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500 STORES, MOSTLY JEWISH, LOOTED AND DAMAGED IN RIOTS IN BROOKLYN

NEW YORK, July 22 (JTA) -- More than 200 stores in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn, most of them Jewish-owned, were looted and 300 stores were damaged by rioting Negroes through last night and into this morning, police officials reported today.

The officials said that the rioting did not appear to be directed at the stores because they were Jewish-owned, because the rioters also stormed and ransacked stores owned by Negroes in the section, which still has a heavily-Jewish population.

Community leaders, representing both Jews and Christians, including Negroes, met in the office of Brooklyn Borough President Abe Stark today to map means of dampening down the explosive atmosphere. The rioting in Brooklyn followed a violent outburst in Harlem the previous three nights, where only about 20 stores were sacked.

Among those attending the meeting in the Borough President's office was Rabbi Benjamin Kreitman, representing the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council. Rabbi Kreitman also was acting in his capacity as chairman of the Borough President's Community Action Committee.

Anti-Jewish Slogans Yelled; Jewish Community Council On Alert

A spokesman for the Brooklyn JCC said that anti-Semitic slogans had been yelled by some of the rioters. He added that the concern of the community leaders was to find means of bringing calm to the crime-wracked section before matters got much worse. He said the Brooklyn JCC was ready to "take every step possible not only to protect the Jews in the area but the community at large."

An interfaith Citizens Committee, composed of representatives of the Board of Rabbis, Catholic Universal Council and the Protestant Council in Brooklyn, appealed to Mayor Robert Wagner to take urgent measures to prevent a repetition of the riots.

Police said 83 persons had been arrested in the Bedford-Stuyvesant rioting. Seven civilians and three policemen were injured in the clashes. Two men accused of looting were shot and critically wounded by police during the rioting. Shopkeepers blamed the looting on outside ruffians who had invaded the area.

Lubavitcher Patrols Increased; Arab Students Among Trouble-Makers

In the nearby Crown Heights section, where a Safety Patrol was organized recently by a group calling themselves "The Maccabees," on the initiative of Rabbi Samuel Schrage, an adherent of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, there was great apprehension but little rioting, the rabbi said.

"However," he added, "because the police forces were busy in Bedford-Stuyvesant, we had to increase the number and strength of our patrols last night, and will do so again tonight. We had 12 cars cruising the area last night -- the largest group we ever put on duty for self protection."

According to Rabbi Schrage, a number of Arab students had entered the area from Manhattan to help stir up trouble against the Jews. He said one Jewish policeman told him he had recognized some of these trouble-makers as Arabs. "And this man knows Arabs," the rabbi said, "because he fought with the Israeli army during Israel's War of Independence."

"I have been in the trouble area four times today," Rabbi Schrage said, "and it is like a battlefield." Many of the wrecked stores, he declared, are Jewish-owned, as judged by the signs on the storefronts. He stated also that many Jews who are members of CORE had been instructed by CORE leaders to stay away from the trouble area.

Mayor Robert F. Wagner, who returned from vacation to take charge of the situation, broadcast an appeal this evening, asking all citizens to help restore order in all areas of the city.

BEN-GURION RENEWS ATTACKS ON ZIONISTS; WILL NOT ATTEND CONGRESS

TEL AVIV, July 22 (JTA) -- Former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion was in his best fighting mood last night at the conference of the World Union of Zionist Socialist parties, lashing out repeatedly against "hypocrisy" in Zionist debates and activities.

He urged the 200 delegates not to pass resolutions which would not be carried out. Repeatedly stressing the need among leaders for setting personal examples, he complained one only Labor Zionist leader had settled in Israel. He added that everything that had been achieved in Israel had been done by those who came to settle here.

"This country will exist with or without foreign aid for its survival depends only on those living here," he asserted. He declined to use the term "socialism," he said; because President Nasser of Egypt and Stalin also had spoken in the name of socialism.

He rejected charges that his Government had refused to help the Zionist movement, adding that "perhaps one madman did not help but the whole Government did." He added he did not plan to attend the next World Zionist Congress. Then he called on the delegates to make maximum efforts to intensify Hebrew education and to encourage personal contacts of Jews with Israel. Premier Abba Eban and Itzhak Korn, general secretary of Mapai, also addressed the session.

BRITISH DEPUTIES PROTEST ANTI-MANCROFT MOVE BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

LONDON, July 22 (JTA) -- Sir Barnett Janner and 12 other Members of Parliament of all parties sent a joint letter today to the London Chamber of Commerce protesting the withdrawal of an invitation to Lord Mancroft, Jewish business leader, to become the Chamber's next president. The action was taken by the Chamber under Arab boycott pressure.

The letter of Chamber president Lord Verulam expressed "considerable misgivings and surprise" over the development. The letter cited reports that the reason for the withdrawal was Lord Mancroft's association with firms trading with Israel and others that the Chamber was yielding to Arab boycott pressures. "We hope very much that this is not so," the deputies said in the letter, "and that the Chamber will reaffirm its previous statement that it was opposed to being influenced by such pressures and does not and will not countenance them."

The "previous statement" was a reference to a stand in the Chamber's journal, "Commerce," early this year, reaffirming the Chamber's support of resolutions adopted in 1956 by the Association of British Chambers of Commerce on the issue. The resolutions deplored the intervention of political questions in the field of international trade by recourse to "boycotts based on racial or religious criteria."

Chamber Top Officials Hold Secret Meeting on Mancroft Case

Top officials of the Chamber held a secret meeting today to discuss the Mancroft matter. A statement was promised on the meeting, but after the two-hour session ended, no statement was issued. It was indicated that the question of a replacement for Lord Mancroft would be discussed tomorrow.

Press comment on the developments continued to be severely critical. The Daily Mail said that it was impossible to say how many British firms followed a policy of giving in to such Arab pressures but that "Israelis say that the boycott has more effect in Britain than anywhere else in the world."

Since more firms give in to it, the newspaper said, greater Arab pressure on Britain is encouraged, adding that nowhere else had the Arabs tried to get a director removed from office -- a reference to the forced resignation last year of Lord Mancroft from the board of the Norwich Insurance Company. The blame was placed partly on the fear by British businessmen of losing trade and partly on the Government's Board of Trade, which was accused of paying only lip service to its official policy of opposing the boycott.

Britain's trade dealings in the Middle East are handled through the Council for Middle East trade which has contacts with all the Arab countries. Israel has been refused membership in that Council. Britain does more than 200,000,000 pounds sterling (\$600,000,000) export trade annually with the Arab countries and the Council has said that if it included Israel in its activities, some of the Arab countries would turn elsewhere.

ONE-THIRD OF POPULATION IN WEST GERMANY REFUSES TO CONDEMN NAZISM

BONN, July 22 (JTA) -- One out of three West Germans still refuses to condemn the Nazi dictatorship as a criminal regime, according to the findings of a new poll published here today.

ISRAELI POLICEMAN TESTIFIES AT TRIAL OF EICHMANN'S AIDES IN GERMANY

FRANKFURT, July 22 (JTA) -- The illness of the prosecutor and delaying tactics by the defense again hampered the trial here today of former SS officers Otto Hunsche and Herman Krumei, Adolf Eichmann's chief aides in the wartime roundup and deportation to death camps of 450,000 Hungarian Jews.

Prosecutor Adolf Steinbacher, who suffered a heart attack yesterday, was unable to continue today and his two substitutes had to devote studytime to files in the case before they were able to question the witness, Avner Less, an Israeli police officer who had interrogated Eichmann before the Nazi's trial in Jerusalem.

Immediately after the trial was resumed today, Hunsche's defense counsel, Dr. H. Laternser, resumed his delaying tactics. The attorney protested against the witness being heard, ignoring the fact that Less had interrogated Eichmann, as well as the fact that the protocols which Mr. Less had brought to the trial had each page countersigned by Eichmann and that these had been turned over to the prosecution here. Dr. Laternser insisted on calling reports of Mr. Less' conversations with Eichmann as "hearsay reports."

A lengthy debate took place between the judge, the prosecution and the defense over the legal technicalities, posing the likelihood that the trial might last indefinitely because of defense counsel efforts to interrupt it consistently. The Israeli sat in the witness chair while the defense again raised arguments as to whether he should testify or whether the court should listen only to the tapes from which the reports to the prosecution were taken.

Finally, the court ordered testimony from Mr. Less, who then described the entire procedure of the Eichmann interrogation. He reported that between May 29, 1960, and the middle of January, 1961, 76 pages of material was taken from the one-time Nazi transport expert. He said the contents were then typed, corrected by Eichmann and initialed by him.

NON-JEWS TESTIFY AGAINST NAZI GENERAL ON TRIAL FOR KILLING JEWS

MUNICH, July 22 (JTA) -- Former SS General Karl Wolff, being tried here for the wartime murder of 300,000 Jews, was described in court here today as adjutant to Heinrich Himmler, head of the Gestapo and, therefore, as a high officer who knew perfectly well about the Hitler program for the annihilation of European Jewry through mass murder.

Today's witness, Dr. Hans Buchheim, director of the Historical Institute of Munich, was called by the court as an expert on the Nazi program against the Jews. In two hours on the witness stand, he totally demolished testimony given on behalf of Wolff yesterday by another former German officer, ex-General Gerhard Engel.

Gen. Engel had told the court that only "a very small body" of high-ranking Nazis knew that the real meaning of Hitler's "final solution" for the Jews involved the death of the Jews. Gen. Engel thus tried to bolster Wolff's contention that he thought concentration camps were not much different from Indian reservations in the United States. When Dr. Buchheim was finished with his testimony, two non-Jewish witnesses took the stand to tell the court that they had been beaten by Wolff while in concentration camps. The men were Joachim von Gersthof and Bogislav von Bonim.

REPUBLICAN LEADER STRESSES REAFFIRMATION OF 1960 PLEDGE ON ISRAEL

NEW YORK, July 22 (JTA) -- The Republican Party convention at San Francisco has adopted a "strong" plank on the Middle East situation, Bernard Katzen, director of the Republican National Committee's Ethnic Division, declared here today at a special press conference which he had summoned for a discussion of the GOP's stand regarding the Middle East region. "I am confident," he said, "that the Republican Party will demonstrate its support of those nations which are our friends. Certainly Israel is in that category."

Mr. Katzen pointed out that the Republican platform's plank dealing with the Middle East not only pledged United States "economic and military assistance" to help maintain stability in the Middle East and to "prevent an imbalance of arms" in that region, but also reaffirmed the party's pledges of 1960 concerning that area.

He read the 1960 pledge which had specifically urged the Arab states and Israel "to undertake negotiations for a mutually acceptable settlement of the causes of tension between them." He noted that the 1960 plank, now reaffirmed, had also pledged the GOP to help solve the Arab refugee problem, seek to end blockades and boycotts, urged freedom of navigation in international waterways, called for "cessation of discrimination against Americans on the basis of religious beliefs" and called for "an end to the wasteful and dangerous arms race and to the threat of an arms imbalance in the area."

WORLD SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL TOLD OF NEED FOR RABBIS IN LATIN AMERICA

MEXICO CITY, July 22 (JTA) -- The great need for rabbis in the Jewish communities in Latin American countries was stressed here today at the convention of the World Council of Synagogues by Rabbi Bernard Segal, executive director of the United Synagogue of America, central body of American Conservative Judaism. The World Council embraces Conservative congregations and has affiliates and associates in 22 countries.

Dr. Segal reported on the Rabbinical Seminary which the World Council helped to establish in Buenos Aires. He stressed the fact that the Jewish communities in Latin American countries depend on bringing rabbis over from other countries. The Seminary, he said, will train local students for the rabbinate, and thereby strengthen Jewish religious life not only in Argentina but also in other countries in South America. Rabbi Marshall Meyer, who was born in the United States and is now living in Buenos Aires, reported that the Seminary now has 23 students.

The prediction that the forthcoming Ecumenical Council, which opens at Vatican City in September, will adopt a pro-Jewish document, was voiced at today's convention session by Rabbi Harry Halpern, leading American Conservative rabbi. He warned, however, against being too optimistic about the contents of the document.

(In Rome, Chief Rabbi Elio Toaff today said that he did not intend to deliver any speech on the Ecumenical Council at the convention of the World Council of Synagogues in Mexico City, and that the organizers of the convention listed him on the agenda as speaker on the subject, "The Ecumenical Council and Its Meaning to Judaism," without his knowledge. He made it clear that he was not participating in the convention.)

WORLD CONGRESS OF AGUDATH ISRAEL ORGANIZATION OPENS IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, July 22 (JTA) -- More than 400 delegates and 2,000 guests from 15 countries assembled here today for the Fifth World Congress of the ultra-Orthodox Agudath Israel World Organization.

Chief Rabbis Yitzhak Nissim and Yehuda Isser Untermann will address the conclave which will last for ten days. The establishment in Jerusalem of a World Educational Center for the movement is on the agenda.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON JEWISH LITURGICAL MUSIC HELD IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, July 22 (JTA) -- The International Conference on Jewish Liturgical Music will become a biennial event and the next one will be held in the summer of 1966 in Jerusalem, it was announced today at the close of the first conference here.

The first meeting was held under the auspices of the Cantors Assembly of America and the AIMA Music Alliance. Some 200 cantors, musicians, composers and musicologists from the United States, Europe and Israel participated. One of the highlights was the performance of Psalm 137 by all the cantors present at the President's home in Jerusalem. The psalm was set to music composed by Isaachar Miron, an Israeli.

Saul Meizel of Cleveland, president of the Cantors Assembly, and Samuel Rosenbaum of Rochester, N. Y., executive vice-chairman, said before their departure today that their maximum expectations from the conference had been realized. They added that they were sure an enduring bond had been created between all those concerned with Jewish liturgical music.

PRINCESS MARGARET OPENS NEW CENTER FOR JEWISH BLIND IN LONDON

LONDON, July 22 (JTA) -- Princess Margaret opened the new day center of the Jewish Blind Society in North London today with praise for the "wonderful results" which the Jewish community so often achieved "through its generosity and resourcefulness."

Mrs. James de Rothschild, president of the society, welcomed the Princess. She said all members of the society were delighted that the Princess had agreed to open the new center. The Princess, who was received with an enthusiastic ovation by the large audience, said she was "delighted" to be present.

JOEL BRAND BURIED IN ISRAEL; SHAZAR AND ESHKOL REPRESENTED AT CEREMONY

TEL AVIV, July 22 (JTA) -- More than 800 mourners attended the burial today of Joel Brand, the one-time Hungarian Jew chosen by Adolf Eichmann for the weird and abortive Nazi proposal to trade 1,000,000 doomed Hungarian Jews for 10,000 trucks in the last months of World War II.

President Shazar was represented at the burial ceremony by his aide, Col. Arieh Baz and Premier Eshkol by Teddy Kollek, Director-General of the Premier's office. Police Minister Behor Shitreet came personally. Mr. Brand died in West Germany last week during a visit. Dr. Gideon Hausner, former Israeli attorney general and prosecutor of Eichmann, delivered the eulogy.