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POLISH RELIEF GROUP WINS NEW PACT WITH NAZIS; ALLIES TO LIFT BLOCKADE

NEW YORK, March 12. (JTA) -- The Commission for Polish Relief, Inc., has completed arrangements with the German authorities and the Allies which will make possible the immediate shipment of supplies valued at more than \$100,000 for distribution in Nazi-occupied Poland under the supervision of four Americans, it was disclosed tonight.

First intimation of the development was given by Herbert Hoover, a member of the commission's executive committee, in a mass meeting for Polish relief at the Madison Square Garden under the auspices of the Polish National Council of New York.

"The first great step of these negotiations with the Allied Governments on one hand and the German Government on the other has been under way for some months," the ex-President said. "That is, agreement providing for immunity of ships from attack and American supervision of distribution. I am happy to say that within the last 24 hours these steps have been advanced at least far enough to enable preliminary shipments to be made."

Hoover stressed that the American supervision was necessary "to assure the Allied Governments and all donors of funds that these foodstuffs shall be used solely for the civil populations and that there will be just distribution among the population of every race and faith in Poland."

At the office of the Commission for Polish Relief it was learned that the arrangement to which Hoover referred had been made with the German Embassy in Washington yesterday. While the terms of the temporary arrangement were not revealed, the commission said it was satisfied that it could conduct preliminary relief operations with complete American supervision.

The first shipment, valued at more than \$100,000, is being assembled in Scandinavian countries now for immediate delivery, it was said.

The commission's efforts to open relief operations in Nazi Poland had been blocked by the German authorities' refusal to allow adequate American supervision, which in turn led the Allied blockade to refuse to pass through supplies lest they be diverted to the use of the Nazis. The American Friends (Quakers) Service Committee, through whose field men the commission operates, had staunchly refused to distribute relief without American supervision to guarantee impartial and non-sectarian distribution.

At tonight's meeting a message was read from President Roosevelt. Among those on the speakers' list were Polish Ambassador Jerzy Potocki, Congressman John D. Dingell, M. Maldwin Fertig and Mayor LaGuardia.

Hoover, in his address, said: "We are faced today with the necessity of immediate food supplies to millions of people in Poland...Whatever can be done by public charity must be done. But before the next year is over, relief on a huge scale must be found. Hundreds of thousands of tons of foodstuffs must be imported. It may cost as much as \$50,000,000. Charity can be of great aid for immediate action. But the backbone of financial strength for the long pull can be secured only by the cooperation of governments." He urged Government support in finance and supplies. "We are in hopes that the American Government will join in this great task," he said.

2 MORE RED CROSS SHIPMENTS, VALUED AT \$100,000, RUSHED TO POLAND

WASHINGTON, March 12. (JTA) -- Two new shipments of American Red Cross relief supplies valued at more than \$100,000 are being rushed to Poland to meet urgent needs of the suffering population, Chairman Norman H. Davis announced today.

One shipment containing 88 bales and 198 cases of blankets, clothing, hospital garments, bed clothes and surgical dressings left New York last week, Davis said.

Another shipment containing 252 cases, 203 drums, 37 bags, four barrels and four bags of medical and hospital supplies will go forward on a boat next week, the chairman said.

Purchase of 25,000 suits of underwear for Polish women and children has been ordered and shipment may be made at the same time, Davis said.

These shipments will make a total of ten that the American Red Cross has consigned to Poland. Eight shipments already have arrived in Poland and are now being distributed by Wayne Chatfield Taylor and James T. Nicholson. Two other American Red Cross workers are en route to Europe to aid in supervision of relief distribution in Poland.

CAPITAL COURT ORDERS PELLEY RETURNED TO NO. CAROLINA

WASHINGTON, March 12. (JTA) -- Chief Justice Wheat of District Court today ordered William D. Pelley returned to North Carolina in an extradition hearing to show cause why a suspended jail term should not be imposed against the anti-Semitic Silver Shirt leader.

Execution of the decision was delayed when T. Edward O'Connell, Pelley's attorney, said he would seek a writ of habeas corpus. Pelley was remanded to the custody of the United States marshal pending the habeas corpus hearing and the setting of bond.

It will be many weeks before Pelley is returned to North Carolina, if at all. The habeas corpus hearing was set for March 20. Should the writ be refused, O'Connell will appeal to the District Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia. If that appeal fails he will take the case to the Supreme Court, he said.

WEIZMANN TO WARN LONDON OF OPEN FIGHT ON LAND ACT

PARIS, March 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, struck a fighting note in conferences with French Zionist leaders about the land-sale restrictions in Palestine, following his arrival by Clipper from the United States, it was learned today.

Dr. Weizmann, who has always been a champion of moderation in the Zionist movement, was reported to have said during the conferences yesterday that nothing remained for Jewry but to engage in an open and bitter fight for its rights in Palestine.

This is the warning which the Zionist leader will personally deliver to the British Government when he proceeds to London. The "war within a war" which Dr. Weizmann intends to proclaim will have no effect on world Jewish support for the Allies in the war against Germany, which will be steadfastly maintained.

However, plans will be mapped out by the Jewish Agency Executive in London which will enable Dr. Weizmann on his arrival there to advise British statesmen that the Jews of the world, especially the Jews of Palestine, will not swallow the land ordinance without organized opposition since they regard it as undermining the basis of the Jewish homeland and as violating the League of Nations mandate.

Le Populaire, Socialist organ of ex-Premier Leon Blum, severely criticizes the MacDonald policy, declaring that the Colonial Secretary's sudden move will not help to improve Arab-Jewish relations.

"The ordinance is the result of an optical illusion," the paper states, "and its consequences can be the opposite of what the British Government expected. The problem of the hour is to secure Arab-Jewish cooperation in order to defeat the totalitarian powers. However, this can only be done if the blind alley into which MacDonald's policy has pushed the Palestine question is abandoned."

During his stay in Paris, Dr. Weizmann is expected to see high French officials in view of the fact that France, holding the mandate over Syria, is not indifferent to what is going on in Palestine.

GESTAPO SANCTIONS MURDER OF JEWS BY ANY POLE, LONDON HEARS

LONDON, March 12. (JTA) -- Official Polish circles reported today that the Nazi authorities in Poland were officially encouraging the Polish population to rob and kill Jews.

According to the report, two German soldiers entered a jewelry shop in the Jewish quarter of Warsaw and seized most of the valuable objects. A Pole witnessing the robbery reported it to Gestapo headquarters. The Gestapo inspector dismissed him, saying:

"You must understand that what you have seen was regular confiscation. You must get accustomed to the way we do things. Everything the Jews have may be taken from them because everything they have derives from legalized robbery. We attach great importance to the fact that the Polish population should know that any Pole may go to any Jewish shop, throw out the Jew and keep his property, and our laws will protect the Pole. Anyone who fancies it may be necessary to kill the Jew need not fear that our laws will harm him."

New Travel Curbs Imposed on Jews

AMSTERDAM, March 12. (JTA) -- Restrictions on Jews in using street cars have been introduced in Cracow, Nazi-occupied Poland, and Budweis, in the Protectorate.

The Nazi newspaper Krakauer Zeitung publishes an announcement by the chief of the Cracow municipal administration that special Jewish compartments will be introduced in trams for "sanitary reasons." Jews are allowed to use only the rear half of attached cars. On lines where single cars are used, the conductors must divide the interior by a movable barrier into Jewish and non-Jewish compartments.

In Budweis, southern Bohemia, first town in the Protectorate to introduce such restrictions, Jews may stand only on platforms of tramcars, according to the Schlesiische Zeitung.

The Nazi press quotes Dr. Moses Kirschbaum, general secretary of the Hlinka Party, as demanding complete elimination of the Jews from the economic life of Slovakia.

POLES LIST 400 CITIES BOMBED BY NAZIS IN WAR

PARIS, March 12. (JTA) -- The Polish Government-in-exile today made public a list of more than 400 cities and townships which suffered from Nazi bombardment during the Polish war. The list includes cities now under Soviet occupation. More than half of the list comprised cities with large Jewish populations.

LAST OF JEWISH SANATORIA IN SUDETENLAND 'ARYANIZED'

AMSTERDAM, March 12. (JTA) -- The last of the Jewish-owned villas and sanatoria in Franzensbad, world famous health resort in the Sudetenland, have passed into "Aryan hands, it was learned today from the Prague Nazi organ Neue Zeit. The properties include the Trautheim, Platzner and Regina villas which had been owned by such prominent physicians as Wasserman, Linder and Kiesler.

BRITISH PRELATE ASSAILS NAZI CREDO OF 'RACE AND BLOOD'

LONDON, March 12. (JTA) -- The Nazi credo was assailed by Arthur Cardinal Hinsley, Archbishop of Westminster, in a sermon at Westminster Cathedral today on the 1,400th anniversary of the birth of Pope Gregory I the Great.

"The civilization of today, as that of the sixth century, has to cope with unbelief and immorality," the Archbishop said.

The world today witnesses the deification of the State, which means that the individual and his conscience, and as a result God, must be suppressed, he added.

In Nazi Germany the State, or rather the party which pretends to be the State, recognizes only "race and blood," the Archbishop went on.

"May God prevent England from ever succumbing to such a mad theory," the Cardinal said.

N.Y. Archbishop Lauds Interfaith Cooperation

NEW YORK, March 12. (JTA) -- Archbishop Francis J. Spellman, in the course of a speech in St. Patrick's Cathedral today as he was invested with the Sacred Pallium, condemned "lawlessness and violence in speech and action" and lauded interfaith cooperation for peace.

"I am opposed to traitors to the United States," the Archbishop said, "even though they wave American flags and call themselves patriots. I am opposed to lawlessness and violence in speech and in action."

Recalling President Roosevelt's words about "trust in a divine plan," Archbishop Spellman said: "Catholics, Protestants and Jews can concur in that expression and be heartened at the collaboration of a union of endeavor, if not in belief, of all those who are on the side of right and justice."

ROSEN BACK FROM DOMINICAN REPUBLIC; REFUGEE PROJECT STARTS IN APRIL

NEW YORK, March 12. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph A. Rosen was back in New York today after a three-month stay in the Dominican Republic where he directed preparations for the settlement of refugees from central Europe. He said the project will get under way in the middle of next month. Dr. Rosen, vice-president of the Dominican Republic Settlement Association, returned yesterday on the S.S. Borinquen.

JABOTINSKY'S SON HELD IN PALESTINE UNDER DEFENSE LAWS, COMMONS TOLD

LONDON, March 12. (JTA) -- Eri Jabotinsky, son of President Vladimir Jabotinsky of the New Zionist Organization, is being detained in Acre, Palestine, under the emergency defense regulations and is not awaiting trial, the House of Commons was told today in reply to a query by Col. Josiah Wedgwood, Labor M.P.

Jabotinsky, who was arrested last month when he arrived with a large group of illegal immigrants, is allowed to see one visitor a week and is permitted to send a reasonable number of letters, a spokesman for Colonial Secretary Malcolm MacDonald said. No obstacles are placed in the way of communicating with his mother in England.

The spokesman, R.V. Crimston, promised to inquire with regard to Wedgwood's supplementary question on whether a proposal to try Jabotinsky for getting the refugees into Palestine has been abandoned. Jabotinsky is a Palestinian citizen. His father is scheduled to arrive in New York tomorrow.

LEAGUE COUNCIL, STATES GET COPIES OF PALESTINE LAND ACT

LONDON, March 12. (JTA) -- Copies of the Palestine land ordinance have been sent to the Council of the League of Nations and member states of the League by Secretary-General Joseph Avenol, it was announced today. They were accompanied by the British Government's explanatory memorandum.

2 REFUGEE SCHOLARS NAMED TO YESHIVA COLLEGE FACULTY

NEW YORK, March 12. (JTA) -- President Bernard Revel of Yeshiva College announced today appointment of two refugee scholars--Prof. Bernhard Floch, who founded the first Austrian school-museum, as Latin instructor, and Asst. Prof. Seligmann B. Bamberger, as chemistry instructor.