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BRITAIN REBUKES REICH ON CHURCHILL ARTICLE PROTEST

LONDON, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- The Foreign Office today rebuked the German Government in connection with its protest, offered by the German Ambassador to Great Britain upon instructions from Berlin, against an article in the Strand Magazine by Winston Churchill in which Hitlerism is bitterly denounced.

The Foreign Office bluntly informed the German Ambassador that it does not exercise control over Mr. Churchill.

The Nazi Government's action in protesting the article created considerable resentment in journalistic circles here where it was widely interpreted as a Nazi attempt to censor the British press.

Churchill's article was entitled "The Truth About Hitler." Referring in it to the Jews of Germany, he writes that "a community numbered by the hundreds of thousand has been declared a foul and odious race."

"The twentieth century," he continues, "witnessed with surprise not merely the promulgation of these ferocious doctrines but their enforcement with brutal vigor by the Government. Past services, proved patriotism, even the wounds sustained in war do not procure immunity for persons whose only crime is that their parents brought them into the world. Every kind of persecution, grave or petty, upon world-famous scientists, writers and composers, at the top, to wretched little Jewish children in the nation's schools, was practiced, was glorified and still is being practiced and glorified."

Churchill expresses astonishment that German people not only did not resent the "horrible bloodbath" of June 30 last year, but even endorsed and acclaimed its author with honors as though he were a god.

"Here," Mr. Churchill concluded, "is the frightful fact before which what is left of European civilization must bow its head in shame."

HOLLAND BANS ANTI-NAZI BOOK, "THE BROWN NETWORK"

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Minister of Justice von Schaik today banned from Holland the anti-Nazi book, "The Brown Network," purporting to expose activities of Nazi agents abroad, after reported objections by the German Embassy here.

The book was issued this year under the editorship of Rudolph Breda, a German emigre who is at present in New York. It was published by the Editions du Carrefour in Paris. The title page states the book reveals "how Hitler's agents work abroad and prepare for war." An English edition is to be issued shortly in London.

6,178 JEWS ENTERED PALESTINE IN SEPTEMBER

JERUSALEM, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- The total Jewish immigration into Palestine for the month of September was 6,178 persons, of whom 528 entered under the capitalist category, it was disclosed today in the official Palestine Gazette.

SWASTIKA DISPLAY BY JEW STIRS SALONICA JEWRY

SALONICA, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Spokesman for the Jewish community expressed indignation today over the hoisting of the Nazi swastika by Samuel Mordah, a Jewish leader, on the occasion of the royal celebrations.

Mordah, who represented Greek Jewry at the World Jewish Conference in Geneva, raised the Nazi emblem over the Salonica branch office of the Victoria Insurance Company, a German firm, of which he is the local head.

Mordah's fifteen employees are Jews.

The swastika, now the official German flag, is always displayed on holidays. The firm was obliged, under the laws enacted by the Reichstag Sept. 15, to hoist the flag.

PALESTINE TO GRANT MEDICAL LICENSES BY DEC. 31

JERUSALEM, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Licenses to practice medicine will be granted by December 31 to Palestine citizens or those permitted to remain permanently, who are in good character and graduates of universities recognized by the Palestine government, it was announced today in the official Palestine Gazette.

VIOLINIST KNIGHTED BY HOLLAND'S QUEEN

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Queen Wilhemina today created Herman Leydensdorf, famous Jewish violinist, a Knight of the Order of Orange and Nassau.

PROF. SYLVAIN LEVI DIES IN PARIS AT 72

PARIS, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Prof. Sylvain Levi, noted French historian and orientalist and president of the Alliance Israelite Universelle, leading Jewish organization which is this year celebrating its seventy-fifth anniversary, died here suddenly today. He was 72 years old.

Prof. Levi was born in this city on March 28, 1863. He was educated at the Sorbonne where he later served on the faculty. He has been on the faculty of the College of France since 1894 and with the Ecole des Hautes Etudes since 1885, at both of which schools he occupied the chair of Sanscrit Language and Literature.

Prof. Levi was named to the presidency of the Alliance in 1920 and held that position ever since. He was a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, president of the Society Asiatique and held memberships in the following: Imperial Academy of Japan, Russian Academy of Sciences and the Belgian Royal Academy. In addition he was an honorary member of the Royal Asiatic Society in London and the American Oriental Society.

At the Peace Conference at Versailles, Dr. Levi, representing French Jewry on the Committee of Jewish Delegations, took a vigorous stand against Palestine as a Jewish national home. Dr. Levi was always a strong opponent of Zionism.

A brilliant orientalist, among his published works were "Le Theatre Indien," "La Doctrine du Sacrifice dans les Brahmanas," "Le Nepal," and "L'Inde."

'ARYAN' CAFES ASK RIGHT TO HIRE JEWISH MUSICIANS

BERLIN, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- A number of "Aryan" cafes in the Kurfuerstendamm district, Berlin's Broadway, applied today for permission to engage Jewish musicians and give Jewish programs, signifying readiness to abide by the rule limiting clientele to Jews and accepting the classification of "ghetto cafes."

The owners complain that with Jews forbidden to enter "Aryan" cafes and forced to patronize only "ghetto cafes," the business of the German establishments has suffered severely.

J. POLAK, 68, DEAD IN HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- J. Polak, former subdirector of public and civil works in the Dutch East Indies, died here yesterday at the age of sixty-eight. He was a brother of Dr. M. Polak, justice of the High Court.

DUTCH FORM BODY TO FIGHT BERLIN OLYMPICS

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Formation of a Committee for the Protection of the Olympic Idea was announced today by its two leaders, Bernhard Vandam and Dr. J. C. Bruyn. The committee is convoking a public meeting in Amsterdam against Dutch participation in the Berlin Olympic games in 1936.

GENERAL SHERRILL SAYS HE WILL DESIST FROM "PRO-JEWISH ACTIVITIES"

NEW YORK, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- General Charles H. Sherrill, American member of the International Olympic Committee, declared today he would "desist from these friendly efforts" for the Jews which he said he had been carrying on in obtaining from the German authorities invitations for two Jewish athletes to compete in the German Olympic team.

The statement was interpolated in an address at a luncheon of the Advertising Club of New York broadcast by Station WOR and by the National Broadcasting Co. over its Red network.

"Yesterday morning," he said, "a powerful Jewish gentleman made a decision that brought a beautiful thing into my life, confirming my long admiration of his race's qualities. Yesterday afternoon his business associates, I fear with his approval, destroyed that beautiful thing.

"That last action suddenly revealed to me the general Jewish dislike of my pro-Jewish activities which two years ago they approved. This forces me, and I say it with deep emotion, to desist from these friendly efforts in the future. But neither that incident nor the torrent of Jewish abuse recently poured upon me can succeed in making me anti-Jewish.

H. B. LeQuatte, president of the club, announced that the address was being transmitted by short-wave radio to Germany. Inquiries made by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, elicited the information that this statement was erroneous.

Questioned by reporters at the conclusion of the address, Gen. Sherrill refused to reveal further details of the "beautiful thing" in his life which had been destroyed.

Gen. Sherrill, who on his arrival from Germany last week warned the Jews that their agitation against the Berlin Olympics might result in an anti-Semitic wave, intimated in his address that the International Olympic Committee would shut its eyes to the fact Miss Helene Mayer was not a German citizen and would permit her to compete in the German fencing team.

"We accept what each National Committee certifies," he said, "and never investigate whether their certified athletes are really amateurs, or citizens, or what not."

He made two other points:

"The American Olympic Committee alone has the right to decide whether or not our team shall compete in Germany this Winter and next Summer."

"Our International Olympic Committee does not concern itself with internal athletic conditions in any country, but only with the choice of the members for its Olympic team."

He quoted letters from Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Abraham Cohen, then executive director of the American Jewish Congress and Morris D. Waldman, secretary of the American Jewish Committee, lauding him in 1932 for efforts in behalf of Jewish athletes.

Among those present at the luncheon were Frederick W. Rubien, secretary of the American Olympic Committee; Daniel W. Ferris, secretary of the Amateur Athletic Union; Major Patrick J. Walsh, president of the A.A.U.; Dr. Graeme Hammond, president emeritus of the A.O.C. and Dr. John Brown, member of the committee.

Wednesday night, at a dinner to Mme. Sonja Branting, Swedish jurist, in the Hotel Delano, Jeremiah T. Mahoney, president of the A.A.U., reconstructed the scene that might have occurred between Gen. Sherrill and Hitler:

"Sherrill went there," he said, "and spent four days with Hitler and slapped him on the back and said, 'Hitler, let's do something or maybe the Americans won't come over.'"

"And Hitler said, 'Charlie, I think you're right. Let's invite Helene Mayer over.'"

"If there is no discrimination against Jewish athletes in Germany," former Supreme Court Justice Mahoney asked, "why did it take two years for this great American to get an invitation for this one little girl?"

He declared it the duty of the A.A.U. to refuse to certify amateurs to the Berlin Olympics.

REPORT 75,000 FIRMS SLATED TO PASS INTO "ARYAN" HANDS

BERLIN, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- More than 75,000 Jewish and semi-Jewish enterprises will pass into "Aryan" hands under the present policy of the Reich government, the German press reported today. The average value of these enterprises was estimated at 30,000 to 40,000 marks (the mark was valued at 40.33 cents in yesterday's market), according to official statistics quoted in newspapers throughout the country.

With the German press carrying on an intense campaign for the ousting of Jews from the economic life of Germany, the Voelkischer Beobachter, Reichsfuehrer Hitler's personal organ, focused its attention on the fur trade today, urging a boycott of Jewish firms in this industry.

The Beobachter stated that a special bureau has been established in Berlin "for enlightening Aryans" on the necessity for the anti-Jewish boycott.

The newspaper publishes what purports to be the text of a law issued in Berlin prohibiting Jews from engaging in the fur trade.

The question of the re-employment of "Aryan" maids forced to leave their positions in Jewish homes as a result of the legislation enacted by the Reichstag at Nuremberg Sept. 15, is causing a great deal of worry to Employment Exchange officials, it was learned today. In this city, several maids were given special permission to retain their jobs in Jewish homes until April, although under the law they are supposed to leave by next Jan. 15.

In the province of Westphalia, the Nazi press is appealing to "Aryans" to give preference to maids leaving Jewish homes in employing household help as a measure of loyalty to the Nazi decree.

DR. JACQUES SEGAL, REVISIONIST LEADER, DIES IN PARIS

PARIS, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- Jacques Segal, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Zionist Revisionist Organization and wartime liason officer between the French and British military forces in Palestine and Syria, died today at the age of fifty-nine.

Dr. Segal was a physician, bacteriologist and a Zionist leader. He was born in Safed, Palestine, and studied at the Sorbonne in Paris. He later studied bacteriology in the Lister Institute in London.

Dr. Segal represented the French government at the opening of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He was a Knight of the French Legion of Honor.

FRANCONIA DISTRICT BOATS LAST JEW IS GONE

BERLIN, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- The Hersbruck district of Franconia today claimed the distinction of being the first district to have entirely rid itself of Jews. The section is completely "Judenrein," authorities asserted, since not one Jew now resides in the whole district.

JEWS ARRESTED FOR "RASSENSCHANDE" IN 16 CITIES, STREICHER REPORTS

BERLIN, Oct. 31. (JTA) -- A list of sixteen cities in which Jews were arrested during the past week for "race defilement" is featured in today's issue of Julius Streicher's anti-Semitic newspaper, Der Stuermer.