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HUNGARIAN JEWS GIRDS FOR NEW EMANCIPATION STRUGGLE

BUDAPEST, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- A fight for emancipation of Hungarian Jews from the Government's drastic anti-Jewish law was decided upon today by a general meeting of the Pest Jewish community.

The community also authorized its executive committee to launch a fund-raising campaign for Jews who had lost their livelihoods through operation of the law and to ask all other Jewish communities in Hungary to launch similar drives.

"We will fight for a new emancipation," declared Councillor Samuel Stern in his presidential address. "We accept the anti-Jewish law with calm and dignity and proclaim our solemn determination to work for the achievement of a new emancipation with all legally permissible means and with patriotic enthusiasm."

"We, who have been sacrificed to the strangling provisions of the second anti-Jewish law, must bow our heads under the yoke of the new decree," he said. "But with bowed heads and bleeding hearts, deprived of self-respect and of rights, we proclaim our unswervingly firm loyalty to our faith and our fatherland."

Cabinet Gets Power to Withdraw Citizenship

BUDAPEST, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Power to deprive Hungarians of their citizenship without court order is given to Cabinet ministers in a bill approved by the Lower House today. Hungarians belonging to foreign political organizations, indulging in anti-patriotic activities or leaving the country secretly face disenfranchisement under the measure.

Any Hungarian who lives abroad for more than 10 years will automatically lose his citizenship unless he passes at least three months in Hungary during that time or receives a special permit from the Interior Ministry.

Hungarian Nazis are leading the opposition to the bill since a number of their leaders have fled abroad and the law might be applied against them.

FRANCE ASKED TO PROLONG STAY OF REFUGEES IN BEIRUT; 700 DANZIG EXILES SURVIVE 4-MONTH ODYSSEY

PARIS, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Leading French Jewish relief organizations appealed to the Foreign Ministry today for at least a one-month extension of the temporary permit under which 450 refugees, including two American citizens and 28 non-Jews, are staying in Beirut, Syria.

Should the appeal be rejected, the refugees, who were quarantined in Beirut when the freighter Frossula was hit by an epidemic at sea, face immediate re-embarkation and resumption of their three-month odyssey in search of a haven.

Meanwhile, details were received here of the inhuman experiences undergone by about 700 Danzig refugees who drifted for four months on the Mediterranean before being dumped on the shores of Palestine. Without passports, the refugees embarked on their voyage on an old freighter equipped with a supply of food and water calculated to last three weeks. Despite rationing of a bowl of potato soup and a slice of sausage for an entire day, the food and water supply was exhausted in a month.

Parched and hungry, the passengers were forced to seek food by approaching the Greek shore, where local Jews delivered aboard ship a limited quantity of food. The entire supply, however, was seized by the freighter's crew, who refused to feed anyone unless paid with money, valuables or even articles of clothing.

The crew, completely out of hand, robbed the passengers of all their valuables and then forced those with relatives in America and Palestine to cable for money to be sent to a bank on a Greek island. The money was delivered to the ship and confiscated by the crew.

The ship's captain, who displayed sympathy for the passengers and tried to maintain discipline, was forcibly replaced by two sailors who took over command of the vessel. The saga of piracy and suffering on the high seas was ended for the refugees when they were finally dumped, the women clad only in bathing suits and the men in pajamas, on the shores of Palestine.

Belgian High Court Backs Release of Illegal Entrants

BRUSSELS, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Court of Appeals today upheld an Antwerp court's cancellation of the Antwerp prosecutor's order to arrest five Austrian Jews who had entered the country illegally.

The prosecutor's warrant of arrest had alleged that there was danger of the refugees evading legal proceedings since they had no permanent residence in Belgium. The Antwerp court ruled, however, that such a danger did not exist since the refugees were unable to leave the country and there was no country willing to receive them. The refugees were released but they will be prosecuted under the law providing a penalty of not more than three month's imprisonment for being caught as stowaways on a Belgian vessel.

England Returns 2 Refugees to Belgium

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Two Jewish refugees who were saved from drowning in the English Channel on Saturday after an attempt to cross from Ostend, Belgium, in a dinghy were deported to Ostend today when it was established that they had permits to remain in Belgium until Aug. 31. The refugees, Walter Altmann and Gunther Mann, declared they would rather have drowned than sent back to Germany. They burst into tears after hearing the deportation order.

JEWS AID CZECH FARMERS IN HARVEST; REFUGEES AMONG THOSE RESPONDING TO CALL

PRAGUE, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- After an appeal by the Czech Ministry of Agriculture to the Prague Jewish Community and Jewish social institutions to assist in harvesting work in the "Protectorate," hundreds of Prague Jews volunteered to work in the fields. They were received cordially by Czech farmers. The volunteer workers included refugees from other parts of former Czecho-Slovakia and also members of Jewish youth organizations such as the Chutz

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Conditions "Intolerable" in Bohemia, Exiles Tell Poles

WARSAW, Aug. 2. (Havas) -- Fifty Czech refugees arrived today in Kattowice, telling Polish officials there that living conditions in the "Protectorate" had become "intolerable." Three others, part of a convoy of workers being taken to East Prussia, leaped from a train at Chojnice, in the Polish Corridor.

PALESTINE RADIO STATION BOMBED; U.S. JEW WOUNDED IN HAIFA; JULY TOLL 48

JERUSALEM, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Three bombs exploded today on the premises of the Palestine Broadcasting Company, one of them severely wounding Mrs. May Weisenberg, 28, of South Africa, who was broadcasting on a children's hour. Two of the bombs went off in the studio and one in the control room.

Two Jews, including an American tourist, were slightly injured when a bus was fired upon near the old railway station in Haifa. The American, Harold Sapperstein, continued his journey to Tel Aviv after treatment.

An unofficial computation revealed that 48 persons were killed and 97 wounded in Palestine disturbances during July. Among the casualties were one Briton killed and seven wounded. The casualty list was the lowest in many months.

Violence Flares in Tetuan as Jews Resist Extortion by Palestine Arabs

TETUAN, Spanish Morocco, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Many persons were wounded here in excesses following efforts by Palestine Arabs to force Jews to contribute to a fund being raised to help drive the Jews out of Palestine.

The funds campaign was launched at a meeting of Palestine Arabs headed by the notorious agitator, Abdel Khalakh. A collection was started immediately after the meeting and some Jews were forced, under threats, to contribute. Agitators who attempted to extort money from Jews pointed out that the High Commissioner for Spanish Morocco, Colonel Beighbed, was heading the list of contributors with a donation of \$1,000.

Following a complaint by a representative of the Jewish Community, the High Commissioner ordered that Jews be not approached for contributions. A delegation of Jewish leaders told the High Commissioner that they were ready to give money to poor Arabs in Spanish Morocco but never to Palestine Arabs.

OLD ZIONIST FOES JOIN ZIONISTS IN PLEDGE TO FIGHT FOR FREE PALESTINE ENTRY

NEW YORK, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Acting in unison on the Palestine question for the first time, representatives of 21 Zionist and non-Zionist labor groups met at the Hotel Astor last night, under the auspices of the Jewish Labor Committee, and adopted a declaration pledging to fight for free Jewish immigration into the Holy Land. (Briefly reported in yesterday's JTA News).

The significance of the meeting, speakers pointed out, was that Socialists long opposed to Zionism were joining in the adoption of the resolution. It was stressed that the declaration did not represent any concession to Zionist ideology on the part of the non-Zionists, but only reflected their demand that Jews be given refuge in Palestine. Speakers said the meeting augured further cooperation on other issues.

Although it was stated that the resolution had been worked out by a joint committee whose non-Zionist members were careful to see that no element of Zionism was allowed to enter, one delegate at last night's meeting, Levin Shatzkes, secretary of the Jewish Socialist Verband, objected to two paragraphs of the resolution which, he said, might be interpreted as concessions to Zionism. He was the only one to express this opinion, however, and when Adolph Held, presiding, called for a vote, there was no objection to adoption by acclamation, Mr. Shatzkes stating that he was satisfied with the fact that he had expressed his reservations orally.

The declaration condemns Britain's decree banning Jewish immigration for six months beginning Oct. 1, hails the Palestine Jewish community for its readiness to absorb refugees, expresses appreciation to British labor and the international labor movement for fighting the decree, urges that the forthcoming Intergovernmental Refugee Committee conference at the White House protest against the decree and concludes by declaring: "We pledge all our efforts to aid in the fight for free Jewish immigration to Palestine and we shall not give up the struggle until the goal is attained."

The 60-odd delegates at the meeting represented seven trade unions in the garment and millinery industry, the Greater New York Bakers' Joint Council, United Hebrew Trades, Workmen's Circle, Forward Association, Jewish Socialist Verband, Left Poale-Zion, Jewish section of the Socialist Party, National Labor Committee for Palestine, Poale Zion-Zeire Zion, Jewish National Workers' Alliance, Pioneer Women's Organization, League for Labor Palestine and Young Poale-Zion Alliance.

Most of the speeches laid stress on the Jewish labor unity which the meeting indicated. Joseph Baskin spoke of the conference as bringing together "friendly enemies." Alex Rose, secretary of the American Labor Party, declared that "this resolution is the 'Aleph,' after which will come the 'Beth' in united action." Other speakers included Chaim Greenberg, Joseph Schlossberg, Isidore Nagler, David Wertheim, Alexander Kahn and Louis Segal.

Mr. Kahn and Mr. Segal, who spoke after Mr. Shatzkes had voiced his objections to the declaration, stressed that there was "no Zionism in this document." Mr. Kahn declared that the meeting represented an attempt to bring Zionists and non-Zionist laborites together. "If we meet together more often perhaps we can develop a common language," he said. Mr. Segal said: "We did not come here to agitate for Zionism -- it will come whether or not we agitate for it."

Rebukes Britain For Offering Jews "Lodgings" in Palestine

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Tom Williams, Labor M.P., today rebuked the Government for offering the Jews what he described as "lodgings" in Palestine rather than a national home. He spoke at a meeting of Jews and Christians held under the auspices of the Free Christian Church.

PARIS PROBING REPORT DANZIG SEIZED PROPERTY OF FRENCH CITIZEN

PARIS, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Foreign Office was investigating today a report that a French citizen, a woman of Jewish origin, had been deprived of her property in Danzig under the Nazi-dominated territory's property confiscation law of July 6.

According to Le Temps, the Danzig authorities have taken from the woman all her shares in a Danzig department store. The newspaper said it was the first such incident involving a French citizen. The Foreign Office was unable to confirm the report or to state what measures would be taken if it were found to be true.

FREUD REPORTED IMPROVED AFTER ILLNESS OF SEVERAL WEEKS

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Prof. Sigmund Freud, 83-year-old founder of psychoanalysis, was reported improved today from a serious illness which has kept him confined to the house for several weeks. The daughter of the famed Viennese exile said his condition was not causing anxiety and that he was reading all the newspapers and was "very active."

JEWS INVITED FIRST TIME TO TAKE PART IN POLISH LEGION'S ANNUAL RALLY

WARSAW, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Jewish representatives have been invited for the first time to participate in the annual rally of the Polish Legion, scheduled to be held in Krakow on Aug. 5 and 6. The rally will mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Legion's first action in the World War. Polish Jewry will be represented at the celebrations by Maurice Meisel, president of the Warsaw Jewish Community.

SAN DOMINGO READY TO TAKE 500 REFUGEE FAMILIES, TRUJILLO DECLARES

NEW YORK, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Ex-President Rafael L. Trujillo Molina of the Dominican Republic, commander-in-chief of the Republic's army, stated today that his country was willing to accept 500 Jewish refugee families, "without restrictions," as the forerunner of further groups.

"My Government," he said in a statement issued as he sailed on the Normandie, "will take as a first unit without restrictions 500 Jewish refugee families; divided into agricultural, industrial and professional groups, with a view to taking more."

No comment on Gen. Trujillo's statement was made at the office of President Roosevelt's Advisory Committee on Refugees, which is now completing the draft of a report on refugee settlement possibilities in the Caribbean republic prepared by an experts' commission.

HYMAN, JDC OFFICIAL, SAILS FOR EUROPE TODAY; TO CONFER WITH TROPER ON REFUGEE PROBLEMS

NEW YORK, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- Joseph G. Hyman, executive director of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, will sail for Europe tomorrow on the Holland-American liner Statendam. He will confer on refugee problems with Morris C. Troper, European director of the J.D.C., and other Jewish leaders.

ARAB VIGILANTE GROUPS SET UP BY PALESTINE REGIME TO COMBAT MUFTI TERRORISTS

JERUSALEM, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government, it was learned today, is sponsoring the formation of Arab vigilante groups throughout the country, consisting mainly of adherents of the moderate Nashashibi faction, armed to combat Arab terrorism. The first completed group, set up in Acre, is headed by Assad Shukeiri, wartime Chief Chaplain of Jamaal Pasha's Turkish army. His son, a physician, was recently assassinated by followers of the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem.

COORDINATING FOUNDATION REGISTERED IN LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 2. (JTA) -- The Coordinating Foundation was registered today as a company, limited by guarantee (public), with the object of cooperating with individuals and organizations engaged in improving the conditions of beneficiaries and facilitating emigration of involuntary emigrants from Germany. The subscribers are given as John W. Davis, Paul Baerwald, Nathan L. Miller, ~~the British~~ and Lewis L. Strauss, all of New York, and Lionel de Rothschild, Lionel Cohen, Earl Bessborough and Harold B. Butler.