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### PAKET BOMBS EXPLODE IN TEL AVIV; WOUNDED JEWISH POLICEMAN DIES IN JERUSALEM

TEL AVIV, March 10. (JTA) -- Heavy explosions, caused by leaflet bombs, today echoed through Jaffa and in the direction of Sarona, a suburb of Tel Aviv, where Palestine police mobile force camp is located. There were no casualties and no damage.

Earlier tonight, it was reported from Jerusalem that a Jewish policeman, who had been wounded last week during the raid of 14 armed Jewish men on the British military camp at Sarafand, died from the wounds he received while resisting the raiders.

British paratroops last night arrested three suspected terrorists at Sarona. One of them, who was in uniform, was found in possession of an army truck containing arms, ammunition and military clothing.

### ORTHODOX JEWS TORTURED AND KILLED IN POLAND; JEWISH DEMONSTRATIONS IN CRACOW AND LUBLIN

WARSAW, March 10. (JTA) -- Two Jewish demonstrations, one in Cracow and the other in Lublin, were held during the weekend at funerals of Jews killed by fascist bands operating against the Government and conducting anti-Jewish terror throughout the country.

More than 7,000 Jews participated in the Cracow funeral of four orthodox Jewish passengers who were dragged from a bus and tortured and killed. The bus was on the Cracow-Cracow road. The Jewish passengers were en route to Cracow to attend a Mirachi conference, which was scheduled to open there with the participation of Heshl Farbstein, world Mirachi leader, who had come to Poland from Palestine for the conference.

In Lublin, the entire Jewish population participated in the funeral of two Jews killed by fascist guerrillas. A Jewish woman was seriously wounded by the terrorists during attacks on Jewish homes.

The continued murder of Jews by organized fascist bands is keeping the Jews throughout Poland in constant fear for their lives. There is no doubt here that the fascist groups who are conducting the anti-Jewish terror are being financed by Polish elements from abroad interested in undermining the present Government, which is doing its utmost to curb anti-Jewish activities, but which has not succeeded in suppressing the terrorists.

### SOVIET AUTHORITIES OPEN ROMANIAN FRONTIER FOR UNHINDERED REPATRIATION OF JEWS

BUCHAREST, March 10. (JTA) -- Soviet authorities today opened the frontier between Rumania and Soviet Ukraine, permitting unhindered repatriation of Rumanian Jews from the USSR to their native towns.

It is estimated that at least 10,000 of the Jews who had been deported by the pro-Nazi regime to Transnistria will now return to their former homes in Rumania. Hundreds of them have been coming into Rumania even before the frontier was declared open. The Joint Distribution Committee is organizing aid for the repatriates and is making preparations for receiving many thousands of survivors whose return has now been made possible.

JEWS IN BULGARIA GET BACK THEIR CONFISCATED REAL ESTATE; FORCED SALES ARE CANCELLED

SOFIA, March 10. (JTA) -- The Bulgarian Government today announced that real estate confiscated from Jews during the pro-Nazi regime will be returned to Jewish owners without any special legal proceedings.

It is estimated that 8,288 buildings, valued at 1,850,000,000 levas, will thus be returned to Jews. Most of these buildings are now under the supervision of the State Property Administration. The property will be returned not only to Bulgarian Jews, but also to Jewish residents of Bulgaria who are Greek and Yugoslav citizens, the official announcement said.

Today's announcement followed the issuance of a law last week cancelling the deeds on forced sales of real estate by Jews during the pro-Nazi regime, when their property was either confiscated or "aryanized." As a result of this law, 176 deeds were cancelled over the week-end and the Jewish owners took immediate possession of their property.

MEETING OF STUDENTS AT BUCHAREST UNIVERSITY TURNED INTO ANTI-SEMITIC DEMONSTRATION

BUCHAREST, March 10. (JTA) -- A student meeting at the Bucharest University, held in the presence of Prof. Fotino, dean of the law faculty, and Prof. Strat of the same faculty, was converted into an anti-Semitic demonstration yesterday.

Prof. Fortino and Prof. Strat are leaders of the National Liberal Party of which Dinu Bratianu is the head. Anti-Jewish speeches were delivered at the meeting by students, while the faculty members made no attempt to check them. The entire atmosphere of the meeting was reminiscent of the pre-liberation days, when the country was ruled by the anti-Semitic and pro-Nazi Antonescu government.

GERMAN JEWS, AVERAGING 62 YEARS OF AGE, TOO OLD TO EMIGRATE, JEWISH LEADER SAYS

LONDON, March 10. (JTA) -- The fact that the average age of German Jews today is 62 and that very few young men and women survive there was advanced today as the principal reason for the small percentage of German Jews who told the Anglo-American inquiry committee that they wanted to go to Palestine.

Dr. Philip Auerbach, chairman of the Jewish communities of the Rhineland and Westphalia, at a press conference here arranged by the World Jewish Congress, pointed out that such a community "obviously" could not emigrate. He also noted that many of the Jews had intermarried and were loth to leave their families.

Speaking of the British civil administration in Germany, Dr. Auerbach declared that generally there was no anti-Semitism prevalent among British officials, although there had been several individual instances where civilian administrators had exhibited anti-Jewish bias.

ONE MILLION JEWS SHOULD BE ALLOWED INTO PALESTINE IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS, STRASBOLGI URGES

JOHANNESBURG, March 10. (JTA) -- A million Jews should be allowed into Palestine in the next ten years, at the rate of 100,000 each year, Lord Strabolgi, British labor peer and pro-Zionist, said in an interview today.

"Zionism," he said, "still had friends in the British Government, the Labor Party and among the public. Palestine Jewry should not despair and should rely on the justice of their cause. Violence would only defeat their aims."

ROCKEFELLER CONTRIBUTES \$100,000 TO UNITED JEWISH APPEAL; ROSENWALD LAUDS GIFT

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- A contribution of \$100,000 from John D. Rockefeller, Jr., one of the largest gifts to be made for Jewish relief and rehabilitation overseas, was received by William Rosenwald, national chairman of the \$100,000,000 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal, it was announced today.

The contribution was in response to a letter from Mr. Rosenwald in which he outlined the tragic needs of the 1,400,000 Jewish survivors of Nazi oppression in Europe and of the vast tasks of relief and rehabilitation that must be performed by the agencies which compose the United Jewish Appeal. Mr. Rosenwald stressed the fact at the problem of the Jews of Europe is not "an exclusively Jewish problem." He said: "The problem is one of general human concern. These Jews were the first and primary victims of what we know now was a planned conspiracy against world civilization and their restoration to equality with their neighbors is in the best interests of all mankind."

In advising Mr. Rosenwald of his contribution, Mr. Rockefeller declared that the plight of the Jewish survivors abroad makes an appeal that needs no argument or enforcement. "I shall count it a privilege to have a part in this campaign. May the campaign meet with the success which it is so richly deserves." In his letter of acknowledgment, Mr. Rosenwald characterized the Rockefeller gift as "a priceless symbol of the cooperation between faiths, which is one of the distinctive marks of the American way of life."

Connecticut Conference Pledges \$3,200,000 to United Jewish Appeal

NEW HAVEN, Connecticut, March 10. (JTA) -- The hunger, homelessness and destitution of Europe's 1,400,000 Jewish survivors is a major issue which "the governments of the world must recognize as a primary factor in the foundation of a permanent peace," Senator Alben W. Barkley, Majority Leader of the United States Senate, declared here today in addressing 350 Jewish leaders meeting at the Hotel Taft for the extraordinary Connecticut State Conference of the United Jewish Appeal.

The 350 delegates pledged 32 communities throughout the state to raise \$3,200,000 toward the record \$100,000,000 nationwide goal of the United Jewish Appeal. Others who addressed the conference included Major Alfred Fleishman of St. Louis, recently returned to this country following an extensive survey of living conditions in the displaced persons camps of Germany and Austria; Captain Gamzon of Paris, leader of the Jewish Resistance Movement of France; George Alpert, noted Boston attorney; Samuel Otwinik, president of the New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund; Judge Samuel Mellitz of Bridgeport; Bernard P. Kopkind, chairman of the 1946 campaign of the New Haven Jewish Welfare Fund; Louis Sachs, president of the New Haven Jewish Community Council; and Chaplain Herahel Schacter.

Northern New Jersey Conference Sets Goal of \$3,500,000 for U.J.A.

PATERSON, N.J., March 10. (JTA) -- Restoration to a life of security and dignity for Europe's homeless and destitute Jewish survivors must be the world's first step toward just compensation for the agonies suffered by the first victims of Nazism, Senator Harley M. Kilgore of West Virginia declared today before delegates representing 50 communities at the extraordinary Northern New Jersey conference of the United Jewish Appeal.

An unprecedented goal of \$3,500,000 to be raised by Northern New Jersey Jewish communities for vital relief and rehabilitation of Jewish survivors in Europe was

by 200 delegates, meeting in the Alexander Hamilton Hotel, as their share in the worldwide campaign of the United Jewish Appeal to raise \$100,000,000 in 1946.

Senator Kilgore, and other speakers who brought first-hand reports from Europe, stressed the fact that the Jews of America constitute the barrier between life and death for the Jewish survivors in Europe, who are now suffering from the effects of "mass starvation, disease and exposure they endured in the inferno that Hitler made of Europe." The speakers included Lt. Col. Judah Nadich, former special adviser to General Eisenhower on Jewish affairs in Europe; Dr. Renzo Levi, President of the Jewish Relief Organization of Rome; Moses Leavitt, secretary of the Joint Distribution Committee; and Harry Seeve, administrative assistant of the United Palestine Appeal.

#### AS ANNUAL CONFERENCE ADOPTS \$3,000,000 BUDGET FOR 1946 IMMIGRATION WORK

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- A budget of \$3,000,000 for 1946 was adopted today by the annual meeting of the HIAS attended by 2,000 delegates. The budget is the largest in the history of the organization.

Reporting to the delegates, Abraham Herman, president of the organization, declared that a lack of shipping space remains the greatest obstacle in the path of immigrants from Europe. He asserted, however, that the situation would probably be eased with the completion of the redeployment of American troops. He also reported that the HIAS has agreed to furnish corporate affidavits in cases where the prospective immigrant has met all other requirements for entry into the U.S. but cannot obtain individual affidavits.

Mr. Herman said that the prospects for 500,000 displaced and refugee Jews in Europe had brightened during the past few months, although the world-wide growth of "aggravated nationalism" since the end of the war threatened to aggravate their plight. He pointed out that some countries were already willing to open their doors to the refugees, and that further relaxation of immigration restrictions was expected. Isaac L. Asofsky, executive director of the HIAS, reported on the activities of the organization in the United States.

#### CANADA CAN ABSORB SEVERAL MILLION NEW IMMIGRANTS, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE SAYS

REGINA, Canada, March 10. (JTA) -- There are many areas in this country where several million more people can be accommodated, J.G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, said today in an appeal for liberalization of Canada's immigration policy.

Pointing out that 6,000,000 more people were needed to utilize the natural resources of Western Canada alone, Gardiner declared that there are millions of people in the world "we would be glad to have as neighbors."

#### ARTER FOR NEW HEBREW COLLEGE IN BROOKLYN SOUGHT IN NEW YORK LEGISLATURE

ALBANY, N.Y., March 10. (JTA) -- A bill permitting the establishment of a new Hebrew college in Brooklyn, N.Y., was introduced into the State Legislature here yesterday.

The college, which would prepare students for teaching Hebrew and would advance the study of Hebrew ideals, tradition and culture, would be named for the famous medieval Jewish philosopher, Moses Maimonides. The bill asks authorization for the college to grant Bachelor, Master, and Doctor of Hebrew Literature degrees.

The trustees, led by Assemblyman Bernard Austin, who introduced the measure to the legislature, are seeking \$2,000,000 to establish their school. They include: Abbi Levi I. Kahane, David Rosenblatt, Henry P. Miller, Rabbi I. Asher Spevack, Dr. Herbert H. Ofseur, Dr. Murray Boxer, Harry Grossman and Philip Rosenberg.



COMMISSION LISTS 3,500,000 JEWISH BOOKS STOLEN BY NAZIS; WILL SEEK TO LOCATE THEM

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- A tentative listing of more than 3,500,000 books and 5,000 rare manuscripts and old prints looted by the Nazis from 430 Jewish libraries, art collections, and archives was released here today by Dr. Salo W. Baron, chairman of the Commission on European Jewish Cultural Reconstruction.

The catalogue, prepared after ten months of work by a staff of scholars, literary experts, and research workers, also lists 273 of the more important collections of Jewish books and art pieces in non-Jewish institutions, which were stolen by the Nazis.

This Summer a six-man team headed by Dr. Baron, a professor of Jewish history and literature at Columbia University, will go to Europe in an attempt to locate the books which they have listed and attempt to establish their rightful owners. They will be joined in their task by groups from England and Palestine.

The Commission was set up by the Conference on Jewish Relations in May last year with the aim of advising the United Nations on the restoration of Jewish cultural life in Europe and establishing a trusteeship for the eventual redistribution of religious and cultural properties. It is a non-partisan group made up of scholars and religious leaders from all over the world.

BIRO-BIDJAN CONFERENCE ASKS AMERICAN JEWS SUPPORT JEWISH COLONIZATION IN USSR

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- American Jews were urged today to support Jewish colonization in Biro-Bidjan, Jewish autonomous region in the Soviet Union, at the concluding session of the National Conference for Biro-Bidjan, which was attended by more than 500 delegates from the U.S., Canada, and Mexico and an audience of 2,000. The two-day conference was sponsored by the American Biro-Bidjan Committee and the ICOR Association.

Senator Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, principal speaker, declared: "I see in your Biro-Bidjan movement in America a symbol of the larger world encompassing friendship and collaboration between the peoples of America and the Soviet Union. Other speakers included Vassily A. Kasantsev, Consul General of the Soviet Union, Magistrate Emma M. Kross, and Councilman Stanley Isaacs.

LEADER OF LIBERATED JEWS PRAISES ORT ACTIVITY IN CAMPS FOR DISPLACED PERSONS

NEW YORK, March 10. (JTA) -- Dr. Zalman Grinberg, chairman of the Central Committee of Liberated Jews of Germany, was honored here yesterday at a dinner given by the American ORT and the central board of the World ORT Union.

In an address praising the constructive aid offered by the ORT to the displaced Jews of Germany, Dr. Grinberg stressed the demoralizing effect of enforced idleness on the camp inmates and welcomed the opening of ORT shops and training centers in the displaced persons camps. He also pointed out that vocational and agricultural training was helping to prepare European Jews for a new life in Palestine.

Women's Division of Canadian ORT Adopts 200 Children for Care in Europe

MONTREAL, March 10. (JTA) -- The Women's Division of the Canadian ORT has drawn up a plan for the adoption of 200 Jewish orphaned children in Europe, the organization announced here today. The children will be supported and trained in ORT schools throughout Europe at a cost of \$180 each.