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### PEASANTS STAGE PRO-JEWISH DEMONSTRATION IN CZECH CITY

LONDON, Aug. 8. (JTA) — Reliable private advices from Prague said today that the town of Iglau was recently the scene of a spontaneous pro-Jewish demonstration by Czech peasants and a counter anti-Czech demonstration by Germans. German police intervened to end the demonstrations, arresting a large number of Czechs, including women.

The pro-Jewish demonstration was precipitated by complaints by German housewives that Czech peasants who brought butter to the city markets were favoring Jewish customers. The Czech market superintendent declared, in reply to the complaints, that the peasants were free to sell their butter to anyone, whereupon the Czechs started shouting, as with one voice, "better to the Jews than to the Germans."

Following arrest of the peasants, German newspapers in the city warned against repetition of pro-Jewish manifestations.

The Bruenn Hadoar, only Jewish news bulletin appearing in the "protectorate," has published a long list of restaurants, cafes and bathing places where Jews are not wanted. Warning Jews not to risk being ejected, Hadoar points out that it is beneath human dignity to visit places where the visitor is not welcome.

The Prager Abend, organ of Reich Protector Konstantin von Neurath, has demanded removal of signs advertising pictures by the "film Jew," Charlie Chaplin.

### POLISH PAPER DEMANDS LAW BANNING ANTI-JEWISH AGITATION

WARSAW, Aug. 8. (JTA) — Enactment of legislation outlawing anti-Semitic agitation, similar to that recently decreed by France, was demanded today by Czarno Na Biale (Black on White), organ of the democratic wing of former Pilsudski Legionaries.

The newspaper denounced the anti-Semitic terrorist campaign in Poland, declaring that it was pleasing only to the Nazi enemies of the nation.

"Just as in France," an editorial in the paper asserted, "the situation here demand legal sanctions against chauvinist nationalist propaganda. What is a sin in France is, in our situation, a crime against the State. An end must be put to the activities of the Erfurt (Germany) agency here and also to any ideological or unideological symptoms of the anti-Semitic movement. The interests of the Republic demand imperatively the liquidation

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of propaganda manifestations against national minorities." (The Erfurt Agency referred to is the Weltdienst-World Service- Nazi propaganda organization which supplies anti-Semitic material to groups throughout the world.)

Meanwhile, formation of a "League to Combat Anti-Semitism" has been announced by Prof. Mieczyslaw Michalowicz, noted physician, and other prominent liberals. The league's statutes are expected shortly to receive official sanction of the Government.

#### REFUGEE PROJECTS IN 3 LATIN AMERICAN LANDS AIRED IN PARIS

PARIS, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Possibilities for settlement of refugees in three Latin American countries -- the Dominican Republic, Bolivia and the French West Indian colony of Dominica -- were under discussion today by refugee aid organizations.

General Rafael L. Trujillo, ex-President of the Dominican Republic and commander-in-chief of the Republic's army, arrived here yesterday from New York, confirming his interest in the Jewish refugee situation. He said he had come to France on a personal visit to meet his wife, who has been in Paris for some time, but important Jewish leaders in France contemplated meeting him privately to discuss refugee settlement in his country.

Persons close to General Trujillo disclosed that he was willing to consider admission of 10,000 refugee families provided that the negotiations were conducted by responsible organizations able to give security for the undertaking. In such case 250 families would be admitted monthly. (On leaving New York last week, Gen. Trujillo issued a statement declaring that his country was prepared immediately to admit as a first unit 500 Jewish refugee families without restrictions.)

Initial capital of \$500 per family, partly in goods, would be necessary. Temporary barracks would cost \$20 per family; timber for building houses is plentiful in the proposed colonization area. The Government may be disposed under certain conditions to supply workmen for building purposes.

At the same time information was received of new possibilities for large-scale "en bloc" refugee settlement in Bolivia on a private estate of 7,000,000 hectares (about 17,500,000 acres), which is a territory larger than Switzerland and which is said to be able to absorb up to 100,000 persons. The 80-year-old owner of the estate has proposed its sale at \$1 per hectare and has also offered 100,000 head of cattle and existing buildings at nominal prices.

The land is situated on the upper Amazon, bordering Brazil and Peru. It consists largely of primeval forest and pampas land but is partially colonized. Many houses, warehouses and a hospital are already available which could be transferred to the settlers upon arrival. Streams with fish, fertile land and large game preserves exist. From this estate there is a monthly export of 200 tons of rubber and nuts. The climate is tropical and the Indians working there are settled on the spot.

An investigation conducted by the Colonial Office regarding possibilities for settlement of refugees in Dominica -- not to be confused with the Dominican Republic -- has established that there are about 200 square miles lying idle, but the greater part is uncultivable. The local authorities are not unfavorable to refugee settlement but the settlers would have to be agriculturists and their number fixed.

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Since it takes time to cultivate plantations, organizations would have to look after the settlers. They would also be requested to guarantee the Government against the settlers' becoming public charges and to undertake to defray the cost of repatriation should this become necessary within a fixed number of years.

#### 23 Refugees Seized at Sea

MONTE CARLO, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Twenty-three Jewish refugees from Czecho-Slovakia, Austria and Poland were found aboard two boats piloted by Italian fishermen from Ventimiglia which French customs agents seized off Monaco last night, it was learned here today.

#### "Colorado" Exiles Landed at Haifa

HAIFA, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The 373 refugees aboard the steamship Colorado, flying the Panama flag, which was captured off Palestine's coast last week, were landed here yesterday and placed in quarantine. The action was seen as a preliminary to their release.

#### MAYOR OF BELGIAN RESORT ACTS TO CHECK OUTBREAK OF ANTI-JEWISH AGITATION

BRUSSELS, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The Mayor of Coque, a Belgian summer resort, promised a delegation of Jewish leaders today a full investigation of anti-Semitic activities there which were climaxed by the appearance for the first time of anti-Jewish inscriptions in various parts of the town.

The mayor's action followed a protest by a delegation representing Jewish guests at the resort. The delegation said that all the guests they represented would leave the resort unless the inscriptions were removed and measures were taken to guard against their reappearance.

The inscriptions were sharply condemned by the local Catholic priest, who urged the population, largely Catholics, to shun persons indulging in anti-Semitic activities. The town's hotel operators and merchants urged the municipal authorities to take stern measures against the anti-Jewish propaganda, since it is considered harmful to their economic interests.

It is assumed that the anti Jewish inscriptions were the work of persons sent from larger Belgian centers to summer resorts along the coast.

#### BRITONS QUIT PARIS CAFE WHEN GIVEN PAPER ATTACKING HORE-BELISHA

PARIS, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The newspaper L'Oeuvre reported today that a party of Englishmen walked demonstratively out of a Paris cafe when they were handed copies of an anti-Semitic newspaper which carried insulting articles about British War Secretary Leslie Hore-Belisha, who is Jewish, and others intimating that King George VI was under the influence of Jews and Masons.

#### PALESTINE RADIO STATION AGAIN BOMBED

JERUSALEM, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The Palestine Broadcasting Service headquarters were bombed today for the second time in a week. The bomb exploded in the courtyard of the Jerusalem studios, causing no damage. An Arab motorist was arrested. It was reported that the bomb was thrown from a speeding Arab automobile over the head of British police on sentry duty. Last Wednesday a Jewish announcer and Arab engineer were fatally wounded when three bombs exploded on the premises.

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ANGERED BY RACIAL LAWS, BLIND VETERAN RETURNS MEDALS TO DUCE

ROME, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- A Genoese Jewish war veteran who was blinded in action has returned his two silver medals to Premier Benito Mussolini, it was learned today, with the following message: "I am returning your medals. Please give me back my eyes." The veteran's action was taken in protest against Italian anti-Semitic laws.

DIES INVESTIGATION TO BE RESUMED AUG. 16

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The House Committee on Un-American Activities will resume its hearings on Aug. 16. Chairman Martin Dies, who is ill in Texas, is expected to be back by then. William B. Bankhead, Speaker of the House, will name a new member to succeed Arthur D. Healey of Massachusetts.

FRIEDKIN, PUBLISHER OF JEWISH MORNING JOURNAL, DIES IN FRANCE AT 49

NEW YORK, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Israel Friedkin, publisher of the Jewish Morning Journal, died last night at Roye, France, where he had gone to take treatment for a heart ailment, the Morning Journal announced today. He was 49. His wife and three children survive him.

Mr. Friedkin, who was born in Jersey City, N.J., was the nephew of Jacob Saphirstein, founder of the Morning Journal and became publisher on the latter's death in 1916. He was a member of the Masons, the Elks, the American Academy of Political Science and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

PALESTINE ELECTS 133 DELEGATES TO ZIONIST CONGRESS; LABORITES LEAD WITH 90

TEL AVIV, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- It was officially announced today that 133 delegates to the forthcoming World Zionist Congress in Geneva were elected for Palestine in last Sunday's balloting, instead of the expected 144 because of the invalidation of questionable registration certificates. The mandates are divided as follows: Mapai (Palestine labor party) 90; Left Poale-Zion, 5; Marxists, 1; Poel Hamizrachi, 14; General Zionists "A", 9; the German list, 2; General Zionists "B", 6; General Zionists "B" Workers, 3; Sephardim, 2; Yemenites, 1.

Rumanian Zionists Send 28 to Geneva

BUCHAREST, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Zionists in Greater Rumania are sending 28 delegates to the World Zionist Congress, which convenes at Geneva on Aug. 16, it was announced here today. Nine of the delegates are from the Old Kingdom, seven from Bessarabia, eight from Transylvania and four from Bukovina.

Mizrachi Opens 5-Day Parley Tonight

GENEVA, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- The World Mizrachi Organization, religious Zionist body, will open a five-day conference here tomorrow night as a preliminary to the Zionist Congress.

Van Den Bergh Named to Agency Council

THE HAGUE, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Former Senator S. Van den Bergh, Jr., prominent industrialist and philanthropist, has been re-elected The Netherlands representative to the Council of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, which is to convene in Geneva at the end of this month.



NEW TRAINING SHIP FOR JEWISH SAILORS LAUNCHED IN PALESTINE; NAMED FOR ARLOSOROFF

JERUSALEM, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- A new training ship for Jewish sailors, the "Chaim Arlosoroff," named for the Palestine labor leader who was assassinated six years ago, has been launched at Tel Aviv by the sea division of the Hapoel Sports Association. Representatives of the Government, the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the Palestine Federation of Labor attended the ceremonies, at which the guests of honor were the widow and children of Arlosoroff.

\* The Government has prohibited Jewish sports boats on the River Yarkon to go out to sea without a police permit. The authorities are evidently afraid that the boats might help illegal immigrants enter the country.

PROGRESS MADE BY HEBREW U. LAUDED BY BRITISH SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL

LONDON, Aug. 8. (JTA) -- Britain's foremost scientific journal, Nature, pays tribute in its current issue to the work accomplished by the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, declaring it holds out promise that Jerusalem may soon "once again become the center of learning in the Near and Middle East." The magazine cites the progress made by the University in various fields of research, lists faculty members who have become pre-eminent in their academic fields and points out that nearly 50 exiled German scholars have found positions at the institution.

LEWIN, HEAD OF POLISH AGUDATH ISRAEL, SERIOUSLY ILL

WARSAW, Aug. 8. (JTA) - Isaac Meir Lewin, president of the Polish Agudath Israel, ultra-religious organization, has been taken seriously ill with abdominal typhoid, it was learned today. He was brought to Warsaw from Krynica, a health resort.

BOLIVIA NAMES 2 JEWS TO LABOR MINISTRY POSTS; ANTI-JEWISH AGITATION CONDEMNED

LA PAZ, Bolivia (JTA - Airmail) -- The tolerance of President German Busch's government has been evidenced by a Government newspaper's demand for action against anti-Semitic agitators, the granting of permission for kosher slaughter in Bolivia and the appointment of two Jews to important posts in the Labor Ministry.

The newspaper La Nacion demanded that the police put an end to anti-Jewish incitement carried on by anti-Semitic youths in the streets. The agitation is an insult to the country, the paper said editorially. The editorial was prompted by recent actions of youths in entering Jewish cares, refusing to pay their checks and in some cases threatening Jews with violence.

Permission to slaughter cattle according to the Jewish ritual was granted by the Government on application of the Jewish Center and a butcher shop was opened. The action led one newspaper to condemn kosher slaughter as unhygienic and unhumanitarian. Previously, only fowl was slaughtered according to the Hebrew ritual.

President Busch has approved the nominations of Dr. Rudolfo Pomerantz and Georg Friedlander as directors of the new Social Security Department of the Labor Ministry. They will have the task of organizing a system of social security for Bolivian laborers, including the establishment of sick-aid foundations and other institutions. Dr. Pomerantz is a refugee from Czecho-Slovakia, a former instructor of mathematics at Prague University. The Agriculture Ministry has also engaged two refugee experts.