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TWO MORE BOMB EXPLOSIONS IN PALESTINE; POLICE CARS WRECKED; BRITISH POLICEMAN INJURED

JERUSALEM, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Two time-bombs exploded yesterday on Mt. Carmel in Haifa injuring one policeman and smashing the windows of a nearby Jewish hospital and other adjacent buildings.

An official communique issued today said that the first bomb exploded when a British policeman named Horsburgh was about to drive his car into a police garage. The bomb was planted beneath the approach to the garage. The second bomb exploded as a police-traffic car was passing Keith-Roach Avenue. The bomb was connected with sixty meters of wire leading to a nearby depression in the hills. It was detonated by pressing a button.

Horsburgh, who was injured in the first explosion, was given first aid in the Hadassah hospital. His condition is not serious. Two British police inspectors and one sergeant who were in the traffic car during the second explosion suffered from shock. Both police cars were wrecked by the blasts.

POLISH JEWS FIGHT ON ITALIAN FRONT; GESTAPO HANGS LAST JEW IN DANZIG

LONDON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Several thousand Polish Jews are now fighting in Italy in the ranks of the Polish Second Army, it was reported today in the Polish-Jewish Observer published here.

The report emphasized that for security reasons the exact number of Jewish troops cannot be disclosed. "But Jews can be found in all units, including the commandos and tank units," the paper stated. Many of the Polish Jews now fighting in Italy were fighting on Polish soil in 1939 when the Nazis invaded Poland, while others participated in the battle of Tobruk, the article pointed out.

The Polish newspaper Robotnik reports today that the last Jew in Danzig has been hanged by the Gestapo after having been permitted to live there since 1940 when all other Danzig Jews were deported. The Jew, a sculptor, was employed by the German military authorities. After he completed his work he was sent to the Stuthoff concentration camp and executed.

BRITISH OFFICIAL DISCUSSES PLANS FOR DEMOBILIZED JEWISH SOLDIERS IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Plans for settling demobilized Jewish soldiers after the war were discussed today at a conference between Histadruth leaders and Prof. Robert Pears, labor advisor to the British Minister of State for the Middle East, who is visiting Palestine. The problem of transferring workers from war-time to peace-time employment was also taken up.

Important negotiations have been going on here during the past few days between the Financial Secretary of the Palestine Government and representatives of the various municipalities and economic and trade organizations. The Hebrew press hints that the discussions concern the government's plan to increase taxation in view of its deficit, which, was \$6,500,000 as of last Nov. 30, according to an official announcement made today. Last February the Palestine Administration introduced a new series of taxes and an increase in the income tax rate. It was explained at that time by a government spokesman that the increases were necessitated by the then current budget deficit of \$4,500,000.

HUNGARY HAS NOT CHANGED ITS ANTI-JEWISH POLICY, PRESIDENT OF PRESS ASSOCIATION SAYS

ZURICH, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Hungary has not changed its attitude with regard to the solution of the so-called Jewish problem in the country it is stated by the president of the Hungarian Press Chamber, M. Borosa, in an article published in Budapest newspapers reaching here today. He points out that the government's present policy is expressed in the various anti-Jewish measures which have been enacted.

The writer says that the "solution" of the Jewish question in Hungary has only been "somewhat delayed by the war." He considers the present treatment of Jews in Hungary to be "very tolerant."

The Hungarian Institute for Research on the Jewish Question made public this week a list of names of Hungarian Jewish writers "in order to help the public in the campaign to abolish Jewish intellectual influence." Libraries and clubs are invited by the Institute to report on the number of books written by Jewish writers which they have removed from their shelves.

WEIZMANN DETERMINED NOT TO COMPROMISE WITH BEN-GURION, AGENCY MEMBER CABLES

JERUSALEM, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Cabled advices received here from a member of the delegation which the Jewish Agency has sent to London emphasize that Dr. Chaim Weizmann is not inclined to compromise with David Ben-Gurion who resigned as chairman of the executive of the Agency because of his disagreement with Weizmann's policies. This makes it difficult to press suggestions that Ben-Gurion be invited to London to join in the negotiations now proceeding between Weizmann and British officials.

(Unconfirmed reports current in London today state that Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, and a member of the delegation, brought to Dr. Weizmann a seven-point request from Ben-Gurion. It demands, among other things, peace with the conciliatory section of the Zionist-Revisionists and insists that Dr. Weizmann take a stronger attitude towards certain leaders of the Agudas Israel organization whose activities are considered harmful to Zionist political efforts in Washington and in London.)

Addressing a meeting of friends of the Jewish agricultural school in Mikveh Israel, which faces a large deficit, Ben-Gurion criticized "those who are ready to conclude peace with Arabs by sacrificing Jewish rights to immigration; thus placing a knife in the Jewish back." He reviewed Jewish agricultural achievements in Palestine and declared that "Jewish agriculturists can easily compete with the best agricultural experts the world over."

JEWISH CENTERS WILL HAVE TO REABSORB RETURNING VETERANS INTO COMMUNITY, JWB PARLEY TOLD

CHICAGO, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- The chief problem which will face Jewish centers and "Y's" after the war will be the development of a program designed to reabsorb the returning veterans into the normal life of the community, it was stated here today at the opening session of a three-day conference of Jewish community leaders from all sections of the country called by the National Jewish Welfare Board in lieu of its annual meeting which has been discontinued for the duration. Chief topics of discussion at the meeting will be programs of service for the armed forces and the Jewish centers.

Addressing today's meeting, Frank L. Weil, president of the JWB, disclosed that more than 100,000 members of 323 centers throughout the nation are now in the armed forces, representing more than 25 percent of the total membership of the centers. Discussing the reintegration of Jewish ex-servicemen into communal life, Mr. Weil stated that he did not feel that new organizations were necessary to perform this task and that the JWB will advise local communities on how their existing facilities can be utilized. He called for a greater expansion of Jewish center facilities in all communities.

SEN. WAGNER CALLS ON AMERICAN CHRISTIANS TO FIGHT AGAINST WHITE PAPER

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Sen. Robert Wagner of New York today issued a call to Christians in America to combat the British White Paper and support the Jewish fight for free immigration to Palestine. He announced that as chairman of the American Pro-Palestine Committee, he is convoking a national conference in Washington on March 9, "to mobilize American Christian sentiment in favor of opening the doors of Palestine." Labor and civic organizations, he said, are cooperating in sponsoring the conference.

"The entry of Jews into Palestine, which will be halted March 31, is a topic which should be discussed by American Christians because of the principle involved," Sen. Wagner said in his announcement. "We are a democratic nation and we are pledged to spread democratic philosophy wherever possible. It is generally expected that the United States will wield considerable world influence in the determination of basic peace policies. It is time now for American Christians to begin presenting the Jewish Palestine problem before the bar of justice of the peacemakers.

"American public opinion certainly should express itself on this problem which creates the anomalous situation of barring Jews from a country merely because they are Jews. The policy of unrestricted entry of Jews into Palestine has been endorsed by every administration since President Wilson up to and including the present administration," the Senator concluded.

PENSION PLAN FOR RABBIS ESTABLISHED BY UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

CINCINNATI, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Creation of a pension plan for rabbis, representing the fruition of an idea made possible in part by the generosity of the late Jacob H. Schiff, was announced today by Jacob Aronson, chairman of the Rabbinical Pension Board.

In 1917, Mr. Schiff gave \$100,000 to start a pension fund for rabbis. That part of this gift plus additional funds approximately \$100,000, accumulating over the years, will be used by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis for rabbinical pensions. The Central Conference has a separate pension fund of \$150,000 which will also be used.

The plan, as announced today, follows the pattern long employed by American religious bodies except that in this case all risks will be insured in a legal reserve life insurance company. The Northwestern Mutual has been designated for this purpose. The chairman of the Rabbinical Pension Board, Mr. Aronson, has had much experience with federal pension legislation. He is a vice president of the New York Central Railway System, in charge of its legal department.

Under the program, the employing congregation, the rabbi, the UAHC and the CCAR will join in paying the annual premiums. Each congregation is to pay seven percent of the rabbi's salary. The rabbi is to pay three percent of his salary and the UAHC and CCAR will pay amounts graduated according to the ages of the rabbis at the time they enroll in the plan. The UAHC and the CCAR will each pay \$5,000 a year to enlarge the existing available pension funds which now approximate \$200,000. The contributions towards the annual premiums from these pension funds are intended, in a measure, to make up for the difference in ages of all those who enter at the outset of the movement.

While the pension is the result of the total contributions made from date of entry to age of retirement, the congregations employing older men are privileged to enter their rabbis at a salary level above \$3,000 if agreed upon by rabbi and congregation. The pension can thus be set at any reasonable figure desired. The Rabbinical Pension Board of the CCAR and the UAHC will secure a policy combining life insurance and annuity for those that are insurable and a pure annuity for those that are uninsurable or above 60.

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PALESTINE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA MARKS 1,000TH CONCERT; 200 GIVEN BEFORE ARMED FORCES

NEW YORK, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- The Palestine Symphony Orchestra, which was founded by the noted Polish Jewish violinist Bronislaw Huberman in 1936, this week played its 1,000th concert, according to cabled advices reaching the American Fund for Palestinian Institutions today. Of these concerts, 200 have been given before audiences composed exclusively of members of the armed forces of various Allied armies in the Middle East. The orchestra has toured Egypt, Palestine and neighboring countries to entertain United Nations troops.

The orchestra has received communications from both the American legation in Cairo and the commanding general of United States forces in the Middle East thanking it for concerts given to American troops. Consisting of some of the foremost artists of Europe, who were forced to leave their native countries because of the Nazis, the Palestine Orchestra has been conducted during its eight years of existence by many of the world's leading conductors, including Arturo Toscanini, who led its premiere performance in 1936, and who returned to lead it again in 1938.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY PAYS HONOR TO MEN OF JEWISH, CATHOLIC AND PROTESTANT FAITHS

NEW YORK, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Columbia University conferred degrees of sacred theology on representatives of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths in a ceremony yesterday, at which Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of the university, presided.

The recipients were Rabbi Louis Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America; the Rev. Dr. George Arthur Buttrick, pastor of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, and the Right Rev. Monsignor John Augustine Ryan, professor emeritus of the Catholic University of America.

After conferring the degrees, Dr. Butler told the audience of several hundred persons that they were given in recognition of the growing spirit of co-operation among religious faiths. He pointed out that the occasion came during the eleventh annual observance of Brotherhood Week under auspices of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

"When we can make sure that the brotherhood of man is really understood and practiced," Dr. Butler observed, "the world's troubles will be approaching their end." Rabbi Finkelstein, eulogized by Dr. Butler as an "outstanding interpreter of the Jewish faith and ideals," said that America has been able to develop its resources and utilize its national genius "because of the spiritual and moral fellowship which is the basic characteristic of this country."

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS URGED BY DR. GOLDSTEIN IN LONDON

LONDON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Rabbi Israel Goldstein, president of the Zionist Organization of America, addressing a press conference here yesterday suggested that the National Conference of Christians and Jews which exists in America and in England should, together with similar organizations in other countries, form an International Conference of Christians and Jews to serve as an international clearing house for better human relations.

MAJOR LIONEL WIGRAM, JEWISH MILITARY EXPERT, KILLED ON ITALIAN FRONT

LONDON, Feb. 25. (JTA) -- Lionel Wigram, 37-year-old Jewish military expert, has been killed on the Italian front, it was announced today by the War Office. He was the author of a book on battle drill which is now a standard manual for army training.