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ROME CABINET REPORTED SET TO DECREE OUSTER OF JEWS

ROME, July 6. (JTA)-- The Cabinet prepared today to adopt a decree expelling Jews, with certain exceptions, from Italy over a period of months and forcing them to wear white badges and suffer other restrictions during the interim in order to spur their departure. The restrictions include exclusion from parks, theaters, cinemas and hospitals and bans on using radio or telephones and engaging servants.

Exceptions are provided (1) for Jewish families containing an "Aryan" member, which families will be "Aryanized," and (2) Jewish families receiving "favorable discrimination" because of services to the State. All citizenship rights will be restored to the latter, except the privilege of teaching in schools.

The exception for families with "Aryan" members represents a concession to the Vatican, which had come into conflict with the Italian racial laws on several crucial points, particularly on the Government's refusal to recognize religious marriages between Catholic "Aryans" and converted Jews.

It is a well-known fact that the major existing difference between the Vatican and the State was on the racial question and several incidents had arisen from this schism. After numerous futile attempts to have their religious marriages recognized by the State, several couples abandoned their hopes and contracted civil marriages with different mates. As a result, their status was somewhat baffling, the Church continuing to recognize only the first marriage and the State only the second.

The Pope had never ceased in his efforts to rectify this state of "moral injustice" and to obtain full "Aryan" rights for converted Jews.

Meanwhile, previous racial laws are being vigorously enforced. A recent decree of the Interior Minister forbids Jews to act as real estate agents for property inhabited, even in part, by "Aryans"--even if the property is Jewish-owned.

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Pope Aids Interned Refugees

ROME, July 6. (JTA)-- Pope Pius is deeply interested in the welfare of refugees interned in Italy and will expend all efforts for betterment of their condition, the Papal Nuncio to the Italian Government told Jewish refugees at Fieremonte in southern Italy, largest of the internment camps. The visit completed a tour of the various camps undertaken by the Nuncio on instructions from the Pope.

The Nuncio invited the refugees to write letters to relatives in Palestine which the Vatican would deliver, since the Italian Government has no relations with Palestine, and he also left a gift from the Pope amounting to approximately \$150 for purchase of sacramental wine.

The papal emissary expressed interest in the organization of spiritual life of the interned refugees. Five synagogues have been built for the 1,200 refugees at Fieremonte.

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The synagogues are housed in one-room barracks, adorned in the customary ecclesiastical style with ornaments donated by Italian Jewish communities. The represent various Sephardic and Ashkenazic sects of Jews of more than a dozen nationalities.

VICHY LISTS MORE DENATIONALIZED, MAJORITY JEWS

VICHY, July 6. (JTA)-- The Government today made public another list of persons deprived of their French nationality, a majority of them being Jews of Polish, Russian, German, Turkish and Rumanian origin.

Among those denationalized were engineers, furriers, company directors, tailors, traveling salesmen, barbers, musicians and pedlars.

A Paris court was reported today to have rejected the claim of a Jewish traveling salesman for severance pay due him when he was dismissed under the Nazi anti-Jewish ordinance of Oct. 18, 1940. The court ruled that Jewish employes who were dismissed under the ordinance were not entitled to any compensation.

The Paris newspaper *Pilori* editorially criticizes Xavier Vallat, Vichy Commissioner for Jewish Affairs, for allegedly lagging behind Paris in undertaking anti-Semitic action. The newspaper takes Vichy to task for discriminating between "good and bad Jews, religious and irreligious Jews, honorable and dishonorable Jews" and emphasizes that Jews in the occupied zone are no longer permitted professional contact with the public.

NEW ANTI-JEWISH MEASURES INTRODUCED IN SLOVAKIA, PROTECTORATE

LONDON, July 6. (JTA)-- The outbreak of the Russo-German war has been accompanied by introduction of new anti-Jewish measures in the Czech Protectorate and Slovakia, authoritative Czechoslovak quarters here reported today.

The National Union in the Protectorate has issued a decree forbidding Jews to do business during certain fixed hours. The Slovak authorities have sharpened measures against Jewish doctors, although a serious lack of doctors and dentists is already being felt throughout the country.

In Holland, shares of Dutch industries sold as result of liquidation of Jewish interests have been bought up by Germans, Dutch circles here reported. Dutch banks have been asked to open credits for Germans desiring to buy such shares.

POLES URGED TO MAINTAIN 'SINCERELY DEMOCRATIC' POLICY

LONDON, July 6. (JTA)-- Only a sincerely democratic policy on the part of the Poles will create a favorable atmosphere for them in America, Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, deputy speaker of the Polish National Council, declared today in his first address to the council since his return from the United States.

"Polish Jews and Polish Jewish organizations in Canada and the United States have adopted not only a friendly, but the warmest attitude towards Polish efforts," he said. "American Jewry as a whole is sympathetic to the question of raising a Polish army in Canada. A number of Polish Jews were among the first to join Polish units in Canada."

He emphasized the great harm done in America to the Polish cause by the anti-Semitic weekly *Jestem Polakiem*, which is considered the organ of the Endeks. Premier Sikorski's declaration regarding Jewish rights, on the other hand, made a very good impression, not only on Jewish but on general American opinion, he said.

200 INTERNEES RETURN TO BRITAIN

LONDON, July 6. (JTA)-- Two hundred refugees who were interned for a year in Canada have arrived on the Isle of Man on a special steamer. They have volunteered for the Pioneer Corps and will be held in the Manx internment camp pending arrangements for their enlistment.

CALIFORNIA JURIST WARNS AGAINST GRADED CITIZENSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6. (JTA)-- Declaring that "those who started as instigators of oppression of a minority often turned out to be the next victims," Supreme Court Justice William Douglas has warned, in a speech at the Commonwealth Club here, that "there must not grow up in this country any second or fourth class citizenship." Justice Douglas asserted:

"There is only one class of citizenship in this country. There is no room for any inferior grade. Where one has been allowed, the result has been the downward spiral of disunity. Then hate and intolerance have been incorporated. Under those conditions the enemies of democracy invariably have risen to power. Under those conditions there is an insistence on a conformity which is the beginning of a disintegrating process.

"Every non-conformist who is beaten, every practitioner of the right of free speech who is jailed, every unpopular exponent of a religious faith who is deprived of his constitutional rights, bring every free man a step closer to incarceration or punishment, or discreet and frightened conformity. Infraction of the Bill of Rights knows no terminal points. We know from the experience of other peoples that what starts as suppression of an unpopular minority swings as easily to persecutions on the right or on the left, until few can afford to be non-conformists. Those who started as instigators of oppression of a minority often turned out to be the next victims. We know that the concentration camps of Europe are not operated on racial, economic, social or intellectual lines.

"We should ever be mindful that all the battles for freedom are not won in the courts. Only a persistent positive translation of the liberal faith into the thoughts and acts of the community is the real reliance against the unabated temptation to straightjacket the human mind. Vigilant patrol of the domestic scene against infraction of these fundamental Constitutional rights will guarantee that the American sense of fair play will carry on."

ROSENHEIM, AGUDAH LEADER, ARRIVES HERE

NEW YORK, July 6. (JTA)-- Jacob Rosenheim, president of the World Agudath Israel, has arrived here from London via Canada to seek strengthening of orthodox Judaism in this country. He said he would advance proposals for a "united political Jewish front in behalf of Jewish minorities after the war" at the national convention of the Agudah in Baltimore early next month.

'JEWISH GYPSY' UNITS FORMED IN SLOVAK FORCED LABOR GROUPS

ZURICH, July 6. (JTA)-- The Prague newspaper Ceske Slovo reports creation of special Jewish and gypsy units within the framework of the forced labor formations in Slovakia for "asocial elements."

PALESTINE FOOD IMPORTS PUT AT 3,000 TONS IN WEEK

JERUSALEM, July 6. (JTA)-- More than 3,000 tons of foodstuffs, including wheat, sugar and barley, were imported by Palestine during the past week, it was announced today.