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MOYNE TRIAL ENDS; VERDICT WILL BE ANNOUNCED TODAY; DEFENSE ASKS LIFE IMPRISONMENT

CAIRO, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- The week-old trial of Eliahu Khakim and Ephraim Ben Zuri for the murder of Lord Moyne closed here today. The presiding judge announced that the court's verdict will be issued at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

An indication that the defense hopes for a sentence of life imprisonment at best was given by attorney Hassen Hosni who, disputing the prosecution demand that both Ben Zuri and Khakim be held equally guilty in the murder of Moyne, stated that the former was only an accessory and, therefore, his sentence should be penal servitude for life rather than death.

A defense move to save Khakim from the death penalty on the ground that he was under 18 was disallowed by the president of the court who said that the doctor appointed yesterday to examine the young terrorists had reported that he was 20 years old, and Ben Zuri was 23. The physician's findings were challenged by defense counsel who asserted that in previous cases doctors have differed as much as ten years in approximating a person's age. He also said that Khakim's birth certificate, which indicates he is less than 18, was valid.

The youth of both of the defendants was stressed in the summations by their lawyers. Hosni remarked that Ben Zuri had joined the secret terrorist organization which sent him here to kill Moyne six years ago when he was too young to understand the responsibilities involved. He continued to challenge the alteration of the indictment making Ben Zuri equally guilty of the Moyne murder, declaring that all the events proved that Ben Zuri never intended shooting the British statesman. The court president retorted that Ben Zuri, himself, had admitted that he had agreed with Khakim to shoot Moyne if it became necessary.

Before adjourning the proceedings, the president asked the accused whether they had anything to say. Khakim said that he wished to explain why he had deserted from the British Army, since his reasons for doing so were similar to those motivating the murder. He was not allowed to speak by the judge, who declared that everything had already been said.

Ben Zuri stated that he disagreed with some of the statements of the defense attorneys regarding politics, but on the whole the defense was "brilliant, and even better than what I had expected." He publicly thanked his lawyers.

STETTINIUS SAYS PUNISHMENT OF NAZI CRIMES AGAINST JEWS WILL BE DRAFT WITH FORCEFULLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- Asked about punishment for war crimes against the Jews, Secretary of State Stettinius said today at his press conference that the whole matter will be handled with forcefulness, imagination and aggressiveness. The Secretary said the question is still being considered by the United States and the Allies.

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IRON GUARD GANG ARRESTED IN BUCHAREST FOR ATTACKING JEWS, WOUNDING CHILDREN

BUCHAREST, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- A group of anti-Semitic hoodlums who had been sent from Jassy to provoke anti-Jewish riots here have been arrested following a disturbance in the Jewish quarter of Bucharest.

The gang, which consisted of ten men armed with pistols and blackjacks, most of whom were found to be drunk, roamed the streets shooting at random and assaulting passersby. Two Jewish orphaned children were seriously wounded and many other people were hurt.

Six of the rioters were captured and turned over to the military authorities, who announced that they were former members of the Iron Guard in Jassy who had come here to provoke disturbances.

The Bucharest radio announced today that Jewish army officers who were stripped of their commissions by the Antonescu Government have been reinstated in the rank they held as of December, 1940.

POPE AND ALLIED LEADERS URGED BY ROME ZIONIST CONFERENCE TO SAVE SURVIVING JEWS

ROME, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- An appeal to the Pope and to the leaders of the democracies to act to save the surviving Jews in German-held areas was issued last night at the closing session of the Italian Zionist conference held here.

The meeting also expressed gratitude for the assistance given Jews by Italian Catholics and by the Catholic Church during the German occupation, enabling many to escape death and deportation, and also thanked the liberating Allied troops, the Jewish soldiers in the Allied armies and the Palestinian units of the British forces. It sent greetings to the Italians 'now fighting the common enemy, especially the partisans with whom are many of our brethren,' and to the Jewish Brigade.

The delegates adopted a resolution backing the world Zionist demands for the opening of Palestine to unrestricted Jewish immigration and colonization and for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth. Palestine, the resolution said, is the only solution for the Jews of devastated Europe. It condemned the recent terrorist outbreaks as tending to injure "an innocent and martyred people."

Discussing the problems of relief, the conference thanked the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency for the aid given Italy's distressed Jews, and paid special tribute to the JDC's support of training farms for youths planning to settle in Palestine. All of the above resolutions and greetings were endorsed at a meeting of representatives of Zionist youth groups immediately following conclusion of the main conference.

ANGLO-JEWISH ASSOCIATION SUBMITS CONTROVERSIAL PALESTINE MEMORANDUM TO COLONIAL OFFICE

LONDON, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- The Anglo-Jewish Association announced today that it has submitted its memorandum on Palestine to the Colonial Office, in accordance with the decision adopted by a general meeting of the organization last month.

The memorandum has elicited considerable opposition from Zionist groups because while asking for unrestricted Jewish immigration and the establishment of a Jewish National Home, it refrains from demanding creation of a Jewish State.

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CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS URGES JDC AND WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS COOPERATE IN RELIEF WORK

TORONTO, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- The sixth plenary session of the Canadian Jewish Congress, at its concluding session last night, decided to ask the Joint Distribution Committee and the World Jewish Congress "to seek a modus of coordinating their relief activities and fund raising to ensure greater effectiveness," in accordance with the resolution adopted at the War Emergency Conference of the World Jewish Congress at Atlantic City. At the same time, it voted a 1945 quota of \$1,500,000 for overseas relief and refugee needs.

The meeting sent greetings to the Jews in liberated countries, Russia, Palestine and other of the United Nations. The delegates decided to establish a national rehabilitation committee to assist returning Jewish servicemen. In an address concluding the conference, Samuel Bronfman, who was re-elected as president for his third three-year term, said that all Canadian Jews are proud of the contributions made by the 16,000 Jews in the Dominion's armed forces and desire to increase their participation in the war effort.

Mr. Bronfman warned against the grave danger of anti-Semitic agitators in Canada, stating that anti-Semitism is being employed here as a means to an end and as a spearhead of reactionary forces. He urged that all freedom-loving men and women in the country combat the forces aiming at the disruption of national unity.

In a final resolution, the conference associated itself with the program of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, reiterated its demand for a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine, and urged the Dominion Government to admit an "adequate number" of refugees to Canada.

Officers elected, in addition to Mr. Bronfman, were A. E. Bennet, Michael Garber and A. H. Aronovitch, vice-presidents; Saul Hayes, executive director; and H. M. Caiserman, general secretary.

FRENCH JEWISH WORKERS AND ARTISANS NEED IMMEDIATE AID, PARIS ORT CONFERENCE TOLD

PARIS, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- The need for the speedy reintegration of Jewish artisans and workers in their previous occupations, and action to save Jewish youths and children from further demoralization was stressed here by Dr. Aron Syngalovski, vice-president of the World Ort Union, addressing the first national conference of the French ORT since the liberation of France.

Dr. Syngalovski declared that thousands of artisans and workers could again become self-supporting if they were enabled to rent workshops and obtain tools and machinery. He warned, however, that it was "a pernicious illusion to think that the reconstruction of ruined Jewish life can be realized by Jewish means and organizations alone."

According to reports delivered at the conference, groups of artisans and workers are already being aided by the ORT in Paris and provincial cities to rent shops and obtain machinery. Special committees of the ORT have been established to work with representatives of trade unions and artisans associations.

In large towns where the unemployed used to manufacture clothes, shoes, linen and other articles, the ORT has established workshops to fill the requirements of charitable institutions. A large work shop to manufacture spare parts and to repair machines and tools of artisans free of charge has been set up in Paris, and a similar service is planned for Marseille, Lyon and Grenoble. ORT labor exchanges are operating in three cities and trade schools have been re-established in Grenoble, Lyon, Marseille and Toulouse. Handicraft schools will be opened in Jewish childrens homes and two agricultural schools have been organized on ORT farms.

The conference voted thanks to the American Ort, and American and South African Jewry and welcomed the re-establishment of the organization in Rumania and Bulgaria.

SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL HAILS DUMBARTON OAKS PROPOSALS BUT DEPLORES LACK OF SPIRITUAL CONTENT

NEW YORK, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- Hailing and endorsing the spirit in which the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals for International Peace and Security came into being, "as a most significant step forward in human striving," the Synagogue Council of America, in a statement released today by Rabbi Ahron Opher, Assistant to the President, nevertheless deplores what it regards as a lack in the Dumbarton Oaks document of the "Prophetic passion to stir and capture the universal spiritual and ethical values inherent in the souls of man."

The statement was drafted by the Committee on Peace Studies composed of Rabbis Isaac Landman, editor of the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia, chairman; Louis Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America; and David de Sola Pool, Rabbi of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, and was adopted by the executive committee of the Synagogue Council of America, of which Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein is president.

The pronouncement by the council - which represents Orthodox, Reform and Conservative congregations - says that "the use of force to suppress the persecutor and to vanquish the oppressor is a recognized principle of Judaism. Jewish Rabbinic tradition distinguishes clearly between 'wars of offense' and 'wars of defense.'" It adds, however, that while the Dumbarton Oaks Proposals provide machinery for possible prevention of future wars, they make no provision for the establishment of universal peace.

"All the most perfected, practical machinery in the world for maintaining peace will not avail," it continues, "until in men and nations there is created the spirit of the will to peace, through adherence to the word of God which calls for Universal disarmament, as the prophets Micah and Isaiah declared; 'they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.'"

BILL TO HALT RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS DISCRIMINATION BY COLLEGES INTRODUCED IN NEW YORK

ALBANY, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- A bill which would penalize colleges barring students on racial or religious grounds was introduced in the New York State Legislature today by Senator Louis Friedman and Assemblyman Frank J. Pino.

Asserting that many medical schools, not only in New York, admit students on a quota basis which limits the number of Jews, Catholics and Negroes, Senator Friedman said that "this is a rotten system, and should have been terminated long ago. This practice is not only un-American, but has disqualified competent students from entering their chosen careers."

PALESTINE RABBIS TO PROCLAIM WORLD-WIDE MOURNING DAY FOR EUROPE'S JEWS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 17. (JTA) -- A conference of all rabbis in Palestine will be held here shortly to proclaim a world-wide day of fasting and seven days of mourning for the murdered Jews of Europe, it was announced today by Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog, following a meeting of leading rabbis.

Jewish leaders and rabbis throughout the world will be asked to participate, Rabbi Herzog said. He added that the meeting had also decided to call on rescue organizations in Palestine and abroad to exert all efforts to save the remaining Jews in occupied territory, and also to obtain custody of Jewish children in liberated countries who are still in non-Jewish hideouts.