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HUNDREDS OF JEWS ARRESTED IN BERLIN ROUND-UP; SEIZURES CARRIED OUT QUIETLY

BERLIN, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- APPARENTLY EMULATING THE TACTICS EMPLOYED IN VIENNA'S ANTI-SEMITIC REIGN OF TERROR, POLICE HERE THIS MORNING CARRIED OUT A WHOLESALE ROUND-UP OF JEWS. AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER, ESTIMATED AT SEVERAL HUNDREDS, WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY IN THEIR HOMES OR PLACES OF BUSINESS BETWEEN SIX AND EIGHT O'CLOCK AND TRANSPORTED IMMEDIATELY TO ALEXANDERPLATZ POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

THE ARRESTS WERE CARRIED OUT QUIETLY AND WERE NOT REPORTED BY THE BERLIN PRESS. IN SOME CASES WHERE THE FAMILIES DID NOT KNOW WHAT HAD HAPPENED, THE PRISONERS WERE PERMITTED TO TELEPHONE THEIR HOMES FROM POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

THERE IS REASON TO BELIEVE THE ARRESTS WERE NOT ALTOGETHER ARBITRARY AND INDISCRIMINATE. ACCORDING TO INFORMED QUARTERS, THE NAMES OF THE MAJORITY OF THE ARRESTED WERE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE POLICE EITHER REGARDING MINOR OFFENSES, SUCH AS TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS, OR MERELY AS WITNESSES IN SOME CRIMINAL PROCESS.

THE VICTIMS, WHO WERE PICKED UP IN MANY QUARTERS OF THE CITY, INCLUDE BUSINESS MEN AND PROFESSIONALS, AS WELL AS MINOR EMPLOYEES WHOSE INSIGNIFICANT PERSONAL FORTUNES COULD NOT BE OF INTEREST TO THE GESTAPO OR TO THE NATIONAL ECONOMY. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO SHOW THAT THE MAJORITY WAS EVER INVOLVED IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

THE GESTAPO'S RENEWED INTEREST IN THE JEWS, COINCIDING WITH THE VIENNA MASS ARRESTS PLUNGED GERMAN JEWRY INTO A STATE BORDERING ON PANIC.

300 AUSTRIAN REFUGEES WIN TEMPORARY HAVEN IN BELGIUM

PARIS, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- MORE THAN 300 AUSTRIAN JEWS, SMUGGLED INTO BELGIUM IN LORRIES BY THE GESTAPO (GERMAN SECRET POLICE) UNDER ORDERS NEVER TO RETURN TO THE REICH, WERE SAVED TODAY FROM DEPORTATION TO AUSTRIA ON ASSURANCES THAT THEY WOULD NOT BECOME PUBLIC CHARGES AND THAT ARRANGEMENTS WOULD BE MADE TO TRANSFER THEM TO OTHER LANDS.

BELGIAN JEWISH LEADERS, APPEALING TO THE GOVERNMENT TO PERMIT THE VICTIMS TO REMAIN IN THE COUNTRY TEMPORARILY, POINTED OUT THAT JEWS WERE BEING SHIPPED TO THE FRONTIER BY THE GESTAPO AND FORCED TO SIGN PLEDGES NEVER TO RETURN, ON PAIN OF IMPRISONMENT IN CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT, WHILE RESENTING WHAT OFFICIAL CIRCLES CALLED VIOLATION OF BORDER REGULATIONS, NEVERTHELESS AGREED TO PERMIT THE FUGITIVES TO REMAIN IN THE COUNTRY UNTIL FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE, BUT INSISTED THAT FUNDS FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE BE GUARANTEED UNTIL THEY EMIGRATED.

AT PRESENT 10,000 JEWS ARE FED IN SOUP KITCHENS OF THE VIENNA JEWISH COMMUNITY. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 12,000 WILL REQUIRE ASSISTANCE IN THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO.

FORCED TO SIGN PLEDGES NOT TO RETURN

LONDON, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- AUSTRIA'S NAZI AUTHORITIES HAVE OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT JEWS WILL NOT RECEIVE POLICE PERMISSION TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES UNLESS THEY SIGN AN AGREEMENT NEVER TO RETURN, THE DAILY TELEGRAPH REPORTED TODAY FROM VIENNA. BEFORE RECEIVING PERMISSION TO EMIGRATE, THE JEWS MUST ALSO RENDER AN ACCOUNTING OF THEIR PROPERTY AND PAY EMIGRATION AND OTHER TAXES.

THE TIMES REPORTS FROM BERLIN THAT SPECIAL BARRACKS ARE BEING BUILT NEAR THAT CITY FOR VIENNA JOBLESS, MANY OF WHOM FORMERLY WERE PROMINENT DOCTORS AND LAWYERS, WHO ARE NOW COMPELLED TO DO ROAD CONSTRUCTION WORK UNDER SUPERVISION OF NAZI STORM TROOPERS.

REPORT NUREMBERG LAWS TO BE PROCLAIMED IN DANZIG

PARIS, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- THE NAZI-DOMINATED ADMINISTRATION OF THE FREE CITY OF DANZIG INTENDS TO PROCLAIM THE GERMAN NUREMBERG RACIAL LAWS ON JUNE 19, THE PARIS-MIDI REPORTED TODAY. THE LAWS, WHICH WERE DECREED IN THE REICH ON SEPT. 16, 1935, AND EXTENDED TO AUSTRIA ON MAY 24 OF THIS YEAR, PROHIBIT INTER-MARRIAGE, BAR JEWS FROM CITIZENSHIP AND FROM DISPLAYING THE NATIONAL FLAG.

POLAND PROHIBITS ADMISSIONS TO BAR FOR 7 YEARS

WARSAW, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- REGULATIONS BY THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE PROHIBITING ADMISSIONS TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION FOR SEVEN YEARS WERE PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE TODAY. THREE THOUSAND CANDIDATES FOR THE BAR ARE AFFECTED, OF WHOM A LARGE PROPORTION ARE JEWS. A RECOMMENDATION FOR A MORATORIUM ON ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR WAS MADE ON MAY 30 BY THE CENTRAL LAWYERS' COUNCIL.

A BILL TO REORGANIZE THE MEAT TRADE, INTERPRETED AS AIMED AT EXPULSION OF JEWS FROM THE INDUSTRY, PASSED ITS FIRST READING TODAY AT AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE SEJM (CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES). JEWISH DEPUTY LEIB MINZBERG WAS ELECTED AS ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL.

DEPUTY EMIL SOMMERSTEIN INTERROGATED THE GOVERNMENT IN THE SEJM REGARDING THE TWO-DAY ANTI-JEWISH EXCESSES AT TARNAPOL, EAST GALICIA, LAST WEEK IN WHICH SEVERAL PERSONS WERE INJURED AND SOME PROPERTY DAMAGED.

OPPONENTS OF REFERENDUM ASSAILED AS AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS MARKS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

NEW YORK, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- A THOUSAND PERSONS ATTENDING A DINNER LAST NIGHT MARKING THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS HEARD ALL SPEAKERS TURN THEIR FIRE ON OPPONENTS OF THE FORTHCOMING REFERENDUM, CHARGING THAT MALICE INSPIRED THEM IN DESCRIBING IT AS AN ATTEMPT TO CREATE POLITICAL SEPARATISM IN JEWISH LIFE.

STARTING WITH PROF. HORACE M. KALLEN AND ENDING WITH DR. STEPHEN S. WISE, CONGRESS PRESIDENT, SPEAKER AFTER SPEAKER THRUST CHIEFLY AT THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE AS LEADER OF THE GROUP OPPOSING THE BALLOTING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 25, 26 AND 27.

"WE WHO ARE CONVINCED BELIEVERS AND UNDEVIATING FOLLOWERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC IDEAL," DR. WISE DECLARED, "ARE ACCUSED OF UNDEMOCRATIC PRACTICES. AS FOR THE STATEMENT THAT THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS ELECTIONS MEAN THE DANGER OF A JEWISH POLITICAL UNIT, THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE WHICH MAKES THAT CHARGE, KNOWS IT TO BE FALSE AND SINS AGAINST THE HONOR OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN UTTERING SUCH A CHARGE."

DR. WISE, IN A SPEECH PART OF WHICH WAS BROADCAST OVER MUNICIPAL RADIO STATION WNYC, EXPRESSED SHARP RESENTMENT AT THE COMMITTEE'S USE OF THE PHRASE "AMERICANS WHO ARE JEWS" IN ITS STATEMENT DISASSOCIATING ITSELF FROM THE REFERENDUM.

CHARGING THAT THIS PHRASE HARKED BACK "TO THE TRAGIC COWARDICE OF THE GERMAN JEWS WHO DECLARED OVER AND OVER, 'WE ARE NOT JEWS, BUT GERMAN CITIZENS OF JEWISH FAITH,'" DR. WISE ASSERTED: "I AM A JEW, NOT AN AMERICAN OF JEWISH FAITH. I HAVE BEEN AN AMERICAN FOR 63 OF THE 64 YEARS OF MY LIFE, BUT I HAVE BEEN A JEW FOR 4,000 YEARS." HE ADDED: "HITLER WAS RIGHT IN ONE THING. HE CALLS THE JEWISH PEOPLE A RACE, AND WE ARE A RACE. I MAKE NO APOLOGY FOR BEING A JEW, ANY MORE THAN THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DOES FOR BEING OF DUTCH ANCESTRY."

PROF. KALLEN, TERMING THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE "AT BEST A PHILANTHROPY AND AT WORST -- WELL, SHUT YOUR EYES AND USE YOUR IMAGINATION," DECLARED: "WE CANNOT ACCEPT DEMOCRACY AS AMERICAN CITIZENS AND REJECT DEMOCRACY AS MEMBERS OF AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITIES."

M. MALDWIN FERTIG, CHAIRMAN OF THE ELECTIONS BOARD WHICH WILL SUPERVISE BALLOTING ON THE SINGLE QUESTION OF CREATING A UNIFIED AGENCY TO COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM, TERMED "PREPOSTEROUS" THE COMMITTEE'S ALLEGATION THAT THE REFERENDUM CONSTITUTED AN "UNDEMOCRATIC ATTEMPT TO MAKE OF AMERICANS WHO ARE JEWS A DISTINCT POLITICAL UNIT."

THE SUM OF \$15,000 WAS PLEDGED AT THE DINNER TO DEFRAY EXPENSES OF THE VOTE, WHICH WILL BE HELD SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE CONGRESS NEXT SEPTEMBER. RECEIPT OF MESSAGES PRAISING CONGRESS AIMS AND CONDEMNING ADVANCE OF ANTI-SEMITISM NOT SIMPLY AS A DANGER TO JEWS BUT "AS THE DOOM OF THE TRADITIONS AND IDEALS WE HOLD MOST DEAR," WAS ANNOUNCED FROM 142 CONGRESSMEN REPRESENTING 42 STATES, AND 18 GOVERNORS. MORE THAN 200 CHRISTIAN CLERICAL AND LAY LEADERS, DR. WISE ANNOUNCED, HAVE JOINED IN A PUBLIC STATEMENT DECLARING "WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE, TRAGIC AS IT IS FOR MILLIONS OF THEM, IS EVEN MORE TRAGIC TO THE WORLD AT LARGE, AS A SYMBOL OF THE EFFORTS WHICH ARE BEING MADE TO DESTROY DEMOCRACY, PEACE, AND HUMANITY ITSELF."

OTHER SPEAKERS INCLUDED ARTHUR M. LAMPORT, MAURICE LEVIN, RABBI JOACHIM PRINZ AND JUDGE NATHAN D. PERLMAN.

YIDDISH THEATER IN POLAND HELD MENACED BY AUTHORITIES' ATTITUDE

WARSAW, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- THE EXISTENCE OF THE YIDDISH THEATER IN POLAND, PARTICULAR THE SERIOUS STAGE, IS ENDANGERED BY THE ATTITUDE OF STATE AND MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES, WHICH HAS UNDERGONE A CHANGE IN RECENT MONTHS, IT WAS REPORTED TODAY TO A CONFERENCE OF YIDDISH DRAMATIC SOCIETIES HELD IN WARSAW WITH DELEGATES FROM THE PROVINCES ATTENDING. IT WAS DECIDED TO CALL A JEWISH THEATER CONGRESS IN THE FALL.

FIRE RENDERS 3,000 HOMELESS IN LITHUANIAN TOWN

KAUNAS, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- A FIRE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF LIUZIN TODAY DESTROYED 220 HOUSES AND LEFT 3,000 JEWS HOMELESS.

12 JEWS INJURED IN POLISH TOWN, ARMY OFFICERS HALT ATTACKS

WARSAW, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- TWELVE JEWS WERE INJURED TODAY, SEVERAL OF THEM SERIOUSLY, WHEN DISORDERS BROKE OUT IN THE TOWN OF PRZEMYSL FOLLOWING AN ALTERCATION AT A MINERAL WATER KIOSK OVER PAYMENT FOR DRINKS. FURTHER EXCESSES WERE PREVENTED BY ARMY OFFICERS WHO FORMED A BARRIER TO PROTECT THE JEWS.

ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HERE, THE ATTACKS OCCURRED AT A KIOSK OWNED BY A JEW, EMANUEL MANDEL, NEAR A SHOOTING CAMP WHERE SEVERAL THOUSAND WERE PARTICIPATING IN A MEETING OF THE POLISH SHOOTING CLUBS' UNION, WHEN A CUSTOMER REMARKED THAT SOME VISITORS HAD NOT PAID FOR THEIR DRINKS.

THE BOOTH WAS ATTACKED BY A CROWD OF MEN WHO SHOUTED THAT JEWS WERE BEATING THE SHOOTING CLUB MEMBERS. DESPITE THE EFFORTS OF AN ARMY OFFICER, WHO THREATENED THE RIOTERS WITH A REVOLVER, THE KIOSK WAS SET AFIRE AND COMPLETELY DESTROYED. LATER JEWS WHO PASSED BY WERE BEATEN.

ARAB KILLED, 2 JEWS HURT IN ATTACK ON COLONY

JERUSALEM, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- A TERRORIST BAND TODAY ATTACKED THE NEW JEWISH COLONY OF SARID IN THE NAZARETH DISTRICT. THEY WERE DRIVEN OFF AFTER AN ENGAGEMENT IN WHICH AN ARAB WAS KILLED AND TWO JEWISH AUXILIARY POLICEMEN WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED.

DR. NAHUM RECOGNIZED AS CHIEF RABBI OF EGYPT AND SUDAN

CAIRO, JUNE 13. (JTA) -- THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT DECIDED TODAY TO RECOGNIZE DR. HAIM NAHUM EFFENDI, CHIEF RABBI OF CAIRO, AS CHIEF RABBI FOR THE WHOLE OF EGYPT AND THE SUDAN. LOCAL JEWISH COMMUNITIES WILL REMAIN AUTONOMOUS, BUT WILL BE UNDER THE GENERAL SUPERVISION OF THE CAIRO RABBINATE.

GERMANY'S BUILDING BOOM SEEN LARGELY ARTIFICIAL

LONDON (JTA) -- GERMANY'S WIDELY ADVERTISED BUILDING BOOM OF THE LAST TWO YEARS HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT TO THE EXTENT OF 72.6 PER CENT AT THE PUBLIC ACCOUNT, ACCORDING TO AN ANALYSIS OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GERMAN INSTITUTE FOR BUSINESS RESEARCH IN THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE STATIST, NOTED BRITISH FINANCIAL PERIODICAL.

"THOUGH, STATISTICALLY, 'PRIVATE BUILDING' ACCOUNTED FOR 27.4 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL THE STATIST DECLARES, 'ANOTHER 22.3 PER CENT REPRESENTED INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION. THIS, IN TURN, WAS INDUSTRIAL PLANT CONSTRUCTION AND EXTENSION CARRIED ON IN PURSUANCE OF THE FOUR-YEAR PLAN AND, THOUGH PERHAPS 'PRIVATE' IN FORM AND IN SOME CASES EVEN PRIVATELY FINANCED, TRACEABLE TO THE INITIATIVE OR DIRECT ORDERS OF THE STATE.

"THE MOST STRIKING FEATURE OF THIS ANALYSIS IS THAT PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDING THAT OF COOPERATIVE BUILDING SOCIETIES) ACCOUNTED MERELY FOR 5.1 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL VOLUME OF BUILDING. THIS DERISORY PERCENTAGE WAS EVEN SMALLER THAN IN 1936 (6.1 PER CENT) AND MAY DECLINE STILL FURTHER WHEN THE GRANDIOSE SCHEMES FOR THE REBUILDING OF THE FOUR CITIES (BERLIN, MUNICH, NURNBERG AND HAMBURG) GET UNDER WAY."

ANALYZING EMPLOYMENT FIGURES, THE STATIST POINTS OUT THAT AMONG THE RE-EMPLOYED DURING THE PAST YEAR, WERE 170,000 WHO HAD BEEN "SMALL, INDEPENDENT SHOPKEEPERS AND ARTISANS WHO, MORE OR LESS UNDER GOVERNMENT PRESSURE, HAVE GIVEN UP THE 'HOPELESS STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE' AS DR. LEY, LEADER OF THE LABOR FRONT, PUT IT SOME TIME AGO, AND HAVE DECIDED TO JOIN THE RANKS OF THE INDUSTRIAL PROLETARIAT.