

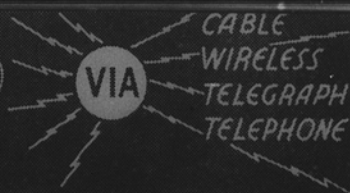
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### 2 WOUNDED, SYNAGOGUE WRECKED BY ANTI-SEMITES IN WILNO SUBURB

WILNO, Lithuania, March 25. (JTA) -- Two Jewish religious students were wounded and a synagogue was wrecked today in Snipinski, a Wilno suburb, in an anti-Semitic raid by persons described as members of the former Polish Endek (National Democratic) party. Two of the attackers were arrested.

### ROMANIAN ARMY COURT FREES 3 JEWS HELD ON DISLOYALTY CHARGES

BUCHAREST, March 25. (JTA) -- Three well-known Rumanian Jews were today acquitted by a military court of charges that they had committed disloyal acts against the Rumanian State. They are Sigmund Birman, former president of the Bucharest Jewish Community, Leopold Stern, author, and Achille Saraga, an agent of the Currency Exchange Office.

### POLES TO ASK SIKORSKI PLEDGE ON REVOCATION OF NAZI PROPERTY SEIZURE

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- Premier Wladislaw Sikorski of the Polish Government-in-exile will be asked, it was learned today, to make a declaration that a reconstituted Polish Government will not recognize Nazi disposal of confiscated Jewish property or the compulsory transfer of property from Jews to "Aryans."

The request will be made in the course of an interview with Gen. Sikorski, planned by a group of Polish citizens now in England, during the premier's impending visit to London.

### BRITISH MIZRACHI PARLEY HITS LAND ACT, ASKS ENTRY FOR REFUGEES

LONDON, March 25. (JTA) -- Resolutions condemning the Palestine land ordinance and calling upon the British Government to provide adequate immigration facilities for Jews rendered refugees both before and after the war were unanimously adopted today at a conference of the British Mizrachi Organization, religious Zionist group.

The resolution on the land act expressed regret that "such action had been taken in unilateral derogation of the internationally assured rights of the Jewish people which, in Palestine as in the world over, had ranged itself on the side of the Allies in a struggle which they declare is waged in defence of the rights of small peoples."

Prof. Selig Brodetsky, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency Executive in London, and president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, in a message denounced the "cruel injustice" of the land act and expressed the conviction that the magnanimity of the British people would undo the "present act of injustice."

#### PALESTINE HIGH COMMISSIONER VISITS SYRIA

BEIRUT, March 25. (JTA) -- Sir Harold Alfred MacMichael, British High Commissioner in Palestine, and Lady MacMichael arrived here today to repay the visit made to Jerusalem last November by Gabriel Puaux, French High Commissioner for Syria.

#### J.D.C. FEEDING OVER 500,000 DAILY IN POLAND WITH AID OF U.J.A. FUNDS

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- Food is being provided daily for more than 500,000 Jews in Warsaw and provinces in German-controlled Poland through resources of the Joint Distribution Committee, one of the three constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal, the U.J.A. announced today.

More than 100,000 are receiving meals from 103 kitchens established in Warsaw, while 400,000 others are being fed in the provinces. According to Morris C. Troper, European director of the J.D.C., the spirit of Polish Jewry has not been broken by the extreme suffering it has endured since the outbreak of the war.

The greatest emphasis is placed on the need for immediate emigration assistance for Jews in Greater Germany in order to save them from possible expulsion to Lublin or other parts of Poland where Jews have been placed in concentration camps and reduced to helplessness by the lack of food, shelter and clothing.

A total of 8,000 Jews have been helped to leave Germany since the beginning of the European conflict with funds raised by the United Jewish Appeal. Of this number, 3,000 were settled in Palestine through the assistance of the United Palestine Appeal and 5,000 went to North and South American countries, through the aid of the National Refugee Service, which provided for those who entered the United States, and the J.D.

#### NAZI PEACE PROPOSALS HELD "ABSOLUTELY AUTHENTIC"

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- The report of Chancellor Adolf Hitler's 11-point peace plan, which included organization of forced Jewish emigration from Germany under British, Italian and French auspices, was "absolutely authentic," a Rome dispatch to the New York Times said yesterday.

The report, which had received unofficial denials in Germany, had said that the plan was submitted to Pope Pius by Reich Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop.

Commenting on a purported Vatican denial of the report, the Times correspondent said: "Your correspondent received from an authorized source an explanation of the so-called Vatican denial of his story of the 11-point German peace plan. The denial, it was stated, merely indicated that the Vatican was not supporting that or any other plan of mediation and was not intended to deny the existence of the 11-point proposal, which is absolutely authentic."

Under the 11-point proposal, report of which was carried by the London News-Chronicle as well as the New York Times, Britain would be entrusted with Jewish emigration into Palestine, Italy with colonization of German Jews in East Africa and France with settlement in Madagascar. The plan evoked expressions of scorn in official Allied quarters.

GLASGOW JEWS TO SET UP HOSTEL FOR EVACUATED CHILDREN

GLASGOW, March 25. (JTA) -- The local Jewish community has decided to settle the problem of educating and feeding evacuated Jewish children by establishing a hostel at Skelmorie in the evacuation area, it was announced here today.

The hostel, which will be opened in a fortnight, will have its own staff of teachers. Its first guests will be evacuated refugee children and children from Jewish orphanages, as well as the children of Glasgow Jewish families.

ZIONIST ORGAN LAUDS JABOTINSKY SPEECH, ASKS WHY SPLIT ISN'T ENDED

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- The New Palestine, organ of the Zionist Organization of America, declares in a two-column editorial that Vladimir Jabotinsky's recent New York address "was suggestive of the Jabotinsky of the early years whom we all admired and loved," and asks: "What is it that keeps Mr. Jabotinsky and his party out of the Zionist Organization and what makes their return to the Zionist Organization impossible?"

The editorial is devoted to praising Jabotinsky's speech, saying it was an address which "could have been delivered without causing the slightest ripple of dissent in a meeting under official Zionist auspices." It concludes with the statement that "Mr. Jabotinsky owes a second speech to the audience" to explain his pre-views on internal Zionist issues.

4 BRITISH JEWESSES RELATE EXPERIENCES IN NAZI POLAND

LONDON (JTA) -- The experiences of four Jewish women of British nationality who were trapped by the Nazi invasion of Poland are described in a report published in the Evening Star.

Three of the women were taken to Poland by their parents as babies. The fourth was married to a Polish Jew.

Early one morning, after the Germans had entered Cracow, the doors of their houses were rudely opened by German soldiers carrying rifles and bayonets who shouted "Jews! Jews! Are there any Jews here?"

Then the women were seized and taken to prison, where they were cramped in special cells, separated from their menfolk. "At night sleep was impossible," they said. "Hunger and cold alone would have kept us awake, but outside, in the prison yard, all night long a firing squad was busy."

The women were later removed to another prison, being driven through the streets in an open lorry in the middle of winter. After a week the women were terrified by the guards' announcement that "you are going into Germany."

Again at dawn they were driven, without coats, in an open lorry to a station and reached Nuremberg after a 17-hour railway journey during which they were given no food. But in the concentration camp there was no accommodation for them. For 24 hours they were driven about in a police car. Then they were put in prison again.

A few days later they were taken back to Cracow, then removed to a Berlin prison where they were herded together with the lowest criminals. Three weeks later they said, "soldiers armed with rifles and bayonets entered. We clung together. They took us each by the arm, shook us apart and led us out. We thought we were going to be shot. Then through the prison yard to a closed van and driven away to the station. They pushed us out into the train, drew the blinds and locked us in. It wasn't until the last second before they locked the door that someone said: 'You are going to England.' We couldn't believe it!"

#### SALINGER HEADS NEW YORK ORT DRIVE FOR \$500,000

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- Edgar Salinger, chairman of the Plan and Scope Committee of the American ORT Federation and a director of the National Refugee Service, has been named chairman of the \$500,000 ORT New York drive in the national campaign for \$1,250,000, according to an announcement by George Backer, ORT president.

Resignation of Harold Altschul as executive vice-chairman of the ORT was announced by Louis B. Boudin, chairman of the board.

#### MOSLEM PARLEY IN INDIA HITS BRITISH 'DELAY' IN SATISFYING ARABS

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- The Moslem League, in conference at Lahore, India yesterday adopted a resolution expressing concern over the British Government's "inordinate delay" in reaching a settlement with the Palestine Arabs and demanding that "no arrangements of a piecemeal character should be made in Palestine which are contrary to the pledges given the Arab world," according to a New York Times dispatch.

#### EXHIBIT HERE TO HONOR MEMORY OF MAX LIEBERMANN, NOTED PAINTER

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- The works of Max Liebermann, famous German-Jewish painter, will be given an exhibition commemorating the fifth anniversary of his death. It was announced today by the Schoenemann Galleries. The exhibition, scheduled for March 26 to April 30, will comprise paintings loaned for the occasion from private collections in New York. Liebermann, who died at the age of 88, was at one time president of the Academy of Arts in Berlin.

#### MRS. STRAUS TO LEAD WOMEN IN LOCAL U.J.A. CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, March 25. (JTA) -- Mrs. Roger W. Straus will serve as executive chairman of the women's division of the 1940 Greater New York campaign of the United Jewish Appeal, it was announced today.