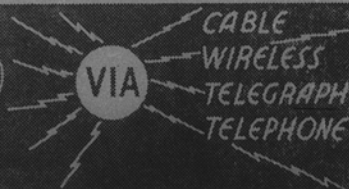


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RECRUITING FOR ARMED FORCES REOPENED IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Emphasizing the success of previous recruiting campaigns, the military authorities announced today the opening of further enlistment of 200 Jews and 200 Arabs for fighting units, which will double the present Arab and Jewish infantry units.

Meanwhile, a joint committee of Jewish and Christian Greeks in Tel Aviv started collection of funds and garments for the Greek army.

Rutenberg's Unity Appeal Backed

JERUSALEM, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Pinchas Rutenberg's unity appeal has been warmly received. The Hebrew newspapers Haboker and Haaretz publish editorials supporting his plan.

2,000 Polish Refugees Awaited

TEL AVIV, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- An additional 2,000 refugees from Poland are expected in Palestine, it was revealed today at a conference of Polish Jewish refugees here. The conference appealed to the Palestine Jewish community and the Jews of America to provide funds to aid the refugees. Representatives of the Jewish Agency Executive participated in the meeting.

223 JEWS AMONG FIRST 500 DENATURALIZED FRENCH CITIZENS

VICHY, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Publication in the Journal Officiel today of the names of the first 500 naturalized Frenchmen to be deprived of citizenship reveals that they include 141 Jewish families totaling 223 members. The first list does not include any prominent names, except Harry Levy, member of the executive of the Zionist-Revisionist organization.

Unless their citizenship is restored by appeal, which is possible, all those affected become stateless, with all the consequences of such status, namely that they may be interned in camps if they are considered "a burden to the national economy."

The majority of the denaturalized Jews are former Polish and Rumanian citizens, with a few Levantines and also a few Germans, Austrians, Italians and Latvians. The majority of the non-Jews denaturalized are Italian and Spanish.

PENNSYLVANIA JEW ELECTED TO CONGRESS

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Election of Samuel A. Weiss, Democrat, of Glassport, as Representative was confirmed here today. This makes a total of eight Jews in the next Congress, compared with six in the last one.

GEN. JOHNSON DENIES ANTI-SEMITIC INTENT IN RADIO SPEECH

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Gen. Hugh S. Johnson declared in his syndicated column in the World-Telegram today that there was no anti-Semitic intent in his radio speech on Monday over Station WOR which provoked sharp protests.

Gen. Johnson said he was "astounded" that part of the speech was considered anti-Semitic or that it was considered as implying that the Jews were warmongers. Stating the Jews had shown "extraordinary self-control in not urging any country to war upon Hitler," he added that "as I search my soul and view my record I could not have meant that Jews desire to drag America into war."

In an editorial today the World-Telegram emphasized that it had not been consulted on the speech and that Gen. Johnson's utterances did not represent the editorial opinion of the newspaper.

GROUP HERE PLANS AID TO PALESTINE WRITERS

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Most necessities are available in Palestine, but war-time conditions hinder cultural activities, Dr. Nissan Touroff, Professor of Education at the Hebrew University, declared at a meeting of the Women's Division of the Palestine Hebrew Culture Fund at the home of Mrs. Sigmund Thau here. The organization is planning several activities to assist needy writers in Palestine, mainly by financing publication of their works.

WARSAW INDUSTRIALIST NAMED VICE CONSUL IN NEW YORK CITY

NEW YORK, Nov. 7. (JTA) -- Mieczyslaw Zagajski, formerly a prominent Warsaw Jewish industrialist, has been named honorary vice-consul in the Polish Consulate General in New York, it was announced today.