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NEARLY ALL KIELCE JEWS WERE VICTIMS OF POGROM; TRIAL OF ATTACKERS OPENS TODAY

WARSAW, July 7. (JTA) -- Virtually the entire Jewish population of Kielce were victims of Thursday's pogrom, according to Jewish leaders here. They pointed out that Kielce had a Jewish population of about 120, not 800 as previously reported. Of these, 40 were killed and 60 injured.

Jewish observers are expected to attend the trial in Kielce tomorrow of the first group of persons arrested for participation in the riot. The prosecution is expected to ask the death sentence and summary execution. Meanwhile, Jews throughout Poland are reported to be fearful of leaving their homes, particularly in the smaller cities.

ZIONIST LEADERS MEET WITH WEIZMANN TO MAP STRATEGY; HAGANAH SAYS IT WILL STRIKE WHEN READY

JERUSALEM, July 7. (JTA) -- An emergency meeting of the remaining members of the Jewish Agency and the executive of the Jewish National Council met today at Dr. Weizmann's home in Rehovoth to map out Zionist strategy in the crucial weeks ahead.

A special session of the Inner Zionist Actions Committee has been called for Tuesday, when Dr. Weizmann is expected to issue a statement expressing his personal reaction to present events in Palestine and, at the same time, the official attitude of the World Zionist Organization will be made clear.

The chief problem at the moment is reorganizing the Agency's activities, since no replacements will be named for the members of the executive who are under arrest. The official Jewish attitude on non-cooperation with the government must also be drafted.

Dr. Weizmann this afternoon visited the Agency members detained at Latrun prison, but it is not known whom he saw, nor the subject of their conversations.

The "Voice of Israel" today declared that the British "provocations" have not lured the Haganah into an open battle, but "the day will come when the Haganah will choose the appropriate moment to strike."

The broadcast ridiculed the government's "optimistic assumption" that it has broken the backbone of the resistance by seizing David Remez and Dr. Bernard Joseph and has crippled illegal immigration by detaining Isaac Gruenbaum. It said that the "Palmach," the Haganah striking force, was intact and its most important leaders and instructors are continuing their work. It added that if the government's allegation that its recent activities were not aimed at the Haganah were correct, it would not have conducted such a wide-scale arms search at Yagour.

For the first time in a week, Yagour was virtually free of British troops today. After a thorough combing of the colony, during which they unearthed a large

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quantity of arms and ammunition, the soldiers have withdrawn leaving only a cordon around the settlement.

Yesterday, paratroopers of the famed Sixth Airborne Division, which is garrisoning Palestine, raided the Jewish quarters of Jaffa, and searched slum dwellings in a hunt for the hideout where the three kidnapped British officers who were released last Thursday had been confined for 16 days.

It was learned that despite reports appearing in the British press yesterday, the authorities are not planning to hunt for Moshe Sneh, a member of the Agency, and Abba Chushai, Haifa labor leader, although they are wanted. The two will be detained only if they surrender to the authorities.

Documents from Agency Files Sent to London for Publication

Documents found in the Agency files and seized during the raids on various colonies were sent by air to London today after having been examined by officers of the Criminal Investigation Division.

They will be scrutinized by experts and then will be incorporated in a government White Paper which will attempt to show a link between members of the Agency and terrorist outbreaks. The authorities also claim that they have discovered a list of the Palmach's leaders and instructors at the village of Mizra.

(British code experts have been flown to Palestine to assist in deciphering documents allegedly found in the headquarters of the Jewish Agency, it was reported in London by the News Chronicle.)

The Haganah radio today also broadcast a denial of an official announcement that Otto Freund and Benjamin Papanek, alleged informers who led troops to arms caches at Yagour, had been executed. The broadcast said that the two were kidnapped on the orders of the Jewish resistance movement, but are being held awaiting trial.

There was no explanation of an earlier report that Freund had been found dead in Haifa, with three thousand pounds in his pocket. Meanwhile, it is learned reliably that three informers were involved in the Yagour incident, and one is understood to have been flown to Australia by the authorities.

He is reported to have been an instructor at the Herman Tietz Vocational School, situated across the road from Yagour, where Papanek and Freund were students before they joined the Czech army. The three were recognized by children residing in the colony.

Another kidnapping took place today, when 19-year-old Yochanan Gross was dragged into a jeep by four men dressed in uniforms of British paratroopers. He has not been heard from since.

Plan Increased Taxes to Cover Damages Caused by "Jewish Terrorists"

The office in Tel Aviv where identity cards are issued was invaded last night by three armed men who set fire to the interior. The blaze was extinguished by firemen, however, before it could do much damage.

A well-informed source said that the Palestine Government is working on plans for increased taxation during the coming fiscal year to "cover damages caused by Jewish terrorists."

ARAB HIGHER COMMITTEE CHARGES PRESIDENT TRUMAN BARTERING PALESTINE FOR JEWISH VOTES

JERUSALEM, July 7. (JTA) -- In a violent statement, which charged President Truman with bartering the Palestine Arabs for Jewish votes, the Arab Higher Committee today replied to the White House announcement that the United States was willing to assume financial and technical responsibility for the transport and resettlement of 100,000 Jews in Palestine.

The Arab reply protested against "such flagrant, empty and irresponsible statements issued now and then by the President of the United States, irrespective of their effects." It added: "The Arab Higher Committee wishes to assure President Truman that it is not within his power of jurisdiction or that of others to determine the future and destiny of this Arab country."

"Palestine is not a parcel of merchandise which can be bought in the world financial market in Wall Street for a number of dollars or bartered for Jewish votes in spite of the fact that President Truman controls the atom bomb," the statement said.

The statement advised President Truman "if he is really in sympathy with the Jews and their plight in Christian Europe to open the doors of the American continent which can absorb not only 100,000 Jews, but millions of them."

The Arab Committee's reply said that President Truman's statement "came at a time when the American President was begging for Jewish votes in the forthcoming Presidential elections. Arabs in Palestine and elsewhere are determined to resist any further Jewish immigration into their country with all power and faith and in spite of President Truman's statements and the hue and cry raised by his Jewish friends and supporters in the United States," it concluded.

CHILDREN FROM OSWIECIM, BE-RIBBONED VETERANS MARCH IN LONDON TO PROTEST PALESTINE ARRESTS

LONDON, July 7. (JTA) -- Children who had spent years in concentration camps and be-ribboned veterans of British campaigns from Dunkirk to Arnhem were among the thousands of persons who marched through the streets of London today in a great demonstration against the actions of the British authorities in Palestine.

The marchers assembled early this afternoon after conclusion of a special meeting of the British Zionist Federation and a simultaneous demonstration in the Jewish-populated East End. Shouting slogans and carrying placards assailing British policy in Palestine, the demonstrators, estimated at 10,000, gathered in Trafalgar Square, where they were addressed by Jewish leaders.

In the concentration camp contingent were 200 youngsters between 14 and 18, all of whom bore on their arms numbers tattooed by Nazi guards. All were orphans, who had been seized with their parents in Poland, Czechoslovakia and Germany and taken to camps, where the parents were murdered. They carried placards reading: "We survived Oswiecim and Belsen. Our destination is Palestine."

In another section were young people who are being trained on six farms in England to become agriculturists in Palestine. They carried a banner stating: "Stop Destroying Communal Settlements." Placards held by the veterans had the words: "Haganah led Allies into Syria," "Let the voice of real England be heard," "Thirty thousand Palestine Jewish volunteers served with the Allies," and "Use a constructive policy not force." As they marched they sang Hatikvah.

A leaflet distributed along the line of march, which was issued by the Zionist Federation, said "we have gathered today to demonstrate our unity with the

Jews of Palestine in their hour of trial, and to declare that we shall never be deterred in our determination to build the Jewish National Home."

Delegation Leaves Copy of Resolutions with Attlee

While the Trafalgar Square meeting was in progress, a delegation led by Barnett Janner, Labor M.P., and a vice-president of the Zionist Federation, went to the Prime Minister's residence at 10 Downing Street, and left a copy of the resolutions adopted earlier at the Federation's meeting.

The resolutions protested against the "aggressive action" taken by British forces on the orders of the government against the Jewish community of Palestine, its leaders and the elected representatives of the World Zionist movement, and demanded:

1. The immediate release of the members of the executive of the Jewish Agency, the leaders of the other national institutions and the "innocent men and women arrested in Palestine."
2. The cessation of attacks on Jewish settlements and public buildings.
3. The immediate opening of Palestine to the 100,000 Jews, whose urgent immigration was recommended by the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry.

The conference declared that the establishment of the Jewish state in which Jews and Arabs would live as free men under a democratic order was the only possible solution of the problems of the Jewish people and Palestine.

Writing in Reynold's News today, Richard Crossman, Labor M.P., and a member of the Anglo-American inquiry committee, appeals today for "magnanimity which alone can prevent ruin in Palestine." He reveals that he "begged" Prime Minister Attlee to ask David Ben Gurion for cooperation and suppression of violence in Palestine, but Attlee refused.

Acknowledging the danger to the proposed British loan from the United States, the Sunday Chronicle insists that "Britain cannot bow her knee for money. We have a responsibility in Palestine which we have invited America to share. Our conscience is clear; we will keep our hands clean, whether dollars or no dollars" are forthcoming, the paper said.

The Sunday Observer appealed editorially to all Palestine Zionists to realize that members of the British Cabinet were not their enemies but rather Zionist sympathizers, and went on to warn that the anti-British campaign in the United States primarily endangered American Jews once Americans realized that their relations with a friendly power were being affected by Zionist activities. Many Sunday newspapers feature a photograph of Jewish demonstrators in New York carrying a Union Jack on which is superimposed a swastika.

LEON BLUM SAYS IMMIGRATION TO PALESTINE CAN BE ACHIEVED IF WORLD OPINION FAVORS IT

PARIS, July 7. (JTA) -- Former French Premier Leon Blum stated today in a signed editorial in the official Socialist newspaper, Le Populaire, that tens of thousands of Jews could be admitted to Palestine if world opinion in their behalf would crystallize. He pointed out that Palestine is not a British territory but a League of Nations mandate administered by Britain.

Except perhaps for certain elements in the British Colonial and Foreign Offices, Blum wrote that the British people are in favor of Jewish immigration to Palestine, provided they receive American assistance. He declared that he did not believe the British Labor Party was prepared to help Hitler's former partner, the Mufti, in his machinations.

JEWS IN SOVIET ZONE OF GERMANY WELL TREATED; HOMES AND BUSINESSES RETURNED TO THEM

BERLIN, July 7. (JTA) -- The handful of Jews living in the Russian zone in Germany in many ways enjoy greater benefits than those in the American and British zones, Jewish leaders told the correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency during a ten-day tour of Soviet-occupied Germany. Nonetheless, nearly all Jews there said they would leave as soon as Soviet troops were withdrawn.

Every Jewish leader with whom the writer spoke praised the Russian authorities, both when Russian officers were present at interviews and at other times. Restoration of Jewish property has been progressing since the Russians took over the area from the Americans last July, it was pointed out.

Numbering about 1,000, and all of German descent, the Jews are organized into communities similar to those existing in Western Germany. They are concentrated mainly in the big cities, including Erfurt, Leipzig, Dresden and Weimar. Representatives from various cities hold regular meetings to discuss common problems.

Jews who returned to this area from different parts of Europe were at first billeted by the Russian authorities in the finest hotels available. They were then transported either to their old homes, many of which had been used by Nazi officials, or were placed in former Nazi homes. Everyone received more than enough clothing, as well as money grants. All Jews were either returned to their former businesses, or were given businesses taken from the Nazis. Top food priority was also extended to the Jews.

A large part of this program of assistance was carried on by Jews under supervision of the Soviet authorities, but it is now in great measure under control of the German Government, which is in line with the Soviet policy of giving the Germans greater control over their internal affairs. Jewish leaders declared, however, that they are able to appeal directly to the Russians should the Germans fail to cooperate with the Jews. This has not been necessary, however, the Jews added. Jewish officials responsible for Jewish affairs in the provincial governments have also extended a great deal of aid to the Jews.

Jewish leaders with whom the writer spoke also praised the efforts of the "Victims of Fascism Committee," a non-sectarian group set up to help all persons persecuted by the Nazis. Wherever one travels in the Russian zone in Germany bright Committee posters appeal to the Germans to contribute funds to the Committee which allocates the money to all Nazi victims, regardless of race or religion.

Soviet authorities as well as Jewish leaders pointed out that there never were displaced persons camps in the Russian zone. Local Soviet commanders stated it was taken for granted that Jews should receive preferential treatment and that any display of anti-Semitism would immediately be prosecuted. The commanders added that to date there has been no real trouble.

Soviet officials denied any knowledge of Jews from Poland traveling through their zone. This was verified by the Jewish leaders who said that only a few transports had come through and these had been given aid by the Jewish communities before continuing westward. It was stressed that this occurred infrequently.

UNRRA OFFICIALS FORCING 2,000 JEWS IN HANOVER TO MOVE TO BERGEN-BELSEN DP CAMP

BREMEN, July 7. (JTA) -- Some 2,000 displaced Jews now living in fairly adequate quarters in the Ohestrasse camp within Hanover have been ordered by UNRRA authorities to move from the city to the Bergen-Belsen DP camp, it was reported

here. The Jews have been given eight days within which to move or face a cut in rations to the lower German civilian standards.

Jewish leaders and organizations have protested the order, pointing out that this would mean a serious blow to the physical and moral well-being of the Hanover Jews and would create a new group of DP's. They assert that it would be more logical to use the available space at Bergen-Belsen for newly-arriving "infiltrates" from Poland. The protests, however, were not heeded by UNRRA officials.

ANTI-SEMITIC RIOT INCITED BY BLACK MARKET OPERATOR AVERTED IN HUNGARIAN VILLAGE

BUDAPEST, July 7. (JTA) -- An anti-Semitic riot was narrowly averted in a small Danubian village near here when a black marketeer spread the story that the flesh of children was being sold on the open market in Budapest.

Although all the children in the village were safely accounted for, some of the mothers became hysterical when they saw two black automobiles which they believed contained kidnapers, parked near the village limits. A mob gathered and started to attack the local rabbi's house, but were halted by the police. Two women and a man were arrested and will be tried by a People's Court on charges of inciting anti-democratic acts.

Fifty-nine persons charged with complicity in an anti-Jewish outbreak at the town of Kunmadaras last month, in which several Jews were killed, finally have gone on trial here, after many delays. The prosecutor asked the death penalty for the four instigators of the riot and stiff prison terms for the others. The trial will continue this week.

WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE IN AUSTRIA TO INVESTIGATE JEWISH POSITION

VIENNA, July 7. (JTA) -- Siegfried Altman and Ernest Stiasny, representatives of the World Jewish Congress, have arrived in Vienna to investigate the position of Austrian Jewry.

While here they will attempt to aid the Austrian Jewish community by: determining the citizenship status of Austrian Jews now in foreign countries; clearing up economic and social questions for Austrian Jews who intend to be repatriated; supporting the Jewish communities, as well as individual members, in the problem of restitution of Jewish property and helping the victims of racial persecution to obtain the same privileges granted to political refugees.

Also, by inquiring into anti-Semitism in Austria, both among the general public and the government; determining if public opinion favors emigration of Austrian Jews or prefers that they remain; assisting the Jewish communities on questions of political, social and religious rights; and extending additional relief to the needy Jews.

FIRST TRANSPORT OF JEWS FROM FAR EAST SAILS FOR SAN FRANCISCO; 164 ABOARD GEN. MEIGS

SHANGHAI, July 7. (JTA) -- The first transport of Jewish refugees from Shanghai has sailed for San Francisco aboard the SS General Meigs. It consists of 164 Jewish refugees from Nazi terror, most of whom were interned by Japan after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The group includes 26 rabbinical students planning to resume their studies in New York, 60 Jews entering the United States under regular immigration quotas, 58 rabbis who will settle in Canada and 20 Jews who plan to reside in South America.

30,000 ARGENTINE JEWS HOLD PALESTINE PROTEST MEETING AFTER GOVERNMENT LIFTS BAN

BUENOS AIRES, July 7. (JTA) -- A crowd estimated at more than 30,000 yesterday denounced British policy in Palestine at the largest Jewish mass-meeting ever held here.

The meeting was allowed to proceed only after the DAIA, central Jewish organization, protested a proposed government ban. The authorities agreed to permit the rally, provided that none of the speakers attacked Britain and none spoke Yiddish. A government spokesman said that the meeting was undesirable for "reasons of international policy."

As a result of the official restrictions, the meeting adopted no resolutions and the addresses were very moderate in tone. Speakers included Adolfo Lanus, editor of La Prensa, most influential Argentine daily, and Silvano Santander, Radical Party deputy. A Peronist deputy, Leandro Reynes, had promised to speak, but did not appear.

Jewish shops remained closed the afternoon preceeding the meeting and anti-British leaflets were distributed in the streets and the subway.

JEWSH ESTABLISHMENTS TO CLOSE IN RIO DE JANEIRO TODAY TO PROTEST PALESTINE RAIDS

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 7. (JTA) -- All Jewish shops, offices and factories will close down tomorrow at 4 p.m. to protest the arrest of the leaders of the Jewish Agency in Palestine and the raids on many colonies.

A meeting will be held Monday night at which Dr. Inacio Azevedo Amaral, rector of the local university, will be the main speaker. Members of the Constitutional Assembly which is now meeting to draft a new governmental set-up for Brazil are also expected to speak.

The newly-organized Zionist Emergency Council arranged a special broadcast last night at which JTA dispatches from Palestine were read.

FIRST POSTWAR CZECHOSLOVAK ZIONIST CONGRESS ASSAILS BRITISH AGGRESSION IN PALESTINE

PRAGUE, July 7. (JTA) -- British aggression in Palestine was condemned at the first postwar Czechoslovak Zionist Congress, attended by 2,300 delegates from all over the country.

Paul Maerz, member of the World Zionist executive, and former president of the Czechoslovak Zionist Federation, declared that the present unrest in Palestine is due to British appeasement of the Arabs. "If England had carried out its pledge to the Jews, there would be peace in Palestine," he stressed.

The conference adopted resolutions hailing President Truman's aid to the Jews and pledging support to the Jewish Agency and the Haganah. Ernst Frischer, president of the Union of Jewish Communities in Czechoslovakia, greeted the delegates on behalf of his organization.

BULGARIAN JEWS SCORE PALESTINE EVENTS; DEMAND JEWISH AGENCY LEADERS BE RELEASED

SOFIA, July 7. (JTA) -- Thousands of Bulgarian Jews jammed a meeting called by the United Zionist Association here today to protest the recent British actions in Palestine and submitted a resolution to the local representatives of the Big Four powers demanding that the arrested Jewish Agency leaders be released immediately. "We express our gratitude to the American people for their protest against British policy in Palestine," the resolution also said.

POALE-ZION ORGANIZATION AND LEAGUE FOR LABOR PALESTINE MERGE; ASK AID FOR HAGANAH

LAKEWOOD, New Jersey, July 7. (JTA) -- The Poale Zion Organization and the League for Labor Palestine, the two leading labor Zionist bodies in the United States, merged over the week-end at a special conference here. The merger was approved by 300 delegates from the United States and Canada.

In a joint statement issued by Prof. Hayim Fineman, national chairman of the Poale Zion, and Dr. Herman Seidel, president of the League for Labor Palestine, the unified movement was called on to mobilize full support for the beleaguered Jews of Palestine. Prof. Fineman urged the creation in the U.S. of an inter-racial committee to assist the Haganah. "If Americans of all faiths give moral and financial support to the Jewish pioneers, the British cannot win," he said.

Eliahu Epstein, political representative of the Jewish Agency in Washington, called on the delegates to rouse the 5,000,000 Jews in the United States to the necessity of "getting into the trenches to fight British policy in Palestine." He said that Zionism is in grave danger since the Labor Government is using tactics which the Tories would be ashamed to use.

Dr. Berl Frymer, executive director of the Poale Zion, reported that the Labor Zionist bloc exceeded all expectations in the elections for delegates to the World Zionist Congress. Latest unofficial reports indicate that the Labor Zionists are running neck and neck with the Zionist Organization of America, he said.

Dan Pines, co-editor of Davar, Palestine Labor daily, told the delegates that "Zionism is not only a struggle for Jewish freedom but for human freedom. Our struggle is for Socialism as well as Zionism. The British Labor Party must insist upon pro-Zionist policies if it desires to fortify democracy in the Middle East."

ORTHODOX RABBINICAL BODY CONVENES TODAY; WILL HONOR 59 CHAPLAINS FOR WAR SERVICES

HUNTER, N.Y., July 7. (JTA) -- More than three hundred orthodox rabbis and Jewish chaplains will meet here tomorrow at the 11th annual convention of the Rabbinical Council of America.

They will hear addresses by James G. MacDonald, a member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry, and Moshe Shapiro, head of the Jewish Agency's immigration department. A dinner in honor of 59 chaplains affiliated with the Council will climax the four-day meeting.

PIONEER WOMEN SEND \$25,000 TO PALESTINE TO CONTINUE WELFARE ACTIVITIES FOR REFUGEES

NEW YORK, July 7. (JTA) -- The Pioneer Women's Organization has cabled \$25,000 to its sister group in Palestine, the Working Women's Council, as a token of solidarity, it was announced here today. The two groups have set up agricultural and vocational training centers for the rehabilitation of refugee girls arriving from the displaced persons camps in Europe. So far this year the Pioneer Women have remitted \$490,000 to Palestine.

JEWISH COUNCIL FOR RUSSIAN RELIEF TO FUNCTION AS INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION

NEW YORK, July 7. (JTA) -- The Jewish Council for Russian Relief, previously associated with the American Society for Russian Relief, is continuing its activities as an independent organization, it was announced today. The Jewish group plans to carry its program over into 1947, Louis Levine, chairman, said. Since 1942, it has collected more than \$10,000,000 in cash and goods contributed by American Jewish landsmanschaften, and other groups.

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