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EGYPTIAN MOBS PIERCE EYES OF JEWS; KILL RABBIS SAVAGELY; JEWISH SITUATION ALARMING

PARIS, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The situation of the Jews in Egypt was termed today as "highly alarming" by a Frenchman who returned from Cairo and gave the first detailed and uncensored report of the pogroms, mob violence, mass looting and terrorism which is now taking place throughout Egypt against the Jewish population.

Egyptian mobs, he revealed, killed three rabbis by splitting their throats, after dragging them into a Cairo slaughter house. He estimated that at least 150 Jews had either been killed or had "disappeared" in Cairo incidents during the last four weeks. A substantial number of Jews had been wounded, he said. The pogroms and anti-Jewish terrorism are tacitly encouraged by the passive attitude of the Egyptian Government, he charged.

The gravest single incident, he reported, occurred on July 20 at one of Cairo's chief street car junctions, in Malika Farida Place. An organized group of Egyptians ejected all the European passengers from several trolleys. All passengers suspected of being Jews were savagely killed on the spot, and many had their eyes pierced or were knifed, while non-Jews and Europeans were robbed of all cash and belongings. The police made no effort to intervene, the French visitor emphasized.

Of the large number of Jews in Cairo who have been wounded, he continued, 120 are now undergoing treatment in the Jewish hospital there and an unannounced number are in government or private institutions. Scattered incidents of knifing of Jews are repeatedly reported in various parts of the Egyptian capital, he said. The killing of three rabbis in the slaughter house took place on July 21, he reported.

Both Jews and Europeans were attacked earlier in July when they left large motion-picture theaters, the French traveler stated. The most violent of these attacks, he declared, occurred near the Odeon and Rivoli Theatres, in the center of Cairo, on July 17. The fury of the Arab mob sent 20 persons to hospitals. It was in that assault that one Henri Gaillard, a French national and an Olympics trainer, was fatally wounded by seven knife stabs. Gaillard fought back and succeeded in killing four of his assailants before he collapsed and died, the informant said.

Jews Ordered to Leave Homes Within 48 Hours; Their Possessions Looted

On July 26, the Frenchman asserted, Jews living in Cairo in the neighborhood of the Royal Palace or in government-owned houses were ordered to move out within 48 hours. That order, he said, provoked a considerable number of "panic-stricken removals" in the course of which an Arab mob stole or destroyed the belongings of those evicted.

Since July 28, the informant reported, there has been some tightening up of security measures, apparently after strong representations were made to the Egyptian Government by Jefferson Patterson, the United States charge d'affaires, following the murder of Stephen Haas, a Philadelphia Jew. The informant revealed that Haas'

body was found knifed to death, castrated, with the nose and ears severed, at a point near the Citadel, although initial reports from Cairo stated that the Philadelphian had been stoned to death by an Arab mob.

Emphasizing that, in general, the position of Jews and Europeans in Egypt continues to be highly alarming, the Frenchman asserted that only those Jews who are now in Egyptian concentration camps feel comparatively safe. It was his impression that the Egyptian and other Arab military failures in Palestine had resulted in bitterness not against the Egyptian Government and its leaders who were responsible for the Arab military fiascos, but against the Jews who are their hostages.

Mass detention of Jews is continuing, he said, under the pretext that one or another Jew had insulted King Farouk or even because they had been found in possession of some Hebrew literature. There was widespread speculation among Europeans in Cairo over whether the continuing bombing of Jewish enterprises was committed by the Moslem Brotherhood or other non-official groups or by Egyptian Government agents, he declared.

ARAB OPEN ARTILLERY FIRE ON SEVERAL JEWISH POSITIONS IN JERUSALEM AND VICINITY

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- For the first time since the second truce began in Jerusalem nearly three weeks ago, the explosion of shells was today added to the constant crackling of rifle fire and the bursting of grenades and mortars. Arab guns shelled the Jewish Musrara quarter and Arab automatic gunfire sprayed a Jewish building opposite the Jaffa Gate of the Old City, according to an official Israeli army report.

The Arab Legion shelled Jewish positions on Mt. Zion, while Egyptian troops in the village of Sur Bahir, south of the city, opened fire against Jewish positions in Ramath Rachel, which dominates the road from Bethlehem. Last night Arab Legion artillery opened fire on Jewish positions at Her Tuv, on the main highway west of Jerusalem, killing at least one Jewish soldier.

A scheduled meeting between the Israeli commandant, Col. Moshe Dayan, and Col. Abdullah el Tel, Arab Legion commander, was called off today. They were to have met with U.N. observers to discuss cease-fire violations. Dayan, who was called away to another meeting in Tel Aviv, said that he would like the parley held at a later time.

(At a press conference in Amman, Transjordan, today, King Abdullah indicated that he is willing to consider a compromise settlement of the Palestine problem. Any compromise that secures justice and halts unnecessary bloodshed would not be sloughed off by him, he stressed. However, the King stipulated that he would like to see the efforts of Count Bernadotte in behalf of the Arab refugees from Palestine first crowned with success and "afterwards" any proposals which the mediator makes for a final solution of the Palestine issue will not be rejected outright, but will first be weighed and discussed.)

Menachem Beigin, once Palestine's most hunted underground leader for whom the British had offered a \$10,000 reward, followed up his first public appearance here last night at a political rally by staging a public military review of the Irgun. Addressing the Irgun parade in the southern part of this city, Beigin told 500 of his armed troops that they will remain a separate organization in Jerusalem until the city is incorporated into the state of Israel and becomes its capital.

ISRAEL ASKS SPECIAL SECURITY COUNCIL SESSION ON BRITISH DETENTION OF JEWS ON CYPRUS

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The Israeli Government today requested a special session of the Security Council on the question of the British detention of 11,000 Jewish refugees on the island of Cyprus, in a letter from Aubrey Eban, Israeli mission head, to the president of the Council.

ISRAELI GOVERNMENT COMPLETES PLAN FOR POPULATION CENSUS; WILL ISSUE IDENTITY DOCUMENTS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Plans were completed here today for a census of the Jewish and Arab population in Israel and areas occupied by its army. A population register will be drawn up and maintained by the statistical department of the Premier's office. As each citizen--Jew or Arab--is registered, he will receive an identity card.

The Israeli Government is now facing serious economic problems, especially in connection with the daily increasing inflation. The cost of living here is at least double that in the United States. Also troublesome is the manpower shortage and the financial problem involved in maintaining the Israeli Army at its full length.

There is great pressure here from religious parties to have the civil law based entirely on Jewish traditional law, but this view is vigorously contested by virtually all jurists and most lawyers in Israel. This may be one of the fiercest controversies in the way of early completion of an Israeli constitution.

But the issue of Jerusalem is the most serious. It is being agitated today in all parties from right to left with such unanimity and force that the government will soon be compelled to take some definite action. Feeling is so strong on this matter that the Ben Gurion government might easily have been defeated had it acted with less determination.

For all practical purposes the Jewish-controlled parts of Jerusalem and the road approach in Jewish hands have been incorporated in the Jewish state. The foundation has been laid in this way for partition of Jerusalem, with the new city in Jewish hands and the Old under Arab control. Such a solution would be acceptable, but the Irgun opposes it, demanding that the entire city be annexed by Israel and made its capital. In this the Irgun has been joined by most right-wing and Orthodox parties.

The Ministry of Labor issued a number of decrees yesterday and today tightening considerably the mobilization program for the army and labor forces assigned to essential occupations. Among the decrees is one providing for the labor draft of recent immigrants--who may not under the terms of the U.N. truce serve in the armed forces.

ISRAELI MINISTRIES TO OPEN BRANCHES IN JERUSALEM; REPRESENTATIVE BODY TO AID GOVERNOR

JERUSALEM, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Each ministry of the Israeli Government will open a branch office in Jerusalem, a large meeting of Jerusalem representatives was told today by members of a special Cabinet committee. Each of the five ministries comprising the Jerusalem committee spoke to the gathering.

Dr. Bernard Joseph, newly-appointed Israeli military governor of Jerusalem, outlined the general policies of his administration to the meeting. It was also announced that the government will appoint a representative committee of 13 Jerusalem leaders to assist Joseph.

(In Tel Aviv last night the government announced that the 25-mile strip of land through Arab territory from Jerusalem to the Jewish coastal strip has been formally placed under occupation. The move is aimed at guaranteeing communications and transport between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. It was also announced that settlements and permanent utilities were under construction in the strip which extends through Bab el Wad to Hulda.)

ISRAELI GIRL PILOT KILLED IN AIR CRASH; ISRAEL WILL DETAIN BRITISH AIRCRAFT CREWS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Zahara Levitov, a 21-year-old girl who, as a bomber pilot, flew several missions for the Israeli Army, was killed yesterday in an air crash between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv, it was reported here today. She was trained to fly in California. Also killed in the same crash was the co-pilot, Emanuel Rothschild of Ramat Gan.

An Israeli Government spokesman warned today that the British crews of aircraft assigned to the United Nations Truce Commission would be detained if they landed in Israeli territory. He referred to the landing at Haifa airport yesterday of a British-manned plane assigned to the U.N. mission.

The spokesman said that when the Israeli Government learned that five British planes with British crews had been placed at the disposal of the U.N., it had advised Count Bernadotte's chief representative at Haifa that, in view of Britain's "definitely unneutral attitude," it could not agree to the use of British personnel for U.N. purposes in Palestine, and certainly not in Israel.

A passenger vessel arrived in Haifa harbor last night with 470 immigrants and returning Israeli residents. A number of children and infants were among those aboard.

BRITAIN ORDERS INQUIRY INTO SALE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO EGYPTIAN ARMY

LONDON, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The Foreign Office today announced that the British Government has ordered an investigation of the transfer of military equipment to Egypt from British stores at Rafa, on the Egyptian-Palestine border. The transfer was termed a British breach of the Palestine truce in a complaint sent last week by the Israeli Government to the United Nations.

Admitting that a "commercial transaction" involving British army stores did take place, a Foreign Office spokesman said that as far as he knew the equipment was non-military. He added that details on the nature of the equipment sold to Egypt are now awaited by the government.

DR. SILVER LEAVES FOR ISRAEL; RIDICULES BRITISH "SUDDEN CONCERN" FOR ARAB REFUGEES

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency, leaving today for Israel, ridiculed the sudden concern of the British Government for the Arab refugees and emphasized that "as long as Israel is besieged by invading Arab armies it is senseless to talk about returning tens of thousands of Arabs to the state of Israel to serve there perhaps as a fifth column."

Contrasting British solicitude for the Arab refugees with British action in the case of Exodus and other Jewish refugee ships, Dr. Silver said: "One fails to be impressed by the synthetic humanitarianism of the British Government and its sudden concern for Arab refugees when one remembers that eleven thousand Jewish refugees are still being forcibly and lawlessly held behind barbed wires by the British Government on Cyprus and are denied the right to go to Palestine -- a country over which Great Britain has no right to exercise any authority whatsoever following the termination of its Mandate on May 15. Nor has the British Government been requested either by the United Nations or its mediator to detain these refugees."

The failure on the part of the member bodies of the United Nations to implement that settlement or the attempts by the mediator radically to revise that settlement to the disadvantage of the state of Israel will of necessity compel the new state to reconsider its commitments, Dr. Silver warned.

CONGRESS GETS BILL MAKING MORE JEWISH DP'S ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION TO UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Congressman Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, today introduced in the House a bill that would change the qualifying date in the Displaced Persons Act from Dec. 22, 1945 to April 17, 1947. It is a companion measure to a similar amendment introduced in the Senate by seven Republican Senators, led by Sen. H. Alexander Smith, of New Jersey.

Keating estimated that well over 100,000 Jewish displaced persons had entered the camps between the two dates. "To mark them ineligible for admission under the displaced persons program seems unfair and unfortunate," he told the House.

Unless Congress appropriates an additional \$2,000,000 to administer the displaced persons program, only 40,000 DP's will be able to enter the United States in the first year of the program, Ugo Carusi, newly appointed displaced persons commissioner, said today.

Sponsors of the program originally asked \$5,000,000 for the first year of the program. The Senate cut the figure to \$3,000,000 and the House to \$2,000,000, with the Senate later agreeing to the lower figure. President Truman asked Congress on Monday to appropriate an additional \$2,000,000 for the operation of the program during the first year.

Republican Senators Confer on Amending DP Law

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- A conference of 51 Republican Senators meeting this morning to decide strategy for the rest of the special session of Congress, discussed amending the displaced persons law to wipe out discriminatory features, but came to no decision on expected action.

The chairman of the group, Senator Eugene Milikin of Colorado, said that if any changes were made in the bill it would be restricted to changing the date from Dec. 22, 1948 to April 21, 1947. This change would broaden the bill to make acceptable more Jewish DP's who fled from Poland after the earlier date.

NEW YORK JEWISH PARENTS APPEAL TO COURT TO KEEP RELIGION OUT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The religious training of children should be confined to the home or the church--not channeled through the public schools--it was maintained today before Justice George J. Beldock in Supreme Court, here.

Kenneth W. Greenawalt, attorney for Tessim Zorach and Mrs. Esta Gluck, both of Brooklyn, advanced the contention in asking that the released time program for religious training of public school students be declared unconstitutional.

"Both these parties are religious people," he said. "They want their children to have a religious education, but they do not want the religious education channeled through the public schools. We are concerned with having religion put in its proper places--the churches and the homes."

Assistant Attorney General Kent A. Brown, representing the State Commissioner of Education, contended the court had no jurisdiction. He asked that the case either be dismissed or referred to the Judicial District in Albany since regulations governing the released-time program originated in Albany in 1940. Justice Beldock reserved decision and gave both sides until August 25 to file supporting briefs.

"AMPAL" PERMITTED TO LAUNCH SALE OF \$10,000,000 BONDS FOR ISRAEL IN UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The American Palestine Trading Corporation, "Ampal," today announced that it has received permission from the Securities Exchange Commission to place on sale \$10,000,000 worth of bonds in this country to be used for granting long term loans in Israel for developmental purposes.

The bonds will be redeemed within ten years and will draw three percent interest annually. The sum of \$5,000,000 raised through the sale of these bonds will be allocated to aid the financing of building projects in various parts of Israel, with a view to establishing dwellings for newly arrived Jewish immigrants. The remaining \$5,000,000 will be granted as loans for irrigation projects, agricultural and industrial enterprises, and for the purchase of material needed by the Israeli Army.

"Ampal" is the central purchasing agency in the United States for equipment and goods needed in Israel by economic institutions and the Army. It has sold, during the last few years, about \$3,000,000 worth of its shares to approximately 10,000 shareholders in this country and in Mexico.

ISRAELI NATIONAL SOCCER TEAM WILL PLAY IN UNITED STATES; PROCEEDS WILL GO TO U.J.A.

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- The Israeli National Soccer Team--all of whose members are battle veterans in the Defense Army of Israel--will arrive in New York next month for a short good will tour of the United States, it was announced here today by the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York.

The team is scheduled to play four games against the best available American competition. Two matches will be played in New York and the proceeds will go to the United Jewish Appeal, the announcement said.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE NAMES COUNSEL FOR ITS OPERATIONS IN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Max Isenbergh, former chief of the Appeals and Legislation Branch of the Department of Justice office of alien property, has been named counsel for European operations of the American Jewish Committee, it was announced today by Federal Judge Philip Forman of Trenton, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the AJC. He will concentrate on problems of restitution and the juridical status of displaced persons.

ROSIE SCHWIMMER, INTERNATIONALLY FAMOUS PACIFIST AND WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE LEADER, DIES

NEW YORK, Aug. 4. (JTA) -- Rosika Schwimmer, internationally known pacifist, women's suffrage leader, diplomat and an early advocate of world government, died here yesterday at the age of 70.

Born in Budapest, Mrs. Schwimmer achieved national and international fame first as a leader and organizer of Hungarian women's labor and voting movements. During the first World War, Mrs. Schwimmer persuaded Henry Ford to back the famous Peace Ship plan which was aimed at bringing about an armistice between the belligerents by the intervention of the neutral countries, led by the United States.

After leaving Hungary, where she served as a member of the Karoly Government which replaced the Austro-Hungarian monarchy at the end of the war, Mrs. Schwimmer settled in the U.S. but was refused citizenship in 1929 because she would not pledge to take up arms in defense of the U.S. While the Karoly Government was still in power, Mrs. Schwimmer was appointed Hungarian Minister to Switzerland, becoming the first woman diplomat in modern history.