

the bodies of the student martyrs, so that their burial would not become another mass demonstration. In the night, students managed to recover the bodies in a daring effort to thwart the Zionist cover-up, but the next morning the Zionists reconfiscated them.

That night and the next day, news spread about the latest Zionist crime, and demonstrations broke out many places in the West Bank on December 5th. There was a general strike in Ramallah and Al Bireh, and a large demonstration in Nablus. The confrontation increased. Firing indiscriminately on demonstrators in Balata camp outside Nablus, the Zionists killed another Palestinian youth -Majed Abu Dira, 14 years old. News of events also reached imprisoned Palestinian militants in Ashkelon; they and visiting family members staged a vocal protest.

On December 6th, demonstrations spread throughout the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Demonstrators barricaded roads, and threw stones and molotov cocktails against the occupiers. Six Zionist soldiers were injured. Curfews were imposed on fifteen towns. Ramallah was sealed off and declared a military zone. The two students killed at Bir Zeit were buried in Gaza, where large demonstrations broke out. Overall, six Zionist soldiers were injured by stones that day, while around 90 Palestinians were injured.

The uprising continued on December 7th. Zionist soldiers threw bombs in the Bir Zeit University campus, killing one and wounding four. Again, Palestinians with only stones, faced the Zion-

ists' gunfire and tear gas. Cars carrying Zionists were stoned all over the West Bank. In Gaza, a Palestinian youth was shot in the leg by Zionist soldiers. Also in the Strip, Jabaliya camp was declared a military zone.

On this day, the uprising reached the part of Palestine occupied in 1948. There was a mass demonstration in Nazareth, where a Bir Zeit student delivered a speech. Similar meetings were held in other places in the Galilee. In Tel Aviv, the police forcibly dispersed a demonstration organized by the Democratic Front for Peace and Equality, and the Campus student organization. One student and one policeman were injured, while the police arrested 15 people. There were also demonstrations at the Hebrew University's Jerusalem campus. Clashes occurred, pitting Palestinian and leftist Israeli students against ultrarightist Israelis.

Demonstrations continued in the occupied territories on December 8th. Firing on the people once more, the Zionist forces killed Mohammad Zeitoun, a 12 year old boy, in Balata camp. Eight other Palestinians were injured that day. One of these was a student shot in the leg as troops burst into an East Jerusalem school. An Israeli soldier was injured slightly by stones and bottles thrown by the residents of Duheisheh camp near Bethlehem. Brigadier General Ephraim Sneh, Israeli 'civil' administrator of the West Bank, ordered the old campus of Bir Zeit University closed until January 3rd. A commercial strike continued for

the third day in East Jerusalem, and was also observed in Nablus and Ramallah. Ramallah and Al Bireh remained under curfew.

On December 9th, the Zionist authorities ordered Al Najah University closed for one week. Strikes and demonstrations continued and became increasingly militant in Gaza schools and camps, where the Israelis showered tear gas and bullets on junior high school students. People in the refugee camps threw stones at passing vehicles carrying Zionists. Several were wounded as the Zionists fired into the crowds. One of these was a 16 year old resident of Bureij camp. The IDF entered Shifa hospital in Gaza and arrested those injured in protests, causing 140 Palestinian doctors in three hospitals in the Strip to stage a two-hour protest strike. Speaking of the repeated entry into schools by the occupation troops, an UNRWA spokesman stated: «Our installations have been violated repeatedly in Gaza.»

In Duheisheh camp on the West Bank, a youth was injured when Zionist soldiers opened fire on a demonstration. This was the first day the new campus of Bir Zeit University had been open since December 4th, and hundreds of students marched from the campus to the town, carrying Palestinian flags and shouting nationalist slogans, while protesting the closure of the old campus.

On December 10th, a 15 year old school girl, Hadiye Al Sussi, was shot

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Palestinian youth from Bureij camp hurl stones at Israeli troops.

