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J.D.C. SPEEDS AID FOR REFUGEES, OTHERS IN WAR AREAS; ASKS MORE FUNDS

PARIS, Sept. 1. (JTA)-- The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee has made funds available to European Jewish communities to meet the initial stages of the war emergency, the organization declared in a statement today, but further funds are needed from Jews of the world, especially the United States.

The statement follows:

"With the threat of a general war hanging over Europe, and with the beginning of actual hostilities between Poland and Germany, the 150,000 Jewish refugees scattered over all parts of Western, Central and Eastern Europe are in great danger.

"In addition, impoverished Jewish populations of Central and Eastern Europe, whom the J. D. C. and other Jewish organizations have been aiding for years, are in imminent need of increased help. Furthermore, special funds must be provided for the evacuation of refugees, the evacuation of institutions for child and medical-sanitary assistance and other institutions in the countries which may be involved in the war, and perhaps even in some countries which are likely to remain neutral.

"The situation is aggravated by the fact that local communal leaders and those personalities who have in the past so devotedly given their time and energy to guide this work and to provide the funds are now being called upon for public or military service. Besides, local funds are needed for local and public needs. This is the case not only in the countries involved in actual combat but also in neutral countries.

"In this grave hour, those Jewish people and communities who are threatened or already stricken by the war developments look to all Jews of the world who are still able to give and to organize support and relief, and especially to American Jews and the American Joint Distribution Committee.

"The offices of the J.D.C. in Paris are being flooded with requests for aid. Mr. M. C. Troper, European chairman, and Mr. J. C. Hyman, executive director of the Joint Distribution Committee in New York, who is on the spot in Europe today, have been swamped with appeals for immediate assistance.

"In constant consultation with New York, with other Jewish organizations and with the representatives of the Jews in need, Mr. Troper and Mr. Hyman have advised the J.D.C. in New York of the necessity of immediately securing funds, at least for the initial stages of

this conflagration, so as to safeguard the functions of the welfare and social organizations which are needed to protect the helpless actual and potential victims of the war in all countries.

"In response, the J. D. C. has made immediate funds available, within the limits of its means, to meet the needs of at least the initial stages of this emergency."

BRITISH MAGAZINE VOICES GRATITUDE FOR ZIONIST PLEDGE TO STAND BY BRITAIN

LONDON, Sept. 1. (JTA)-- Zionist circles were impressed today by a declaration in Great Britain and the East, which frequently mirrors Colonial Office opinion, that "the British people will not forget" the Zionists' support "in this hour of destiny."

Zionists noted that the weekly's editorial stood in sharp distinction to the same paper's attitude toward the Jews in recent months, when it was strongly critical of the Jews' refusal to accept Britain's new Palestine policy.

Commenting on the pledge of support to Britain made by Dr. Chaim Weizmann at the recent World Zionist Congress in Geneva, the editorial said: "This statesmanlike note on which the conference ended is worthy of the leaders of Zionism and they may be assured that the British people will not forget their attitude in this hour of destiny."

Referring to Palestine Jews' offer of assistance, the periodical asserted: "If it be said that nothing less was expected, it will be understood that this comment is intended as the highest compliment to the Jewish race."

The paper's Palestine correspondent said the Jerusalem authorities were considering formation of a local militia composed of Britons, Jews and Arabs, officered by British, for service within the Holy Land.

WASHINGTON HOLDS REFUGEE PARLEY WILL "VERY LIKELY" BE CANCELLED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1. (JTA)-- The State Department announced today that the White House conference on refugees, scheduled for next month with the participation of the directorate of the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, will "very likely" be cancelled in the event of a general war.

CHRISTIANS OF JEWISH ORIGIN ORDERED TO REGISTER IN BUDAPEST

BUDAPEST, Sept. 1. (JTA)-- Mayor Karl Zsenty of Budapest issued a decree today ordering all persons of Jewish origin who are not regarded as Jews under the terms of the second anti-Jewish law to register at City Hall to obtain "Aryan Certificates." Persons affected by the decree must produce documents proving that they are entitled to exemption, such as evidence of being born Christian prior to 1895 or that their parents or grandparents arrived in Hungary before 1848 and were born Christians.

A special office has been established for issuance of the "Aryan Certificates" to ex-servicemen possessing war distinctions, Olympic champions, privy councillors and other special categories exempted from operation of the anti-Jewish legislation.

Details of the anti-Jewish law have been published in an official communique. October 1 and October 15 are the key dates, at which times persons who fall into the category of Jews must prepare to give up their posts.

As from Oct. 1, every periodical under Jewish proprietorship must cease publication or change ownership unless the words, "Jewish publication," are printed in large letters on the cover. Members of all professions and trades must by Oct. 15 provide details as to their racial descent and earnings.

Hungarian Show Business At Virtual Standstill

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. (JTA) The theatrical weekly Variety reported from Budapest today that Hungary's film and theatrical enterprises were virtually at a standstill as a result of the anti-Jewish legislation.

Although the theatrical season is scheduled to start in less than a month, a Budapest dispatch to the paper said, there was uncertainty as to which of Budapest's privately-owned theatres would open in the fall. The lull in film production, the dispatch said, was also the result of shaken confidence produced by the anti-Semitic laws.

BRAND WAR AS SIN, RABBI URGES CLERGY AT WILLIAMSTOWN PARLEY

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Sept. 1. (JTA) Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester, speaking at a three-faith forum on peace at the Williamstown Institute of Human Relations, urged today that leaders of all religions "announce publicly that they regard war as a sin and would not give their blessings to those who participate in it."

The duty of the churches to world peace, Rabbi Bernstein said, is "to state publicly, clearly, courageously that they will have no more traffic with war." He warned that another general war would deal a deathblow to religion.

Dorothy Day, editor of The Catholic Worker, speaking yesterday to an audience composed largely of young people, objected to the word "tolerance" as denoting condescension and urged the wiping out of anti-Semitism by "love and conversion."

Some of the Catholics here oppose introduction of the issue of Charles E. Coughlin's activities, on the grounds (1) that the problem is confined largely to the New York area and is relatively unimportant in other sections, (2) that the problem in New York can best be treated by ignoring the Coughlinites. At an informal discussion held on the lawn by several Catholic clergymen to correct certain impressions held by non-Catholics, one person raised the question of Coughlin and the cleric presiding said he did not wish to discuss it.

ARNOLD BERNSTEIN ARRIVES HERE; TO RETURN TO SHIPPING BUSINESS

NEW YORK, Sept. 1. (JTA) Arnold Bernstein, Jewish former owner of the Red Star and Arnold Bernstein shipping lines, which were seized by the German Government, arrived in Hoboken today on the liner Nieuw Amsterdam to make his permanent residence here. He said he intended to go back into the shipping business. Bernstein served a 30-month term in a Hamburg civil prison on charges of "treason" and currency law violations.