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### NAZIS TO SHIP 15,000 VIENNA JEWS MONTHLY TO LUBLIN, BUDAPEST HEARS

BUDAPEST, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The Jews of Vienna will be transported to the Lublin "reservation" in Poland at the rate of 15,000 monthly until the city is "free of Jews," several Budapest newspapers reported today.

The first group of 1,100 have already been sent to Lublin. The remainder will be transported in 12 trainloads monthly with the aim of "cleaning up" the Austrian capital by June 1.

Deportees are permitted to carry a maximum of 100 kilograms of baggage. They are allowed whatever money they have available, but must exchange it for zlotys at the National Bank before departing. It is announced that they will be housed in "comfortable, electrically-heated barracks," but it is not mentioned how they will be able to earn a living.

The Nazis had begun deporting Jews of Polish origin from Vienna three months ago, but the transport of 1,100 marks the beginning of the expulsion of Austrian Jews. The papers recalled that Marshal Hermann Goering, in a speech shortly after Anschluss, predicted that "four years from now there will not be a single Jew left in Vienna."

### 100 JEWS REPORTED EXECUTED IN NAZI POLAND; WERE HOSTAGES FOR ESCAPED PRISONERS

LONDON, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- One hundred Jews have been executed by the Nazi authorities in Poland after they had been arrested as hostages for escaped prisoners, the British Press Association reported today quoting "private" sources. No further details could be obtained from the Polish Ministry of Information here.

### THOUSANDS POUR INTO WARSAW GHETTO FROM POLISH PROVINCES

GENEVA, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- Thousands of Jews expelled from the provinces continue to pour into the Warsaw ghetto, the Gazeta Zydowska, Jewish organ in Nazi-occupied Poland, reports.

The latest refugees come from Piaseczna, Zyradow, Jeziorna, Wlochy, Karczew, Rudki, Blonie and Maszcowonow. Thousands have been lodged by the Jewish community in public buildings in the ghetto, while other thousands remain in the Jewish community building at 21 Stawski Street.

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The community is able to feed, without pay, only 1,500 daily. The others are fed by individuals. The Warsaw Jewish Community has obtained a loan from the bank of the Government-General, secured by Jewish real estate.

#### 82 FAMOUS JEWISH CONCERNS GET 'TEMPORARY MANAGERS' IN OCCUPIED FRANCE

VICHY, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The ruin of Jewish trade and industry in occupied France is shown by the lengthy lists of Jewish enterprises, published in the Official Journal, for which "temporary managers" are being appointed because of "the impossibility for the heads of the enterprises to carry on their activity in the occupied zone."

The three lists so far published include 82 Jewish enterprises, of which many are world famous, such as the Lazard Bank, the Louis Dreyfus Corn Dealers, the Seligmann Bank, the Galeries Lafayette (department store) and the Penhoet Shipbuilding Company, which constructed and launched the liner Normandie.

Appointment of "temporary managers" by the French authorities is not to be confused with appointment of "Aryanization" commissars. The latter are named by the occupation authorities under the German ordinance for "Aryanization," while the primary aim of the "temporary managers" is to preserve and carry on establishments deprived by the Germans of their legitimate owners and managers. Nevertheless, the "temporary managers" of Jewish enterprises are vested with the right to liquidate businesses, a power which they will be compelled to exercise since all Jewish firms in the occupied zone must be "Aryanized" under the German ordinance.

#### REICH LISTS RULES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF NEW 15% TAX ON JEWS

ZURICH, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The Voelkischer Beobachter, Nazi Party organ, has announced regulations for enforcement of the 15 per cent "social equalization" income tax on Jews in the Reich. The tax had been previously applied to Poles in Germany.

A Jew, according to the Finance Ministry's definition, is (1) anyone with three grandparents of the Jewish religion, (2) a person who adhered to the Jewish religion on Sept. 16, 1935 (3) a person married to a Jew since that date, (4) the offspring of such a marriage since that date.

The tax is applicable whether the Jew is a German citizen or not. Retroactive to Jan. 1, 1941, employers must deduct 15 per cent of Jews' wages.

The Beobachter also announces regulations for income taxes on mixed marriages. Henceforth, not only Jews will be required to pay the maximum income tax, regardless of income, but also mixed couples where the husband is a Jew or where the couple is taxed jointly. Only "Aryan" wives of tax-paying Jewish husbands will not be required to pay the maximum rate.

#### THIRD OF ZIONIST FUND QUOTA RAISED IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- At least one-third of the British Palestine Foundation Fund's quota of £75,000 already has been raised, Simon Marks, vice-president of the British Zionist Federation, declared at today's meeting of the British section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine.

In an address at the meeting, Marks said "for us Jews Europe is finished; Hitler destroyed other nations but they at least have their land."

"We must turn our eyes away from Europe and direct them toward Palestine, with which we are concerned today and forever," he continued.

Lady Reading, presiding at the meeting, pointed out that the launching of the campaign for the Palestine Foundation Fund in the midst of the greatest war in history and the greatest aerial bombardment ever known, with invasion a daily menace, might seem fantastic and ludicrous. But the Zionists must show that nothing can deflect them from building up Palestine, she said.

"Hitler is not going to stop us from what we want to do in Palestine," Lady Reading went on. "Nothing in the world, no forces, not even the world war, can keep the Jews from going to their home."

#### PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM CONGRESS HELD IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- A Palestine Congress for Progressive Judaism opened here today with many well-known rabbis, mostly from Germany, in attendance. Among those who addressed the meeting were Prof. Martin Buber, famous German Jewish philosopher, Rabbi Weiler of South Africa and Rabbi Zigler of Karlsbad. Speakers dwelt on religious and educational problems and demanded that the organization be given a legal status in the Palestine Jewish Community.

#### FISHING PROVIDED 18,000 WORK DAYS IN PALESTINE IN 1940

JERUSALEM, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The growing fish industry in Palestine provided 18,000 work days in 1940 and yielded 17 per cent of the 3,500 tons of fish consumed by the population during the year, it was announced today. Colonies combining fishing with agriculture are increasing, giving promise of a bright future and employment of thousands of persons.

This correspondent, who has just completed a tour of Jewish fisheries throughout the country, including inauguration of fish ponds at Genossar, near Tiberias, found experts sent out by the Jewish Agency's Maritime Department training a large number of fishermen. The Agency has invested \$15,000 in fishing equipment.

#### NAZIS ACT TO 'PURIFY' NORWEGIAN BOOK SHELVES

LONDON, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The Nazi authorities in Norway have ordered removal from libraries and publishing houses and destruction of books written by Jews, Britons and some Norwegians, in a measure "to purify Norwegian reading matter," Norwegian sources here reported today.

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NAZIS GIVE 20,000 PASSES TO HUNGARIAN TROOPS TO SEE ANTI-JEWISH FILM

BUDAPEST, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The German Legation revealed today that it had given the Hungarian army 20,000 free tickets to the Nazi propaganda film, "Jew Suss." A special "army matinee" was attended by uniformed soldiers, led through the streets by a military formation of officers. There are also special showings for reserve officers and cadets.

SHIP WITH 510 PALESTINE-BOUND REFUGEES REACHES BULGARIAN PORT

BUDAPEST, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- The steamer Dorian II, flying the Panama flag and transporting 510 Rumanian Jewish emigrants bound for Palestine, arrived at Varna, Bulgaria, today.

The ship's captain, Juan Pepino was arrested before the ship departed from Constanza, Rumania, on Friday on charges he had smuggled Jews aboard for "high sums." It was reported. Official German news agency messages declared the ship was "unseaworthy and possesses accommodations for only 150 persons."

NEW SHOPPING CURB IMPOSED ON JEWS IN BOHEMIA

BUDAPEST, Feb. 23. (JTA) -- Shopping hours for Jews have been restricted from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. daily throughout the Bohemia-Moravia Protectorate, according to a police decree published by the newspaper Neuer Tag.