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RUMANIAN CHURCH LEADER AGAIN BACKS CUZA PROGRAM

BUCHAREST, March 23. (JTA) -- Despite the Government's warning to religious leaders not to participate in extremist politics, Patriarch Miron Christea, leader of the Orthodox Church, today again placed himself on record in support of the "splendid work" of Prof. Alexander Cuza, Fascist anti-Semitic leader.

"I admire his energy and nationalism, which are an example to the youth and large masses of Rumanians, and I wish him many years of useful and tireless work," the Patriarch said in a letter to Porunca Vremya, anti-Semitic daily.

The occasion for the letter was an expression of regret that illness kept him from joining a committee sponsoring a birthday celebration April 11 for Prof. Cuza, which is expected to develop into an anti-Semitic demonstration.

It was to Patriarch Miron that Premier and Interior Minister Georg Tatarescu recently addressed a letter, following a Cabinet meeting, asking that the clergy abstain from manifestations in which hatred among groups of the population was advocated.

Although unable to participate in the committee sponsoring the birthday celebration, the religious leader said that "I adhere with pleasure to the celebrations in honor of the enthusiastic nationalistic fighter whose splendid work I have been following from the beginning.

The Patriarch has voiced similar sentiments on previous occasions.

REICH ENVOY TO VATICAN TOLD TO PROTEST POPE'S ENCYCLICAL

VATICAN CITY, March 23. (JTA) -- The German Ambassador to the Holy See was instructed today to protest sharply to the Vatican against the anti-Nazi encyclical issued by Pope Pius, the Havas News Agency reported. The Reich may even denounce the Concordat, it was reported.

Dr. Diego von Bergen, the German envoy, was ordered to reject the Lore's charge that the Nazi authorities had in fact nullified the provisions of the Concordat and prevented the Catholic Church from freely exercising its recognized rights.

The Concordat between Germany and the Vatican was signed in 1933 shortly after Chancellor Adolf Hitler took power.

WAUCHOPE PLEDGES PROTECTIVE MEASURES IN SAFED

JERUSALEM, March 23. (JTA) -- High Commissioner Wauchope today promised special measures to relieve the situation in Safed, where the Jewish population is reported segregated and subjected to terrorism and a boycott by the Arabs.

His statement was made after visiting the Ashkenazic and Sephardic quarters of the ancient North Palestinian city, on the first day of a three-day tour of the Galilee area. The High Commissioner was visibly impressed by the closed Jewish shops.

Five Arabs were wounded, three of them seriously, when a bomb was thrown into an Arab cafe in Yazur near Jaffa. A Jewish bus driver was detained, although he gave an alibi to prove that he had been in Tel Aviv during the time of the bombing.

Nissim Toledano, a Jew, was released on appeal from a sentence of two years' imprisonment imposed on him for participating in disorders in Tiberias on Feb. 19. He pleaded self-defence.

REICH TO REGULATE ADMISSION OF JEWS TO RESORTS

BERLIN, March 23, (JTA) -- Interior Minister Wilhelm Frick will shortly issue regulations on admission of Jews to health resorts, it was announced here today.

A request has been sent to the authorities of resort cities not to issue separate regulations until Mr. Frick's order is published. Wherever such regulations have already been issued, the authorities are requested not to put them into effect.

JEWISH CULTURAL LEAGUE MUST TAKE CONVERTS INTO FOLD

BERLIN, March 23. (JTA) -- The Jewish Cultural League, "ghetto" organization founded under Nazi direction, was faced today with the problem of accepting into membership baptized full-blooded and three-quarter Jews.

Hans Hinkel, Nazi commissioner for Jewish cultural affairs, has ordered all Jews in those categories expelled from the St. Paul's Union of "Non-Aryan" Christians. The order specifies they are to join the Jewish Cultural League, which hitherto has comprised only full-blooded Jews. St. Paul's Union, it was decreed, henceforth may have only baptized half-Jews or quarter-Jews as members.

NAZIS REPORT SELIGMAN, HAMBURG BANKER, A SUICIDE

BERLIN, March 23. (JTA) -- The suicide on March 20 of Willi Seligman, a Jewish banker of Hamburg, was announced here today by the Deutsches Nachrichten Bureau, German News Agency.

An official inquiry into the credit of the bank in which Seligman was interested had revealed a deficit of between 600,000 and 800,000 marks, it was said.

ESTONIAN STATESMAN SNUBS HITLER OLYMPIC AWARD

TALLINN, Estonia, March 23. (JTA) -- Jaan Tohnisson, aged Estonian democratic statesman, has refused an Olympic medal which Chancellor Adolf Hitler simultaneously awarded to the Estonian foreign minister and army chief.

20 WOUNDED IN NEW POLISH EXCESSES

WARSAW, March 23. (JTA) -- More than 20 Jews were beaten today in disorders at Kasawlatsky, Pokowo district. Jews closed their stores after windows had been broken. Pickets were stationed in front of the Jewish shops.

The excesses followed agitation among the peasants by anti-Semites. Deputy Emil Sommerstein intervened with Premier Skladkowski to aid the Jews in the town.

MANY FAMILIES SEEK RELIEF IN CRACOW AREA

WARSAW, March 23. (JTA) -- Ten thousand Jewish families in the Sosnowiec area of Cracow province have applied to the Sosnowiec Jewish Community for relief, it was disclosed here today. Special Passover relief has been applied for by 1,600 Jewish families in Radom.

U.S., FRANCE NOT HELD "DOUBTFUL" ON JEWS

LONDON, March 23. (JTA) -- Prof. Selig Brodetsky, Zionist leader, explained today he had not meant to include America and France in the category of "doubtful" when he reviewed in an address Monday night the world Jewish position.

HOLDS 99% OF ARABS WANT PEACE WITH JEWS

LONDON, March 23. (JTA) -- Haifa Municipal Councillor David Hacoen declared in an interview with the Daily Herald today that 99 per cent of the Arab population of Palestine wishes peace with the Jews. "Let the British Government make a pronouncement in Palestine that the mandate will be carried out even if martial law has to be declared," he urged.

NEW ORLEANS TOPS QUOTA IN FUNDS DRIVE

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- The New Orleans Jewish Welfare Fund campaign has gone over its \$50,000 quota with \$52,826 already reported and more than \$1,000 in additional pledges expected, the Joint Distribution Committee, one of the fund's main beneficiaries, announced here today. Harry Lasser is chairman and Dr. David Fishman, secretary of the campaign.

ORTHODOX RABBIS ASK AID FOR PALESTINE SETTLEMENT

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- An appeal to make Passover the occasion for increasing possibilities of settlement in Palestine through the United Palestine Appeal campaign has been issued over the signatures of 400 orthodox rabbis in the United States and Canada.

NAZIS OFFER BRAZIL RAW MATERIALS PLAN

NEW YORK, March 23. (JTA) -- The German Economics Ministry has offered Brazil a plan to set up large stocks of raw materials in convenient places in Europe against the eventuality of war, the Associated Press reported from Rio de Janeiro today.

The plan is opposed by Valentin F. Boucas, adviser to the council and foreign debt consultant of the Finance Ministry, on the grounds Brazil is inadequately equipped to take "huge orders" on short notice, that the orders would lead to overproduction and economic crisis and that the Pan-American Peace Conference would not authorize the plan.