### PALESTINE DROPS CHARGES AGAINST EDITORS OF 3 HEBREW PAPERS

TEL AVIV May 19 (JTA) -- The Government has dropped prosecution of the editors of the Hebrew newspapers Haaretz, Hatzofeh and Davar on charges of publishing without censor's approval a manifesto of the Jewish National Council condemning the land restriction ordinance.

#### LIFE GUARD WHO SAVED MANY AT TEL AVIV BEACH DEAD AT 36

TEL AVIV. May 19. (JTA) -- Many persons who owed their lives to him today attended funeral services for Arieh Katz, famous Tel Aviv life guard who died here yesterday of a heart attack. Katz, who was the first life guard to be employed at the Tel Aviv municipal beach, was a well known athlete in Vienna before coming to Palestine. He was 36 years old and served as a life guard for the past 15 years.

## EDUCATION GROUP FORMS BODY TO STUDY PUPIL ACTIVITIES IN RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, May 19. (JTA) -- Formation of a committee of representative rabbis, principals and teachers associated with religious schools, to consider the program of pupil activities in such schools, was announced today by the Jewish Education Committee of New York. The committee was appointed following a conference of Hebrew School principals, at which the problem of the school programs was discussed.

### LORD SAMUEL HEADS ASIATIC SOCIETY

LONDON, May 19.(JTA) --Lord Samuel, Liberal leader and former High Commissioner of Palestine, has been elected president of the Royal Asiatic Society.

## BOMBAY UNIVERSITY NAMES REFUGEE SCIENTIST TO FACULTY

BOMBAY, MAY 19. (JTA) -- The vice-chancellor of Allahabad University has asked the Indian Government for permission to bring to India the noted Austrian scientist, Prof. Erwin Schrodinger, one of the world's foremost authorities on "wave mechanics."

Prof. Schrodinger, who has been elected by the university's executive council to the chair of physics, is now living in Dublin. He shared the Nobel Prize in physics in 1935 with Dr. Paul Dirac of Cambridge.