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VIOLENCE ERUPTS THROUGHOUT PALESTINE AS EXTREMISTS ATTACK ON MANY FRONTS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Open warfare broke out the length and breadth of Palestine tonight as Jewish extremists attacked military installations in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Tiberias and other towns and settlements. First reports indicated that casualties might be heavy.

Jerusalem was shaken by a series of explosions, while Tel Aviv was the scene of a gun battle in the streets when military headquarters there was attacked by rifle fire and grenades. A land mine exploded in the center of Tel Aviv, while bombs were detonated in Haifa and Motza, which is a suburb of Jerusalem.

The quarters occupied by married army personnel were attacked in Jerusalem, while home-made flame-throwers were used against barracks in Tiberias and a heavy attack was launched against army installations at Kinyat Haim, near Haifa, and Nadara, between Tel Aviv and Haifa. Roads between Haifa and Tel Aviv were mined.

Citrus House in Tel Aviv, where army offices are located, was attacked by gunmen using automatics and several bombs were exploded. The guards fired on the attackers and the subsequent exchange of shots could be heard throughout the center of the city. The streets were deserted as pedestrians scurried for shelter.

Troops Raid Rehovoth and Tel Aviv In Hunt For Floggers

Earlier today troops threw a cordon around the Yemenite quarter of Tel Aviv for the second time in two days and arrested 20 men after questioning several hundred, in a continuing search for the men who flogged a British officer and three sergeants.

Troops also occupied the Yemenite quarter of Rehovoth at dawn this morning and, after imposing a curfew, made detailed searches. Ten youths were detained. An official communique said that there were no incidents.

Further reports concerning the looting and wanton destruction by the troops who raided Petach Tikvah and Nathanya on Friday and Saturday were revealed today. A quantity of gold and silver ornaments were stolen from a synagogue in the first city, while in the other the ceremonial covers were removed from scrolls of the law and from tephillin, Prayerbooks and other religious objects were mutilated.

In Nathanya, a school which was used as headquarters for the commanders of the operation was badly damaged and JNF boxes in which the school children had been saving pennies were ripped from the walls and the contents stolen. Despite the damage, the caretaker was forced to sign a statement that the search was carried out fairly. Many cases of looting and money being stolen are also reported to have occurred during the raid in Tel Aviv yesterday.

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BEN GURION CONFERS WITH COLONIAL SECRETARY; TALKS BELIEVED TO HAVE FAILED

LONDON, Jan. 2. (JTA)--David Ben Gurion, chairman of the World Zionist executive, today conferred for two hours with Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones on the Palestine situation in light of the decisions taken at the Zionist Congress. He refused to divulge details of the talk, but the Jewish Agency office announced that he will leave for Palestine on Saturday.

His sudden decision to depart was accepted as an indication that his meeting with the Colonial Secretary had "ended in complete failure," Reuter's reported. The British news agency added that Ben Gurion's discussions with Creech Jones, at which several high officials of the Colonial Office were present, were aimed at securing conditions under which Zionist leaders might attend the London Conference on Palestine, which is to be resumed on Jan. 21.

A ban on reporting the time of the arrival in London of Palestine High Commissioner Sir Alan C. Cunningham was imposed today by the Colonial Office "for security reasons." The High Commissioner, who was due to arrive from Jerusalem today for consultations on the Palestine situation, will stay in London for about a week.

During his stay here, Sir Alan will confer with the Colonial Office on the activities of the extremists in Palestine as well as on the long-term policy which the British Government plans to adopt with regard to Palestine. He will also meet with Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee and Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin.

Cabinet Meeting On Palestine; Imposition of Martial Law Rumored

The Cabinet was scheduled to meet here for the second time in three days for what were believed to be urgent consultations on the Palestine situation. It is reported that unless some solution can be reached shortly, the government is considering imposition of martial law in sections of the country.

British newspapers today took a pessimistic view concerning the probable outcome of the Conference on Palestine. The Daily Telegraph believes that even if both Jews and Arabs attend the parley, there is little likelihood of an agreement being reached. The Manchester Guardian says that there is little hope of Jewish participation in the Conference.

Charging that too much time has already been lost and that this has resulted in further complicating the Palestine situation, the Daily Telegraph urges the British Government to outline a definite policy and stick to it. "Let reasonable Arabs be given some finality, and let reasonable Jews be given something that they can show as a reward for reason," the editorial says.

The London Times says in an editorial that Jewish extremists in Palestine and their faith in violence "augur ill for a Jewish state." It declares that if the Jewish community cannot enforce internal discipline, it cannot hope to convince Britain to fulfill the provisions of the Palestine Mandate.

The British Government may be forced to recognize that partition of Palestine is the only solution, the Times continues, but "so long as the power of the Jews to order their own affairs is menaced, by terrorists, there can be no justification for a withdrawal of British administration."

The Daily Telegraph issued a warning to Jews that continuation of terrorism in Palestine "invites renewal of the anti-Semitism which has had such consequences for the Jewish race."

ARABS ASKED BY BRITISH INTELLIGENCE CHIEF NOT TO OPPOSE PARTITIONING OF PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Britain is determined to partition Palestine as the only solution to the problem and will not retreat before Arab violence, Brigadier I.S. Clayton, who heads British intelligence in the Middle East, told Arab leaders in the Levant, it is reported here.

The Damascus correspondent of the radical newspaper Hishmar reports that during a recent visit to Syria and Lebanon, Clayton warned the Arab leaders not to oppose partition and promised that they would have much to gain "if they behaved properly at the London conference," which is slated to resume on Jan. 21.

The British intelligence chief is understood to have told both the Syrian and Lebanese governments that Britain would take a "friendly attitude" toward their various aspirations, if they do not encourage Arab opposition to solution of the Palestinian and Egyptian problems.

JEWS DEMAND CHANGE IN JERUSALEM MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION; UNDECIDED ON FITZGERALD PLAN

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2. (JTA)--A joint meeting here of the Jewish Community Council, the former Jewish councillors of Jerusalem and representatives of the Agudas Israel decided today to demand either immediate municipal elections in Jerusalem or the appointment of a temporary administration with adequate Jewish representation. At present, the city is ruled by a government-appointed board.

The conferees announced that they still had not reached a final decision on the plan proposed by Palestine Chief Justice Sir William Fitzgerald, providing for the partition of Jerusalem into separate Jewish and Arab boroughs.

In Tel Aviv yesterday, Sir Henry Gurney, Chief Secretary of the Palestine Government, told a press conference that the authorities are not willing at present to surrender the port of Tel Aviv to the municipal council of that city or to annex to Tel Aviv certain Jewish quarters of Jaffa, adjoining the all-Jewish city, for which Tel Aviv annually pays \$1,200,000 to provide the residents with health, education and other services.

Sir Henry announced at the same time that the Palestine Government spent \$640,000 during 1946 to maintain illegal immigrants and detainees, aside from those in Cyprus.

EGYPTIAN MAGAZINE PUBLISHES ALLEGED ZIONIST "SECRET PLAN" TO DOMINATE MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, Jan. 2. (JTA)--A modern version of the protocols of Zion is published today in the widely-read magazine Al Mousawar, which prints what purports to be "a secret Zionist plan" to dominate the Middle East, complete with a map showing alleged Zionist territorial ambitions. The magazine says that the document was seized by the Palestine Government when it raided the premises of the Jewish Agency last June 29.

Jews have been purchasing land in Egypt's Sinai peninsula, bordering Palestine, it was revealed during a debate in Parliament yesterday by Minister of Finance Ibrahim Abdul Hady Pasha.

Questioned by a deputy concerning alleged land sales to Jews, Hady Pasha admitted that some had taken place, but said that sales of land close to the Palestine border were subject to special regulations of the Ministry of National Defense and purchases could be cancelled if found to be against the national interests.

U.S. CONSTABULARY IN GERMANY CHARGED WITH BEATING, MISTREATING DISPLACED JEWS

MUNICH, Jan. 2. (JTA)--A displaced Jew who is to go on trial next week before a military court on charges of assaulting an officer is being railroaded because certain American military officials are attempting to suppress details of the beating by U.S. constabulary troops of at least eight Jewish DP's, it was charged today.

The accused man, Herman Flachczinsky, of the Landsberg camp, was himself badly beaten by the constabulary following his arrest several weeks ago for questioning.

Meanwhile, seven other Jewish DP's, including two women, have filed affidavits with UNRRA and Jewish authorities charging that they were mistreated by constabulary troops during questioning in connection with the murder of a German woman and child.

They said that they were arrested on Dec. 15 and held for varying periods during which they were forced to submit to constant questioning while standing at attention at all times. They allege that they were beaten by the soldiers who used their fists and wooden rulers and were cursed at in the presence of German police.

Constabulary officials who were questioned concerning the charges, said that they had no comment at present.

NAZI GOVERNOR OF WARSAW, ON TRIAL AS WAR CRIMINAL, DEFENDS CREATION OF GHETTO FOR JEWS

WARSAW, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Ludwig Fischer, Nazi governor of Warsaw who is now being tried here as a war criminal, told the court that he was justified in establishing a ghetto for the Jews, if "the Allies now have the right to evict German citizens from apartments, handing over the flats to their own soldiers."

When the prosecutor challenged the aptness of the analogy, Fischer then said that it had been necessary to confine the Jews in a ghetto to prevent the spread of infection and thus save the Polish people from epidemics. This explanation was greeted by a sally of laughter from the spectators.

The prosecutor submitted to the court a report prepared by a Dr. Hummel, who Fischer admitted was his deputy, describing the extent of disease and infection in the ghetto precincts and stating that he had ordered that any Jew attempting to climb over the ghetto wall be shot without warning.

Testifying for the government, Dr. M.R. Kopes, a medical expert, said that 791,000 persons were killed in Warsaw by Germans under Fischer's command between Oct., 1939 and Oct., 1944, excluding the hundreds of thousands sent to death camps.

ANTI-SEMITES CONTINUE ACTIVE IN BRITAIN; SHOP DAMAGED, JEW THREATENED WITH FLOGGING

LONDON, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Anti-Semitic incidents continue to occur in far-flung sections of Britain, following the recent rebirth of the pre-war fascist organizations.

In the pottery town of Stoke-on-Trent the shop windows of a hardware store owned by 70-year-old Isaac Rich were smashed, and pinned on the door was a note stating: "If Jews can flog and shoot, we will start and smash them down. This is only the start." A police guard was set on the shop.

Police are also guarding the shop of E.M. Cooper in London's East End. Cooper yesterday received a telephonic threat that he would be flogged, after he answered affirmatively a query from the caller as to whether he was a Zionist. Cooper was warned: "You are going to be flogged and your place burned." Police were assigned to the premises after intervention by Philip Piratin, Communist M.P.

HOUSE UN-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ASKS BAN ON MAILING PRIVILEGES OF FOREIGN-LANGUAGE PAPERS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Revocation of the second class mailing privileges of all foreign-language newspapers and periodicals which do not carry English translations in parallel columns is recommended in the final report of the House Committee on Un-American Activities on its activities in 1946, issued today. It is one of several legislative proposals by the committee, many of which urge restriction of the rights and privileges of aliens.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'S CLAIM TO EXEMPTION FROM ANTI-BIAS LAW CHALLENGED BY A.J.C.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2. (JTA)--In a brief filed today with the New York State Committee Against Discrimination, the American Jewish Congress challenged the contention of Columbia University that its placement service was outside the Committee's jurisdiction since it was operated by an educational institution.

Columbia admits that its employment form contains questions on race, religion and nationality, which are illegal under New York's anti-discrimination law, but claims that it is permitted to follow this practice because the law does not cover educational institutions. In its brief, the Congress points out that the placement service operates like any other employment agency, securing positions in outside industry for students.

The Commission on Law and Social Action of the Congress today released the replies of 32 state governors and other officials to an inquiry concerning the status of the Ku Klux Klan in their states. Ten said that they would take any necessary legal action to suppress it, 14 replied the KKK holds no charter in their states and 8 reported that it was inactive.

DR. WISE BELIEVES ZIONIST LEADERS WILL PARTICIPATE IN LONDON PARLEY ON PALESTINE

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Judge Morris Rothenberg, who was elected a member of the Zionist Actions Committee, said that "the action of the World Zionist Congress can be properly understood and evaluated only against the background of the bitterness felt by the delegates" as a result of British policy in Palestine. "The unwillingness of the Congress to reelect Dr. Weizmann as president of the World Zionist Organization, despite the fact that he continues to enjoy the universal respect of Jews throughout the world, symbolized the feeling of the delegates against the moderate policy pursued by Dr. Weizmann in relation to the Mandatory Power," he declared. "It should be interpreted as a desire by Zionists everywhere to undertake a more vigorous struggle to prevent the stifling of development in the Jewish National Home."

Judge Rothenberg, who was also honored at the World Conference of the Jewish National Fund by having a Palestine settlement named after him, reported that the Conference adopted a \$40,000,000 goal for 1947 for increased land purchases in Palestine. Mendel Fisher, executive director of the Jewish National Fund, who also was a delegate to the Congress, expressed gratification at the measures taken by the meeting "to protect the integrity" of the J.N.F. He revealed that plans had been presented which would have seriously encroached on the independence of the J.N.F.

JEWISH COMMUNITY LIFE IN WAR-TORN COUNTRIES BECOMING STABILIZED, ORT HEADS REPORT

GENEVA, Jan. 2. (JTA)--A marked increase in the number of Jewish institutions in Europe as well as greater Jewish participation in the productive life of Europe are the first indications that Jewish communities in the war-torn countries are gradually becoming stabilized, it was stated by Dr. Aaron Syngalowski and Dr. David Lvovitch, co-chairmen of the World Union, in the course of reports to a meeting of the administrative committee of the organization.

Dr. Syngalowski said 267 ORT trade schools and training workshops are now functioning in ten European countries, excluding Germany. The institutions include 105 new schools and training workshops established during the past four months in Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary, Poland, Italy, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Holland and Czechoslovakia, in addition to seven agricultural schools.

Up to December, he reported, over 7,500 Jewish youths and adults received vocational training in ORT schools and workshops and 3,600 displaced Jews attended courses in ORT schools in camps in the American zone of Germany. He declared that the development of ORT activities in Poland was especially gratifying. In all, 24 new trade schools and shops were established in the country.

In France and Belgium, Dr. Syngalowski told the committee, the ORT schools give short intensive training courses for refugees streaming into the countries. Although private industry is unwilling to hire the refugees as apprentices, they can readily find jobs after they have acquired a basic skill. Preparations are being made for more extensive training in Western Europe, particularly in France, he said.

Trained ORT instructors have been sent to Italy where the organization maintains fourteen schools, including a trade school for girls in Rome, he continued. He concluded his report by citing the recent consignment of nine large transports of supplies and equipment to nations in Western and Eastern Europe.

HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR. HEADS \$170,000,000 UNITED JEWISH APPEAL CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Jan. 2. (JTA)--Henry Morgenthau, Jr., for twelve years Secretary of the Treasury, has accepted the invitation to become General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal which has undertaken to raise \$170,000,000 in 1947, it was announced today.

In a statement issued on the acceptance of leadership of the drive, Mr. Morgenthau said, in part: "The American people dedicated their resources and manpower to the destruction of the menace that Hitler represented to our security and freedom. It is now equally their will that those who were the first and most tragic victims shall have their fullest sympathy and support until they are able to stand on their own feet, to make their own way. I have accepted the General Chairmanship of the United Jewish Appeal because I regard it as the moral obligation of every American, man, woman and child to save from despair and destruction the pitiful remnant of Jews who remain alive in Europe."

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