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PALESTINE JEWISH COUNCIL REAFFIRMS SUPPORT OF BRITAIN; ADOPTS LARGE BUDGET

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The Asefath Hanivcharim (Jewish National Assembly), holding its eighth extraordinary session, today adopted a budget for the coming year providing for £480,000 income and £170,000 expenditures for Jewish security, health, educational, social service and other activities.

The anticipated income includes £40,000 in regular taxes, £120,000 in emergency taxes, £180,000 in Government grants, and £54,000 from the Jewish Agency for Palestine. Expenditures include £180,000 for education, £175,000 for social welfare, £25,000 for passive defense.

The Assembly issued a proclamation supporting the British Empire in its struggle against "destructive forces" and declaring that the Jewish community was ready to back up Britain's fight.

JEWS WARNED AWAY FROM NICE AS DEMONSTRATIONS CONTINUE

VICHY, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- A group of youngsters staged another anti-Jewish demonstration at Nice, invading the fashionable Hotel Windsor and manhandling the manager, "to teach him a lesson," it was reported here today. The demonstration ended only when police intervened.

The new outbreak has made a painful impression on the French population and has caused many to counsel Jews, especially those from other parts of the country, not to go to Nice.

ESCAPES UNHURT AS BUILDING IS HIT BY BOMB

LONDON, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Sidney Solomon, publicity officer of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, escaped unhurt when a building in which he had sought shelter suffered a direct bomb hit, it was learned today.

SCHWARTZ REACHES MARSEILLE; BERNSTEIN IN LISBON

VICHY, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, European vice-chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, has arrived at Marseille and is conferring with representatives of relief organizations.

LISBON, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Dr. James Bernstein, director of the HIAS-ICA Emigration Association, arrived here today from New York on the American Export liner Excalibur. Eli Dijour, secretary-general of HIAS-ICA, will leave by clipper for New York shortly for a month's stay.

ENGINEERS EXPLAIN "MIRACLE" OF WATER SPOUTING FROM WAILING WALL

JERUSALEM, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Engineers have discovered the prosaic cause of the "miracle of the Wailing Wall" which yesterday created a sensation among worshippers.

The worshippers were startled when a stream of water suddenly spouted from between the venerable stones. They immediately proclaimed it "holy water of good omen" and rushed to gather it up. Engineers traced the water to a well inside the Haram area.

McWILLIAMS FOUND SANE; FACES SENTENCE FOR ANTI-JEWISH SLURS

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Joseph McWilliams, Christian Mobilizer leader who was committed to Bellevue for observation, has been found legally sane and will be sentenced Oct. 1 on the charge, of which he was convicted last week, of disorderly conduct, it was announced in Yorkville Court today by Magistrate Edgar Bromberger. The charge arose from anti-Semitic speeches made by McWilliams in the course of a street meeting. McWilliams also faces trial on Oct. 1 on another disorderly conduct charge, filed by the police, for anti-Semitic speeches on the night of Aug. 21.

COMMITTEE ENGAGES ROTHSCHILD ON FULL-TIME BASIS

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- At a meeting of the Survey Committee of the American Jewish Committee, held last night at Temple Emanuel, it was announced that arrangements had been made with Richard C. Rothschild to serve the Committee on a professional basis.

Rothschild has been an active member of the Survey Committee for several years, during part of which time he has served as its chairman. He graduated from Yale University in 1916 and thereafter was engaged in the field of advertising and public relations. In recent years he has been active in educational work, serving on the faculty of the New School for Social Research and as a director of Parents Magazine. He is a frequent contributor to journals of opinion and is the author of several books on philosophy.

In announcing Rothschild's appointment, the Committee said: "Because of the growing importance of our work, we felt the desirability of securing Mr. Rothschild's service on a full-time professional basis and are pleased to announce that Mr. Rothschild has consented to serve in this capacity."

U.S. TO ADMIT NON-BRITISH REFUGEE CHILDREN FROM ENGLAND

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- Non-British child refugees in England will be admitted to the United States without quota restriction, under the terms of a new diplomat agreement between this country and Britain, Marshall Field, president of the United States Committee for the Care of European Children, announced.

Until this agreement was reached, non-British children in England, unable to qualify for visitors' visas because they had no home to which they could return, could seek haven here only under the quotas of their native countries, Field explained.

Since the quota of many countries are filled for years in advance most of the non-British refugees had to remain in England and face the danger of Nazi bombs.

Field said the United States Government had now agreed to grant visitors' visas for non-British refugees under 16 years of age for the duration of the war. This concession was made possible by the promise of the British Government to grant such children return visas to England when the war was over.

Four ships with young refugees aboard, both English and natives of other European countries, will be here within a few weeks, Field said.

JAPANESE GROUP HITS "JEWISH ORIGIN" OF CHRISTIANITY

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- A Federation to Campaign Against Christian Organizations has been formed at a meeting of Japanese patriotic societies in Tokyo, according to a New York Times dispatch. The Federation passed a resolution branding Christianity "a device of Jewish origin which is encroaching on the Japanese spirit and must be eliminated." The resolution also said that Christianity "forces men to believe in Jesus Christ in the interests of the Jewish policy of world conquest."

The meeting was organized by Haizan Minami, president of the Imperial Will Observance Association, and includes Prince Sanetoko Ichijo, a member of the House of Peers, among its sponsors. The references to Jews indicate the increasing influence of German propaganda in Japan in the view of observers at Tokyo, it was said.

JEWISH DIGEST, NEW MONTHLY, ISSUED

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- The first issue of a new monthly, The Jewish Digest, was published today by the Jewish Digest Corporation. The magazine, emulating the format and technique of The Reader's Digest, contains digests of important articles of Jewish interest gleaned from the press of the world and original articles on a wide variety of timely topics by authors of prominence.

An editorial statement, signed by B.Z. Goldberg and David Goldberg, editor and associate editor respectively, states: "The Jewish Digest is not the organ or mouthpiece of any party, movement or group in the Jewish world," the editorial statement says.

PALESTINE COOPERATIVE CREDIT REVIEWED IN NEW BOOK

NEW YORK, Sept. 25. (JTA) -- A comprehensive review of the development of the cooperative credit movement by the Jewish community in Palestine is contained in the book "The Cooperative Credit Movement in Palestine," by Manoh L. Bialik, Ph. D., published today by Edwards Brothers, Inc., of Ann Arbor, Mich.

In an introduction to the book, Prof. Salo W. Baron, of Columbia University, points out that the work contains exhaustive data of interest not only to sociologists and banking students but also to students and readers interested in the great social experiment carried out in the Holy Land since the beginning of the Zionist movement and, particularly, since the establishment of the Mandate.