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### THIRTY-FIVE JEWISH ENGINEERS SACRIFICE THEIR LIVES TO BLOW UP GERMAN FACTORY

LONDON, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- The Polish Telegraphic Agency today reported that a group of 35 Jewish engineers died in a suicide action which destroyed a German rubber factory in Silesia just before the Germans started their present offensive on the western front.

The entire plant and the stores of tires which were intended for the use of the German army were blown up in an explosion which could be heard for miles, the report said. In addition to the Jewish engineers, all the German supervisors and a large number of Nazi workers were killed.

The report, received by the Polish Government-in-Exile, through underground channels, said that the engineers were kept in the factory because they could not be replaced. In reprisal for destruction of the plant, the Germans publicly hanged all the Jews they could find in the district. These were eleven men and one 18-year-old boy.

The report emphasized that all the engineers engaged in the conspiracy knew that they would perish in carrying out their plan, and agreed to sacrifice their lives. They smuggled dynamite into the factory and placed it among machinery, power installations and stores. The fusing was set to explode immediately so that those who prepared the blast could not hope to remain alive.

### NEW BRITISH MINISTER IN MIDDLE EAST WARNS ZIONISTS AGAINST TERRORISM IN PALESTINE

CAIRO, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- Sir Edward Grigg, new British Minister for the Middle East, who succeeds Lord Moynie, assassinated last November by Jewish terrorists, told his first press conference today that the activities of Palestine terrorists endanger the future of the Zionist movement.

"It is generally regarded that the Palestine question is an issue in which only Jews and Arabs are involved, but it is worth remembering that there are also Christian interests in Palestine," he said. "The Christian world could not be reconciled to the establishment of Nazi gangsterism in Palestine."

Asked whether the fact that he abstained from voting for the White Paper could be interpreted as meaning that he is still hostile to this document, the Minister confined himself to referring to Churchill's statement of November 17, in which the Prime Minister said that the Palestine problem will be considered in the light of future developments.

### GENERAL DE GAULLE RECEIVES CHIEF RABBI OF PARIS; JEWS SEND NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

PARIS, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- General De Gaulle today received Julien Weil, Grand Rabbi of Paris, who conveyed New Year's greetings to the head of the French Government in behalf of the Jews of France.

ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL COMPLETES ITS REORGANIZATION; TWO DIRECTORS RESIGN

NEW YORK, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- The American Zionist Emergency Council today announced completion of its reorganization, reporting that Chaim Greenberg, Zionist Laborite leader, has been elected chairman of its executive committee.

Herman Shulman was elected chairman of a new smaller administrative committee responsible to the executive committee and charged with the implementation of the policies of the Council in the political and public relations fields. The new body will consist of the heads of the Council's four constituent organizations - Zionist Organization of America, Mizrahi, Poale-Zion and Hadassah - together with its chairman, the chairman of the executive committee and of the Council, and representatives of the Jewish Agency.

Meanwhile, two executives of the Council today announced that they have resigned in protest against "the crippling of Dr. Silver's program by those members of the Council who forced Dr. Silver to resign as co-chairman of the Council and as chairman of its executive committee." Those who resigned are Harry L. Shapiro, executive director of the Council, and Harold P. Manson, the organization's director of information.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, ZOA president, at a press conference today, defended the action of the ZOA members in the Council who voted to accept Dr. Silver's resignation. He emphasized that Dr. Silver broke party discipline by pressing for passage of the Palestine Resolution at a time when the Council, including Dr. Silver, had voted not to press for Congressional action if the State Department was opposed.

CHARTER OF ANTI-SEMITIC ORGANIZATION REVOKED IN CHICAGO; MUST SURRENDER RECORDS

CHICAGO, Dec. 3. (JTA) -- Revocation of the Illinois charter of the violently anti-Semitic Gentile Cooperative Association was announced here today following an order issued yesterday by Albert J. Meserow, Assistant Attorney General, moving that the Association and its directors be held in contempt of court for failure to surrender its records in compliance with an order from the court.

In ordering the revocation, Judge Joseph A. Graber of Superior Court compared the organization to the Ku Klux Klan, Silver Shirts and similar hate groups. "We will cancel this charter and let the people who wish to carry on these subversive activities do it under their own names instead of crawling behind a corporation," Judge Graber ruled.

Eugene R. Flitcraft, managing director and founder of the association, said he will appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court and that he will continue the work of the Association under his own name and under the name of his paper, The Gentile News, and the American Business Directories Co. Flitcraft's objective is to boycott Jewish-owned businesses.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT FAVORS ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE GROUP

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3. (JTA) -- President Roosevelt favors enactment of legislation setting up a Permanent Fair Employment Practice Commission, Malcolm Ross, chairman of the present FEPC, told reporters today after a brief visit to the White House.

Meanwhile, Rep. Charles LaFollette of Indiana today introduced a bill calling for a permanent FEPC at the opening session of the 79th Congress. His bill, which is identical with one approved by House and Senate committees last session, would make the FEPC a regular agency of the Government, responsible to the Congress and to the courts, and with full authority to prevent discrimination in employment because of race, color or creed.

EMIR ABDULLAH THREATENS "TROUBLE" IF MORE JEWS ARE ADMITTED TO PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 3, (JTA) -- The Arab press today publishes a statement issued by Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan, emphasizing that he will resist any further Jewish immigration to Palestine when the quota of Jews permitted to enter under the British White Paper is filled. "Only a few thousand Jews can still enter Palestine under the White Paper quota."

The statement by the Arab ruler coincided with a statement by David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agency, in which he appealed for the admission to Palestine of more than a million surviving Jews in devastated Europe. "For these survivors it is a question of Palestine or death," Ben-Gurion pointed out.

In insisting that Jewish immigration to Palestine be discontinued, Emir Abdullah is quoted as stating: "Trouble between Jews and Arabs is inevitable if Britain withdraws from Palestine, or if it fails to adhere to the terms of the White Paper. The Arabs are mobile. They have no nerve centers which can be knocked out, thus forcing them to cease fighting."

Declaring that an agreement between Arabs and Jews is possible if Jewish immigration into Palestine is stopped, the Emir pledged in his statement that the Jews who are already in Palestine will be treated cordially by the Arabs and will be given "the honor and prestige their achievements warrant."

Mr. Ben-Gurion in his appeal for the admission of more Jews emphasized that an Arab-Jewish agreement is possible provided that a Jewish State is established first. He pointed to the benefits which Arabs in Palestine derive from the Jewish development of the country and expressed the hope that the White Paper would be revised.

political strategy of Dr. Weizmann Finds Support in Palestine

The policy of Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, who recently predicted here that there will be no Jewish State in Palestine for the next five or six years, was given full support today in a resolution adopted at the closing session of the annual conference of the Aliyah Chadasha, the second largest Jewish political party in Palestine which is composed of immigrants from Germany and central Europe.

The conference also adopted a resolution stressing the necessity of securing harmonious relations between Jews and Arabs on the basis of mutual recognition of rights. The conference rejected all suggestions that European refugees should return to their homelands after the war, and voiced opposition to any schemes for compulsory repatriation. The delegates called for abolition of the White Paper and maximum immigration and land settlement.

Industrial and trade circles expressed gratification today at the Palestine Government's action removing controls on several articles. The new regulations were announced yesterday.

Financial circles hope that the easing of the import controls will result in lower prices, but point out that if, at the same time, the Government does not assist local industry to secure equipment and raw materials for export products, the new regulations may harm rather than benefit Palestine manufacturers.

