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LEAGUE EXTENDS REFUGEE AID OFFICE TO 1938

GENEVA, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The political commission of the League of Nations Assembly today recommended continuation of the office of High Commissioner for German Refugees until 1938, at which time the Assembly would reconsider the entire question of Reich expatriates.

The commission also decided to ask all members of the League to ratify the decision of an inter-governmental conference held under League auspices last July 4, which defined the juridical status of refugees in foreign countries.

This arrangement, which would go into effect thirty days after ratification by subscribing nations, provides for issuance of identity certificates to exiles by nations in which they take refuge. The certificates will be used as a form of passport.

To implement this provisional arrangement, the political commission decided to take steps for the convoking of another inter-governmental conference to draft an international convention for refugees and to assist organizations handling refugee aid.

France, Denmark, Great Britain, Holland and Switzerland have already signed the refugee arrangement, thereby undertaking to issue certificates of identity to refugees and not to return exiles to Germany.

The political commission recommended appropriation of 400,000 Swiss francs for Saar refugees in Paraguay.

The commission nominated Michael Hanssen of Norway as president of the Nansen International Office, which issues passports to "stateless" persons, until the liquidation of the office in 1938.

The recommendation for continuation of the refugee office was made by Sir Neill Malcolm, of England, the provisional High Commissioner until the current League session, in his report to the League.

The future activities of the High Commission, according to Sir Neill's recommendations, are:

- 1- Improve the juridical status of refugees.
- 2- Advance concrete emigration and settlement plans with the aid of private refugee-relief organizations.
- 3- Promote and coordinate private organizations.
- 4- Submit proposals for future conduct of the work to the Assembly at its meeting in Sept. 1938.

VIOLENCE RENEWED IN PALESTINE; JEWISH COLONIES ATTACKED; ARAB KILLED

JERUSALEM, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- British troops today killed one Arab and wounded two others in a clash near Hebron with a band of five rebels, bringing to an end several days of comparative quiet that had settled on the Holy Land after 25 weeks of unremitting guerilla warfare aimed against the Government and Jewish immigration.

Arab bullets seriously wounded Haifa's famous assistant superintendent of police, Halim Basta Boulos Shams.

Unconfirmed reports said that Said Bey el Aasi, Syrian agitator who had been dubbed "Public Enemy Number Two," was killed in a clash between British troops and Arab rebels near Bethlehem. He had entered the country hoping to arouse Bedouin tribesmen against the government. (Fawzi Bey el Kawkaji, another Syrian, is regarded as "Public Enemy Number One" by the authorities.)

Arab snipers poured fire into the Neve Yakob district of Jerusalem. Attacks on Jewish-owned groves near Tel Mond and the Kadoorie Agricultural School at Mt. Tabor were repulsed. A Jerusalem-Jaffa freight train was fired on and rails were later damaged. The Iraq Petroleum Company's pipeline at Ganigar was damaged and escaping oil ignited.

Several Arabs were arrested at Haifa, Petach Tikvah and Kubeibah for possession of arms and explosives.

Report British Building Forts in Nablus Hills

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Daily Herald reported today that the British authorities were building a chain of forts in the Nablus hills in central Palestine.

POLISH PREMIER PLEDGES ACTION AGAINST ANTI-SEMITES

WARSAW, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Premier Skladkowski, in an interview yesterday with Senator Moses Schorr and Deputy Emil Sommerstein, representing the Jewish Deputies Club, promised to protect Jews from attack and mete out severe punishment to anti-Semitic agitators.

Replying to charges that Jews were being subjected to economic discriminations and were insecure from anti-Semitic attacks, the Premier admitted the situation of the Jews had become worse, blaming the general density of population and the growth of political chauvinism.

"The Government is absolutely determined to maintain the principle of equal citizenship for all," he said. "The life of every citizen in Poland is sacred, irrespective of creed or nationality.

"The Government is determined to call to account anyone guilty of violence against the Jews and anyone making it impossible for Jews to carry on their work. The Government regards the rousing of national passions and incitements of one section of the population against another as harmful to the State. It is determined to mete out severe punishment to all anti-Semitic agitators."

MILAN JEWS DENY BOLSHEVIST CHARGES OF FASCIST ORGAN

MILAN, Italy, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- In a vigorous reply to anti-Semitic attacks in the Regime Fascista, the president of the Milan Jewish Community, denying that Jews were Bolsheviks, today described the Italian Jews as loyal Fascists and devoted to Premier Mussolini.

Roberto Farinacci, editor of Regime Fascista and member of the Fascist Grand Council, had blamed the "subversive influence of the Jews" for disorders in Europe. He said "international Jewry is anti-Fascist."

BERLIN DOCTORS FORM "ARYAN" UNION TO CUT "JEWISH INFLUENCE"

BERLIN, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Berlin Medical Journal, reporting that after three years of the Nazi regime Jews still comprised more than one-third of the city's 6,277 doctors, announced today establishment of a union of "Aryan" physicians to counteract the "Jewish influence" in medicine.

The announcement signalized the opening of a renewed drive on Jewish physicians, whose numbers, the periodical asserted, have been reduced in three years to 2,143. Dr. H. Grote, author of the article, pointed out that Jewish physicians comprised between 70 and 80 per cent of the total in 1933.

Demands for further restrictions against Jewish doctors, were voiced today by the Angriff, organ of Propaganda Minister Goebbels.

LEIPZIG NAZIS ASK REMOVAL OF MENDELSSOHN STATUE

LEIPZIG, Germany, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Local Nazi newspapers today joined in demanding removal of the Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdi statue from the Municipal Hall. It was suggested the statue of the famous composer be presented to the Jewish Culture League of Leipzig.

ANTI-JEWISH SIGNS REAPPEAR AT REICH TOWN BORDERS

BERLIN, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Stuermer, notorious anti-Semitic weekly published by Julius Streicher, reported today that "Jews Not Wanted Here" signs are making their appearance again at the entrance to many towns after having been removed for the Olympic Games period.

NAZI LAWYERS BARRED AS STATE COUNSEL FOR JEWS

BERLIN, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- A Berlin district court today ruled that lawyers who are members of the Nazi Party should not be assigned to defend Jewish prisoners unable to retain their own counsel.

NEW ZIONIST ORGANIZATION TO HOLD WORLD PARLEY IN ITALY OCT. 25

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The New Zionist Organization today announced it will hold a world conference in Italy, probably at Trieste, starting Oct. 25.

The tentative agenda includes formulation of the organizations attitude towards Great Britain and its administration of the Palestine mandate; the ten-year emigration plan broached for Central and Eastern European Jews by Vladimir Jabotinsky, president of the N.Z.O., and establishment of the "First National Jewish Assembly" to meet in the first half of 1937.

CZECH-NAZI FILM PACT WITH "ARYAN" CLAUSE REPORTED

PRAHA, Czechoslovakia, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Prager Mittag, German emigre paper, today reported conclusion of a pact between German and Czechoslovakian film interests by which Germany engaged to import from Czechoslovakia twenty films yearly instead of four, with the provision that the pictures conform to Nazi racial requirements.

The paper declares the agreement still lacks ratification by the Czechoslovakian Government.

If approved, the compact would mean introduction of the "Aryan" principle in this country's growing film industry.

Commenting on the reported pact, the Mittag declares:

"For their money, the Germans will be able to get pure racial films, but the last word is still with the Czechoslovakian Government."

DAVID FRANKFURTER FOUND SANE; TRIAL NEXT MONTH

ZURICH, Switzerland, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- David Frankfurter, Yugoslavian Jewish medical student awaiting trial for the assassination last February of Wilhelm Gustloff, Swiss Nazi agent, was today adjudged sane by a commission of experts appointed by a court to examine his mental condition.

The trial is expected to open at Chur next month.

POLAND ASKS FOREIGN FINANCIERS TO AID JEWISH EMIGRATION

WARSAW, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Polish Foreign Office today called on foreign financiers to assist emigration of Jews from Poland to countries outside Palestine.

In a statement explaining the declaration of the Polish delegation to the League of Nations on emigration, the Foreign Office said financiers seeking to advance their own economic interests as well as those who are concerned over the problem for sentimental reasons ought to come to the aid of the Polish Jews.

Jewish emigration is an international problem, the statement said, which can only be solved by considering numerous economic and financial factors, in which the Jews must play an important role.

Palestine alone is not adequate for Polish Jewry's needs, the Foreign Office said, urging that steps be taken during the coming year to carefully examine all possibilities for colonizing Jews in other lands.

The statement asserted that the question should be examined with a view to opening new territories to the Jews in accordance with the aspirations of many Jews.

Poland has asked the League for a discussion of the emigration problem at the next regular session and for speediest possible achievement of practical results toward solving the question.

EAST LONDON GROUPS TO UNITE IN ANTI-FASCIST FIGHT

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- With the city's East End still simmering as a result of the Sunday's disorders involving Fascists and their foes, a committee of citizens today undertook to unite East London communities for the maintenance of order.

Under the auspices of Toynbee Hall, London's famous public forum, East End leaders will meet tomorrow to discuss the project.

Meanwhile, police made seven arrests in the East End as clashes between Fascists who persisted in addressing hostile crowds in that sector and anti-Fascists continued. The police, with batons swinging, charged the throngs again and again.

Sir John Simon's reply to the attack by Herbert Morrison, left-wing Labor Party leader, who held him responsible for the Sunday riots, was made in Yorkshire last night.

Speaking before an audience of his constituents, the Home Secretary stated that nobody in the country was fit to be dictator. Britain, he said, is world-respected and safe and no British citizen would dream of handing over his land to Socialists or Fascists for the establishment of a dictatorship.

JEWS FAVORED IN LONDON DAILY'S POLL ON PALESTINE

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Results of a poll on the Palestine situation taken by the anti-Zionist Daily Express showed today that a plurality of its readers favor the Jewish cause.

In connection with current disorders in the Holy Land, the Express asked its readers to indicate whether they favored the Jews, or the Arabs and whether they believed Great Britain should renounce the Palestine mandate.

The results, as published in today's Express, were 20,412 in favor of the Jews, 10,105 for the Arabs, and 16,009 for renunciation of the mandate.

ANTI-NAZI LEAGUE, METROPOLITAN PRESS HIT BRUNDAGE PRO-NAZI SPEECH

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Mrs. Mark Harris, chairman of the women's division of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League, in a letter today to Avery Brundage, chairman of the American Olympic Committee, accused him of committing "a subversive act" in holding up Nazi Germany as an example to the United States during a speech at German Day exercises last Sunday night.

The New York Post and the New York World-Telegram severely condemned yesterday Mr. Brundage's declaration that "we can learn much from Germany."

The Post in its leading editorial suggested to Mr. Brundage that he be more specific and inquired what he thought America could learn from Germany. "What features of the Hitler regime would he like to see adopted here?"

Listing the chief characteristic of the Nazi dictatorship-- no freedom of speech, press and assembly; one-man, one-party dictatorship; no jury trials, no right to habeas corpus or counsel; intolerance, racial hatred and religious prejudice; suppression of parochial schools, gagging the pulpit; destruction of labor unions-- the editorial asks:

"Is Mr. Brundage advocating them for this country? Is there one principle of the Nazi system which would fit ours? Is there one feature of the Nazi rule that does not clash with the American way of life and government?"

Referring to Mr. Brundage's Olympic team suspension of Eleanor Holm Jarrett as a sign that he "had learned his own lesson, all right, from Germany and Der Fuehrer," the World-Telegram lashes out at the speech, declaring that it would "most certainly oppose his having the opportunity to impose his dictatorship upon any more American athletic teams."

"Even before Mr. Brundage sailed for Berlin in July," the editorial reads, "he must have studied up on dictatorships...Naturally, therefore, Mr. Brundage has returned home entranced by conditions where individual freedom is stifled, unquestioning obedience is universal and a new law has been set for oppression."