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ROOSEVELT, IN TALK WITH WEIZMANN, SEES PALESTINE PROBLEM SOLVED AFTER WAR

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- President Roosevelt was quoted today by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, as expressing the belief that when the war is over a "specific solution" to the Palestine problem will be found.

Leaving the White House after a conference with the President, Dr. Weizmann paused to tell reporters that "the President apparently knows a great deal about Palestine and is deeply interested."

The Zionist leader was accompanied to the White House by Lord Lothian, the British Ambassador, who introduced him to President Roosevelt but said he himself did not participate in the conference in the Chief Executive's office.

Before catching a plane for Florida, Dr. Weizmann, discussing his visit to Washington, said he had come to the capital "to see a number of persons and to continue to present our cause to them."

The State Department revealed later that Dr. Weizmann also held a conference with Wallace Murray, chief of the Division of Near Eastern Affairs, and called upon Secretary of State Cordell Hull to pay his respects.

TIME RIPE FOR AMERICAN HITLER, PELLEY TELLS DIES BODY; WOULD TAKE VOTE FROM JEWS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- William Dudley Pelley, Silver Shirt chief, ex-stock swindler and metaphysician, calmly informed the Dies committee and a hushed roomful of spectators today that he advocated "disenfranchising ten million American Jews" and prohibiting them from owning property or conducting business. (U.S. Jewish population in 1937 was 4,831,180).

This was his platform when he ran for the presidency in 1936, he said, and he still sticks to it 100 percent. "The time has now come," he informed the committee, "if an American Hitler to arise."

Pelley, who was told by Acting Chairman Joe Starnes that he would be recalled to the witness stand tomorrow, was warned not to leave the District of Columbia, but no guard was placed over him so far as could be learned. Starnes intimated today that Pelley would be released from subpoena and the protection of the Dies committee in time

for D.C. police to arrest him on the request of North Carolina authorities. The statute of limitations for the crime for which his arrest was requested expires late this month.

Pelley again attempted to "butter up" the committee at today's hearings. He said he felt exactly as did the Dies committee about un-American activities and complimented the committee on "cleaning up" these activities in the past two years.

"Do you mean that if the committee continues its investigation the Silver Legion will fold up?" asked Rep. J. Parnell Thomas.

"Yes, sir," Pelley replied promptly, "with my blessings." Earlier he claimed 25,000 members for the Silver Shirts and admitted they are organized along military lines.

Pelley said he feels towards Jews in the United States "exactly as the Nazi party feels towards them in Germany." He admitted that he knew Fritz Kuhn, jailed German-American Bund leader; and furnished him with literature on a commercial basis. He also admitted that he used official Nazi propaganda distributed by World Service, of Erfurt, Germany, in his publications without bothering to indicate the source of the propaganda.

POLICEMEN QUIZZED BY VALENTINE ON MEMBERSHIP IN 'CHRISTIAN FRONT'

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine announced today that all policemen and Police Department civil employees will be required to fill out a questionnaire asking if they are or were members of the Christian Front or of any "Communist, Bund or Fascist" or other "subversive organization."

Patrolman Joseph Burkard, president of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, said the association's executive board would discuss the questionnaire among other subjects at a meeting tonight.

Commissioner Valentine would not say what he planned to do with the information, but said: "These questions are part of our records and they must be answered truthfully." He added that "a member of the Police Department is a peace officer and must be neutral; if they are members, it may be that they cease to be neutral."

"We know that a number of our men joined the Christian Front," the Commissioner said, "and when they did join gave a dollar, but they thought they were going to combat Communism. When they found out this was not the truth, they immediately withdrew."

Valentine said Inspector Michael Murphy had been conducting an investigation for some time regarding the Christian Front. "We know who are the members of the Christian Front," he declared.

The 17 "Frontists" indicted for seditious conspiracy and theft of Government arms were today awaiting trial, set for March 6 by Judge Matthew T. Abruzzo at their arraignment in Brooklyn Federal Court yesterday. Their bail was reduced to sums ranging between \$5,000 and \$20,000. John T. Prout Jr. was the only one able to furnish bail immediately, and he was released.

NAZIS PRESS DRIVE TO ANNIHILATE JEWS, POLES IN POLAND

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- British newspapers today reported from various sources that the Nazi authorities were pressing their campaign for the annihilation of Jews and Poles in German-occupied Poland.

The Daily Telegraph said reports reaching Amsterdam indicated that the drive against Jews was in full swing, with thousands of Jewish men, women and children being expelled from their homes daily. "While a few months ago they could live in primitive huts and tents in the open fields," the Amsterdam dispatch to the paper said, "the present cold weather has led to hundreds freezing to death and thousands more dying of hunger."

The Manchester Guardian reported a new series of atrocities by German police and army men, adding that "there is not the slightest sign that the terror is coming to an end." "All indications are," it said, "that the Germans mean to stamp out all Polish civil, cultural and religious life."

Cracow Brigade Formed to Fire Synagogues

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The Nazi newspaper Volksdeutsche, published in Cracow, German-occupied Poland, reports formation of a "fire brigade" to set fire to synagogues, sacred Jewish books and Scrolls of the Law. The paper adds that hundreds of German boys and girls have volunteered for the work.

Reich Jews to Ask Shoes, Clothing

PARIS, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Berlin correspondents of Scandinavian newspapers report that the Reichsvereinigung of Jews in Germany may soon appeal to Jews in America and other neutral countries to send clothing and shoes to Jews in the Reich and Nazi-occupied territories.

The action is planned, the reports said, because of an order issued by Economics Minister Walther Funk, but not published in the German press, which prohibits Jews in all German territories from acquiring clothing, shoes and shoe leather. The order also restricts Jews to purchase of 20 pfennig worth of cotton thread every three months.

The Jews' central organization is starting a collection of old clothing and shoes among Jews themselves, but intends to send an appeal abroad, the reports said.

3 U.S. JEWISH FAITH GROUPE BACK BROTHERHOOD WEEK

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Three of America's leading Jewish religious organizations have issued calls to their constituencies urging the "fullest" observance of Brotherhood Week, February 18-25, it was announced today by Dr. Everett R. Clinch, director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, under whose auspices the observance will be held. The three organizations are the Rabbinical Assembly of America, The Synagogue Council of America and the United Synagogue of America.

Pastors' Body Hits Anti-Semitism

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 8. (JTA) -- At the State Pastors' Conference held here, a resolution was unanimously adopted expressing sympathy for persecuted Jewry throughout the world and condemning anti-Semitic movements in this country.

REFUGEE ENTRY PRECIPITATES CABINET CRISIS IN CHILE

NEW YORK, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The Associated Press said today in a Santiago dispatch that the six Radical members of Chile's Popular Front Cabinet had presented their resignations to President Pedro Aguirra Cerda, himself a member of the Radical Party, reportedly as a result of a disagreement over the report of a presidential investigation committee which charged "existence of fraud" in the entry of Jewish refugees.

Parliament Gets Bill Curbing Refugees

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 31. (JTA-Airmail)--The Government has introduced a number of bills into Parliament placing restrictions on entry of Jewish refugees and on the activities of resident refugees. One of the bills, it was learned, would curb the right of refugees to engage in retail business.

Pending passage of the legislation, the Government has taken measures to halt Jewish immigration. Jewish immigrants are forbidden to remain in Santiago, but must proceed to the interior. The latest group of Jewish refugees to arrive in Chile were first barred from landing, but were later admitted after intervention by a friendly nation.

The Government's action followed the report of an official commission investigating alleged abuses in immigration which charged "undeniable existence of fraud in many cases." Several persons accused of utilizing the desperate situation of European Jews for their own gain by taking advantage of Chile's liberal immigration laws have been arrested and face Government prosecution.

Several Chilean newspapers criticized the commission's report as being "tendentious." Rightist newspapers used the report as a springboard for anti-Jewish agitation. Jewish newspapers said the report was anti-Semitic and violated the fundamental precepts of Chile's Constitution.

FREEDOM FOR ALL URGED BY BRITISH LABOR PARTY

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- A demand for social justice and elementary freedoms for all citizens of countries throughout the world was contained in a declaration of policy issued tonight by the executive committee of the British Labor Party. The declaration does not refer specifically to Jews, but a spokesman for the executive said this clause included Jewish citizens.

"Lasting peace depends on social justice within states no less than on political justice between states," the declaration said. "The necessary vigor and power of growth will be lacking if the individual citizen is treated as a slave of the State or denied such freedom of opinion, speech and faith as is compatible with the freedom of others. These elementary freedoms should constitute a new world-wide declaration of the rights of man."

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COMMONS VOTES £100,000 FOR POLISH REFUGEES; GRANT HIT AS 'INADEQUATE'

LONDON, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- The House of Commons last night approved a grant of £100,000 to aid Polish refugees in neutral countries, after Col. Josiah Wedgwood, Laborite, had criticized the grant as "quite inadequate, since we are responsible to some extent for the fate that has befallen the Polish inhabitants."

Foreign Undersecretary Richard A. Butler replied to Col. Wedgwood: "I do not think that there is any question of the measure of help we would desire to give to those Poles who have suffered in the terrible tragedies of the last few months. The whole resources of the British Empire now are involved in this war in order to redress some of the wrongs committed and to vindicate the cause for which we are fighting with our Polish allies. Thanks to what we can safely say has been efficient administration, these requirements have in the initial stage been substantially satisfied, and considering the urgency of the need and the fact that the temperature in Winter has been very low, the position is comparatively satisfactory to the extent that the first urgent needs are being dealt with."

Butler gave assurance that money was available for relief of suffering humanity irrespective of creed. Col. Wedgwood, after describing the Jews' plight in "Nazi-influenced" countries, particularly Rumania and Carpatho-Russia, reproached the Foreign Office for inducing Rumania not to grant visas to Jews, resulting in refugees' being stranded in frozen Danube ports.

"We are responsible for the destruction of these 4,000 refugees," the Laborite declared. He strongly attacked the attitude of many British embassies and consulates regarding persecution of Jews.

"It doesn't need the Foreign Office and the voice of this House to tell our men and women abroad that they are disloyal to this country if they adopt to the Jews and to democracy only an attitude which makes them agreeable to the people among whom they live," Col. Wedgwood said. "Such an attitude is diametrically opposed to the wishes of the people and the traditions of this country."

"We are fighting a great war for the humane rules of God and humanity. We will not be, directly or indirectly, partners in vices by which the German Government measure out their hatred for the Jewish people."

FRANCE PLANS RADIO TALKS EXPOSING RACIALISM

PARIS, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- Regular broadcasts over the Government radio system intended "to demonstrate clearly the French negative attitude towards racialism" will be started soon, it was announced today. The series will include special programs on the Jewish problem and persecution in Germany. Leaders of the Israelite Consistory will participate in the broadcasts.

HEBREW U. STUDENTS VISIT BETHLEHEM CHURCH

JERUSALEM, Feb. 8. (JTA) -- A group of 120 Hebrew University students today attended services at the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, making the first time in the past four years that Jews have visited the city. The local press welcomed the visit as a further symptom of improving relations between the Jews and the rest of the population.