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40,000 UKRAINIANS PLAN TO ENTER UKRAINE TO FIGHT "JEWS AND COMMUNISTS"

ZURICH, June 27. (JTA)-- More than 40,000 Ukrainians, members of nationalistic and anti-Semitic organizations, are ready to enter the Soviet Ukraine as units assigned by Hitler "to mop up the remnants of the Jews and Communists" in cities expected to be occupied by the Nazi army in the Ukraine, it was reported here today.

The majority of these Ukrainians were recruited in Slovakia and Germany, where their leaders have been trained for many months under special Nazi supervision. Many have also arrived from Rome, where an organization of Ukrainian Fascists had been organized shortly before the outbreak of the war in 1939.

Reports from Germany reveal that the Nazi military authorities are segregating Soviet Jewish war prisoners from non-Jewish. It is believed that the Nazis intend to intern the Jewish prisoners in separate camps.

Simultaneously it was reported that in Nazi-held Poland regulations have been issued requiring that funerals in towns where the Jewish cemeteries are outside the ghettos must take place between 5 and 7 a.m. No more than fifty mourners may attend any funeral. They must be accompanied by Jewish police and other officials responsible for their prompt return to the ghetto and for good order during the services.

In Germany, the police are reported to have raided Jewish schools in order to establish whether Jewish children have fruit with their provisions. Sale of fruit to Jews is prohibited in the Reich. Jews were also notified that if an "Aryan" wishes to move into a flat occupied by a Jewish family, the latter must vacate the flat within 14 days. The dwelling is to be disinfected and renovated at the expense of the Jews.

In Nazi-controlled Croatia, an order has been issued prohibiting Jews from bathing along the shores of the river Sava. Jews were also ordered to submit their cameras to the police.

PALESTINE EXTENDS ENTRY CERTIFICATES; STUDENTS RALLIED FOR FARM WORK

JERUSALEM, June 27. (JTA)-- The Government has extended to Oct. 21 the validity of immigration certificates and authorizations issued from April 1, it was announced today. The action was taken by the Commissioner of Migration on the request of the Jewish Agency.

Because of the labor shortage in settlements, Jewish institutions have appealed to school and university students for mobilization for agricultural work. So far more than 2,000 have volunteered for harvesting and other work.

Jewish and Arab cadets who have completed the third officers' training course were given a reception in Tel Aviv by the Soldiers Welfare Committee. Moshe Shertok spoke in Hebrew and Arabic, expressing hope for continuation of close relations between Jewish and Arab cadets.

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DUTCH STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST ANTI-JEWISH ACTS

LONDON, June 27. (JTA)-- Demonstrations against anti-Jewish restrictions were recently organized by Dutch students in The Hague, Utrecht, Amsterdam and Rotterdam, it was reported here today.

At the same time, official Dutch sources reported that B.A. Kahn, former owner of the Hirsch Company, one of the largest department stores in Holland, and a Zionist leader, had died in the Buchenwald concentration camp on May 29. Kahn's store was seized immediately after the Nazi occupation. He was 55 years old.

Serious clashes occurred in Utrecht between Gestapo agents and students who insisted on fraternizing with Jews in the streets. In Zandvoort, students paraded in the streets, wearing yellow armlets as a reply to the Dutch Nazis' demand for introduction of armbands for Jews.

Quislingite mayors appointed by the Germans have been warned by anti-Nazi leaders not to sign anti-Jewish orders on penalty of public boycott. On the other hand, Catholic priests who have openly condemned the Nazi anti-Jewish policy have received anonymous letters from Nazis warning them to abandon their "pro-Jewish" attitude if they value their lives.

Jews are barred from Dutch labor camps, but it has been announced that special camps will be established for Jews, where they will be forced to do heavy work "unsuitable for 'Aryan' youth."

Meanwhile, a labor camp for 600 Jews has already been established in Limburg, Belgium. The inmates are forced to toil ten hours daily in coal mines without pay, except for near-starvation allowances for their families. The food in the camps is meager and the mortality rate is high.

JEWS BARRED FROM PETTY TRADES IN OCCUPIED FRANCE

VICHY, June 27. (JTA)-- The Paris press gives prominence to regulations for application of the ordinance of April 26 in occupied France forbidding Jews to exercise occupations bringing them into contact with the public. Paris-Midi says: "Beginning July 1, Jews will not have contact with the public."

Petty occupations barred to Jews include selling of vegetables, flowers and ice-cream in railway stations, traveling salesmen, peddlers, hawkers, street-singers and boot-blacks. Heavy penalties are provided for violation.

Meanwhile, it is disclosed here that Clamen Serpeille de Gobineau, honorary chairman of the Institute of Jewish Studies in Paris, will lecture in the Ambassador's Theater. He is a descendant of the racial theoretician, Joseph Gobineau. During the war he was arrested by then Interior Minister Georges Mandel for pacifist activities.

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LONDON, June 27. (JTA)-- A commentator on the Paris radio today reported an influx of 151 Soviet Jews, 64 British Jews and 101 American Jews into Vichy, "ostensibly to take the cure." The broadcaster termed the alleged influx "a provocation."

CHICAGO MONUMENT TO HORNER PLANNED

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 27. (JTA)-- The House has approved a \$25,000 appropriation to erect a monument in Chicago to the late Governor Henry Horner.

RABBIS OPPOSE "RELEASE TIME" RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PLAN; URGE "DISMISSAL" PLAN

ATLANTIC CITY, June 27. (JTA)-- The Central Conference of American Rabbis today adopted a resolution affirming adherence to the traditional principle of separation of Church and State, particularly as this principle has been incorporated in the public schools, and recommended the "dismissal" plan of religious education as opposed to the "release time" plan. The dismissal plan means that the school day would be shortened to allow time for parents to provide religious instruction they deem essential, independent of the public schools.

The resolution represented a compromise modification of the originally-proposed straight-out condemnation of the release plan. Many rabbis felt that the trend towards the release plan was now so strong that no obstruction was possible.

Dr. Emanuel Gemoran of Hebrew Union College expressed apprehension that the release plan was the entering wedge for further connection between Church and State. Rabbi Lawrence Schwartz, on the other hand, said the plan had been in effect for 15 years in White Plains, N.Y., without injurious effect.

Rabbi Albert G. Minds, Minneapolis, chairman of the Committee on Church and State which presented the resolution, said ten states now have the release plan. He said in some parts of the country the experiment has been a failure, with few Christian children availing themselves of the privilege. He cited evidence of antipathy to Jews developing in some school circles following adoption of the plan.

Committee on Conscientious Objectors

The conference this morning adopted a resolution providing for a special committee on conscientious objectors, to cooperate with similar groups of other faiths in the National Service Board of Religious Objectors. Rabbi Edward L. Israel explained that the Synagogue Council of America had proposed to act on the matter, but the Orthodox group would not agree to do so. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld said individual rabbis were in touch with 50 Jewish religious objectors.

A representative of the Hoover commission, which sought support of the C.C.A.R. for sending food to Europe, was heard and his plea referred to rabbis as individuals.

The Committee on Marriage, the Family and the Home, headed by Dr. Stanley R. Brav, of Vicksburg, Miss., recommended "vastly increased labors" to achieve the aim of "sound, spiritually-integrated, democratic family living in our communities."

The report declared that "with the tearing from their homes of millions of our most physically fit young men for military training, the toll that has been taken from family strength may readily be imagined, as may be the concomitant disintegrating influences on the human beings who are involved."

Yesterday, the conference approved recommendations of Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof of Pittsburgh for establishment of a general code of practice of Reform Judaism in marriage and divorce and directed a committee to act accordingly.

The Committee on Ceremonies reported a fruitful year in revival of Jewish ceremonies in Liberal congregations. Special Purim and Chanukah ceremonials have been prepared to revive celebration of these holidays in temples and an abridged Megillah in English has been prepared. Shofar-blowing has also been revived. The practice of wearing rabbinical robes is spreading and 85 rabbis now wear such robes.

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Adolph Rosenberg, chairman of the administrative committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, appealed for support of the expanded Union program, calling for a budgetary increase from \$300,000 to \$500,000. He proposed issuance of a Reform magazine and also more youth and radio work. Rabbi Samuel M. Gup, Columbus, O., appealed for positive action for pensions for aged rabbis, and Rosenberg replied that the Union was taking action on this question.

A session last night considered unemployment among Rabbis. Rabbi Wendell Phillips said Hebrew Union College and the Jewish Institute of Religion had thrown 25 more graduates this year on a satiated field. A plan is being considered for a rabbinical placement commission.

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Massachusetts Debates "Release Time"

BOSTON, June 27. (JTA)-- The proposed "release plan" to allow children in this state time from their public school studies for religious instruction was given a third reading yesterday by the House of Representatives, which refused to kill the measure after protracted debate, voting 96 to 68 to send the bill to the next session of the General Court.

Members of the Greater Boston Rabbinical Association, representing Orthodox, Conservative and Reform elements in the community, oppose the bill. Similar opposition has been expressed by Louis Hurwich, acting dean of the Hebrew Teachers College.

Jewish leaders recently pointed out, at a hearing sponsored by the Legislature, that the Jewish community has built up an efficient system of Jewish religious education which does not interfere with the public school curriculum. It is felt that should the release plan be adopted it would weaken the established Jewish educational system.

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Voluntary Course Planned in Chicago

CHICAGO, June 27. (JTA)-- Final steps are being taken to introduce into Chicago high schools, on a voluntary basis, of a "course in religion." The proposal has been approved by Superintendent of Schools William Johnson and is awaiting decision of the School Board. It is supported by Catholic and Protestant groups, but opposed by Jewish civic and religious leaders, who appeared before the board to argue that it violates the principle of separation of Church and State. The course would be given outside the schools, churches defraying the expenses, but would receive school credit by the board.

ANTI-SEMITIC SPEECHES IN CONGRESS ASSAILED

WASHINGTON, June 27. (JTA)-- Charging that "the ugly issue of racial and religious bigotry has been injected in recent months into the proceedings of this body" Rep. Leon Sacks (Dem., Pa.) has called upon Congress to "halt this perfidious practice." Although he did not refer by name to any of his colleagues in the House, Sacks made reference to recent statements attributed in the Congressional Record to Robert P. Lambertson (Rep., Kans.) and John E. Rankin (Dem., Miss.).

SERVICES TO BE HELD MONDAY FOR BLUMENTHAL

NEW YORK, June 27. (JTA)-- Private funeral services will be held Monday for George Blumenthal, financier, philanthropist and president of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, who died at his home yesterday at the age of 85 after a long illness. He was active in philanthropy, having given nearly \$1,000,000 for Mt. Sinai Hospital. A native of Frankfort-am-Main, Germany, he was a member of the banking firm of Speyer & Co. and later a partner in Lazard Freres.