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U.S. AMBASSADOR QUERIES ITALY ON ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN; CIANO NON-COMMITTAL

ROME, JULY 28. (JTA) -- UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR WILLIAM PHILLIPS TODAY VISITED FOREIGN MINISTER GALEAZZO CIANO AND MADE FRIENDLY INQUIRIES ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AS TO THE MEANING OF THE PRESENT ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN. MR. PHILLIPS REMINDED COUNT CIANO OF PREVIOUS ASSURANCES THAT THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR ANTI-SEMITISM IN ITALY.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT COUNT CIANO REPLIED THAT RACIAL PROBLEMS "ARE NOW IN THE PROCESS OF STUDY" AND EMPHASIZED THAT IT WAS TOO EARLY TO SAY TO WHAT EXTENT THE ITALIAN JEWS WOULD BE AFFECTED, BUT THAT THE RACIAL POLICY WAS PRINCIPALLY AIMED AT PRESERVING ITALIAN RACIAL PURITY IN CONNECTION WITH ITALIAN IMPERIAL POLICY.

REICHSVERTRETUNG PLANS REORGANIZATION INTO VOLUNTARY BODY

BERLIN, JULY 28. (JTA) -- A PLAN FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE GERMAN JEWISH COMMUNITY NECESSITATED BY THE NEW COMMUNITY LAW REDUCING JEWISH COMMUNAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE STATUS OF VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS WAS APPROVED TODAY BY THE COUNCIL OF THE REICHSVERTRETUNG DER JUDEN IN DEUTSCHLAND (REICHS REPRESENTATION OF JEWS IN GERMANY). THE PLAN REQUIRED THE APPROVAL OF THE REICH GOVERNMENT BEFORE IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE.

THE CONTEMPLATED CHANGES ARE: (1) THE NAME OF THE REICHSVERTRETUNG WILL BE CHANGED TO "REICHSVBAND DER JUDEN IN DEUTSCHLAND" (REICHS UNION OF JEWS IN GERMANY); (2) INCREASED CENTRALIZATION; (3) DISSOLUTION OF THE LANDESVERBAENDE (PROVINCIAL JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS), INCLUDING THE POWERFUL PRUSSIAN PROVINCIAL UNION; (4) MERGING OF THE SMALLER COMMUNITIES BETWEEN THEMSELVES OR WITH LARGER COMMUNITIES TO FORM DISTRICT COMMUNITIES; (5) AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT OF ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN THE REICHSVERBAND AND LIMITATION OF WELFARE, EMIGRATION AND OTHER ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS.

THE RESTRICTION OF ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS IS CAUSED BY THE VOLUNTARY NATURE OF MEMBERSHIP UNDER THE NEW LAW. JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS ABROAD WILL BE ASKED TO LIMIT THEIR ASSISTANCE TO EMIGRES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES.

THE PRUSSIAN ORGANIZATION WILL BE ABSORBED DIRECTLY BY THE REICHSVERBAND SINCE THE PROponents OF THE PLAN FEEL THAT THIS UNION IS SO VAST AS TO CONSTITUTE PRACTICALLY A SECOND REICHSVERBAND. OTHER PROVINCIAL UNIONS WILL PROBABLY BE CONVERTED INTO DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS OF THE REICHSVERBAND. THE PRINCIPLE OF DIVIDING EXECUTIVE POSITIONS EQUALLY BETWEEN ZIONISTS AND NON-ZIONISTS WILL NOT BE CHANGED.

REICH JEWS FROM AGE OF 3 MONTHS MUST CARRY IDENTITY CARDS

BERLIN, JULY 28. (JTA) -- AN ORDER ISSUED LAST NIGHT BY THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR PROVIDES THAT EVERY GERMAN JEW ABOVE THE AGE OF THREE MONTHS MUST POSSESS AN IDENTIFICATION CARD BEARING HIS PHOTOGRAPH AND FINGERPRINTS. THESE CARDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY DISTRICT POLICE STATIONS BEFORE DEC. 31. JEWISH CHILDREN BORN AFTER OCT. 1 WILL BE PROVIDED WITH CARDS AT THE AGE OF THREE MONTHS. THE CARDS MUST BE SHOWN ON DEMAND OF ANY OFFICIAL AGENCY, AND ALSO WHEN APPEARING AT GOVERNMENT AND NAZI PARTY OFFICES TO TRANSACT BUSINESS. POSSESSION OF THE CARDS IS COMPULSORY FOR ALL JEWS AND "ARYANS OF MILITARY AGE, BUT VOLUNTARY FOR OTHER "ARYANS."

BRANDT OPENS TALKS WITH REICH OFFICIALS

BERLIN, JULY 28. (HAVAS) -- GEORGE BRANDT, REPRESENTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, TODAY OPENED TALKS WITH GERMAN OFFICIALS ON THE POSSIBILITY OF GRANTING CONCESSIONS TO JEWS ATTEMPTING TO MIGRATE FROM THE REICH.

CURRENT GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS PROHIBIT IMMIGRANTS FROM TAKING MORE THAN 10 PER CENT OF THEIR FUNDS FROM GERMANY, AND BRANDT WAS EXPECTED TO POINT OUT THAT THIS REGULATION WOULD HAVE TO BE CHANGED IF GERMANY EXPECTED TO HAVE FROM 150,000 TO 300,000 JEWS LEAVE THE REICH DURING THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

721 JEWISH LAWYERS DISBARRED IN VIENNA

BERLIN, JULY 28. (HAVAS) -- HIGHER LEADERS OF THE NAZI PARTY WILL BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATES SHOWING THE PURITY OF THEIR RACIAL ORIGINS AS FAR BACK AS 1750, THE RECHTSSPIEGEL, NAZI PARTY LAW JOURNAL, ANNOUNCED TODAY. MEMBERS OF SOME PARTY GROUPS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PROVE THAT ANCESTORS BACK TO 1800, WERE "ARYAN," WHILE ALL GERMANS WILL BE ASKED TO SECURE CERTIFICATES SHOWING THE RACE OF PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS.

IN CASES OF ILLEGITIMATE BIRTH, IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON MAY BE PRESUMED TO HAVE BEEN THE FATHER, THE RACIAL STATUS OF ALL SUCH POSSIBLE FATHERS WILL BE INVESTIGATED. "SECOND DEGREE HALF-BREEDS," PERSONS HAVING TWO JEWISH GRANDPARENTS, MAY MARRY "ARYANS" BUT NOT JEWS. PERSONS HAVING A LARGER PERCENTAGE OF JEWISH BLOOD MAY MARRY JEWS BUT NOT "ARYANS."

IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT 721 JEWISH LAWYERS HAVE BEEN DISBARRED IN VIENNA SINCE AUSTRIA BECAME A PART OF GERMANY.

MOSLEM FUNCTIONARY SLAIN IN CONTINUING DISORDERS

JERUSALEM, JULY 28. (JTA) -- SHEIKH HUZBI ABDUL RAHIM, IMAM OF THE GREAT MOSQUE OF ACRE, WAS SHOT AND KILLED TODAY IN FRONT OF THE POST OFFICE. TWO CHILDREN WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED WHEN A BOMB WAS THROWN FROM JAFFA INTO TEL AVIV. NINE ARABS WERE SLIGHTLY INJURED WHEN THEY FLOATED A POLICE ORDER TO DISPERSE DURING DEMONSTRATIONS IN JAFFA. A SHEPHERD WAS FIRED UPON AND SLIGHTLY INJURED AT YESOD HAMAL.

LEIFER DENIES KNOWING HE SHIPPED HEROIN

PARIS, JULY 28. (HAVAS) -- ISAAC LEIFER, WHO IDENTIFIES HIMSELF AS "THE GRAND RABBI OF BROOKLYN, N.Y.," TODAY DENIED UNDER QUESTIONING THAT HE HAD ANY KNOWLEDGE THE WHITE POWDER HE WAS SHIPPING TO NEW YORK BY MAIL WAS HEROIN.

LEIFER, A POLISH-BORN JEW NATURALIZED IN THE UNITED STATES, WAS ARRESTED BY SURETE NATIONALE OFFICERS LAST WEEK WITH 40 HEBREW PRAYER-BOOKS IN HIS POSSESSION, THE BINDINGS OF WHICH HAD BEEN HOLLOWED OUT TO MAKE ROOM FOR PACKAGES OF HEROIN. ACCORDING TO POLICE HE HAD ALREADY PLACED IN THE MAIL SEVERAL OF THESE BOOKS CONTAINING HEROIN, ADDRESSED TO PERSONS IN NEW YORK AND JERUSALEM.

TAKEN BEFORE AN EXAMINING MAGISTRATE TODAY, HE INSISTED HE WAS ENTITLED TO BE CALLED "GRAND RABBI" BECAUSE "I AM THE SON AND GRANDSON OF A RABBI." HE SAID THAT A MAN NAMED JACOB HAD GIVEN HIM INSTRUCTIONS ON SHIPPING THE BOOKS TO NEW YORK. HE DENIED, HOWEVER, THAT HE KNEW THE BOOKS CONTAINED HEROIN. AFTER QUESTIONING LEIFER, THE JUDGE ISSUED WARRANTS FOR APPOINTMENT OF ROGATORY COMMISSIONS TO FIND JACOB.

THE JUDGE ALSO QUESTIONED HERMANN GOTTDIENER, A HUNGARIAN JEW WHO WAS ARRESTED WITH LEIFER AND WHO WAS SAID TO BE THE "GRAND RABBI'S" CHIEF ACCOMPLICE, AND ABRAHAM KANTOROVICZ, WHO HOLLOWED OUT THE BOOK BINDINGS.

(INVESTIGATION IN NEW YORK REVEALED THAT LEIFER ONCE HAD A SMALL SHORT-LIVED CONGREGATION, BUT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT HE WAS EVER ORDAINED AS A RABBI. THE TITLE OF "GRAND RABBI" IS USED BY CHASSIDIC SPIRITUAL LEADERS IN THE UNITED STATES TO INDICATE THEIR DESCENT FROM "WUNDER REBBES," BUT IMPLIES NO OFFICIAL STATUS AS ORDAINED RABBI OR HEAD OF A COMMUNITY.

BAR CONVENTION REFUSES TO ACT ON RESOLUTION CONDEMNING PERSECUTION

CLEVELAND, JULY 28. (JTA) -- THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, WITHOUT DISSENT, TODAY SUSTAINED A RECOMMENDATION OF ITS RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE NOT TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING PERSECUTION IN GERMANY. THE COMMITTEE RULED THAT THE RESOLUTION RELATED TO A SUBJECT NOT WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE ASSOCIATION UNDER ITS CONSTITUTION.

THE RESOLUTION, WHICH WAS INTRODUCED BY CHARLES C. BURLINGHAM, OF NEW YORK CITY, SAID GERMAN RACIAL AND RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION "HAS SHOCKED THE CONSCIENCE OF MANKIND," EXPRESSED SYMPATHY WITH THE OPPRESSED AND APPROVED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S ACTION IN CALLING THE EVIAN REFUGEE-AID CONFERENCE.

UNITED FRONT AGAINST RACISM STRESSED AT PARIS PARLEY

PARIS, JULY 28. (JTA) -- THE NECESSITY OF A UNITED FRONT OF ALL RACES AND RELIGIONS IN THIS TIME OF GENERAL RACE HATRED WAS STRESSED BY G.A. TEDESCO, PRESIDING AT THE SECOND WORLD CONGRESS OF THE WORLD RALLY AGAINST RACISM AND ANTI-SEMITISM. THE 400 DELEGATES REPRESENTING THE THREE MAJOR RELIGIONS ALSO HEARD GREETINGS FROM A DELEGATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WRITERS, INCLUDING LANGSTON HUGHES OF THE UNITED STATES.

GEN. SMUTS SUPPORTS WEIZMANN ON PARTITION

CAPE TOWN, JULY 28. (JTA) -- MINISTER OF JUSTICE JAN CHRISTIAAN SMUTS, REFERRING TO THE PROPOSED PARTITION OF PALESTINE AT A ZIONIST BANQUET, DECLARED: "I RANGE MYSELF BEHIND (DR. CHAIM) WEIZMANN AND THOSE KNOWING MORE ABOUT IT. I BOU TO THEIR JUDGMENT." GENERAL SMUTS SAID HE LOOKED FORWARD TO RELAXATION OF PALESTINE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS AS A RESULT OF THE EVIAN REFUGEE-AID CONFERENCE. REGARDING PERSECUTION IN EUROPE, HE ASSERTED THAT HE HAD SUFFICIENT FAITH IN HUMANITY TO BELIEVE THAT THE PRESENT STATE OF INTOLERANCE WOULD NOT

SAILORS JAILED FOR SMUGGLING REFUGEES INTO ENGLAND

HOVE, SUSSEX, ENGLAND, JULY 26. (JTA) -- TWO SAILORS, A GERMAN AND A NETHERLANDER, WERE CONDEMNED TO THREE MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT FOR HAVING SMUGGLED A GERMAN-JEWISH REFUGEE INTO THE COUNTRY. THE REFUGEE, RICHARD SOMMER, PLEADED GUILTY AND WAS ORDERED DEPORTED. THE TWO OTHER DEFENDANTS WERE MAX SCHERNEVSKY, A GERMAN, AND CARL LOUIS PLANSOEN.

BRITISH SCIENTISTS STUDY IMMIGRATION QUESTION

LONDON, JULY 26. (JTA) -- THE SCIENTIFIC WORKERS' ASSOCIATION HAS DECIDED NOT TO ENCOURAGE ADMISSION OF FOREIGN SCIENTISTS INTO THE COUNTRY PENDING AN INQUIRY REGARDING UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG BRITISH SCIENTISTS, BUT, FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS AND IN VIEW OF THE POSSIBLE BENEFICIAL EFFECT ON BRITISH SCIENCE, WILL FAVOR REMOVAL OF ENTRY RESTRICTIONS IF THE RESULTS OF THE INQUIRY ARE FAVORABLE.

DR. GOLDBERGER RE-APPOINTED TO HUNGARIAN SENATE

BUDAPEST, JULY 26. (JTA) -- THE JEWISH INDUSTRIALIST, DR. LEO GOLDBERGER, HAS BEEN APPOINTED BY REGENT NICHOLAS HORTHY A MEMBER OF THE UPPER HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT FOR ANOTHER FIVE-YEAR TERM.

ITALO-JEWISH RELATIONS IN U.S. HELD UNAFFECTED BY ROME DEVELOPMENTS

NEW YORK, JULY 26. (JTA) -- THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE 6,000,000 ITALIANS AND 4,000,000 JEWS IN AMERICA IS TOO HARMONIOUS TO BE DISTURBED BY EVENTS ABROAD, DECLARED GENEROSO POPE, PUBLISHER OF ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS IN THE UNITED STATES, IN AN INTERVIEW. HE SAID HE WAS PLANNING A DINNER TO 200 REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL CREEDS TO FORM A COMMITTEE TO COMBAT ANTI-ALIEN DISCRIMINATION.

MR. POPE RECALLED THAT PREMIER BENITO MUSSOLINI AUTHORIZED HIM IN AN INTERVIEW LAST YEAR TO ADVISE THE AMERICAN PUBLIC THAT ITALIAN JEWS WOULD NEVER, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, BE TREATED DIFFERENTLY FROM OTHER CITIZENS.

PURGE OF NAZI GROUPS IN SOUTH WEST AFRICA URGED

CAPE TOWN, JULY 26. (JTA) -- THE ONLY WAY TO COMBAT NAZI ACTIVITIES IN MANDATED SOUTH WEST AFRICA, THE CAPE ARGUS DECLARED EDITORIALY, "WOULD NOW APPEAR TO BE THE INSTITUTION OF AN ORDERLY PURGE WHICH WOULD BANISH, LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL, ALL NAZI ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUPS, AND SEND BACK TO GERMANY THE AGENTS DELIBERATELY IMPORTED TO CONTROL GERMAN LIFE."