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Jerusalem. Jan. 29 - Turner (N.Y. Herald Tribune) reports that after the comparative calm of the past few days, Jewish terrorists today killed two British policemen in the heart of the City. It was not known which Jewish organization was responsible for the shooting.

Five persons were wounded by the explosion of a bomb in Zion Square.

Other isolated incidents occurred in Palestine throughout the day, but were confined principally to Arab-Jewish fighting of a minor nature.

Jerusalem, Jan. 29 - Currivan (N.Y. Times) describes Jerusalem as virtually isolated behind a curtain of fear. The dangers of travel are cutting the city off from its normal markets: supplies are short, prices are fantastically high, and many shops, both Jewish and Arab, are closed. Within the walls of of the Old City, the plight of 400 Jewish families, surrounded by Arabs, is becoming more desperate each day.

Cairo. Jan. 29 - According to an A.P. report quoted by the N.Y. Times, Assad Dagher, chief of the Arab League's press section, said today that Palestine may have an Arab government by the time the british leave. He said that an Arab regime might ask for the help of regular armies of the seven near-by Arab states to prevent creation of a Jewish nation. His statement modified a previous assertion that the Arab states would occupy all of Palestine with regular armies after British troops leave.