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BRITISH CAPTURE 30 JEWS SUSPECTED OF BLASTING RAILWAY LINES; ONE KILLED, SEVERAL WOUNDED

JERUSALEM, April 3. (JTA) -- Thirty armed Jews, including one woman, who are believed to have participated in last night's attack on the Palestine railway network, during which the lines between Jerusalem and Cairo and Haifa and Beirut were cut, were captured this morning by British troops.

The 30 were spotted by an RAF reconnaissance plane in the vicinity of Ashdod, which was the scene of one of the attacks. In an exchange of gunfire with the troops, prior to their capture, two of the group were seriously wounded and 12 other suffered slight injuries. A quantity of arms was found in their possession.

It was announced later today that the body of an unidentified Jew was found buried near the railroad track about a mile from the Arab village of Shukriery. The body had several recent bullet wounds.

During last night's attacks one Arab policeman is reported to have been killed, several were injured and a British officer and two soldiers wounded. The encounters centered around Tel Aviv and Acre.

According to an official communique, a blockhouse and bridge near the village of Yavneh, not far from Tel Aviv, were attacked, while the lines were cut at that point and a railway bridge was seriously damaged. Telephone lines in the vicinity were also cut. During an exchange of fire, the attackers slightly wounded two policemen. A military patrol which was rushing to the scene exploded a land mine planted by the terrorists, resulting in the destruction of one truck and the injury of several of its occupants.

About the same time, the communique said, "20 armed Jews disguised as Arabs," held up a police guard and blew up a railroad bridge between Haifa and Acre. A short time afterwards, a large party of armed Jews is reported to have attacked the railroad station at Ashdod, killing one policeman. Bombs were planted in a locomotive and a signal tower, both of which were severely damaged. Five guards at Ashdod were overpowered and deprived of their weapons.

This morning, heavily guarded repair crews were at work attempting to restore service with Egypt and Lebanon.

Visaless Jews Detained in Palestine Will Be Released, Colonial Minister Says

LONDON, April 3. (JTA) -- The visaless Jewish refugees who arrived in Palestine last week aboard two captured vessels will be released, provided they pass the usual security check, Colonial Secretary George Hall told the House of Commons today. He emphasized that visas for the immigrants will be deducted by the Palestine Government from the monthly Jewish immigration quota.

(It was announced in Palestine earlier this week that the Government has already informed the Jewish Agency that 3,000 visas will be deducted to cover "illegal" immigrants.)

UNITED NATIONS BODY WILL CONSIDER PROPOSAL TO RAISE FUNDS FOR TRANSFER OF REFUGEES

LONDON, April 3. (JTA) -- The Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons of the Social and Economic Council of the United Nations Organization will consider a proposal to raise funds for the transfer of refugees to countries of settlement, it was learned here today.

Among other questions to be discussed is a suggestion that the Committee should send fact-finding commissions to the various countries where the displaced persons are congregated as well as to countries where they can be absorbed. However, it is unlikely that such commissions will be sent.

Interested organizations have been invited to send representatives to the first session of the committee, which opens on Monday.

800 JEWISH CHILDREN ARRIVE IN PRAGUE FROM POLAND EN ROUTE TO FRANCE; MORE TO FOLLOW

PRAGUE, April 3. (JTA) -- The first 300 of a contingent of 800 Jewish children from Poland who are coming here for a short stay en route to Paris, arrived today on a train provided by the Czech Government. In France the children will be placed in grade schools, yeshivas and training farms, in preparation for their eventual emigration to Palestine. Several rabbis from Warsaw accompanied the children.

A transport of 52 persons, including 29 children, left here today for Palestine. Several hundred more are preparing to emigrate. Meanwhile, A.B. Silberberg of the Jewish Agency has arrived here to direct the Palestine offices in central Europe and to speed emigration.

Czechoslovak citizens who last week returned from Palestine, where they took refuge during the war, have expressed appreciation of the welcome extended them by Czech authorities. Many of the returnees arrived to settle family and business matters and some plan to return to Palestine. According to I. Friedl, secretary of the Palestine Office here, a number of the repatriates have enquired about the possibilities of returning to Palestine, while a few of them already have return visas in their possession.

FIRST GROUP OF RABBINICAL GRADUATES SINCE NAZI INVASION ORDAINED IN BUDAPEST

BUDAPEST, April 3. (JTA) -- The first group of rabbinical students to be graduated since the Nazi occupation of Hungary were ordained here today in the building of the Rabbinical College, which was the scene of many horrors during the pro-Nazi regime when it was converted into an internment camp for Jews.

Seven rabbis were ordained. They will be sent to provincial Jewish communities where there is an acute shortage of spiritual leaders, since most of Hungary's rabbis perished in death camps.

COMMANDER OF OSWIECIM EXTERMINATION CAMP WILL BE EXTRADITED TO POLAND FOR TRIAL

LONDON, March 3. (JTA) -- Rudolf Hoess, the former commander of the Oswiecim extermination camp, who is charged with being responsible for the death of 2,000,000 Jews, is to be taken to Poland to stand trial there, it was reported here today by the British radio.

Hoess was arrested by British officers about a month ago near the German-Danish frontier. He admitted that under his supervision more than 2,500,000 people, the majority of them Jews, were gassed or otherwise killed.

Z.O.A. REQUESTS WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS BE HELD IN UNITED STATES; LABORITES OPPOSED

NEW YORK, April 3. (JTA) -- A cable requesting that the World Zionist Congress be convened in the United States, rather than in Palestine as presently scheduled, was sent today by the administrative council of the Zionist Organization of America to the executive of the World Zionist Organization in Palestine.

The cable pointed out that the ZOA administrative council had unanimously decided that it was important that the Congress take place in the United States, because of the forthcoming recommendations of the Anglo-American inquiry committee and also the fact that the General Assembly of the United Nations will be held in the United States. It is believed that the Palestine issue will come before the forthcoming session of the Assembly, which is to open in September in New York.

The Labor Zionist Organization of America today issued a statement expressing "complete opposition" to the ZOA resolution. The statement points out that it would be dangerous to deprive Palestine Jewry of its top leadership at the present crucial time.

JEWISH AGENCY DETERMINED TO OPEN WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS ON AUG. 7, SAYS SHERTOK

JERUSALEM, April 3. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive is determined that the World Zionist Congress will open on Aug. 7, regardless of what decisions concerning Palestine's future may be issued in the interim, Moshe Shertok, chief of the Agency's political department, said today.

High Commissioner Sir Alan Cunningham, speaking at the opening of a Government information office in Jaffa today, declared that whatever the verdict of the Anglo-American inquiry commission, the people of Palestine should keep in mind that it will have the weight of the world behind it. Whatever plan the committee produced would be based on the idea of future peace, he added.

Mr. Shertok today told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that he was greatly surprised at the statement by Rabbi Meir Berlin, Mitrachi leader, attacking him for allegedly telling the inquiry committee that the Arabs had as much right to Palestine as the Jews. "I am unaware that I ever made such a statement," Shertok said, adding that Rabbi Berlin had congratulated him after he testified before the committee, and had not voiced any criticism.

20,000 JEWS IN RUMANIA SUBMIT PETITION AGAINST WHITE PAPER TO BRITISH DIPLOMATS

BUCAREST, April 3. (JTA) -- A Jewish delegation headed by Chief Rabbi Alexander Hafran, today submitted to the British mission here a petition signed by the heads of 20,000 Jewish families in Rumania, demanding abolition of the Palestine White Paper.

The petition also calls for free immigration into Palestine under the control of the Jewish Agency and establishment of a Jewish state. It is written in Hebrew, English and Rumanian. A representative of the mission promised to forward the petition to the Anglo-American inquiry commission and to inform the British Government of its contents.

R. ABBA HILLEL SILVER CONFERES WITH LEON BLUM ON ZIONIST AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON, April 3. (JTA) -- Dr. Abba Hillel Silver today conferred with Leon Blum, former French premier, on Zionist affairs. The conference took place in the French Embassy here.

SYRIAN PRESS CRITICAL OF TRANSJORDAN'S INDEPENDENCE; LEBANON CHALLENGES TREATY

CAIRO, April 3. (JTA) -- Syrian newspapers reaching here today from Beirut are critical of the British-Transjordan treaty, under which the latter became an independent country.

The newspaper Baradah says: "The treaty which Emir Abdullah, ruler of Transjordan, considers a personal victory is actually nothing more but an official recognition by Abdullah of the British occupation of his country."

The newspaper Aleman writes: "At a time when the Arab world joins Egypt and Lebanon in their demand for the withdrawal of foreign troops, Transjordan consents to become the center of British imperialism. This will affect the entire Arab world and particularly Syria which considers Transjordan an integral part of herself."

The newspaper Al-Akhbar wonders what motive actuated the Arab League to congratulate Transjordan. The Beirut paper Orient says that the treaty makes Transjordan a British military bastion in the Arab world.

It was reported here today that several members of the Arab League have indicated their dissatisfaction with the British-Transjordan treaty and are insisting that Transjordan should submit the treaty for ratification to the Arab League in accordance with the provisions of its constitution. It was also reported that the Lebanese delegation to the League council has submitted an official protest and asked the League to discuss the treaty.

(A report from Cairo today to the New York Times says that the Arab League charged its secretary-general with locating the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem and other exiled or "displaced" Arabs and facilitating their "repatriation." The League's council voted to establish a repatriation fund which will be reimbursed by the Arab states whose citizens are returned, the report said).

ARRESTED JEWS ARE RELEASED FOLLOWING INTERVENTION BY INQUIRY COMMITTEE MEMBER

JERUSALEM, April 3. (JTA) -- Seven Jewish prisoners have been released from the Latrun jail, where they were being held as terrorist suspects, as the result of intervention by Richard Crossman, one of the British members of the Anglo-American inquiry committee, the newspaper Hamashkiff said today. It added that fourteen deportees will be returned from Asmara, Eritrea, next week.

Crossman, and several other members of the committee, visited the Latrun detention center, and spoke with the Jewish political prisoners during their stay here.

YOUTH ALIYAH BRANCH WILL BE OPENED IN ITALY; DIRECTOR ARRIVES IN ROME

ROME, April 3. (JTA) -- Akiba Levitzky, director of the Youth Aliyah for Europe, arrived here today from his Geneva headquarters to establish a Youth Aliyah branch in Italy.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPROVES BARUCH TO REPRESENT U.S. ON UNO ATOMIC COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, April 3. (JTA) -- The nomination of Bernard Baruch as United States representative on the United Nations Commission on Atomic Energy was unanimously approved today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. A Senate vote on the nomination is expected within the next few days.

JEWISH AGENCY SENDS HEBREW TYPE TO BAVARIA FOR PUBLICATION OF DAILY NEWSPAPER

JERUSALEM, April 3. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency today announced that it has sent several fonts of Hebrew type to Bavaria to enable the publication there of a Hebrew daily newspaper, with a considerable Yiddish section, for the displaced Jews.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, today laid the cornerstone for a community center at Givat Branner which will bear the name of Enzo Sereni, the Palestine labor leader who was parachuted by the British into German territory during the war, and was caught and killed by the Nazis.

JEWISH ADVISORY COUNCIL CONDUCTS NATION-WIDE SURVEY ON DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

NEW YORK, April 3. (JTA) -- A nation-wide survey on anti-Jewish discrimination in employment is now being conducted by the National Community Relations Advisory Council in cooperation with the Jewish War Veterans, the Jewish Occupational Council and local Jewish groups, it was announced here today.

The survey was undertaken at the request of the FEPC which has been instructed to investigate and report to the President with respect to discrimination in reconversion employment.

"Although discrimination against Jews is known to exist, there is a virtual absence of objective data about extent, areas, and patterns of such discrimination," a statement issued by the NCRAC says. "Jews are not identified either in the census or on the registration forms of the United States Employment Service and the increasing subtlety with which discrimination against Jews is carried on has made it extremely difficult for the FEPC or other governmental agencies to take official cognizance of the Jewish aspects of the problem."

On the basis of the survey it is hoped that for the first time a mass of factual data will be accumulated concerning the nature and extent of anti-Semitic discrimination in employment, and an indication of the way in which this discrimination affects different geographical areas and different occupational and industrial groupings of job seekers.

HIAS RE-ELECTS ABRAHAM HERMAN AS PRESIDENT FOR TWENTY-FIRST TERM

NEW YORK, April 3. (JTA) -- Abraham Herman has been elected to his twenty-first term as president of the HIAS, the organization announced today.

LEO HERMANN, KEREN HAYESOD LEADER, RETURNS TO PALESTINE; ASSISTED UPA DRIVE IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, April 3. (JTA) -- Leo Hermann, executive secretary of the Keren Hayesod headquarters in Palestine, left today for Jerusalem after spending four months in the United States, participating in the \$100,000,000 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.

LATVIAN GOVERNMENT ALLOCATES FUNDS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF HOME FOR JEWISH CHILDREN

MOSCOW, April 3. (JTA) -- The Latvian Soviet Government today announced the allocation of a special fund for the establishment of a home for the surviving Jewish children of Riga.