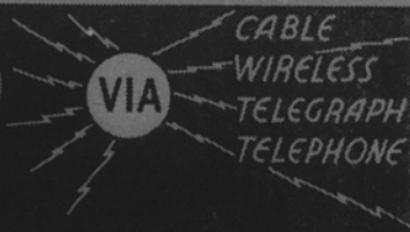


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PALESTINE DECREES DEATH PENALTY FOR AIDING ENEMY; PLAN TEL AVIV DEFENSE

JERUSALEM, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- Clearing the decks for an expected intensification of the war in the Near East, the British administration of Palestine has taken severe measures to combat possible fifth column activities.

A decree was announced in the official Palestine Gazette yesterday providing the death penalty for persons "helping, attempting to help or conspiring with others to commit an act designed or likely to aid the enemy's naval, military or air operations or to impede such operations of His Majesty's forces."

The measure came as High Commissioner Sir Harold A. MacMichael was considering a series of proposals for defense of Tel Aviv against further Italian air raids submitted to him by Mayor Israel Rokach.

MacMichael visited Rokach in Tel Aviv on Wednesday and conveyed to him the military commander's sympathy over Monday's air raid in which more than a hundred persons were killed. The High Commissioner also contributed to a fund for immediate alleviation of distress, visited the Hadassah Hospital, first-aid stations and Air Raid Precautions headquarters in Tel Aviv.

Lady MacMichael, wife of the High Commissioner, representing the British Red Cross and the Order of St. John's, visited Tel Aviv on Tuesday and donated L500 for relief of the raid victims.

A total of 107 victims were interred in two huge common graves on Tuesday.

Tel Aviv Victims Mourned

SANTIAGO, Chile, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- A memorial meeting for the victims of Monday's bombing of Tel Aviv was held today by the executive committee of the Chilean Zionist Federation, which took measures to call a large mass meeting. The Chilean Women's Zionist Organization cancelled a long-scheduled ball, in mourning.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- The New Zionist Organization today cabled Mayor Israel Rokach of Tel Aviv condemning the Italian air raid on the "world's youngest city" and promising to redouble efforts for establishment of a world-wide Jewish army.

RUMANIA OUSTS JEWISH BROKERS

BUCHAREST, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- Jewish stockbrokers and agents were ordered ousted from their positions today by a decree of the Economics Ministry.

Dr. William Filderman, president of the Union of Rumanian Jews, yesterday held audiences with Premier Ion Antonescu and Interior Minister David Popescu and submitted memorandums regarding the latest anti-Jewish measures.

62 REPORTED ARRESTED ON TRAIN IN FRANCE

GENEVA, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- Sixty-two foreigners, most of them Jews, were arrested on a train between Nice and Toulon in unoccupied France, the German-controlled Paris radio reported today.

Rabbis Plan Reorganization of Communities

VICHY, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- A conference of rabbis in unoccupied France, held at Lyon with Grand Rabbi Issaye Schwartz presiding, discussed the problems of restoration of religious life and reorganization of Jewish communities, it was reported here today.

Children's Homes in Paris Seized

VICHY, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- The German occupation authorities in Paris have requisitioned two children's homes of the OSE, Jewish health protection society, it was reported here today. These homes are the St. Denis and Tournelle.

McWILLIAMS AID SENTENCED TO WORKHOUSE

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- William Fox, 41, lieutenant of Joseph E. McWilliams, self-styled anti-Jewish candidate for the Republican Congressional nomination in the 18th Congressional District, today was sentenced to four months in the workhouse by Magistrate Edgar Bromberger for assaulting Jack Schwartz, 39, when he attempted to serve a summons for disorderly conduct on McWilliams at a street meeting on Aug. 7.

Fox had previously been remanded to Bellevue Hospital for psychiatric investigation. Found sane, he was returned for sentence in Harlem Court. His record showed three previous convictions on similar charges, one of them for beating his wife in 1935.

SEMINARY PARLEY ADOPTS THREE-YEAR PROGRAM FOR INTEGRATION OF KNOWLEDGE

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. (JTA) -- The three-day Conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion at the Jewish Theological Seminary, which ended yesterday, appointed an executive committee to carry out a three-year program aimed at integration of the various fields of thought in defense of modern civilization, it was announced in a press statement issued after the meeting.

It is intended to hold discussion meetings of the various groups, to be followed by a second conference in 1941. The statement admitted the impossibility of realizing the conference's end within a short time, but said "it is notable that men of different faiths, and even persons professing no faith, came together without compromising their respective faiths and inner convictions." The meeting was attended by delegates of 175