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HITLERITE'S DEATH IN PARIS IS CAUSE

Defenseless Folk Lose Millions At Hands Of Looting Bands

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BERLIN, Nov. 10—(AP)—The greatest wave of anti-Jewish violence since Adolf Hitler came to power in 1933 swept Nazi Germany Thursday and Jews were threatened with new official measures against them.

Millions of dollars worth of Jewish property was destroyed by angry crowds. Jewish stores were looted. Synagogues were burned, dynamited or damaged in a dozen cities.

Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, calling for a halt in the demonstrations, declared that "the final answer to Jewry will be given in the form of laws or decrees."

It was a nationwide day of vengeance for the death Wednesday of Ernst Vom Rath, secretary of the German embassy in Paris, who was shot Monday by a 17-year-old Jew, Herschel Grynszpan.

Bands of youths roved the streets of Berlin and other cities from early morning on, smashing windows of Jewish shops. In many places crowds which gathered after day-break pushed into the establishments and came out with loot. Most of Berlin's 1,000 Jewish stores were plundered.

Sounds of breaking glass and shouts of looters died away only near midnight. Hundreds of Jews voluntarily spent the night in jails fearing worse violence as reports of burning and looting continued to come in from many cities.

At the height of the demonstration few police were seen. One detachment of police in the heart of Berlin was charged by a mob, which pushed them aside and began plundering.

After more than 12 hours of violence Goebbels appealed to the people to refrain from further demonstrations.

The appeal was issued at 4 p.m., but at first apparently had no effect in the west end of Berlin. Three hours later it was repeated by radio. Then police appeared on Koenigstrasse, where a number of Jewish shops are situated, arrested 21 looters and cleared the street.

"The justifiable and understandable indignation of the German people over the cowardly Jewish murder of a German diplomat in Paris has resulted during the past night in extensive demonstrations," Goebbels' appeal said.

Widespread Violence

"In numerous cities and communities of the Reich, acts of violence were committed against Jewish buildings and businesses.

"The entire population is now, however, strictly requested to desist immediately from all further demonstrations and actions of whatever nature against Jewdom. The final answer to Jewry will be given in the form of laws or decrees."

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All Jews in Munich were told that they must leave the country within 48 hours, and many Jews feared that Goebbels' concluding statement was a threat that the Munich order would be made nationwide.

All of Vienna's 21 synagogues were reported burned, wrecked or damaged. Seven of Berlin's 20 synagogues were burned.

In Vienna, 22 Jews were said to have committed suicide. A number of Jews were arrested while they waited outside the British consulate seeking visas to England. A dispatch from Vienna said truckloads of Jews were taken by storm troopers to Doliner Street and put to work tearing down a synagogue.

In Munich, Aufhaeusers, the only remaining Jewish bank, was raided. One director and his wife committed suicide and another was taken to a concentration camp.

Private houses of Jews were entered at Nuernberg. Children were thrown out of their beds. Furniture was smashed.

Cologne crowds broke windows in nearly every Jewish shop, forced entrance into a synagogue, overturned its seats and smashed the windows.

The Salzburg Synagogue was destroyed and shops of Jewish tradesmen were looted.

Potsdam, Treutlingen, Bamberg, Bayreuth, Everswalde, Brandenburg and Cottbus all reported synagogues raided, demolished or burned.

In Friedrichstrasse, in downtown Berlin, crowds pushed police aside in their hunt for plunder. Late in the afternoon fire broke out in Israel's Department Store near Alexanderplatz, but firemen soon extinguished the blaze.

Streets Are Thronged

From early morning on, curious throngs milled up and down Berlin streets on which Jewish shops were situated or stood watching burning synagogues.

As day wore on, however, a desire for loot possessed them more and more.

Unhindered by police, the mobs invaded stores the windows of which had been broken during the night and helped themselves to furs, clothes, rugs, toys and other merchandise.

No one—official or private citizen—was able to estimate the full monetary extent of the damage.

That scores of synagogues—burned, bombed and razed in various parts of Germany—were worth many millions alone stood beyond doubt.

The extent of damage to Jewish business also ran into millions of dollars.

While a large section of the German population seemed thoroughly ashamed at the exhibition of mob rule, those who participated in anti-Semitic actions had a gay time.

Before one Friedrichstrasse shop devoted to the sale of magic apparatus children lined up with brass poles hooked at the end. With these they fished magicians' boxes of tricks for themselves out of the interior of the shop through a broken show window.

Older boys unconcernedly threw tables, chairs and other furniture out of smashed windows. One typewriter, dropped from a second story shop, landed at the feet of an Associated Press correspondent.

One group moved a piano from a shop into the street and played popular tunes for onlookers.

Before synagogues, demonstrators stood with Jewish prayer books from which they tore leaves as souvenirs for the crowds.

Until midnight brought slackening of violence, marauders continued to comb all districts, moving from street to street attracting throngs of spectators. Police arrested some looters and Jewish store owners.

Sidewalks of the fashionable Kurfuerstandamm were filled until midnight with tens of thousands of curious Berliners.

Signs appeared on many demolished stores, "This store already has been sold to Aryans."

New reports of destruction reached Berlin from other German cities. A Jewish temple in Graz, former Austria, was blown up, the second to be demolished by explosives. The other was in Vienna.

In Leipzig the Jewish Bamberger and Herz Department Store burned to the ground. The proprietors were arrested and accused of arson to collect insurance.

It was estimated 10,000 Jews had been arrested in Vienna but that most of them later were released.