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JORDAN, BRITISH NAZI, SENTENCED TO NINE MONTHS; NAMES ROCKWELL'LEADER'

LONDON, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Colin Jordan, leader of the British National Socialist Movement, and three of his aides were found guilty today in the Old Bailey on two counts of a four-count indictment charging them with violation of the Public Order Act.

Jordan, a former school teacher and head of the so-called "World Union of National Socialists," was sentenced to nine months! imprisonment, Mr. Justice Barry rejected his plea for freedom on bail pending appeal. Jordan and his three associates announced that they would appeal the verdict. They have 14 days in which to file motions.

Convicted with Jordan were three other officials of his Nazi organization; John Tyndall, 26, national secretary; Roland Kerr-Ritchie, 42, its research officer; and Denis Pirie, assistant national secretary. Tyndall was sentenced to six months' imprisonment; and Kerr-Ritchie and Pirie to three months' each. All had pleaded not guilty. They had been accused of forming an organization called "Spearhead," whose members were allegedly trained for the purpose of the display and use of force to attain political objectives "in such a manner as to arouse considerable apprehension."

The case went to the jury in London's famed criminal court, the Old Bailey, this morning after Justice Barry concluded his summation. The judge indicated doubt that the prosecution had established that "Spearhead" had been organized and trained for the display of force. The jury failed to convict on the two counts involving this charge, but found all four defendants guilty on two other counts, involving organizing and training to cause apprehension,

In passing what he described as "extremely light sentences," Justice Barry pointed out that, while the crimes for which the quartet had been convicted were not as grave as those charged in the first two counts of the indictment, they nevertheless constituted "a serious offence,"

Before he was led away, Jordan announced that he was passing on his command of the "World Union of National Socialists" to George Lincoln Rockwell, leader of the American Nazi Party while he served his prison term. One of his followers pledged: "we will take orders from Rockwell,"

Rockwell visited Jordan's blackshirt camp last summer and narrowly escaped a roughing up when irate villagers descended on the encampment and wrecked it, He was subsequently deported from England,

War Veterans to Press Request that Rockwell Register as Foreign Agent

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The Jewish War Veterans indicated today that they would take further measures to have the United States Department of Justice require George Lincoln Rockwell to register as a foreign agent.

The patriotic organization had called on the Department for such action on the grounds that Rockwell's membership in the "World Union of National Socialists" made him a foreign agent, Further steps were due following the announcement that Colin Jordan, the British head of that organization, had designated Rockwell as his replacement while he served out a nine-month prison sentence for violation of the British Public Order Act, Rockwell presumably would "direct" the world movement from the head-quarters of his party in Arlington, Va.

14 GERMANS ON TRIAL FOR KILLING 30,000 JEWS; ONE A HIGH POLICE OFFICIAL

COBLENZ, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Fourteen Germans, one of them in charge of the Criminal Investigations Department of a German state until his arrest in 1959, went on rial here today on charges of the mass murder of at least 30, 356 German and Russian Jews during the period 1941-1944. All were "Iold" members of the Nazi party, and all vere officers in Hitler's SS.

The alleged leader of the group is George Heuser, now 49. As head of the CID n the State of Rhine-Palatinate, he was in charge of denazification, Prior to his arrest

almost two and a half years ago, the Social Democratic Party and labor leaders here had accused him of filling many posts in his department with ex-Nazis. Other defendants are former police inspectors under the present West German regime, school teachers, clerks and draftsmen. Heuser, personally, was accused in the indictment of having burned to death a number of Jews at Minsk, where he had headed the Gestano.

The jury hearing the trial was warned that the proceedings might last until the end of this year. The court announced that it will sit three days a week until the case is concluded.

Prosecutor Seeks Life Term for German Who Drove Jew to Suicide

HAMBURG, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- A life term at hard labor was demanded by the prosecution, as a trial was concluded here today against Willi Dusenschoen, a former concentration camp commandant, who was charged with causing the suicide of a Jew during the Nazi regime in 1933. The prosecution contended it had proven its case against Dusenschoen, contending he drove to self destruction Dr. Fritz Solmitz, a Socialist politician and editor of a newspaper at Lubeck, The verdict and judgment in the case are expected to be handed down by the court here later this week.

POLICE ARREST TWO. MORE BOYS FOR DESECRATING JEWISH CEMETERY IN N.Y.

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Two more boys were arrested by New York police today, in addition to one apprehended yesterday, on charges of having desecrated the Mount Zion cemetery, Jewish burial grounds in suburban Maspeth, Queens, All three, the first 15, the two others 14, were members of a "Nazi Club," fitted out with photographs of Hitler and Adolf Eichmann, swastikas, and pictures of gas ovens, according to police.

About 200 stones had been overturned at the cemetery, causing damage estimated at \$100,000, the police authorities said. All three were held for arraignment in Children's Court. Police withheld the names of the boys because of their ages

SYRIAN GUNFIRE SETS FIRES IN ISRAELI BORDER SETTLEMENT IN NEW ATTACK

TEL AVIV, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Syrian gun positions concentrated heavy fire today on the Israeli settlement of Tel Katzir, southeast of Lake Tiberias, setting fire to one building in the settlement and damaging another.

No Israeli casualties were reported in today's Syrian attack, the latest in a series of incidents carried out by Syrian forces during the past few days. Israeli border units were forced to direct heavy counter-fire on the Syrian positions to halt the attack.

30 IN ISRAEL ARRESTED AS ARAB, JEWISH YOUTHS CLASH AT RISHON LEZION

TEL AVIV, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Seven persons were injured, and at least 30 arrested, in a clash in Rishon Lezion today between large numbers of Jewish and Arab youngsters. The riot, in which knives, stones and clubs were used, developed over charges that a number of local Arabs had allegedly made approaches to a Jewish girl.

U.S. SIXTH FLEET BARS BEIRUT SHORE LEAVE FOR JEWISH SAILORS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The U.S. Sixth Fleet, operating in Mediterranean waters, has published formal, written regulations concerning the restriction of Jewish personnel from shore liberty at Beirut, Lebanon, but these orders are apparently not being consistently enforced, it was learned here today,

A Navy Department spokesman officially and categorically denied both the existence and enforcement in any instance of such orders. However, details obtained from reliable sources said that copies of the regulations were aboard every ship of the Sixth Fleet, although the orders were in fact only haphazardly applied. One interpretation was that the orders were of an "advisory" rather than "mandatory" nature, and subject to the discretion of the captain of each ship.

On some ships, apparently, Jewish personnel may be refused shore leave for "diplomatic reasons" because of the Arab-inspired ban. On other vessels, the regulations are ignored, and Jews granted the same shore privileges accorded to other men.

A question of application seems to hinge on whether the Jewish personnel are "transient," in which case most captains seemingly ignore the regulations.

BEN-GURION ENVISAGES 'GREATER EILAT' AS ISRAEL'S LARGEST PORT

TEL AVIV, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- A vision of a Greater Eilat as Israel's largest port in the not too distant future was described here today by Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion in an address to some 3,000 members and guests of the Israel Exploration Society which held its annual conference in Eilat,

Mr. Ben-Gurion who celebrated his 76th birthday today, said that Eilat could not exist without large industry, just as it could not exist without a strong Negev hinterland. The Prime Minister revealed that as far back as 1935, he had visited the Eilat area with the late United States Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis, who proposed, on the spot, that a large sum of money be raised to purchase lands there.

Professor Yigal Yadin of the Hebrew University, reported to the conference on his findings in the Bar Kochba cave explorations in the Negev, Professor Nelson Glueck, president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, also addressed the session.

GEN, ALLON, HERE FOR BOND TOUR, OUTLINES VAST ISRAELI ROADS. EXPANSION

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The State of Israel is embarking on a largescale road construction program to connect new areas of development with the rest of the country, General Yigal Allon, Minister of Labor of the State of Israel, said here today. Gen. Allon arrived here this weekend for a three-week tour of major communities in the United States and Canada in behalf of the Israel Bond drive.

The Israeli Cabinet Minister outlined Israel's master plan for a network of new roads, for which the World Bank recently agreed to loan Israel \$23,000,000. He stressed that this loan pays only 45 per cent of the cost, and that, as construction progresses, Israel must meet 55 per cent of the cost of each mile from its own funds, a large portion of it derived from Israel Bonds.

"We are trying to take advantage of the opportunity which this loan gives us," he said, "although it poses a tremendous unexpected burden on our economy, We want to overcome the present bottlenecks which afflict our roads."

New roads planned, he said, include dual highways from Haifa to Tel Aviv and on to Ashdod, where Israel's newest port is now under construction; from Tel Aviv to Lydda Airport; and from Tel Aviv to Petach Tikvah, A wider road is planned from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem; a new road from Beersheba to the new development town of Arad, then on to S'dom, site of the Dead Sea potash and bromine plant, and a new road from S'dom along the Arava to Ellat, Israel's port on the Red Sea, This last project will reduce the road distance from S'dom to Ellat by 53 miles. The plan also includes improvements for roads in the Galilee, including feeder roads to farm settlements and villages.

Gen. Allon's visit to North America coincides with the opening of the fall phase of the 1962 Israel Bond campaign, which seeks a total of \$66,500,000 for the year. The drive has raised more than \$560,000,000 since its inauguration in 1951 for the development of every phase of the country's economy.

Gen. Allon noted that Israel's major concern in expanding its economy is to provide employment for the large number of immigrants now coming to Israel. He drew attention to the emergence of pockets of unemployment in some of Israel's new development towns, and called for an intensified effort to solve this problem.

"Although Israel's rate of unemployment is one of the lowest in the world -from 2 to 3 per cent -- we have encountered some unemployment in the last few months
in certain new development towns, "he said, "We must encourage the building of
industries in and around the new towns, and we count heavily on Israel Bond funds to
make this possible. We are trying to encourage private capital to invest in these areas,
and we are investing public funds there as well. It is important to note," he pointed
out, "that a good number of the new towns have already reached economic maturity,
and no longer require this sort of special effort.

HAIFA DOCK WORKERS SLOW CITRUS SHIPMENTS: ISRAEL RAILWAY STRIKE AVERTED

HAIFA, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Citrus export shipments were falling behind here today as a result of a work slowdown by Haifa dock workers demanding cheaper meals in the port restaurant. The workers, who are refusing to put in overtime hours needed to keep the shipments on schedule, rejected a directive issued by the Histadrut, the Israel Labor Federation, that the stevedores resume normal severtime operations.

A threatened strike by railway engineers was averted, meanwhile, after Transport Minister Israel Bar-Yehuda instructed the railway management to continue paying special bonuses to assistant engineers, a key issue in the labor dispute. The management had earlier threatened to discontinue such payments. The payments have been resumed temporarily, until the Histadrut hands down a ruling on the issue.

FLORIDA RULINGS ON RELIGION IN SCHOOLS APPEALED TO SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Congress and the American Civil Liberties Union today requested the Supreme Court to rule on the-constitutionality of various aspects affecting the general issue of religion in public schools, all of the cases arising from rulings by the Supreme Court of the State of Florida.

According to the joint AJC-ACLU appeal, the Florida court has upheld the practices of Bible reading and recitation of the Lord's Prayer in the public schools, has allegedly permitted the conduct of high school graduation exercises "in the form of Protestant religious services," has authorized "a religious census of pupils," and has permitted "a religious test for teachers,"

The Supreme Court announced last week that it would consider some wide aspects of the church-state issue, during this term, specifically giving attention to the constitutionality of Bible-reading and recitation of the Lord's Prayer in public schools. These issues involved previous lower court rulings in Maryland and Pennsylvania, The High Tribunal, however, did not touch upon the Florida cases.

The Congress-ACLU appeal today stressed that it was "not an attack on religion" but rather "an effort to strengthen the constitutional principle of separation of church and state -- the best guarantee of religious freedom for all Americans,"

The appeal was filed by Leo Pfeffer, general counsel of the American Jewish Congress, acting as chief attorney for four parents of school children in Dade County (Miami), Florida. Two of the parents are Jewish, one is a Unitarian, and the fourth declared himself an agnostic.

WATERBURY FEDERATION BACKS OPPONENT OF RELIGIOUS TEACHING IN SCHOOLS

WATERBURY, Conn. Oct. 15. (JTA) -- The Jewish Federation of Waterbury came today to the defense of a former Federation president, Howard R. Matzkin, who has been attacked here for allegedly advancing a "Jewish viewpoint" in his capacity as a member of the Waterbury School Board.

Mr. Matzkin, who has been a member of the School Board for three years, has consistently voted in the Board against permitting Catholics to use public schools for religious instruction. In one case, according to the Connecticut Jewish Ledger, a Catholic parish sought to use a public school for masses and confessions. The Board has consistently outvoted Mr. Matzkin, by margins of 8 to 1 and 9 to 1, In recent weeks he has received "threatening telephone calls and vile letters," the newspaper reported.

Mr. Matzkin was also criticized in the local morning newspaper which stated that his opposition to the use of public schools for religious purposes "will not promote overall community feelings," On the other hand, the local evening newspaper, published by the same corporation, expressed its opinion editorially that Mr. Matzkin "is entirely sincere in his protests, and believes a principle is at stake,"

The Federation's board of directors today voted a resolution supporting Mr, Matzkin's stand and rejecting the editorial view "that any individual or group must remain silent in order to be tolerated, or that 'good community feelings' must be paid for by repression of differences."

Mr. Matzkin declared today that, in his actions on the School Board, he was speaking as a citizen, not as a Jew. He declared that the moves proposed in the School Board "are not only morally wrong, they are legally wrong," citing a clause in the State Constitution which declares that "no person shall be compelled to join or support any religious organization."

Mr. Matzkin, who is a member of the Federation's Community Relations Committee, was also supported by Peter Marcuse, secretary of the Connecticut Jewish Community Relations Council. Mr. Marcuse congratulated the Federation board for handling the issue "in a mature, sensible fashion,"

N. Y. MAYOR TO PROCLAIM 'HEBREW HIGH SCHOOL WEEK' AT CITY HALL TODAY

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA) -- Mayor Robert F. Wagner has proclaimed the week of October 22-28 as "Hebrew High School Week" as a tribute to the educational achievements of the Jewish community of New York City. The proclamation will be issued formally tomorrow in City Hall ceremonies to be attended by Jules L. Freed, president of the Jewish Education Committee of Greater New York, sponsor of the observance.

In his proclamation, the Mayor lauded the city's Hebrew high schools for the opportunities they offer "Jewish youngsters of our city to imbibe the eternal verities of an age-old faith as presented in the framework of the American way of life,"