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BILL TO CURB ALIENS ADVANCES IN AUSTRIAN DIET; NEW ANTI-SEMITIC PAPER APPEARS

VIENNA, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- DRAFT OF A LAW PROVIDING FOR RESTRICTIONS ON RESIDENCE OF ALIENS IN AUSTRIA WAS PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE TODAY ON ITS SECOND READING IN THE STATE COUNCIL, CENTRAL ADVISORY BODY TO THE GOVERNMENT ON LEGISLATION, AND WAS ACCEPTED BY THE FEDERAL ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

(UNDER THE 1934 AUSTRIAN CONSTITUTION, THE GOVERNMENT ALONE HAS LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE. FOUR CONSULTATIVE CHAMBERS -- THE STATE COUNCIL, THE FEDERAL ECONOMIC COUNCIL, THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF INTELLECT AND THE COUNCIL OF PROVINCES -- REPORT ON BILLS TO THE FEDERAL DIET. THE DIET, COMPRISING DELEGATES FROM THE FOUR CHAMBERS, CAN ACCEPT OR REJECT BILLS.)

THE MEASURE WOULD SET UP A SYSTEM OF RESIDENTIAL PERMITS FOR ALIENS IN CERTAIN CATEGORIES WHO ENTERED AUSTRIA AFTER A CERTAIN DATE -- JAN. 1, 1933, THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY UNDERSTOOD. IT IS THOUGHT THAT ONLY ABOUT A THOUSAND JEWS ARE AFFECTED BY THE BILL, ALTHOUGH STRICT CONTROL OF ALIENS IS BOUND TO CAUSE DIFFICULTIES FOR OTHER JEWS.

A REPORT TO THE ECONOMIC COUNCIL REVEALED THAT THERE ARE 290,000 FOREIGNERS IN AUSTRIA, INCLUDING BETWEEN THIRTY AND FORTY THOUSAND JEWS. DR. KNEUSSSEL, RAPPOREUR ON THE BILL, CHARGED THAT EASTERN EUROPEAN IMMIGRANTS HARMED THE COUNTRY POLITICALLY AND ECONOMICALLY. HE OBLIQUELY ATTACKED THE JEWS, REFERRING TO "ECONOMIC HEADQUARTERS," WHICH, HE SAID, DESPOILED THE COUNTRY DURING THE INFLATIONARY PERIOD. THE REFERENCE AROUSED INDIGNATION IN JEWISH CIRCLES.

IN OFFERING THE BILL BEFORE THE STATE COUNCIL, DR. KNEUSSSEL POINTED OUT THAT "UNTIL NOW AN INSUFFICIENT INSTRUMENT EXISTED TO CHECK THE INFLUX OF UNDESIRABLE ALIENS INTO AUSTRIA."

THE MEASURE WOULD REQUIRE FOREIGNERS EMPLOYED OR ENGAGED IN BUSINESS AND ALIENS SUPPORTED BY PERSONS OR ORGANIZATIONS NOT LEGALLY COMPELLED TO SUPPORT THEM, AMONG OTHERS, TO APPLY FOR RESIDENCE PERMITS. THE MAYOR OF VIENNA AND PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVES WOULD BE VESTED WITH THE RIGHT TO GRANT OR REVOKE PERMITS. PERSONS VIOLATING THE LAW WOULD BE LIABLE TO DEPORTATION AND BE FORBIDDEN TO RETURN TO AUSTRIA FOR THREE YEARS.

A NEW AND VIOLENTLY ANTI-SEMITIC NEWSPAPER, THE VOLKSRIEF, MAKING ITS FIRST APPEARANCE LAST NIGHT, STRESSED THE NECESSITY FOR ALIENS LEGISLATION, ASSERTING THAT IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR JEWS TO BE LOYAL "BOTH TO ERETZ ISRAEL (PALESTINE) AND AUSTRIA." THE PAPER IS PUBLISHED BY KARL PEKER, LEADER OF THE ANTISEMITEN BUND (ANTI-SEMITIC UNION).

FULL AUSTRIAN SOVEREIGNTY RECOGNIZED BY HITLER, SCHUSCHNIGG HOLDS IN BROADCAST

VIENNA, FEB. 24. (HAVAS) -- CHANCELLOR KURT SCHUSCHNIGG THRILLED THE FEDERAL DIET HERE TONIGHT WITH AN UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG ADDRESS WHOSE DOMINANT AND REPEATEDLY STRESSED THEME WAS A FREE AND INDEPENDENT AUSTRIA, ITS FULL SOVEREIGNTY RECOGNIZED BY CHANCELLOR ADOLF HITLER AND ITS RIGHT TO ENDURE AS AN ENTITY GUARANTEED BY ITS HISTORY, ITS GEOGRAPHIC POSITION AND ITS SPIRITUAL FAITH.

THE SCHOLARLY STATESMAN, SPEAKING FOR AN HOUR AND 50 MINUTES, PUT AT REST ONCE FOR ALL ANY REMAINING FEARS THAT HIS RECENT CONCESSIONS TO THE NAZI REICH REPRESENTED ANYTHING LIKE A SURRENDER OF AUSTRIAN INDIVIDUALISM.

HE REJECTED ANY IDEA OF A NAZI EMPIRE SPREAD ACROSS CENTRAL EUROPE AND ENGULFING AUSTRIA, AND SAID FOR HITLER WHAT THE FUEHRER HIMSELF HAD FAILED TO SAY IN HIS REICHSTAG SPEECH LAST SUNDAY -- THAT GERMANY ACKNOWLEDGED THE VIENNA GOVERNMENT'S JURISDICTION OVER AUSTRIA'S DESTINIES.

WHILE HE WAS WARNING THAT ANY ATTEMPT BY THE NAZIS OR ANY OTHER GROUP APART FROM THE FATHERLAND FRONT TO SEIZE POWER "WILL BE CRUSHED BY ME," 1,000 HITLERITES IN GRAZ, THE COUNTRY'S SECOND LARGEST CITY, HELD A DEFIANT DEMONSTRATION AND DEMANDED THAT THE NAZI SWASTIKA BE RUN UP ON ALL MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS.

A STRIKING FEATURE OF SCHUSCHNIGG'S ADDRESS WAS THAT HE REFERRED NO LESS THAN EIGHT TIMES TO THE LATE CHANCELLOR ENGELBERT DOLLFUSS, ASSASSINATED BY NAZIS IN THE ABORTIVE VIENNA PUTSCH OF 1934.

AFTER DECLARING HE HAD NO DESIRE "TO REOPEN OLD WOUNDS" BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES OR "TO POSE THE QUESTION OF RESPONSIBILITIES" FOR THE LONG-STANDING "FRATRICIDAL STRIFE" WHICH HE DECLARED HAD ENDANGERED WORLD PEACE, HE SAID IN THE NEXT BREATH:

"I RECALL ONLY THE LAST WORDS OF CHANCELLOR DOLLFUSS, AS HE LAY DYING: 'I HAVE NEVER WISHED ANYTHING EXCEPT PEACE.'"

SCHUSCHNIGG ATTACKED THE AUSTRIAN NAZI PARTY, ACCUSING IT OF PAST EFFORTS TO SABOTAGE THE 1936 AUSTRO-GERMAN ACCORD, AND WARNED THEM THAT "FOR US THERE IS NO QUESTION EITHER OF NATIONALISM OR OF SOCIALISM. OUR WATCHWORD IS PATRIOTISM!"

IN MEASURED TONES HE PROCLAIMED: "WE SOLEMNLY AFFIRM BEFORE THE ENTIRE WORLD OUR UNSHAKABLE WILL TO DEFEND THE FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE OF OUR FATHERLAND."

AUSTRIAN POLICE GET ORDERS TO QUELL NAZI DEMONSTRATIONS

VIENNA, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT TOOK PRECAUTIONS TODAY TO GUARD AGAINST NAZI DEMONSTRATIONS FOLLOWING CHANCELLOR KURT SCHUSCHNIGG'S ADDRESS TO THE DIET.

INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED TO THE POLICE STRESS THAT REGULATIONS AGAINST PUBLIC MANIFESTATIONS OF NAZI SYMPATHIES ARE STILL EFFECTIVE. THE FOLLOWING PROHIBITIONS REMAIN IN FORCE: WEARING OF THE SWASTIKA; GIVING THE HITLER SALUTE; SINGING GERMAN NATIONAL ANTHEMS WITHOUT SPECIAL PERMISSION; WEARING UNIFORMS WITHOUT SPECIAL PERMISSION; DISPLAYING THE GERMAN FLAG; CALLING POLITICAL MEETINGS, FOR WHICH SOLE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO THE PATRIOTIC FATHERLAND FRONT; REGULATIONS REGARDING IMPORTATION OF NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES AND BOOKS.

A WARNING WAS ISSUED THAT NAZI PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS DISPLAYING PLACARDS AND COLLECTING FUNDS, WILL BE PUNISHED.

AUTHORITATIVE DENIALS WERE ISSUED TODAY OF REPORTS IN THE FOREIGN PRESS THAT THE HITLER-APPROVED MINISTER OF INTERIOR, DR. ARTHUR SEYSS-INQUART, AND HEINRICH HIMMLER, HEAD OF THE HITLER'S ELITE GUARD AND OF THE SECRET STATE POLICE, HAD DISCUSSED ELIMINATION OF THE JEWS FROM THE AUSTRIAN PRESS. IT WAS STATED, HOWEVER, THAT THE AUSTRIAN PRESS COULD NOT BE PERMITTED TO PUBLISH MATERIAL HARMING FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH GERMANY, UNDER SEVERE PENALTIES, INCLUDING SUPPRESSION OF OFFENDING PAPERS.

MANY AUSTRIAN SOCIALISTS SEEN UNWILLING TO AID JEWS

NEW YORK, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- G.E.R. GEDYE, NEW YORK TIMES CORRESPONDENT, SAID IN A VIENNA DISPATCH TODAY THAT A LARGE NUMBER OF AUSTRIAN SOCIALISTS ARE NOT WILLING TO DEFEND THE GOVERNMENT AGAINST THE NAZIS, BECAUSE OF CLERICAL OPPRESSION OF THE SOCIALISTS, NOR TO DEFEND THE JEWS, BECAUSE THE JEWS DID NOT RISE TO THEIR DEFENSE IN 1934.

MR. GEDYE QUOTED A LABOR ORGANIZER AS DECLARING THAT MANY WORKERS REFUSED TO SIGN THE PETITION SUPPORTING THE SCHUSCHNIGG GOVERNMENT BECAUSE "CHRISTIAN AND GERMAN" WERE INSERTED IN THE PLEDGE WITHOUT THE ASSENT OF WORKERS' LEADERS, WHO INTERPRETED THE PHRASE AS MEANING "CLERICAL AND NATIONALIST."

THE SOCIALISTS REFUSING TO SIGN ARGUE, THE DISPATCH SAID, THAT THEY WILL NOT FIGHT FOR A REGIME WHICH DESTROYED THEIR LIBERTIES WITHOUT THE REGIME GIVING THEM CONCESSIONS. "AS IT IS," THEY ARE QUOTED, "WE HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE EVEN IF HITLER COMES AND WE HAVE NO REASON TO LIFT A FINGER TO SAVE THE JEWS, WHO DID NOT HELP US IN OUR FIGHT FOR LIBERTY IN FEBRUARY, 1934."

CAROL CONSTITUTION GETS 99.8% VOTE IN PLEBISCITE; JEWS UNHINDERED AT POLLS FOR FIRST TIME

BUCHAREST, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- KING CAROL TODAY ROLLED UP A 99.8 PER CENT VOTE IN FAVOR OF HIS NEW DICTATORIAL CONSTITUTION, IN A PLEBISCITE IN WHICH, FOR THE FIRST TIME, JEWS WERE PERMITTED TO VOTE WITHOUT HINDRANCE. THE PERCENTAGE WAS ON THE BASIS OF PRELIMINARY RESULTS, WHICH SHOWED THAT 88 PER CENT OF THE 5,000,000 ELIGIBLE HAD VOTED.

JEWS PARTICIPATED IN THE PLEBISCITE WITH ENTHUSIASM. EVEN IN THE REMOTEST CORNERS OF THE KINGDOM, IN THE HOTBEDS OF ANTI-SEMITISM, JEWS WERE NOT MOLESTED, ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR.

(HAVAS NEWS AGENCY REPORTED REGULATIONS PROVIDED THAT A VOTER FIRST GIVE HIS NAME VERBALLY AND THEN AN ORAL "YES" OR "NO" ON THE CONSTITUTION. IT WAS NOTEWORTHY, HAVAS SAID, THAT THOSE VOTERS OPPOSING THE NEW CONSTITUTION WERE REQUIRED TO GIVE THEIR ADDRESS AND SIGN A SPECIAL DECLARATION.)

THE UNION OF RUMANIAN JEWS, IN A MESSAGE TO CAROL, STATED: "FOR CENTURIES THE LIVES OF THE RUMANIAN JEWS HAVE BEEN INTIMATELY CONNECTED WITH THE COUNTRY'S DESTINY. AS LOYAL SUBJECTS, TRUE AND FAITHFUL CITIZENS, WE PRAY TO THE ALMIGHTY TO BLESS YOUR MAJESTY'S REIGN." THE UNION INSTRUCTED THE JEWISH POPULATION TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN THE PLEBISCITE, AN APPEAL WHICH WAS WHOLEHEARTEDLY ANSWERED.

OLD JEWISH METALS FIRM IN REICH TAKEN OVER BY "ARYANS"; AD BOYCOTT SPREADS

BERLIN, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE FIRST LARGE-SCALE STEP TO "ARYANIZE" THE HEAVY METALS INDUSTRY WAS DISCLOSED TODAY BY AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WOLF NETTER AND JACOBI, STEEL, TIN AND ZINC CONCERN ESTABLISHED IN 1833, HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE MANNES MANN IRON WORKS. THE CONCERN, CAPITALIZED AT 5,000,000 MARKS, HAS A TURNOVER OF 40,000,000 MARKS ANNUALLY.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MANNE MANN COMPANY DECLARED THAT ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE TO PERPETUATE THE VALUABLE FOREIGN MARKETS BUILT UP BY THE NETTER-JACOBI FIRM.

THE BOYCOTT AGAINST JEWISH ADVERTISERS HAS BEEN JOINED BY THE DEUTSCHE VERLAG FORMERLY THE JEWISH-OWNED PUBLISHING HOUSE OF ULLSTEIN, WHICH IS CLOSING THE COLUMNS OF ALL ITS PUBLICATIONS TO JEWISH ADVERTISING STARTING APRIL 1. THE DECISION CLOSELY FOLLOWS ACTION OF SCHERL, NEWSPAPER AND MAGAZINE PUBLISHERS WHO HAVE BEEN EXCLUDING JEWISH ADS SINCE THE FIRST OF THE YEAR. ALL IMPORTANT BERLIN NEWSPAPERS, EXCEPT TWO DAILIES, ARE NOW CLOSED TO JEWS. THE LARGE PROVINCIAL PUBLISHING HOUSE OF KNORR, HIRTH, OF MUNICH, IS ALSO BARRING JEWISH ADS.

HITLERISM ASSAILED BY VETERAN GERMAN DIPLOMAT IN QUITTING POST AT WASHINGTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 24. (JTA) -- DR. ERNST WILHELM MEYER, FOR SIXTEEN YEARS A MEMBER OF THE GERMAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE, REVEALED LAST NIGHT THAT HE RESIGNED LAST MAY AS FIRST SECRETARY TO THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, A POST HE HELD FOR SIX YEARS, BECAUSE HE COULD NOT STOMACH THE NAZI GOVERNMENT'S "FUNDAMENTALLY ANTI-GERMAN AND ANTI-CHRISTIAN" DEEDS AND DESTRUCTION OF THE JEWISH MINORITY.

"HITLER AND HIS REGIME HAVE BETRAYED WHAT I KNOW TO BE THE LASTING INTERESTS OF GERMAN FATHERLAND," DR. MEYER DECLARED AT A DINNER IN THE TOWN HALL CLUB TENDERED TO HIM JOINTLY BY THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AMERICA AND THE UNIVERSAL CHRISTIAN COUNCIL FOR LIFE AND WORK.

HE ASSERTED THAT NATIONAL SOCIALIST ANTI-SEMITISM WAS IN NO WAY "A GERMAN OR NORDIC ACHIEVEMENT WORTHY OF NATIONAL PRIDE," BECAUSE "ON THE CONTRARY, IT IS THE DISGRACEFUL OPPOSITE OF GERMAN AND NORDIC FOR THE GOVERNMENT AND RULING PARTY OF A STATE OF ALMOST 70,000,000 INHABITANTS TO DRIVE A HELPLESS MINORITY OF LESS THAN 500,000 TO DESTRUCTION."

"NOTHING IN THIS PART OF NATIONAL SOCIALIST GIVES EVIDENCE OF MORAL OR RACIAL STRENGTH," HE DECLARED. "IF THEY WERE RACIALLY OR MORALLY STRONG, THEY COULD NOT HAVE AROUSED THE LOWEST HUMAN INSTINCTS IN THE MASSES AND LED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE MOST DISHONORABLE ACTIONS. NOBODY WILL DENY THAT RACIAL ANTAGONISMS EXIST. BUT IT IS AN ANCIENT IDEA THAT THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MAN AND BEAST IS THAT MAN CAN IN SOME MEASURE CONTROL HIS EMOTIONS. EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THE GERMAN JEW HAS BEEN DEEPLY DEVOTED TO GERMANY AND HAS BEEN A DEVOTED AND USEFUL CITIZEN OF GERMANY. TO DENY THIS MEANS IGNORANCE OR LYING."

ANTI-SEMITISM, DR. MEYER TOLD HIS CHURCHMEN LISTENERS, IS A PART OF THE "DECEIT AND CUNNING AND FALSEHOOD" BY WHICH THE NAZIS SEEK TO MAKE CHRISTIANITY DENY ITS FIRST PRINCIPLE. QUOTING THE GERMAN EVANGELICAL CHURCH LETTER SUBMITTED TO HITLER IN JUNE, 1936, THAT THE CHRISTIAN INJUNCTION TO LOVE ONE'S NEIGHBOR STILL STOOD FOR THE JEW AGAINST THE NAZI ANTI-SEMITISM, DR. MEYER DECLARED, "NOT KNOWING THIS CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLE OF LOVE, NATIONAL SOCIALISM ADDS TO THE MISERY OF JEWISH REFUGEES AND AN EVER-INCREASING MISERY OF CHRISTIAN REFUGEES."

DR. MEYER'S ADDRESS MARKED THE FIRST TIME A FORMER GERMAN DIPLOMAT HAS PUBLICLY DENOUNCED THE HITLER GOVERNMENT.

20,000 STATELESS JEWS IN REICH FEAR FATE AS NATIONS BAR GATES

BERLIN (JTA) -- THE CASE OF IGNAZ KUNOWITZ, 56, A STATELESS JEW WHO WAS ORDERED TO LEAVE GERMANY IN 1936 AND HAS SINCE BEEN TRYING TO FIND A COUNTRY WHICH WILL ACCEPT HIM, IS IN THE HANDS OF THE REICH FOREIGN OFFICE FOR FINAL ADJUDICATION. THE DECISION MAY PROFOUNDLY AFFECT THE FUTURE OF PERHAPS 20,000 STATELESS JEWS HERE WHOSE ULTIMATE FATE BECOMES MORE UNCERTAIN DAILY.

KUNOWITZ WAS "DE-NATIONALIZED" IN 1934 AND OFFERED TO BE DEPORTED THE FOLLOWING YEAR. HE WAS FINED 100 MARKS AND SENTENCED TO TEN DAYS IMPRISONMENT IF HE DID NOT LEAVE WITHIN THE SPECIFIED TIME. HE APPEALED SUCCESSFULLY TO A KOENIGSBERG COURT. SUBSEQUENTLY THE AFFAIR TRAVELLED BACK AND FORTH SEVERAL TIMES BETWEEN THE COURTS AT KOENIGSBERG AND TILSIT.

KUNOWITZ'S DEFENCE WAS THAT HE COULD NOT OBEY THE DEPORTATION ORDER BECAUSE HE HAD NO PLACE TO GO. HE TESTIFIED THAT HE HAD TRIED TO ENTER DANZIG, POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, ECUADOR, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY AND THE UNITED STATES. THE PROSECUTOR, ON THE OTHER HAND, DECLARED HE WAS NOT CONVINCED THAT KUNOWITZ HAD DONE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO LEAVE GERMANY.

THE PRACTICAL IMPOSSIBILITY OF EMIGRATION, IS, OF COURSE, WHAT MAKES THE POSITION OF THE STATELESS JEWS UNTENABLE WHEN THEY ARE FORCED TO LEAVE GERMANY. THE GREAT MAJORITY OF NATIONS WILL NOT ACCEPT SUCH STATELESS PERSONS BECAUSE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO REPATRIATE THEM SHOULD OCCASION REQUIRE.

IN SPITE OF THIS SITUATION, THE PRESSURE AGAINST THE STATELESS JEWS HERE HAS INCREASED NOTICEABLY IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS. TWO RECENT DEVELOPMENTS INDICATE THE TREND IN THIS REGARD. ONE WAS AN ORDER PROHIBITING STATELESS JEWS FROM WORKING WITH THE LARGE JEWISH WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS. ANOTHER WAS A REGULATION FORBIDDING RE-ADMISSION TO STATELESS JEWS WHO LEFT THE COUNTRY.

THERE ARE NOW IN GERMANY MANY THOUSANDS OF STATELESS PERSONS, "ARYAN" AND "NON-ARYAN," COMPRISING THREE GENERAL GROUPS:

1. RUSSIAN EMIGRES WHO SOUGHT SAFETY HERE DURING THE REVOLUTION AND WHO THUS LOST THEIR RUSSIAN CITIZENSHIP WITHOUT NECESSARILY ACQUIRING A GERMAN ONE.
2. PERSONS WHO WERE LEFT STATELESS BY THE JUGGLING OF FRONTIERS AT VERSAILLES AND WHO, FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER, MISSED THE OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME CITIZENS OF THE NATION WHICH HAD TAKEN OVER THE LAND ON WHICH THEY LIVED.
3. JEWS WHO BECAME CITIZENS OF GERMANY DURING THE POST-WAR PERIOD BUT WHO HAVE BEEN "DE-NATURALIZED" UNDER A LAW PASSED BY THE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS IN 1933.

IT MUST BE EMPHASIZED THAT MANY MEMBERS OF GROUP 3 WERE GERMAN-BORN, DESPITE THE FACT THAT THEY DID NOT ACQUIRE A GERMAN NATIONALITY UNTIL AFTER THE WAR. THIS UNUSUAL SITUATION AROSE BECAUSE THE GERMAN EMPIRE, BEFORE 1918, NATURALIZED BUT FEW FOREIGNERS. THOUSANDS OF JEWS AND "ARYANS," SOME BORN ABROAD AND OTHERS BORN HERE OF FOREIGN PARENTAGE, LIVED IN GERMANY UNDER THE EMPIRE NOT AS CITIZENS BUT AS "GUESTS." AS ALIENS THEY WERE PERMITTED TO LIVE AT PEACE AND TO PURSUE THEIR VOCATIONS IN MUCH THE SAME WAY AS THEIR CITIZEN NEIGHBORS.

WITH THE COMING OF THE REPUBLIC, THOUSANDS OF THESE ALIENS WERE ADMITTED TO CITIZENSHIP, THUS LOSING WHATEVER CITIZENSHIP THEY HELD BEFORE. THE "DENATURALIZATION" PROCESS TO WHICH THE NAZIS HAVE SUBJECTED THE NATURALIZED JEWS SINCE 1933 HAS THUS CREATED A NEW GROUP OF STATELESS PERSONS.

THE POSITION OF THE STATELESS JEWS HERE IS THAT OF PERSONS WALKING ON THE EDGE OF A PRECIPICE. SO LONG AS THEY ARE GRANTED LABOR AND RESIDENCE PERMITS THEY ARE AT LIBERTY TO REMAIN AND TO EARN A LIVING IF THEY CAN FIND A JOB. AT THIS MOMENT MOST OF THEM ARE LIVING "NORMAL" LIVES; THAT IS TO SAY, THE KIND OF LIFE THAT IS NORMAL FOR ANY JEW IN GERMANY. BUT OTHERS -- AND THE NUMBER IS INCREASING FROM DAY TO DAY -- ARE BEING REFUSED WORKING PERMITS, OR ARE LOSING THEIR JOBS OR TRADES AS A RESULT OF DIRECT PRESSURE, OR ARE ACTUALLY BEING ORDERED OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

NEW HIGH COMMISSIONER LEAVES FOR PALESTINE; COMMISSION TO BE ANNOUNCED NEXT WEEK

LONDON, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- SIR HAROLD ARTHUR MACMICHAEL, FORMER GOVERNOR OF TANGANYIKA TERRITORY, LEFT TODAY FOR PALESTINE TO SUCCEED GENERAL SIR ARTHUR GRENFELL WAUCHOPE AS HIGH COMMISSIONER. APPOINTMENT OF SIR HAROLD AS THE FIFTH HIGH COMMISSIONER WAS ANNOUNCED LAST DEC. 3, EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF FEBRUARY.

MEANWHILE, IT WAS LEARNED FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES THAT THE COMPOSITION OF THE "TECHNICAL COMMISSION" WHICH WILL GO TO PALESTINE TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITIES OF FORMULATING A CONCRETE PARTITION PLAN HAS BEEN COMPLETED, AND A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE NEXT WEEK.

AN EDITORIAL IN THE TIMES URGED THE COLONIAL OFFICE TO ANNOUNCE THE PERSONNEL OF THE PALESTINE TECHNICAL COMMISSION, DECLARING FURTHER DELAY IS CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNCERTAINTY AND ANXIETY OF PALESTINIANS. UNCERTAINTY ON THE ULTIMATE INTENTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT WAS SEEN BY THE EDITORIAL AS ENCOURAGING TERRORISM.

AMERICAN JEWS WERE PICTURED AS PRO-BRITISH ALTHOUGH CRITICAL OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PALESTINE POLICY, BY JOHN RHYNS DAVIES, LABORITE, M.P., ADDRESSING THE ANGLO-PALESTINE CLUB. HE DECLARED AMERICAN JEWS WERE MORE INTERESTED THAN BRITISH JEWS IN PALESTINE AND "FIRST AND FOREMOST, THEY UNIVERSALLY DISLIKE PARTITION." HE PRAISED JEWISH PARTICIPATION IN TRADE UNIONISM IN AMERICA.

THIRTY-ONE JEWISH ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS WERE UNDER DETENTION IN PALESTINE ON FEB. 16, COLONIAL SECRETARY WILLIAM ORMSBY-GORE INFORMED COL. JOSIAH WEDGWOOD, LABOR MEMBER OF COMMONS, IN A WRITTEN REPLY TO A QUESTION. FIFTEEN OF THESE WERE MEN, EIGHT WOMEN AND EIGHT CHILDREN, HE SAID. ON THE SAME DATE, 21 JEWS, ALL MEN, WERE UNDER DETENTION ON SUSPICION OF REPRISALS AGAINST ARABS.

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TENTH ARAB SENTENCED TO DEATH

JERUSALEM, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- A MILITARY COURT TODAY SENTENCED TO DEATH AN ARAB, MUSTAFA MANSOUR, CONVICTED OF PARTICIPATING IN AN ATTACK ON A JEWISH BUS LAST DEC. 30 DURING WHICH A JEW WAS FATALLY WOUNDED. MANSOUR IS THE TENTH ARAB TO RECEIVE THE DEATH SENTENCE FROM AN ARMY COURT.

A SAFED COURT YESTERDAY SENTENCED TO TWO-MONTH JAIL TERMS 16 JEWS FROM BOUKHARA CONVICTED OF ENTERING PALESTINE ILLEGALLY. FORTY-ONE OTHERS, INCLUDING 39 WOMEN, WERE GIVEN THEIR FREEDOM ON BAIL PENDING DEPORTATION.

HIGH COMMISSIONER WAUCHOPE YESTERDAY LAID THE CORNERSTONE OF WAUCHOPE BRIDGE, WHICH IS TO SPAN THE YARKON RIVER.

JEWISH DEPUTIES TO VOTE AGAINST POLISH GOVERNMENT BUDGET PROTESTING ANTI-SEMITISM

WARSAW, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE SEIM'S THREE JEWISH DEPUTIES ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THEY WILL VOTE AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT BUDGET AS A PROTEST AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT'S "ANTI-JEWISH EXTERMINATION POLICY."

THEIR DECISION WAS CONTAINED IN A DECLARATION BY THE JEWISH DEPUTIES CLUB, READ BY DR. EMIL SOMMERSTEIN DURING A DEBATE ON THE BUDGET. IT CITES THE GOVERNMENT-SANCTIONED "GHETTO BENCHES" IN POLISH UNIVERSITIES, INSECURITY OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, THE GOVERNMENT'S

TOLERATION OF ANTI-JEWISH PICKETING, ITS CAMPAIGN FOR EMIGRATION OF JEWS, ITS FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DRIVE AGAINST JEWS AND REFUSAL TO GIVE JEWS GOVERNMENT POSTS. THE DECLARATION CONCLUDES BY EXPRESSING CONFIDENCE IN THE ULTIMATE JUSTICE OF THE DEMOCRATIC MASSES.

DEPUTY LEIB MINZBERG, IN A SPEECH SUPPLEMENTING THE DECLARATION, DESCRIBED THE ECONOMIC PLIGHT OF THE JEWS AND DECLARED THAT "ONLY BY A MIRACLE" DOES THE JEWISH PEOPLE OF POLAND SURVIVE.

UKRAINIAN MEMBERS OF THE SEJM ANNOUNCED THEY WOULD ABSTAIN FROM VOTING ON THE BUDGET.

"RADICAL DECREASE" IN JEWS ADVOCATED BY NEW LEADER OF POLISH NATIONAL PARTY

WARSAW, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- A "RADICAL DECREASE" IN THE NUMBER OF JEWS THROUGH EMIGRATION WAS ADVOCATED HERE BY GENERAL STANISLAW SKWARZYNSKI, NEW LEADER OF THE CAMP OF NATIONAL UNITY, AT A CELEBRATION YESTERDAY MARKING THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARTY'S FOUNDING BY COL. ADAM KOC.

JEWISH STATE PARTY, REVISIONISTS ESTABLISH JOINT COMMITTEES

PARIS, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE JEWISH STATE PARTY, A RIGHT-WING FACTION OF THE WORLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION, AND THE INDEPENDENT NEW ZIONIST ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCED TODAY THEIR DECISION TO ESTABLISH POLITICAL CONTACT COMMITTEES IN LONDON AND TEL AVIV.

THESE COMMITTEES, SAID AN ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED AFTER REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS HAD CONFERRED HERE, WILL HAVE THE PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT COMMON ACTIONS, PARTICULARLY IN OPPOSING THE PROPOSED PARTITION OF PALESTINE, BUT THE COOPERATION WILL NOT INVOLVE SACRIFICE OF INDEPENDENCE OR CHARACTER OF EITHER ORGANIZATION.

AT THE SAME TIME, THE WORLD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JEWISH STATE PARTY ISSUED A MANIFESTO STATING THAT WHILE REMAINING IN THE WORLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION, IT WOULD NOT COOPERATE WITH THE ZIONIST EXECUTIVE. THE MANIFESTO DEMANDED REVOCATION OF THE SENTENCE SUSPENDING MEIR GROSSMAN, JEWISH STATE PARTY LEADER, FROM ZIONIST POSITIONS FOR TWO YEARS FOR PUBLICATION OF SUPPOSED SECRET DOCUMENTS RELATING TO PARTITION. THE PARTY PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST MR. GROSSMAN AND DEMANDED THE SUMMONING BEFORE AN INDEPENDENT COURT OF DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN AND DAVID BEN GURION.

NEW YORK COMMISSIONER SEES TEL AVIV PORT AS 'FIRST STEP TO NATIONAL GREATNESS'

NEW YORK, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE NEW YORK PORT'S GREETINGS TO THE INFANT PORT OF TEL AVIV WERE BROUGHT LAST NIGHT TO A RALLY CELEBRATING THE INAUGURATION OF PASSENGER SERVICE AT TEL AVIV BY JOHN MCKENZIE, COMMISSIONER OF DOCKS, SPEAKING IN THE NAME OF MAYOR LA GUARDIA.

THE TEL AVIV PORT IS "THE FIRST STEP TO NATIONAL GREATNESS," MR. MCKENZIE TOLD MORE THAN 1,000 LABOR ZIONISTS AT A MEETING IN THE HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA CALLED BY THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR NACHSHON, PALESTINE LABOR MARITIME CORPORATION.

"FEAR NOT THE OPPRESSORS," HE SAID, "FOR WHEN YOU HAVE GOODS TO DEAL WITH THEM AND AN INDEPENDENT STATE BEHIND YOU, THE REST OF THE WORLD WILL RESPECT YOU."

A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED CALLING UPON THE JEWISH MASSES IN AMERICA TO INCREASE THEIR ASSISTANCE TO "THE NEW BRANCH OF OUR RECONSTRUCTION WORK," THE MARITIME INDUSTRY, AND CALLING FOR THE "FURTHER UPBUILDING OF THE TEL AVIV PORT, THE GATE OF A GREAT MASS-IMMIGRATION INTO JEWISH PALESTINE."

CZECH PRESIDENT ASSURES JEWS ON RIGHTS

PRAHA, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- CHANCELLOR HITLER'S IMPLIED THREAT IN HIS REICHSTAG SPEECH TO NAZIFY CZECHOSLOVAKIA GAVE ADDED SIGNIFICANCE TODAY TO A STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT EDOUARD BENES TO AN AMERICAN RABBI THAT JEWS AND OTHER MINORITIES ENJOY EQUAL RIGHTS. AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE WAS GIVEN TODAY TO THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH AN AUDIENCE GIVEN BY PRESIDENT BENES TO RABBI IRVING FREDERICK REICHERT, OF SAN FRANCISCO, LAST DEC. 3.

"THE JEWS IN OUR COUNTRY ENJOY, WITH ALL SECTIONS OF THE POPULATION, FULL EQUALITY OF RIGHTS, AND WITH ALL OTHER MINORITY NATIONS, THE RIGHTS OF A NATIONAL MINORITY," PRESIDENT BENES DECLARED. "A LARGE PART OF THEM REGARD THEMSELVES AS A MINORITY NATION; ANOTHER PART PREFERS TO BE REGARDED MERELY AS A RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY. UNDER THE LAWS OF OUR DEMOCRATIC STATE, THEY ARE FREE TO REGARD THEMSELVES AS EITHER."

EDMUND LANDAU, MATHEMATICIAN, DIES IN GERMANY

BERLIN, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- PROF. EDMUND GEORG HERMANN LANDAU, MATHEMATICIAN, WHO FORMERLY SERVED ON THE FACULTY OF BERLIN UNIVERSITY, AND LATER GOETTINGEN UNIVERSITY, DIED YESTERDAY AT THE AGE OF 62. HE WAS A SON-IN-LAW OF DR. PAUL EHRLICH, THE NOTED BACTERIOLOGIST.

DR. FELDMAN NAMED VICE-PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF DEPUTIES

LONDON, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- DR. ISRAEL FELDMAN, COMMUNAL WORKER AND CHAIRMAN OF THE PALESTINE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS, WAS ELECTED TODAY AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD, WITH 127 VOTES, DEFEATING OTTO M. SCHIFF, WHO GAINED 121 VOTES.

JEWISH LEADER HONORED IN NETHERLANDS ON BIRTHDAY

AMSTERDAM, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- QUEEN WILHELMINA TODAY CONFERRED A KNIGHTHOOD IN THE ORDER OF THE DUTCH LION UPON DR. HENRI POLAK, SOCIALIST LEADER, JEWISH COMMUNAL WORKER AND OUTSPOKEN OPPONENT OF NAZISM, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 70TH BIRTHDAY. DR. POLAK IS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE DUTCH SOCIALIST PARTY AND IS PRESIDENT OF THE DIAMOND CUTTERS ASSOCIATION WHICH HE FOUNDED IN 1894.

16 JEWS ARRESTED IN CZERNOWITZ RAID

CZERNOWITZ, RUMANIA, FEB. 24. (JTA) -- THE AUTHORITIES RAIDED A CLUB OF BESSARABIAN JEWS, ARRESTING SIXTEEN, NEWSPAPERS REPORTED TODAY.

MEXICAN JEWISH GROUPS UNITE TO FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM

MEXICO CITY (JTA) -- REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL JEWISH GROUPS HERE, AT A MEETING CALLED BY THE MEXICAN B'NAI B'RITH, ORGANIZED A FEDERATION TO COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM, WHICH WILL ACT AS OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE MEXICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY.

PALESTINE BANK SUFFERED NO LOSS IN TRANSACTION IN 16 YEARS

TEL AVIV (JTA) -- THE GENERAL MORTGAGE BANK OF PALESTINE HAS SUFFERED NO LOSSES IN ANY OF ITS BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS DURING THE SIXTEEN YEARS OF ITS EXISTENCE, SIEGFRIED HOOFIEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE BANK, DECLARED IN A SURVEY OF THE BANK'S ACTIVITIES DURING THE PAST YEAR PRESENTED TO BANKERS AND NEWSPAPERMEN.