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TELEKI HINT THIRD ANTI-JEWISH LAW IS SHELVED BRINGS RELIEF IN HUNGARY

BUDAPEST, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Hungarian Jews breathed easier today after reading in the newspapers the text of Premier Paul Teleki's speech to Parliament Friday night in which he had indicated that a third anti-Jewish law would be withheld indefinitely. Previous reports had given rise to the fear that new anti-Semitic legislation would be forthcoming before the end of the year.

The only bad news for Jews contained in the Premier's speech was the announcement that a new decree would be issued to permit employers to discharge Jews performing military service as members of labor gangs. Heretofore the Military Service Act prevented employers from discharging Jewish as well as Gentile employees called up for "temporary" military service. Count Teleki said, however, that the decree would be so worded as to prevent "unwarranted cruelty."

The premier's speech even contained a piece of good news for Jews.-his announcement that Jews would be allowed to continue working on the editorial staff of the Pester Lloyd in violation of present anti-Jewish legislation.

Count Teleki said that "in view of the ignorance of foreign languages" on the part of Gentiles he had "come to the conclusion that we must renounce application of anti-Jewish measures" in the case of the Pester Lloyd, German-language organ of the Foreign Office.

The Premier admitted that of 42 editorial members of the Foreign Office mouthpiece 16 were unexempted Jews and five exempted Jews (war veterans and families thereof). The Fester Lloyd is the only newspaper in Hungary on whose editorial staff Jews are permitted to number more than six per cent.

NEW CURBS PUT ON JEWS BY SLOVAKIAN CITY

ZURICH, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Jews will be forbidden to live in certain streets of Presov, Slovakia, beginning Jam. 1, 1941, and will not be permitted to rent flats in other streets, it was learned here today.

This decision was taken at a recent conference in the town among representatives of the Hlinka Guard, the Hlinka Party, German police officials and other groups. The whole southeastern section of the town will be barred to Jews. The conference also discussed measures to liquidate Jewish enterprises.

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BERLIN LISTS 170 DEPRIVED OF CITIZENSHIP

ZURICH, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Reichsanzeiger in Berlin publishes the names of 170 persons, most of them Jews, who have recently been deprived of German citizenship. It also announces confiscation of the property of 29 former citizens.

BLUM KNEW HE WOULD BE ARRESTED BUT CHOSE TO REMAIN

LONDON, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Former Premier Leon Blum of France knew he would be arrested when the Petain-Laval government came to power, but refused to flee, preferring to remain and face his accusers, according to Louis de Brouckere, Belgiam Socialist leader, who met Blum after the fall of France.

Mandel Ousted as Mayor

GENEVA, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- It was announced in Vichy today that former Interior Minister Georges Mendel has been removed from office as mayor of the town of Soulac near Bordeaux. The action probably would have been taken long ago except for an oversight. (Mendel faces trial at Ricm on charges of plotting against the security of the State and speculating in francs.)

BELGIANS SIGNAL SYMPATHY FOR JEWS BY WEARING 'STAR' ARMBANDS

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- In a striking mass protest against anti-Semitisn in Belgium, the people of Antwerp recently donned armbands bearing the six-pointed Jewish star when the German authorities ordered Jews to war such armbands, the New York Times reported yesterday on the basis of information reaching here.

"Gestapo agents proved powerless to meet this kind of situation, and the Germans have tacitly dropped the matter." the report said.

ARAB SCIENTIST HOLDS NAZISM MENACES MOSLEM WORLD; URGES ARAB-JEWISH UNITY

TEL AVIV, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Nazism is a serious menace not only to Europe but to the entire Moslem world, Ribchi Kemal, prominent Arab scientist, said today in addressing the Living Newspaper of the Association of Hebrew Journalists.

"The Jews and Arabs therefore must fight shoulder-to-shoulder to defend democracy and create a common Semitic culture," he said. After a banquet the scientist recited a Hebrew song by Judah Halew, famous poet of the Middle Ages.

JEWS URGED TO AID FRENCH RELIEF DRIVE DESPITE ANTI-SEMITIC LAWS

VICHY, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The French National Relief campaign was inaugurated among the Jewish population by Chief Rabbi Issaye Schwartz today in a sermon at the Vichy Temple.

The Rabbi protested the French anti-Semitic legislation, charging it had struck a painful blow to the Jews wand was "not merited," but appealed to the Jewish population to fulfill its duties as "men and Frenchmen."

Simultaneously, the rabbi launched a campaign for assistance to those detained in camps. "French Jews must also fulfill their duty as Jews," he said.

PARIS HOSPITAL HEAD REPORTED SUICIDE

LONDON, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The British Medical Journal reported today that Dr. Berthou, head of the Jewish Hospital in Paris, had committed suicide.

YOUNG JEWISH PILOT WINS DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS

JOHANNESBURG, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A 19-year-old Jewish flyer, Sergeant Jocelyn, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, it was disclosed today.

OLDEST SYNAGOGUE HOLDS PRAYERS FOR GREEK VICTORY

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Prayers for the Greek nation were held today in the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue (Congregation Shearith Israel), oldest Jewish congregation in America, with Rabbi David de Sola Pool officiating. Among those participating were Bishop Athynagoras of the Greek Orthodox Church, Greek Consul-General Nicholas G. Lely and many Greek Jews.

LABOR GROUP HERE CALLS FOR REVERSAL OF REFUGEE OUSTER; PRAISES BRITISH DEFENSE OF LIBERTY

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The order to deport 1,771 refugees who recently arrived in Palestine was protested and their immediate return was demended in a resolution adopted today at the closing session of the sixteenth annual convention of the National Labor Committee for Palestine at the Hotel Astor.

The resolution, adopted unanimously by the 2,000 delegates from the United States and Cemada, declared American Jewry, while recognizing "the grave worries of Britain, had expected the British popular government to prevent the Palestine Administration from punishing its loyal Jewish population by restricting immigration. It declared that the "cruel act" of deportation "can only be a weapon in the hands of the enemies of democracy."

On the other hand, the convention adopted a declaration hailing the "gallant stand" of the British people defending its homeland," proclaiming the Jewish people's support of the British people's struggle for democracy, "to which is welded the fate of individual liberty and the national existence of our scattered people."

The recent proposal by Pinchas Rutenberg, Palestine power magnate and former president of the Jewish National Council, of a supreme council to govern Palestine Jewry during the war, was termed "non-democratic" by Israel Mereminsky, secretary of the Palestine Jewish Federation of Labor, in an address. Mereminsky said the Federation spoke For the overwhelming majority of Jews" in rejecting the plan.

Mereminsky revealed that while only 5,000 Palestine Jews have been "allowed to serve in the British forces," out of 50,000 who volunteered, so great is the desire to enlist that in many settlements recruits must be eliminated by lot.

Another speaker at the closing session was the recently elected Judge Samuel Liebowitz of Brooklyn, who has just become president of the Landsmannshaften Division of the National Labor Committee. Judge Liebowitz termed Palestine "the last outpost of the Jewr which, if taken, will mean the end of the Jews all over the world with the possible exception of America."

The convention adopted a quota of one million dollars for the Palestine Labor Campaign for the coming year. It was announced that the campaign raised \$452,000 during the past year.

At the convention's opening rally Saturday night at Mecca Temple, David Ben Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive in Palestine, deplored the "unfortunate and disgraceful act of the Palestine Administration" in barring the refugees as "connected with the disastrous appeasement policy of the former government." He maintained that Palestine could absorb millions of Jews who would be destitute after this war, asserting that "a thing which could be achieved in a twentieth part of the country for 500,000 population can certainly be achieved in the whole of the country for 5,000,000."

Dr. Stephen S. Wise appealed "to the justice-loving sense of Britain to halt these vessels and to welcome back their passengers to the Palestine of which they are doubly a part."

Joseph Schlossberg, chairman of the Committee, who presided, said: "If the British authorities tell us that the Arabs do not want us, we wish to remind them that the Arabs do not went the British in Palestine, yet the British do not withdraw for that reason."

All speakers, who also included Dr. May Bere of Palestine, David Wertheim, secretary of the Committee, and Alexander Kahn, joined in lauding the accomplishments of the Histadruth, Palestine Jewish labor federation, which is marking its 20th anniversary, and urging intensified aid for the Histadruth.

Messages of greeting were received from J.S. Middleton, secretary of the British Labor Party, who extended good wishes for "your work for the uplifting of the Jewish workers in America and the restoration of Israel to their ancient home in Palestine"; Dr. Chaim Weizmann, who stressed the "increasing responsibility now resting on shoulders of American Jewy"; Prof. Albert Einstein, who urged "utmost efforts" in support of the Jewish homeland, and David Remez of the Histadruth, British Labor Minister Ernest Nevin, and Edmund I. Kaufmann, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

During the afternoon a conference of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance at the Hotel Astor, pledging to raise \$250,000 towards the Palestine labor campaign, cabled the British Labor Party urging intercession against the deportation of the refugees from Palestine, which it termed "a brutal transgression of the humane principles for which the war is being fought."

On Friday an eastern regional conference of the Pioneer Women's Organization adopted a resolution protesting against the scheduled deportation.

Bevin Pledges Aid

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- British Minister of Labor Ernest Bevin, has promised that the question of the 1,771 refugees facing deportation from Palestine to a British colony would be discussed with his colleagues and would be given full consideration, it was announced today. The promise was made in a cable to William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, who had cabled Bevin urging intercession with the Palestine Government for admission of the refugees.