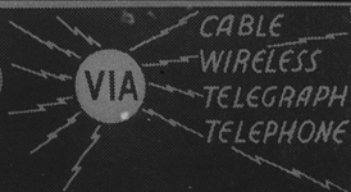


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ITALY CLAIMS NEW RAIDS ON JAFFA, HAIFA

ROME, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- An Italian communique announced today that the air force had made "heavy air raids" on the Palestinian port of Jaffa in which "harbor installations and storehouses were hit and large conflagrations caused."

Yesterday's communique claimed that "direct hits were scored on a refinery, damaging plants and causing large fires" at Haifa, Palestine's most important port and oil shipping center.

JEWISH SHOP-WINDOWS BROKEN IN VICHY

VICHY, France, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- Windows of some Jewish shops were broken yesterday. Hitherto the only open manifestation of anti-Semitism here had been the writing of anti-Jewish inscriptions on walls.

An important furniture shop was compelled to post this placard: "We are a share company with 80 per cent non-Jewish stockholders. Our manager is Jewish, but a French Jew, decorated with the War Medal and the War Cross."

AID TO LONDON EAST END PLANNED AFTER RAIDS

LONDON, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- Home Secretary Sir John Anderson and Health Minister Malcolm MacDonald yesterday received an East London parliamentary deputation and discussed problems arising from the air raids.

Meanwhile, an unidentified man entered the headquarters of the Air Defense Fund headquarters in an English town and handed over a £1 note with an attached message: "From a German refugee."

JACKSON WARNS AGAINST ANTI-ALIEN DISCRIMINATION

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- Attorney General Robert Jackson today warned against creating "a refugee problem in the United States" by discrimination against aliens in employment.

In a letter to Gen. Robert E. Wood, chairman of Sears, Roebuck and Company, Jackson said: "It would create a grave national problem if the employers of this country

in a great number were to decide to discriminate against the aliens who happen to be working for them because the borders of so many countries are now closed.

"It is impossible for most of the aliens who are now here to leave the United States, even if they wished to do so. Aliens are ineligible for many, if not most, forms of public relief. To deprive them of their employment, therefore, is often to deprive them and their dependents of their sole means of livelihood and to leave them helpless."

Jackson's statement agreed with Wood, who said he had been informed "a number of employers apparently consider it their patriotic or legal duty to discharge all alien employees simply because they are aliens." Wood said he believed this "a most short-sighted policy and asked for the Attorney-General's views.

WORLD MAY BE REBORN FROM PRESENT AGONY, SEMINARY PARLEY TOLD

NEW YORK, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- "Perhaps the Hitlers in the world today are preparing the agony through which our culture shall be reborn," declared Prof. Mortimer J. Adler, of the University of Chicago, in an address today before an audience of 600 meeting in the Conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

"If I dared to raise my voice as did the prophets in ancient Israel," Prof. Adler asserted, "I would ask whether the tyrants of today are not like the Babylonian and Assyrian kings--instruments of Divine justice, chastening a people who had departed from the way of truth. A civilization may sometimes reach a rottenness which only fire can expunge and cleanse. Seeing the hopelessness of working peaceful reforms among a people who had shut their eyes and hardened their hearts, the prophets almost prayed for deliverance through the darkness of destruction to the light of a better day. If it is part of the Divine plan to bless man's temporal civilization with the goodness of democracy, that civilization must be rectified."

Prof. Pitirim A. Sorokin, of Harvard University, said that "the crisis we face today represents one of the greatest transitions in human history, from one of its main forms of culture to another."

"The new culture," he said, "will not mean a physical disappearance of the Western population; it does not mean the destruction of all the material wealth of western civilization; it does not mean the disintegration of our total culture. It means an increasing poverty in our natural and social sciences, our philosophy, our law and ethics."

That we have taken democracy too much for granted was the contention of Professor Harry J. Carman of Columbia University. "Clearly the time has come for something more than phrases," he said. "We must put our house in order by ridding it of political corruption, intolerance, unemployment and poverty. We should hold tight to legal prescriptions and procedures; trust only to leaders committed by instinct and belief to the defense of civil liberties, and deal summarily with those who band together to destroy them. We should zealously guard all those who further the cause of human justice and liberty and do all in our power to work cooperatively with others to this end."

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DIES COMMITTEE CLEARS BYOIR OF 'PRO-NAZI' CHARGE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- Carl Byoir, New York publicist, was exonerated of charges of un-American activities by the Dies Committee in a report issued today. Charges that Byoir, a lieutenant-colonel in the Army Reserve Corps, had been engaged in un-American activities had been brought by Rep. Wright Patman of Texas.

"The full committee adopts the report of its subcommittee fully exonerating Mr. Byoir of any charges reflecting on his Americanism or loyalty to the Government of the United States," the report said.

ITALIAN JEWS BARRED FROM MOUNTAIN, SEASIDE RESORTS

ROME, Aug. 30. (JTA-By Airmail) -- Restrictive measures taken by the Italian War Ministry forbidding foreigners in Italy from sojourning at mountain and seaside resorts in war or fortified zones have been extended to include native Jews.

The order, coming at the close of the summer season, directly affected about 2,500 Jews. Although a number of exceptions were made, the great majority were accorded 24 hours within which to return to the "seat of their normal residence." They included many persons residing in summer homes.

Although seemingly a military precaution in wartime, this latest anti-Jewish action is generally interpreted as a reply to a recent wave of propaganda in the newspaper *Il Tevere* and the Regime Fascista, describing as "the great Italian tragedy" the alleged fact that Jews were permitted to enjoy themselves in public idleness while the rest of the country was fighting in a war to the death.

Actually, the enforced idleness of Italian Jews has been due to the fact that they are barred from military service and have been eliminated from most employment. This has caused many of them to take up residence in summer resorts as an economic and sensible way to pass the time.

ITALIAN COURT ORDERS INDEMNITY FOR DISCHARGED JEWESS

ROME, Aug. 30. (JTA-Airmail) -- Reversing a decision handed down by the Rome Court of Appeals, the Italian Court of Cassation has ruled in favor of Sara Gasviner, an Egyptian Jewess, seeking employment indemnity from an Italian concern which had discharged her.

The trial centered on a complaint by the Jewess against the Italian photographic concern of A. Viganò, in whose employ she had been for 12 years. In conformity with the Italian royal decree of Nov. 17, 1938, ordering all foreign Jews to leave the Kingdom of Italy by March 12, 1939, the concern discharged the woman several days before the deadline.

Upon being discharged, Gasviner requested the indemnity legally due all discharged employees, based on the number of years of service. The company, however, refused the request on the grounds that she had been discharged against the will of the employer, who acted as a result of the decree, and therefore should not pay the indemnity.

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ARMY TO DEPORT 150 REFUGEE CANAL WORKERS FROM PANAMA

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- A hundred and fifty Jewish refugees at Panama, who several months ago were engaged by army officials for technical work on the canal, will be deported as a precautionary measure, it was learned here today.

The 150 will be placed on an army transport which will sail for Ellis Island on Sept. 17, reaching New York on Sept. 21. A Justice Department agent visited the Canal Zone, where the refugees have been confined on a prison island, and discovered that 90 of them had relatives who were United States citizens. These 90, after arriving at Ellis Island, will be sent to live with their relatives.

The remaining 60 will be offered a home in the Sosua colony by the Dominican Republic Settlement Association.

In some official quarters criticism was being voiced of the army's drastic action against the refugees. Early in August the plight of Jewish refugees in Panama was brought to public attention when Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson announced that "80 foreign agents" had been arrested. These 80 were Jewish refugees working on the canal and are included in the 150 being sent to Ellis Island. It was later stated that they had erroneously been called "foreign agents."

56 EXPECTED HERE TODAY FOR DOMINICAN SETTLEMENT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 10. (ONA) -- Thirty-six German Jewish refugees selected for settlement in the Dominican Republic will arrive in New York on a British steamship on Thursday, it was announced here today. They are the first large group selected for the Sosua project to reach this hemisphere since Italy entered the war. Half of them are young people listed as "trainees" and the others are "settlers."

ORTHODOX RABBIS PLAN TO WAIVE EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY SERVICE

NEW YORK, Sept. 10. (JTA) -- A resolution pledging support for the United States defense program was drafted today at the opening session of the two-day convention of the Assembly of Hebrew Orthodox Rabbis of America. The resolution is expected to be passed at tomorrow's session of the convention, which is being held at the Hotel Sharon.

The resolution, as approved by the resolutions committee, warns of the dangers facing democracy as a result of war and the spread of totalitarianism. It also embodies a promise by the rabbis not to seek deferment or exemption from military service for themselves or rabbinical students.

The convention, the organizations first since 1935, was called by the executive board to discuss important issues affecting Jewish life in present troubled world conditions.

The meeting was opened by Rabbi Menashe Margolis of Brooklyn, with the prayer Ovinu Malkaynu (Our Father, Our King). He was joined in the prayer by the approximate

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65 rabbis present. Memorial prayers were read for the late members of the Assembly, who included Rabbi Chaim Ozer Grodziensky, Chief Rabbi of Poland, and Rabbi Velvle Margolis, dean of orthodox American Jews.

"It is our earnest wish that rabbis throughout America offer up prayers for peace and that Great Britain be victorious in its valiant struggle against the brutal dark forces of Nazi tyranny," Rabbi Margolis said.

Rabbi Jacob Mendelson, of Newark, made an urgent appeal to all Jewish communities in America to provide for homeless refugees. Other rabbis addressing the convention urged increased Jewish education. Rabbi Baruch Trainin, Brooklyn, is Chairman of the presidium.

BOYCOTT THREATENED AGAINST U.S. FIRMS AIDING REICH

NEW YORK, (Sept. 10. (JTA) -- The Joint Boycott Council of the American Jewish Congress and Jewish Labor Committee announced today the opening of a special Information Bureau on Industrial Connections with Germany to cope with numerous inquiries on the entanglements of American business with Nazi firms.

"We shall boycott all firms which continue to extend aid to the Nazi juggernaut through subsidiaries and patent agreements, as well as those concerns in the United States owned by German parent companies," said Dr. Joseph Tenenbaum, chairman of the Council. "The fear of losing their investments in Hitler-controlled territories must not be allowed to sabotage our national defense," he declared.