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FEARS OF ENTRY CURB ALLAYED AS PALESTINE ISSUES 6-MONTH SCHEDULE OF 4,870 CERTIFICATES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- THE GOVERNMENT TODAY ANNOUNCED AN IMMIGRATION SCHEDULE OF 4,870 CERTIFICATES FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDING APRIL, 1939, SOMEWHAT ALLAYING FEARS THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WAS PLANNING TO RESTRICT OR ENTIRELY ABROGATE IMMIGRATION IN A MOVE TO HALT THE ARAB REBELLION.

INCLUDED IN THE NEW SCHEDULE ARE 2,020 CERTIFICATES FOR CAPITALIST IMMIGRANTS WHO POSSESS AT LEAST \$5,000, 1,150 FOR LABORERS AND 1,450 FOR DEPENDENTS OF RESIDENTS IN PALESTINE. THE SCHEDULE FOR THE LAST SIX-MONTH PERIOD PROVIDED FOR ISSUANCE OF 3,440 CERTIFICATES.

FIVE ARAB BANDSMEN WERE KILLED IN A CLASH WITH TROOPS TODAY AS A FORCE OF 2,500 BRITISH SOLDIERS BEGAN COMBING THE AREA BETWEEN NAZARETH AND ACRE IN A MOP-UP DRIVE AGAINST REBEL BANDS. THE CLASH OCCURRED ON THE SAFED ROAD, NEAR TAMRA. A JEWESS NAMED FEINGERSH DIED LAST NIGHT OF WOUNDS SUSTAINED IN AN ARAB ATTACK SEVERAL DAYS AGO. SHE WAS BORN IN PALESTINE.

THE ZIONIST GENERAL COUNCIL WILL CONVENE IN SPECIAL SESSION IN LONDON ON NOV. 11, WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE MEETING THERE FIVE DAYS LATER, IT WAS ANNOUNCED HERE LAST NIGHT. MOSHE SHERTOK, HEAD OF THE JEWISH AGENCY'S POLITICAL DEPARTMENT, WILL LEAVE FOR LONDON BY PLANE TOMORROW TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS.

AN ARAB WOMEN'S COMMITTEE DELIVERED A MEMORANDUM TO UNITED STATES CONSUL GENERAL GEORGE H. WADSWORTH PROTESTING AGAINST THE AMERICAN ATTITUDE ON THE PALESTINE SITUATION AND REMINDING HIM OF THE WILSONIAN PRINCIPLE OF SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLES.

WALLACE MURRAY, HEAD OF THE NEAR EAST DIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT, SPENT TWO DAYS HERE DURING A TOUR OF THE NEAR EAST. HE MET HIGH COMMISSIONER SIR HAROLD ALFRED MACMICHAEL, MR. SHERTOK, PRESIDENT JUDAH MAGNES OF THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY; JULIUS SIMON, PRESIDENT OF THE PALESTINE ECONOMIC CORPORATION; MRS. ROSE HALPERIN, FORMER PRESIDENT OF HADASSAH, HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PROMINENT ARAB LEADERS.

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DOMINANCE BY ARAB MAJORITY UNTHINKABLE, WEIZMANN TELLS PARLEY

LONDON, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- World Zionist leader Dr. Chaim Weizmann told a crowded Palestine Week meeting last night that it was unthinkable that Jews would ever be dominated by an Arab majority in Palestine and reiterated the Jewish Agency's stand that immigration must continue without artificial limitation and that no solution would be considered condemning the Jews to a permanent minority status in the Holy Land.

Dr. Weizmann emphasized that the Jews did not desire and did not intend to dominate the Arabs. He expressed the belief that ways could be found by which the Jews and the Arabs could live in peace and harmony.

Referring to the rumors of an impending change in the British policy on Palestine, Dr. Weizmann declared:

"Immigration to Palestine still goes on. It is unfortunately restricted, but it goes on and in two and a half years, 40,000 people have entered Palestine. I believe firmly that immigration will go on. The mandate is still operating and the Balfour Declaration is still a document under which our work for the present and, I am quite sure, for the future will be based."

Dr. Weizmann appealed to Jews throughout the world not to be influenced by defeatist rumors, not to rely upon others and to continue to build and to create where others destroy. Other speakers included Herbert Morrison, labor leader; Commander Oliver Locker-Lampson, Conservative M.P.; Sir Norman Angell, author and lecturer; Lord Rothschild, Chief Rabbi Joseph H. Hertz and Prof. Selig Brodetsky, member of the Agency executive.

5,000 VISAS REPORTED SLATED FOR SUDETEN REFUGEES IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA

PRAHA, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- The German demand that the Czechs clean up anti-Nazi nests seemed nearer to fulfillment today with reports from Paris that 5,000 visas for European countries will be made available to refugees here within a few weeks.

Responsible circles state that the visas will be used to evacuate Jews, Communists and Social Democrats whose past political activities would put them "on the spot" if they were returned to Sudetenland. Apportionment of the visas among the various groups will be determined by negotiations among their representatives.

The allotment is reported to be in addition to 550 visas for Britain, France and Scandinavian countries previously announced under which 50 non-Jews yesterday left for Finland. A second group, reportedly including 50 Austrian Jewish families, will leave this week-end for Gdynia, Poland, where a ship will be waiting to transport them to French, British and Scandinavian ports.

Sir Ronald Macleay, former British Minister to Czechoslovakia, arrived here tonight and was expected to meet Jewish and other groups soon to discuss allocation of British funds for emigration assistance.

The Jewish population of "No-man's Land" on the Austrian-Moravian frontier was increased from the Czech side for the first time, according to unconfirmed reports from Brno, when the authorities escorted 50 Austrian Jewish families to the frontier and forced them to cross the line. Formal investigation of the "No-man's-Land" problem will be undertaken soon.

FROM AN OFFICIAL VIEW THE JEWISH ASPECT OF THE REFUGEE PROBLEM, INVOLVING BETWEEN 2,000 AND 3,000 REFUGEES FROM THE REICH AND BETWEEN 20,000 AND 23,000 JEWS FROM THE SUDETENLAND WHO ONCE WERE CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS BUT ARE NOW TECHNICALLY GERMAN ALIENS, IS ONLY ONE PART OF THE GENERAL REFUGEE PROBLEM.

A NUMBER OF DECREES THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED APPLY NOT ONLY TO JEWS BUT TO ALL REFUGEES. THESE INCLUDE A BAN ON OPENING OF NEW BUSINESSES AND ADMISSION OF DOCTORS AND LAWYERS TO PRACTICE FOR ONE YEAR; REGISTRATION OF REFUGEES; PROHIBITION ON MIGRATION FROM TOWN TO TOWN WITHOUT PERMIT; IMPOUNDING OF BANK ACCOUNTS. UNDER CONSIDERATION IS A MEASURE ESTABLISHING REFUGEE CAMPS ALONG THE SLOVAK-MORAVIAN BORDER.

AN ORDER FOR REFUGEES TO RETURN TO THE SUDETENLAND WAS TACITLY WITHDRAWN LAST WEEK AFTER ONLY A FEW HUNDRED WERE FORCED TO GO BACK TO NAZI SOIL, ALTHOUGH THE GOVERNMENT IS NOW TRYING TO INDUCE THEM TO RETURN VOLUNTARILY. ONE EXCEPTION IS THE PLIGHT OF JEWISH REFUGEES FROM THE REICH, WHOSE POSITION IS MOST ACUTE. SEVEN HUNDRED NOW AT BRNO HAVE BEEN THREATENED WITH DEPORTATION OCT. 27. THE GROUP, LIVING IN A COLLECTIVE DWELLING MAINTAINED BY THE PRAHA JEWISH SOCIAL INSTITUTE, WAS ARRESTED LAST WEEK AND RELEASED ONLY AFTER THE MOST URGENT PLEAS, BUT THE DWELLING WAS CLOSED DOWN.

UNWANTED JEWISH REFUGEES ARE SUBJECT TO POLICE RAIDS. THOSE PERMITTED TO STAY ARE LIVING FROM HAND TO MOUTH ON THE CHARITY OF FRIENDS OR THE BOUNTY OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. FOR THOSE FROM THE OCCUPIED SUDETEN AREAS, THE OUTLOOK IS COMPLETELY BLEAK. HOPE FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO OPT FOR CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENSHIP UNDER THE MUNICH PACT IS CONSIDERED A CHIMERA. GOVERNMENT SPOKESMEN WHO ARE ANXIOUS TO DECRY ANTI-SEMITISM MAKE NO BONES ABOUT THIS.

THE CZECH UNIVERSITY HERE, IT WAS LEARNED TODAY, IS NOT ADMITTING JEWS WHO AFFIRMED JEWISH NATIONALITY IN THE 1930 CENSUS. ALSO UNDER BAN ARE JEWISH AND GERMAN REFUGEES FROM THE SUDETENLAND, WHILE NON-REFUGEE JEWS WHO AFFIRMED CZECH NATIONALITY IN THE CENSUS ARE ADMITTED APPARENTLY WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS. THE UNION OF CZECH MEDICAL STUDENTS HAS BARRED JEWS AS MEMBERS.

REPRESENTATIVES OF 34 JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN SUDETENLAND DISTRICTS HAVE ORGANIZED A GENERAL BODY TO REPLACE THE UNION OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES EXISTING BEFORE THE DISMEMBERMENT OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA. COMMITTEES FOR WELFARE, EMIGRATION AND LEGAL QUESTIONS WERE APPOINTED. THE NEW BODY WILL FUNCTION WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF EXISTING JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS. SPOKESMEN FOR THE GROUP STATED THAT JEWISH REFUGEES FROM SUDETENLAND, CONTRARY TO ORIGINAL ESTIMATES, DID NOT EXCEED 15,000.

JEWS "HOSTAGES" IN REICH, ITALY, NAZI PAPER HOLDS

LONDON, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- JEWS OF GERMANY AND ITALY WERE DESCRIBED TODAY BY DAS SCHWARZE KORPS, WEEKLY ORGAN OF CHANCELLOR HITLER'S ELITE GUARDS, AS "HOSTAGES GIVEN INTO OUR HANDS BY FATE SO THAT WE MAY DEFEND OURSELVES IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE MANNER AGAINST ATTACKS BY WORLD JEWRY."

ANTI-JEWISH LITERATURE MAILED IN ENVELOPES OF PARIS CITY COUNCIL

PARIS, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- AN INCITING ANTI-SEMITIC APPEAL IS BEING MAILED IN THOUSANDS OF COPIES IN THE OFFICIAL ENVELOPES OF THE PARIS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, THE NEWSPAPER L'ORDRE REVEALED TODAY IN AN ARTICLE HEADED, "WHAT THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY IS BEING SPENT FOR."

THE NEWSPAPER, WHICH IS CONSERVATIVE IN TENDENCY, SAID THE MAILING WAS APPARENTLY BEING DONE BY CERTAIN ALDERMEN, SINCE EVERY MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL HAS A SUPPLY OF THE

MUNICIPAL STATIONERY, WHICH HE GETS GRATIS. EMPHASIZING THAT, DESPITE INCREASED TAXATION THE MUNICIPALITY FACES A BILLION FRANC DEFICIT, L'ORDRE ASKS WHETHER IT IS PROPER TO USE THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO SPREAD APPEALS INCITING PART OF THE POPULATION AGAINST THE OTHER AND CALLING FOR CIVIL WAR.

INCREASING PROPAGANDA AGAINST ALIENS HAS RESULTED IN A MEETING OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTAL EXPERTS TO MAP LEGISLATION INTENDED TO PURGE PARIS AND VICINITY OF "UNDESIRABLE ALIENS" AND ALSO MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR ALIENS TO OBTAIN TRADE AND ARTISANS' LICENSES.

BRITAIN WILL KEEP FAITH, BORAH HOLDS, REFUSING TO TALK AT PALESTINE RALLY HERE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- SENATOR WILLIAM E. BORAH HAS DECLINED AN INVITATION TO ADDRESS A MASS MEETING IN NEW YORK ON NOV. 2, CALLED TO PROTEST A FEARED REVERSAL IN BRITISH POLICY ON PALESTINE, IT WAS DISCLOSED HERE TODAY. IN A MESSAGE TO RABBI STEPHEN S. WISE, MR. BORAH EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT GREAT BRITAIN WOULD FULFILL HER MANDATORY OBLIGATIONS FAITHFULLY AND ADDED:

"BUT I THINK STRONGLY THAT GREAT BRITAIN IS NOW PLACED IN A VERY DELICATE AND DANGEROUS SITUATION AND THAT WE MAY NOT BE HELPING THE CAUSE IN WHICH YOU ARE INTERESTED BY HOLDING A MASS MEETING WHICH WOULD HAVE NO JUSTIFICATION EXCEPT ON THE THEORY THAT SHE IS PROPOSING TO DO A REPREHENSIBLE THING."

MR. BORAH ALSO WARNED THAT THE UNITED STATES COULD NOT RETAIN EUROPE'S RESPECT "BY DIRECTING NATIONS HOW THEY SHALL CARRY OUT THEIR TREATIES" WITHOUT AT THE SAME TIME BEING PREPARED TO ASSUME MANDATORY OBLIGATIONS HERSELF.

PASSIVE REBELLION BY JEWS SEEN BY NAHUM GOLDMANN IF ARABS WIN DEMANDS

NEW YORK, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- ESTABLISHMENT OF A PALESTINE ARAB STATE -- WHICH IS NOW BELIEVED TO BE DEFINITELY OUT OF THE QUESTION, THANKS LARGELY TO AMERICAN PRESSURE ON BRITAIN -- WOULD HAVE CALLED FORTH A PASSIVE REBELLION OF THE JEWS IN THE HOLY LAND, ACCORDING TO DR. NAHUM GOLDMANN, THE JEWISH AGENCY'S GENEVA REPRESENTATIVE, AND THE FIRST ZIONIST OFFICIAL TO COME HERE SINCE THE RECENT CRISIS OVER THE JEWISH HOMELAND.

DR. GOLDMANN MADE THIS ASSERTION IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE JEWISH TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY AS HE ARRIVED HERE ON THE ÎLE DE FRANCE FOR A STAY OF ABOUT THREE WEEKS, DURING WHICH, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, HE WILL ADDRESS THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS SESSION THIS WEEKEND, AND, AS ZIONIST DIPLOMAT, HE WILL CONFER WITH ZIONIST LEADERS HERE.

"THE JEWS OF PALESTINE WOULD NOT HAVE ACCEPTED AN ARAB GOVERNMENT," HE SAID IN REPLY TO A QUESTION. "THEY WOULD HAVE REFUSED TO COOPERATE OR PAY TAXES AND WOULD HAVE FORMED THEIR OWN GOVERNMENT. THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN IN A STATE OF REBELLION." HOWEVER, HE ADDED, THERE IS NOW BELIEVED TO BE NO POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A SOLUTION OF THE PALESTINE QUESTION. BRITAIN, HE SAID, IS DELAYING A DECISION; SHE HAS NO DEFINITE SOLUTION IN MIND, BUT IS SEEKING ONE THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO THE JEWS AND TO THE MODERATE ARABS.

FEDERAL RADIO BODY CURBS, PROBES PRO-FASCIST JERSEY STATION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26. (JTA) -- THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION HAS TAKEN ACTION AGAINST RADIO STATION WHOM IN JERSEY CITY, N.J., FOR DISSEMINATING PRO-FASCIST AND ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA IN GERMAN, ITALIAN AND ARABIC. THE FCC ISSUED A 90-DAY RENEWAL OF THE

STATION'S LICENSE, INSTEAD OF THE USUAL SIX-MONTH RENEWAL, AND ORDERED THAT ITS PROGRAMS BE SCRUTINIZED DURING THIS PERIOD TO DETERMINE WHAT FURTHER STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN.

THE FCC'S ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE BASIS OF A REPORT BY ITS LEGAL STAFF AND COMPLAINTS FROM LISTENERS. THE STAFF'S REPORT CALLED ONE ITALIAN-LANGUAGE WEEKLY PROGRAM "CALCULATED TO INCITE RACE HATRED AND THEREFORE CANNOT BE REGARDED AS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST," BUT NEVERTHELESS RECOMMENDED FULL-TERM RENEWAL OF THE LICENSE. THE COMMISSION, HOWEVER, VOTED UNANIMOUSLY FOR THE TRIAL EXTENSION.

A TRANSCRIPT OF THE DOMENICO TOMBETTA PROGRAM BROADCAST IN ITALIAN ON SEPT. 18 WAS CITED BY FCC CHAIRMAN GEORGE H. PAYNE AS JUSTIFICATION FOR LIMITATION OF THE LICENSE. TRANSLATED EXCERPTS FROM THE PROGRAM FOLLOWS: "THE EFFICACIOUS REAGENT CAME BECAUSE THE JEWS AND THEIR FRIENDS WANTED IT...WHY HAVE THE JEWS OF THE WORLD DECALRED THEMSELVES PRO-SPANISH COMMUNISTS AND AGAINST FASCISM?...JEWISH ANTI-FASCISM IN THESE LAST YEARS OVERSTEPPED ITS BOUNDS AND ITALY HAS RUN TO THE RESCUE, TO A JUST AND DUTY-BOUND RESCUE."

LORD HALIFAX CONFERS WITH BRITISH JEWISH LEADERS

LONDON, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- FOREIGN SECRETARY LORD HALIFAX TODAY RECEIVED A DELEGATION OF JEWISH LEADERS COMPRISING NEVILLE LASKI, PRESIDENT, SIR ROBERT WALEY COHEN, VICE-PRESIDENT, AND A.G. BROTMAN, SECRETARY, OF THE BOARD OF DEPUTIES OF BRITISH JEWS. IT IS BELIEVED THE PALESTINE SITUATION WAS THE CHIEF TOPIC OF DISCUSSION.

ITALY ACTS TO PREVENT EXPELLED JEWS FROM TAKING CAPITAL

ROME, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- THE GOVERNMENT TODAY TOOK MEASURES TO PREVENT "FOREIGN" JEWS ORDERED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY UNDER THE NEW RACIAL DECREES FROM SMUGGLING THEIR CAPITAL OUT WITH THEM. UNDER THE RACIAL DECREES ISSUED SEPT. 1, ALL JEWS SETTLED IN ITALY AFTER JAN. 1, 1919, MUST LEAVE THE COUNTRY WITHIN SIX MONTHS.

TODAY'S MEASURES REQUIRE ALL JEWS FALLING IN THIS CATEGORY TO OBTAIN A FINANCIAL "BILL OF HEALTH" THROUGH THE INTERMEDIARY OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF EXCHANGES WITH FOREIGN NATIONS. THE BILL OF HEALTH, WHICH WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION, WILL REQUIRE THE HOLDER TO DECLARE HE HAS NO CONTRACTS FOR THE TRANSFER OF CURRENCY OR EXPORT CREDITS WITH PERSONS RESIDING IN COUNTRIES WITH WHICH ITALY HAS CLEARING AGREEMENT OR EXCHANGE COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS.

THE DECLARATION, WHICH IS TO BE HANDED OVER TO ITALIAN AUTHORITIES AT THE POINT OF DEPARTURE, CAN BE OBTAINED UPON APPLICATION FROM THE BANK OF ITALY OR THROUGH AUTHORIZED LOCAL BANKS. THE DECLARATION MUST ALSO SPECIFY THE LOCATION OF THE PORT OR FRONTIER WHERE THE FOREIGN JEW WILL LEAVE ITALY.

DENATIONALIZED JEWS BARRED FROM TRADE IN RUMANIA

BUCHAREST, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- JEWS DENATIONALIZED UNDER THE CITIZENSHIP REVISION DECREE ARE ELIMINATED FROM RUMANIAN TRADE BY A DECISION OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE THROUGHOUT THE NATION. THE DECISION ANNULS REGISTRATION OF JEWISH FIRMS WHOSE OWNERS HAVE BEEN DENATIONALIZED.

POLAND OUSTS 10 JEWISH FAMILIES FROM BORDER AREA

WARSAW, OCT. 26. (JTA) -- TEN JEWISH FAMILIES HAVE BEEN ORDERED BY THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR TO LEAVE THE SILESIAN BORDER DISTRICT OF TESCHEN ALLEGEDLY FOR FAILING TO KEEP ORDERLY LEDGERS. A DELEGATION HAS ARRIVED HERE TO INTERVENE ON THEIR BEHALF WITH THE AUTHORITIES.