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## ANTI-JEWISH TERROR INCASABLANCA CONTINUES; TWO JEWS SHOT

CASABLANCA, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- Two Jews were shot and wounded here during the last two days by Moslem terrorists in a continuation of a campaign to force participation in a Moroccan nationalist campaign boycotting French products.

One Jew, a fruit peddler, was shot in the lung and is in a critical condition. The second, a pharmacist, was hit in the shoulder and is now in a hospital. He apparently disregarded boycott warnings delivered several weeks ago.

Meanwhile, it was announced that the police have captured members of a savage gang of terrorists who killed a Jew last year in the nearby town of Berrechid only because he was a Jew. The gang, which committed many atrocities in the past year, was tracked down right in Berrechid.

## HOSTILITIES ON ISRAEL-JORDAN FRONTIER CONTINUE; MORTARS USED

TEL AVIV, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- United Nations observers were forced to halt their efforts yesterday to bring peace between Israel and Jordan troops in the Beit Guvrin area because they could not reach the scene of the hostilities which was under a heavy Jordanian mortar barrage.

After two such unsuccessful attempts to reach the spot, the UN observers gave up until today, when they were slated to make another attempt. The Jordanians, driven out of Arab territory this week-end after an Israel patrol found them digging emplacements inside Israel, have been keeping up an intermittent barrage for several days.

Meanwhile, an Israel soldier wounded in an encounter on the first day of the engagement, died of his wounds yesterday. That brings the number of fatalities on Israel's side to two. Jordanian casualty figures are unknown.

## Eden to Talk to Egypt and Iraq on Peace with Israel

LONDON, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- British Foreign Secretary Sir Anthony Eden is disappointed over the slow progress of British behind-the-scenes efforts to achieve an Arab-Israel rapprochement, it was learned here today.

Sir Anthony is leaving for the Middle East in a few days. He will confer with Egyptian and Iraqi government leaders before and after the forthcoming SEATO talks at Bangkok this month, and is understood to be planning vigorous representations to the Arab chiefs in behalf of a lessening of tension.

It is believed that the Foreign Secretary, who recently conferred with the Israel Ambassador to London, Eliahu Elath, will tell the Arab leaders that Britain feels that their continued hostility toward Israel is pointless and only delays an all-out regional defensive effort against Communism.

EGYPT DISSEMINATES NAZI-LIKE ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA IN U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- The Egyptian Embassy today began to distribute a publication which is considered the most extensive compilation of anti-Jewish propaganda disseminated by any foreign diplomatic office since the closing of the Nazi German Embassy here in 1941.

The publication, entitled "The Story of Zionist Espionage in Egypt," is an obvious attempt to justify the recent hanging of the two Jews in Cairo despite pleas by the United States Government and by the Governments of Britain and France. It tries to create the impression that Zionism is eager to promote Communism in Egypt.

"Zionism and Communism are two distinctive forces with one political objective--world domination," the pamphlet asserts. "Both powers cooperate secretly and in public without friction since the power in the end will eventually go to Zionism." It alleged that "Zionists always infuse colonized countries with the ideology of Communism."

The pamphlet carries photographs of the Jews recently tried in Egypt, including those executed, as well as copies of their "confessions." It charges Jews not only with promoting Communism in Egypt, but also revives the allegations pertaining to the Count Bernadotte and Lord Moyne assassinations. Zionist "atrocities" against British troops and alleged acts against various Christian churches and shrines are also charged in the publication.

MINISTERIAL COMMISSION OPENS HEARING ON MEA SHEARIM CONFLICT

JERUSALEM, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- A Ministerial commission was scheduled today to hold hearings here in an effort to work out a solution of the conflict between ultra-Orthodox elements and Laborites over a youth club situated on the edge of the Mea Shearim quarter of this city where many Orthodox Jewish families live.

Ultra-Orthodox elements have been demanding that the club be moved out of the district, charging that the sports activities at the club are an influence for evil as far as their children are concerned. The Laborites have offered to build a fence to block the view into the club playground from the Mea Shearim quarter, but this proposal has not satisfied the religious group.

DELEGATES OF 20 LATIN AMERICAN STATES AT U.N. HONOR ISRAEL ENVOY

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y., Feb. 14. (JTA) -- "Latin America has shown a constant interest in the development of life in Israel and today sympathy toward our cause is even greater than in 1947," Dr. Moshe Tov, head of the Latin American Department of the Israel Foreign Office, declared today at a luncheon given in his honor by the delegates at the United Nations of all 20 Latin American republics.

Dr. Tov has just completed a goodwill tour of Latin America during which he conferred with Presidents and Foreign Ministers of a number of countries. Dr. Tov, who held the position of Ambassador Extraordinary on his tour, will return shortly to Jerusalem. At the luncheon, Jose Vicente Trujillo, Ecuadorean delegate, spoke. Israel's delegate, Abba S. Eban, greeted Dr. Tov.

ISRAEL GRANTS DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION TO LAOS AND CAMBODIA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- The Israel Embassy made known today that Israel has granted diplomatic recognition to Laos and Cambodia. It is understood that the Israel Government will not recognize either North or South Viet Nam because it considers the situation "still fluid."

STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL BELIEVES ISRAEL COULD DEFEAT THE ARABS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14, (JTA) -- A State Department official said here that the Arabs worry that Israel could beat them in a military showdown and made known that it was his opinion that Israel probably could.

Richard H. Sanger, chief public affairs adviser to Assistant Secretary of State George V. Allen, told the Middle East Institute that Israel holds the military upper hand because it is more technically advanced than the Arabs, many of whom he described as still living in the "Twelfth Century."

Mr. Sanger described the Israelis as efficient soldiers able to employ the logistics of modern war. He characterized the Arabs as still thinking in terms of the individual rifleman.

The State Department official said Israel could not be considered a Near Eastern state but was a European state accidentally in the Near East. In order to maintain a high level of living, he said, a small faction of Israelis advocate territorial expansion. But he stressed that this was balanced by other opinion, and said that most Israelis would not tolerate aggression because of world public opinion.

Before Presidential envoy Eric Johnston went to the Near East to promote regional water development, the Arabs felt Israel would reject the scheme and Israel thought the same about the Arabs, Mr. Sanger said. He reported, however, that the Johnston plan received a "remarkable acceptance" from the Arabs and a degree of acceptance from Israel.

INTERNATIONAL PARLEY HEARS REPORT ON ISRAEL'S CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

GENEVA, Feb. 14, (JTA) -- A report on Israel's extensive chemical industry has been presented to the International Labor Organization by A. Markowicz, who represents the Israel Government at a meeting here of an ILO committee for chemical industries.

Mr. Markowicz said that Israel had about 400 chemical plants, half established since the state was founded less than seven years ago. These plants manufacture a variety of products, he reported, from soaps and detergents through cosmetics and insecticides to glass and ceramics.

The Israel representative told the parley that the Dead Sea was providing Israel not only with potassium, but with important quantities of bromine. He expressed the opinion that the Dead Sea would become one of the world's most important sources of bromine.

ISRAEL HAS SUFFICIENT RESERVE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY, EXPERT REPORTS

LONDON, Feb. 14, (JTA) -- S. Hoofien, director of the Bank Leumi LeIsrael, Israel's national bank, said here that the bank has substantial sterling and dollar reserves to back paper currency in circulation and that it proposed to maintain that reserve.

The banker made the statement at a meeting of the Joint Palestine Appeal. "No one in Israel took external contributions for granted," he said, adding that some sources of income which had helped Israel in the early crucial years were now trailing off.

Lord Jowett said that he felt the future of Israel and Britain were linked together. He added that he wished events had taken a different turn and that Israel had been represented at last week's conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers who, he was sure, were vitally interested that there should be peace in the Middle East.

**BERLIN PAYS \$2,500,000 COMPENSATION FOR DESTROYED SYNAGOGUES**

BERLIN, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- The municipality of West Berlin has approved a \$2,500,000 payment in compensation for the more than 25 Berlin synagogues wrecked during the November pogroms of 1938 by Nazi arsonists and dynamiters, with the assistance of the then municipal authorities.

From the amount of \$2,500,000, which covers damage to the synagogue buildings as well as the destruction of furnishings and equipment, a \$200,000 advance made to the postwar Berlin Jewish Community will be deducted. The present West Berlin Jewish Community will receive \$700,000, while \$1,600,000 is to go to the two "successor organizations" for heirless personal and congregational property, the Jewish Restitution Successor Organization and the Jewish Trust Corporation.

This settlement, one of the first entered into by German municipalities with respect to synagogues demolished and despoiled in the Nazi era, places the present Jewish community on a sound financial basis. It follows long negotiations not only between the city and the community, but also between the latter and the successor organizations.

**POLICE DISCOVER ESCAPED NAZI IN HOME OF FRENCH ANTI-SEMITES**

PARIS, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- A former officer of the Gestapo who escaped from a French prison last August has been recaptured in the home of the director of "Rivarol," a French weekly notorious for its anti-Semitic articles.

The former Gestapo man, Jacques Minery, condemned to death in 1945 and later saved from the guillotine and given 20 years at hard labor, was found in the home of J. Malliavin, the editor. M. Malliavin has been charged with harboring a criminal.

**NEHRU TELLS CHIEF RABBI INDIA DOES NOT BACK CALENDAR REFORM**

LONDON, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- The Government of India has not lent its support to the World Calendar Association's plan for reforming the world calendar through the "blank day" device, Indian Prime Minister Nehru told British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie yesterday, the Chief Rabbi revealed in a statement here today. The Jews have opposed the "blank day" device because it would unfix the position of the Sabbath and interfere with religious observances.

The Chief Rabbi's statement revealed that after Dr. Brodie explained the Jewish objections to the calendar reform plan, Prime Minister Nehru assured him that although the Indian Government would like to clear up the calendar confusion which exists in India it has not so far studied the scheme proposed by the World Calendar Association and which is now before the United Nations. Mr. Nehru added that the Indian Government would respect the religious scruples expressed by the Chief Rabbi.

The statement by Mr. Nehru came as a welcome surprise to Jewish leaders here because it had been understood that the Indian Government was backing the "blank day" proposal. The interview between Mr. Nehru and Dr. Brodie was arranged through the medium of the European office of the Agudas Israel World Organization.

**WORLD AGUDAH LEADER PERMITTED TO VISIT BUDAPEST AND PRAGUE**

LONDON, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- H. A. Goodman, political secretary of the World Agudas Israel Organization, has arrived in Budapest on what is described as a "private mission," it was learned here today. Mr. Goodman visited Prague before going on to the Hungarian capital.

APPEAL FOR \$60,000,000 ISSUED TO MEMBERS OF CONSERVATIVE SYNAGOGUES

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 14. (JTA) -- A call to member congregations of the United Synagogue of America, central body of the Conservative synagogues, to support the 10-year, \$60,000,000 campaign in behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary, United Synagogue and Rabbinical Assembly of America, was voiced here today at the concluding session of a four-day session of the Seminary's national planning commission.

The campaign, which will be carried into Jewish communities in this country and Canada, will be the largest fund-raising endeavor ever undertaken for any theological seminary, according to Daniel G. Ross, chairman of the parley and of the planning commission. The campaign will include a building fund to house expanded seminary needs and an endowment fund of \$17,000,000 to meet the maintenance costs of the new buildings.

\$762,000 RAISED AT TWO-DAY U. J. A. SOUTHWESTERN CONFERENCE

HOUSTON, Texas, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- More than \$762,000 was raised for the 1955 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal at the concluding session here last night of a two-day Southwest Regional Conference of the UJA. More than 400 leaders of 56 Jewish communities in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana attended.

Capt. Joshua L. Goldberg, Chief Chaplain of the Third Naval District, was the featured speaker. He reviewed the international assistance program supported by UJA funds in some two dozen countries. Capt. Goldberg stressed the need for speedy integration of North African immigrants to Israel, noting that upwards of \$30,000,000 will be needed for the expected transportation and integration of 30,000 North African Jews in Israel.

RABBI DE SOLA POOL NAMED PRESIDENT OF JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEW YORK, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- Rabbi David de Sola Pool, spiritual leader of Congregation Shearith Israel, oldest synagogue in the U.S., was elected president of the American Jewish Historical Society at a session of the group's 53rd annual meeting here last night.

He succeeds Prof. Salo W. Baron of Columbia University. Dr. Joshua Bloch, chief of the Jewish Division of the New York Public Library, was elected vice-president and Prof. Hyman B. Grinstein of Yeshiva University was named recording secretary.

SCHUSSHEIM, LEADING JOURNALIST IN ARGENTINA, DIES

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- Aharon Leib Schussheim, noted journalist and Labor Zionist leader, died here today at the age of 77. Born in Radem, Galicia, he joined the Poale Zion movement as a young man and eventually became chairman of the Austria branch of the party.

He worked on newspapers in Poland and Austria and in 1914 he became editor of the Yiddish daily Weiner Morgenzeitung in Vienna. In 1926 he immigrated to Argentina where he became correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. Later, he joined the staff of the Buenos Aires Jewish daily Di Yiddishe Zeitung and became the leading member of the editorial staff of that paper, which is the largest Jewish newspaper in Latin America.

JOSEPH WEINBERG, JEWISH LABOR LEADER, DEAD; FUNERAL TODAY

NEW YORK, Feb. 14. (JTA) -- Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Joseph Weinberg, former president of the Workmen's Circle, who died in Miami Beach Saturday. He was 78. Mr. Weinberg, who held the Workmen's Circle presidency for nine different terms in the course of more than 40 years, was also treasurer of the Jewish Labor Committee and treasurer of the American ORT.