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Mufti, 1947.

Mufti Plots Battle in U.N.

By DREW PEARSON



Hadji Amin el Hussein
Spearheaded slaughter of Jews.

(AP Photo)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—As the U. N. tomorrow takes up, among other things, the tragic Palestine issues, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem has a carefully coached delegation of Arabs in N. Y. to defeat any settlement.

Since the allies captured Nazi documents and witnesses, the State Dept. has had sensational evidence of the Mufti's role in the Nazi murder of 5,000,000 Jews. Deliberately, he plotted to exterminate all Jews in Europe.

The records, which the U. S. refuses to publish, include a signed contract by which Hitler agreed to pay the Mufti 50,000 marks a month to stir the Arabs against the Allies.

Since the State Dept. will not disclose documents on this historic subject to the U.N., this column here publishes the most pertinent of them.

Dieter von Wisliczeny, a deputy fuhrer with the title of Adviser on Jewish Affairs in Slovakia, Greece and Hungary, testified:

"In my opinion, the Grand Mufti, who has been in Berlin since 1941, played a role in the decision of Germany to exterminate the European Jews, the importance of which must not be disregarded.

"Broadcasting from Berlin, he surpassed us in anti-Jewish attacks. One of Eichmann's best friends, he incited him to accelerate exterminating measures. I heard that, with Eichmann, he visited, incognito, the gas chamber in Auschwitz."

(Eichman was the Nazi in charge of Jewish extermination.)

American Jewish leaders,

through Catholic leaders in the Vatican, were in part successful in smuggling Jews out of Germany during the war. Goering was sympathetic, arranged to wink at the exit of several thousand Jews into Bulgaria and Romania, toward Palestine.

This infuriated the Grand Mufti.

Official records show that on June 5, 1943, the Mufti wrote the Foreign Minister of Bulgaria, protesting against 4,000 Jewish children being allowed to enter. He was successful.

The financial agreement between the Nazis and the Mufti came late in the war, when Hitler knew he was licked, but planned to fight the British even after the armistice. The Mufti was given parachutists, a short-wave radio and plenty of cash.

The contract, dated April 5, 1945, a month before V-E Day, reads:

"AGREEMENT

"between the Government of the Greater German Reich and the Grand Mufti of Palestine, Hadji Amin el Hussein.

"The Government (Nazi) through its Foreign Office, concludes the following agreement with the Mufti:

"1.—The Government puts at the disposal of the Mufti funds required to fight for liberation against the common enemy.

"2.—An account is being opened for the Mufti with the Reichtreasurer.

"The Mufti can draw against this until further notice 50,000 reichsmarks a month.

"The account will be charged with expenses of the Foreign Office and other headquarters of Reich organization incurred for the Mufti or the movement conducted by him. These expenses—commencing April 1, 1945—shall not exceed 12,000 reichsmarks a month.

"3.—The Mufti agrees to pay back the credit advanced. Amortization and interest payments will be later agreed on.

"4.—This is effective retroactively, as of April 1.

"Signed, in Berlin, April 4, 1945.

For the Foreign Office
S/Steengrecht.

The Grand Mufti of Palestine
S Amin el Hussein."

That is the man who plots to block the U.N. settlement of Palestine.

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AIR MAIL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

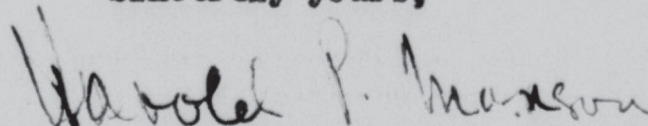
At the last meeting of our Executive Committee you suggested that, in connection with the current session of the UN General Assembly, a newspaper chain or wire service publish a series of articles exposing the Arabs as spokesmen for the Mufti on the question of Palestine.

I succeeded in obtaining the cooperation of the International News Service for such a series. Seymour Berkson, editor of INS, stipulated, however, that our material be new, inasmuch as INS has published our exposes of the Arabs very prominently in the past and does not want to serve up a rehashed story.

I consulted with Eliahu Epstein who assured me that the information and documents I require are available. He promised to assign one of his people in Washington, whom he described as an expert on matters pertaining to the Arabs, to the task of supplying me with the needed material. I am awaiting word from Epstein and his assistant, and hope to bring about the publication of the articles as soon as I receive the facts.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Harold P. Manson
Director of Information

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P.S. You have probably seen our reprint of Drew Pearson's column exposing the Mufti as a war criminal and emphasizing that "that is the man who plots to block the UN settlement of Palestine."