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### BULGARIA ORDERS FOREIGN JEWS OUT ON 2 TO 15 DAYS' NOTICE

SOFIA, April 30. (JTA) -- All Jews of foreign nationality, except American, British and French citizens, have been ordered to leave Bulgaria on notice ranging from two to 15 days. Most of those affected are immigrants from former Czecho-Slovakia, Germany, Italy, Spain, Rumania, Poland and Iran. Some of them, especially among the Spanish and Persian Jews, have lived in this country for more than 35 years and have developed businesses, owning land and other property.

Among those receiving expulsion notices were a group of 600 refugees from Germany, Czecho-Slovakia and Italy living in dire poverty in Plovdiv, dependent on the meager assistance which the local Jewish community has been able to give them. They are now waiting for some ship to take them to any destination.

Despite growing anti-Nazi feeling in Bulgaria, there have been some instances of anti-Semitic propaganda in the provinces. Leaflets demanding a boycott of Jews were distributed in Bourgas. On the other hand, leaflets advocating a boycott of German, Italian and Rumanian goods were distributed during the fair in Plovdiv.

### PLAN TO SET UP JEWISH STATE IN NO. RHODESIA OFFERED TO BRITISH BODY

LUSAKA, Northern Rhodesia, April 30. (JTA) -- A plan to establish a Jewish State in the northeastern part of this British colony has been submitted, it was disclosed today, to the British commission investigating possibilities of refugee colonization on behalf of the Intergovernmental Refugee Committee.

The plan was offered by Captain Campbell, an expert attached to the commission, who pointed out that the Mwilunga territory, occupying the north-eastern extremity of Northern Rhodesia between Belgian Congo and Portuguese West Africa, was twice the size of Palestine (not including the Transjordan).

The territory is well watered, but except for the northern part is infested with tsetse flies (carriers of sleeping sickness). Only two white farmers live in the area. The black population is described as friendly and easily manageable.

Meanwhile, apprehension lest refugee settlers jeopardize the economic position of existing industrial and commercial enterprises was expressed at a meeting addressed by Col. Stephenson, member of the Legislative Council. He gave assurances that only selected refugees with the necessary training and capital would be allowed into the country. The meeting adopted a resolution expressing willingness to help refugees but demanding guarantees for existing enterprises.

#### FRENCH FOREIGN OFFICE, LEAGUE LIAISON BODY AIR REFUGEE PROBLEM IN PARIS TALKS

PARIS, April 30. (JTA) -- The refugee problem was the subject of two important in-camera conferences yesterday with the participation of the Foreign Office and the Liaison Committee of the League of Nations High Commission for Refugees, it was learned today.

The Foreign Office conference, presided over by Foreign Minister Georges Bonnet, was attended by Senator Henri Berenger and other leading statesmen as well as by Chief Rabbi Isaye Schwartz, who was invited despite the Sabbath because of the meeting's importance. The conference, it was learned, studied plans to use to the maximum advantage the recent favorable measures regarding refugees in France. It also discussed admittance of Jewish refugee children from the Reich.

The Liaison Committee conference disclosed that Dr. Gustav Kullman, Assistant League High Commissioner for Refugees, had gone to Poland to study the situation of Jewish and non-Jewish refugees from Czecho-Slovakia. Dr. Kullman's survey is important as a prelude to the May session of the League Council at which the question of inclusion of the Czech refugees in the scope of the League Commission is to be taken up.

#### ITALIAN JEWS PLAN "FAIR" VISITS TO OBTAIN AFFIDAVITS FOR FUTURE ENTRY

ROME, April 30. (JTA) -- Many Italian Jews, it was learned today, are seizing the opportunity provided by the New York World's Fair to make visits to the United States to obtain affidavits in preparation for future emigration to America. Tourist visas are being granted by the United States consulate to heads of families if reasonable guarantee of their return is provided.

The pressure for emigration is increasing as a result of the Fascist anti-Jewish program. A bill restricting the exercise of professions by Italian citizens of the Jewish race was drawn up at a Cabinet meeting today, according to an official communique. The proposal was presented by Premier Benito Mussolini.

The foreign Jews in Italy, numbering between 3,500 and 4,000, who are under orders to leave, face serious obstacles in emigration because of inability to find countries which will accept them. The American honorary consuls in Italy are powerless to issue visas to them. More than 2,000 of the foreign Jews have filed applications with the Government for prolongation of their stay. No general reply has been received, which is taken as unofficial extension of their stay.

#### HUNGARIAN SENATE, CHAMBER AGREE ON AMENDMENTS TO ANTI-JEWISH BILL

BUDAPEST, April 30. (JTA) -- A compromise has been reached between the Upper and Lower Houses on amendments made to the Government's anti-Jewish bill in the Senate, which at first were rejected by the Chamber of Deputies. The compromise proposals were approved by a joint committee of the two houses by a vote of 149 to 59. They provide:

1-- Individual Jews may obtain exemption from the operation of the bill when a special body instituted for this purpose finds that such exemption is in the nation's interests.

2-- The definition of "Jew" will not include persons baptized before Aug. 1, 1919, whose parents were born in Hungary prior to 1849, nor persons born Christians whose parents were baptized before Jan. 1, 1919. Such persons, however, are subject to many restrictions, being banned as notaries public, court officials, patent agents, editors, leading journalists and executives of workers' organizations and subject to proportionate restrictions in universities and restrictions regarding agricultural and industrial properties.

TOLERANCE KEYNOTE STRUCK BY ROOSEVELT, OTHERS AS WORLD'S FAIR IS OPENED

WORLD'S FAIR GROUNDS, N.Y., April 30. (JTA) -- A keynote of tolerance and harmony between peoples was struck today as the New York World's Fair, largest international exposition ever held, opened its doors to the first contingent of the 25,000,000 persons expected to visit the grounds in the next six months.

President Roosevelt, Governor Herbert H. Lehman, Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia and others who spoke at the various opening day ceremonies dwelled on the theme of amity among races and nationalities which was exemplified in the Fair.

The President, in an address officially opening the exposition, paid tribute to the "spirit of wise tolerance which, with few exceptions, has been the rule" in the United States. He spoke to thousands of persons gathered in Constitution Mall before the Federal Building and was surrounded on the speakers' platform by representatives of Federal, State and City governments.

"We in the United States, and, indeed, in all the Americas, -- North, Central and South America -- remember that our population stems from many races and kindreds and tongues," Mr. Roosevelt declared. "Often I think Americans offer up the silent prayer that on the continent of Europe, from which the American hemisphere was principally colonized, the years to come will break down many barriers of intercourse between nations -- barriers which may be historic, but which so greatly, through the centuries, have led to strife and hindered friendship and normal intercourse."

"The United States stands today as a completely homogeneous nation, similar in its civilization from coast to coast and from North to South, united in a common purpose to work for the greatest good of the greatest number, united in the desire to move forward to better things in the use of its great resources of intelligent, educated manhood and womanhood -- and united in its desire to encourage peace and good-will among all the nations of the world."

The President made no direct reference to the strained relations with Germany, but many saw significance in his expression of thanks for the "general" and "spontaneous" participation in the Fair of "most of the nations of the world" which he described as a "gesture of friendship and good-will towards the United States." Germany is the outstanding non-participant in the fair.

Governor Lehman, stressing "tolerance and good-will," expressed the hope that the fair would point the way to "build a world in which men of all nations, all races and all

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creeds will seek to help their neighbors, not to harm them." Mayor LaGuardia asserted that the greatest exhibit at the Fair was the fact that "seven and a half million people coming from every land, and their children, live here in peace and harmony." Saying "we claim no secret formula" for this amity, the Mayor voiced the hope that "others may copy it." He also stressed the necessity of "eliminating artificial stimulation of hatred."

Later in the afternoon, Governor Lehman, in an address at the unveiling of a statue of George Washington, for a third time struck the keynote of tolerance. "Let us then, in dedicating this statue, dedicate ourselves also to the principles for which George Washington fought and by which he lived," the Governor said. "Those principles -- loyalty, justice, tolerance and liberty -- are just as true a way of life as they were 150 years ago."

Mr. Lehman's first address of the day was at a ceremony dedicating the Temple of Religion, when he warned that "an attack on one religion weakens all religious faith since the basis of all true religions is charity, justice and tolerance." He asserted that "the fight against those who would destroy religion and spirituality is a common fight of all churches. If men will only live up to those simple concepts of all religions -- charity, justice and tolerance -- democracy will be safe."

Grover Whalen, president of the Fair corporation, asserted that the cooperation of Catholics, Jews and Protestants in providing the Temple "typify and lend emphasis to the brotherly spirit in which the exposition itself has been created. Surely we may call it a sign of progress in human relationship. Here we are united in our aims and our philosophies. Surely this edifice is a sign that doctrines of hate need not prevail in the world, and that, removed from fear, we may work together with increased vigor for the happier moments and finer things of life."

Catholic, Jewish and Protestant spokesmen emphasized the essential harmony of religions. They were Monsignor John J. Clarke, Rabbi David de Sola Pool, president of the Synagogue Council of America, and the Rev. Robert W. Searle, general secretary of the Greater New York Federation of Churches. Other speakers were William Church Osborn, president of the Temple of Religion, who presided, and the Right Rev. J.I. Blair Larned.

Tonight, Prof. Albert Einstein, in a speech at the "illumination ceremony," which was performed with the aid of cosmic rays, pointed out that one of the pioneer physicists in the work on cosmic rays was "Professor Victor Hess of Austria, who, incidentally, like so many others, has recently had to seek refuge in this hospitable country."

Eight sturdy Palestine chalutzim, garbed in the sun helmets and khaki of the pioneer colony, marched in the parade preceding the opening ceremonies, together with representatives of many nationalities in their colorful national dress.

In a written message to the directorate of the Jewish Palestine Pavilion, which is scheduled to open May 15, President Roosevelt declared that Zionist achievements had brought prosperity to all the inhabitants of Palestine. He concluded with a promise personally to follow the progress of Palestine with the deepest sympathy.

The "Eternal Light" which will burn in the pavilion has arrived here from Jerusalem and is being kept in Congregation Shearith Israel until it can be placed in the pavilion.

JEWS TO BE OUSTED FROM TRADE AFTER BAN IN OTHER FIELDS, SLOVAK PREMIER WRITES

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia, April 30. (JTA) -- Gradual elimination of Jews from trade will follow their expulsion from public services and drastic restriction in the professions, Premier Josef Tiso declared today in a newspaper article.

A boycott of Jewish shops is being carried on throughout Slovakia. Jewish stars and the word "Jew" are painted on shop windows in both the Slovak and German languages and non-Jews are forcibly prevented from entering the stores.

POLAND ACTS TO WIN SUPPORT OF MINORITIES IN MOVE TO BLOCK HITLER

WARSAW, April 30. (JTA) -- The Polish Government, rallying its citizens to resist threatened pressure from Germany, was reported today to have negotiated the support of national minorities for national defense measures.

Certain political circles, the liberal Kurjer Polski said, held talks with representatives of the Ukrainians in Lwow and with delegates of the Jews, White Russians and Lithuanians in Warsaw, obtaining wholehearted assurances of cooperation against aggression. It was suggested that the minorities issue declarations supporting the Government, the report said.

The Jewish Deputies Club appealed to Polish Jewry to devote all its energy to defense of the nation and to subscribe to the air defense loan as a way of blocking Chancellor Hitler's aims of "enslaving peoples, destroying liberty and causing the return of barbarism."

ARAB-PARLEY ENDS IN CAIRO; REPLY TO BRITISH PLAN FOR PALESTINE DRAFTED

CAIRO, April 30. (JTA) -- The Pan-Arab conference, meeting here since April 11 for discussion of the Palestine problem, closed last night with a plenary assembly during which the delegates drafted their reply to Britain's proposals for Holy Land peace. It was believed that the Arab reply will contain counter-proposals, thus necessitating new consultations.

NEW YORK, April 30. (JTA) -- A Cairo dispatch to the N.Y. Times today said the Arab conferees had reached a unanimous agreement on the terms acceptable by the Palestine Arabs for an Anglo-Arab solution of the Palestine problem. The agreement called for acceptance of the British proposals for creation of an independent Palestine state on condition that the Arabs be permitted to take over administration of the Palestine Government more rapidly than proposed by Britain, with high government posts to be turned over to Arabs in the earliest stages of the transition period.

Jewess Slain at Kinereth

JERUSALEM, April 30. (JTA) -- A 30-year-old Jewess, Mrs. Bahaya Michal, was shot to death today at Kinereth, on the shores of the Sea of Galilee.

ITALIAN FILM ON COLUMBUS ATTACKED BY ROME NEWSPAPER

ROME, April 30. (JTA) -- Il Tevere, anti-Semitic Fascist newspaper, today attacked an Italian film distributing company for distributing a picture based on the life of Columbus produced in Spain by Abel Gance. The film, the paper asserted, is an "example of the nefarious propaganda of international Jewry aimed at influencing the world by showing Columbus as a converted Jew."