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JEWISH WOMEN STAGE FIRST HUNGER DEMONSTRATION IN PARIS

VICHY, July 29. (JTA)-- The first organized hunger demonstration in Nazi-occupied Paris took place yesterday, when 150 Jewish women with children in their arms stormed the relief offices of the Coordination Committee on rue de la Bienfaisance, protesting against the inadequate relief given by the Paris municipality to Jewish women whose husbands have been interned in labor camps as aliens.

Shouting "we are starving", "our children did not have sufficient nourishment for the last three months", the women invaded the offices, demolished the furniture, smashed the windows and attacked the employees. The police arrived and ejected the demonstrators from the building, but violent scenes continued later on in the street. Finally the police are reported to have used force to disperse the women.

With relief from abroad restricted, the Coordination Committee, composed of all Jewish charitable societies, is depending for its funds chiefly on the Paris municipality. The Paris press today reporting the demonstration explains that the municipal authorities and the Jewish relief societies offered the women a dole of seven francs a day for each adult and five francs for each child. The women, however, rejected the offer, the newspapers assert.

2000 JEWS REPORTED DYING MONTHLY IN WARSAW GHETTO FROM EPIDEMICS

BERNE, July 29. (JTA)-- Two thousand Jews are dying every month in the Warsaw ghetto as epidemics of cholera and typhus rage in the overcrowded unsanitary quarters in which as many as one thousand Jews live in one building, it is reported in the Gazeta Zydowska, reaching here today from Poland. Contagious disease hospitals for the Jews, where precautions are taken against the spread of the diseases, have been opened in many provincial towns of Nazi-occupied Poland so great is the spread of the epidemic.

In the Cracow ghetto sanitary stations at which two hundred Jews are bathed and disinfected daily have been established to try to check the epidemic. Jews are refused permission to leave the ghetto unless they are certified as disinfected and clean, in an attempt to prevent the epidemic from spreading beyond the ghetto. The Nazi authorities are permitting the setting up of special training courses on how to fight epidemics.

Jews are forbidden to leave the ghetto on penalty of being shot on sight, while Poles are prohibited from sheltering, feeding or otherwise helping Jews fleeing the ghetto. Non-Jews must immediately report all such refugees to the Nazi authorities or suffer a fine up to 10,000 slotys.

It is impossible for any Jews to escape the ghetto by emigrating, as the ghetto office in Warsaw of the North German Lloyd line, the only place where visas were obtainable is closed at the present. Also all foreign telegrams are not accepted at the Jewish post office, the only one open to Jews.

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Meanwhile it is revealed that this year already more than 100,000 Jews between the ages of 15 and 60 have been taken from the Warsaw ghetto for forced labor. In addition all male Jews between the ages of 16 and 45 must work one day each week at street cleaning. Appeals by the Warsaw Jewish Council has resulted in the reopening of three synagogues and the assignment of 25 specially marked horse-cars for use in the ghetto. A request that the Nazi authorities allow the reopening of bookstores and libraries in the ghetto is still pending. A new order, however, requires that Jews, who up until now were required to remove their hats when passing Germans in the street, are now forbidden to salute them. Also all Jewish-owned pianos must be reported to the Nazi authorities.

In Cracow Jews are forbidden to possess gold or foreign money or conduct any financial transactions with foreigners. They are permitted to draw only 500 zlotys a month from their bank and can only retain a maximum of 2,000 zlotys in cash. Jewish business organizations are under similar restrictions.

In the smaller towns Jews living on the main streets are required to move to back streets. In larger cities where there are several Jewish ghettos, communication between them is forbidden.

NAZIS IN POLAND REDUCE BREAD RATIONS FOR JEWS

LONDON, July 29. (JTA)-- Continued reduction of rations for Jews in Nazi-held Poland has brought the daily bread ration down to three ounces daily, it was reported today in Polish government circles.

The report says that the bad food situation in both annexed Poland and the territory of the Government General has resulted in many deaths from starvation and poisoning. The quality of the bread for Jews and Poles is inferior, frequently being made of ground peas, other admixtures, and even ingredients harmful to the health. The Germans, however, are getting more than a pound of first class bread a day.

FRANCE CUTS RATIONS OF RECIPIENTS OF FOOD PACKAGES

GENEVA, July 29. (JTA)-- People in Paris who receive food packages from their relatives abroad derive little gain from the articles received, it was learned here today.

Information received here reveals that the authorities in Paris are keeping a close check on all the food parcels which reach the country. The individuals receiving these parcels are having their food rations reduced accordingly, the report said.

NAZIS TIGHTEN NUREMBERG LAWS IN CZECH PROTECTORATE

ZURICH, July 29. (JTA)-- "Half Jews" in the Czech Protectorate who hitherto enjoyed certain privileges denied to "full Jews" under the Nuremberg laws have had those privileges abolished in a new Nazi decree, the Prager Neue Tag, reaching here today reports.

Henceforth citizens of the Protectorate who have two Jewish grandparents will be considered Jews. The decree is part of the law "to protect German blood and honor" in the Protectorate.

MASS EXECUTIONS OF JEWS IN YUGOSLAVIA; DRASTIC ANTI-JEWISH ORDERS ISSUED

BERNE, July 29. (JTA)-- Mass executions of Jews were reported today from Yugoslavia over the Nazi-controlled radio station in Belgrade. The broadcast announced that "many Jews in Belgrade were shot yesterday for sabotage."

At the same time the Nazi military command in Yugoslavia issued a number of drastic anti-Jewish orders providing among others for the freeing of all Jewish holdings and the immediate registration of all Jewish fortunes and business enterprises.

The report states that all commercial transactions concluded with Jews in Yugoslavia after April 5, the day before the Nazis invaded the country, are considered void under the new regulations. Jews, and husbands and wives of Jews, are barred from practicing medicine, law and journalism.

Other orders of the Nazi military command provide for the immediate registration of all Jews. Those between the ages of 18 and 60, both men and women, will be put to forced labor. They are also obliged to wear yellow armlets inscribed with the word "Jew" and are not allowed to enter movie theatres, public baths, sport stadiums, public markets and restaurants. Jews are forbidden to return to the regions from which they fled as refugees.

At present of the 68,000 Jews who lived in what was formerly Yugoslavia, 51,000 are now under the domination of Germany, Italy and Hungary. In Croatia there are 29,000 who are subject to anti-Jewish treatment and 8,000 remain in the Serbian section.

1500 DELEGATES TO ATTEND ZIONIST ANNUAL CONVENTION AT CINCINNATI

WASHINGTON, July 29. (JTA)-- With more than 500 Zionist Districts and societies throughout the country having completed their elections, an attendance of over 1,500 delegates is assured for the forthcoming 44th annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America, which will convene in a four day session beginning September 6th and continuing through September 9th at the Hotel Gibson, Cincinnati, Ohio, it was stated here today.

According to an announcement by Edmund I. Kaufmann, President, the Convention will be called upon to discuss problems affecting the post-war status of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth, as well as proposals for consolidating and coordinating Zionist activities in this country in the light of the world situation. The Zionist Organization has during the year, recorded considerable progress in all fields of Zionist endeavors and has also further substantially increased its membership. Mr. Kaufmann said, predicting that the forthcoming Convention will be the largest and most representative in the history of American Zionism.

DAVID FLORENTIN DIES IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, July 29. (JTA)-- David Florentin, one of the founders of Tel Aviv and a prominent Greek Jewish leader, died here today, aged 68. Florentin was a former member of the Sephardim World Executive Committee.

SERIES OF BROADCASTS DEDICATED TO LATE CONGRESSMAN EDELSTEIN IS ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, July 29. (JTA)-- A series of radio broadcasts was announced here today, dedicated to the memory of the late Representative M. Michael Edelstein, who died of a heart attack following the delivery of a reply to a charge by Congressman John Rankin of Mississippi that Jews were seeking to involve the United States in the war.