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### JEWS ARRESTED, TORTURED, EXECUTED BY HUNGARIAN OCCUPATION AUTHORITIES IN GALICIA

ZURICH, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- Following in the footsteps of their Nazi masters, the Hungarian occupational troops have started a campaign of anti-Jewish terror in the territory occupied by them on the Russo-Hungarian frontier, it was reliably reported here today.

The report states that Jews are being arrested, tortured and executed by the Hungarian occupational administration in Stanislawow and other towns in Galicia which fell into Hungarian hands. In Stanislawow the Hungarian administration proclaimed a special curfew for Jews and arrested 160 Jewish men in addition to taking many prominent Jews as hostages. Three of the arrested Jews were executed.

A special concentration camp for Jews has been established by the Hungarian authorities in a village near Delatyn. The Jews there are being confined under the most horrible conditions, and tortured by bestial types of Hungarians who have been appointed as supervisors of the camp. In some towns occupied by the Hungarians all Jews, including women, are being taken for forced labor. In Nadworna the local rabbi was manhandled, while other Jews there were subjected to degrading treatment, the report informs.

### NAZI PRESS SAYS JEWS INCITE RUSSIA TO USE POISON GAS ON RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT

ZURICH, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- With Germany apparently planning to use poison gas on the Russian front, the Nazi Ministry of Propaganda started a campaign today in the entire German press stating that Jews are urging the Moscow Government to begin poison gas attacks against German soldiers on the Russo-German front.

The Nazi propaganda campaign, it is understood here, aims to justify both possible use of poison gas by the German army as well as the brutal treatment of Jews in the part of Ukraine occupied by the Nazis.

"Jewish commissars," the Nazi press reports, "have submitted to Moscow a plan to begin gas warfare on the eastern front. They base their arguments largely on the fact that Russia is immune to reprisal attacks due to certain anti-gas measures invented by a Jewish scientist named Jacob Trachtenberg."

The anti-Jewish campaign in the Nazi press, in connection with the war on the Russian front, is becoming more and more severe every day, with the view of keeping families of killed and wounded German soldiers under the impression that Jews are responsible for the casualties.

German newspapers which arrived here today report that in the town of Bebra, central Germany, a local priest was sentenced to five months imprisonment for performing a marriage ceremony between a German boy and a Jewish girl with whom he fell in love and married after she adopted Christianity.

JAPAN ORDERS REGISTRATION OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- The Japanese authorities in Shanghai today ordered a new registration of all Jewish refugees residing in the Japanese section of the city. The measure was taken as a result of the growing tense situation in the Far East coupled with increased anti-Semitic propaganda.

Simultaneously, Jewish and Polish refugees from Poland stranded in Shanghai today started a movement to secure the permission of the Soviet authorities to proceed from Shanghai to the Soviet far-eastern port of Vladivostok. From there they hope either to sail to overseas lands or to join their relatives now released from internment in Russia under the Russo-Polish pact. It was pointed out here among the refugees from Poland, that since Poland and Soviet Russia are now allies, there may be no difficulties in securing Soviet visas which would enable many to leave Shanghai either for Vladivostok or for other places in the Soviet interior.

POLISH-JEWISH DOCTORS JOIN SERVICES IN RUSSIAN MILITARY HOSPITALS

LONDON, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- A large number of Jewish doctors who, as Polish citizens, were this week released from internment in Soviet camps have now enlisted for service in Russian military hospitals, it is reported here today.

The report states that many prominent Polish Jews have already been released from their Soviet internment under the Russo-Polish pact, but that there are still a great number of cases where the orders to release the internees have not yet reached the local administration. This is especially true in the distant places of Siberia.

The Moscow radio today broadcast an article which appeared in Pravda, largest Soviet newspaper, quoting Gen. Anders, the chief of the Polish Army in Soviet Russia, as stating that the Polish armed forces which are now being organized in Soviet Russia from among the released Polish officers and soldiers will observe the principle of racial and religious equality as outlined by the Polish Premier Gen. Sikorski in his recent address to Polish military units in Scotland.

LABOR FEDERATION CONVENTION ADOPTS RESOLUTION AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM

NEW YORK, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- Anti-Semitism and discrimination in employment were condemned today by the New York State Federation of Labor in resolutions passed at the closing session of its seventy-eighth convention.

The resolutions were adopted after an address by Thomas J. Lyons, president of the Federation, in which he assailed "those who preach religious or racial discrimination."

WASHINGTON TO RELAX EMPLOYMENT REGULATIONS FOR NON-IMMIGRANT ALIENS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22. (TA)-- Sympathetic consideration of requests on the part of non-immigrant aliens, (visitors) for permission to accept employment will be accorded to applicants for such permits, the Department of Justice today informed the Washington office of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society.

Non-immigrant aliens are not permitted to accept employment unless they first obtain permission to do so from the Department of Justice. In view of the fact that the longer non-immigrants remain here the closer they approach financial exhaustion and the greater is the need for them to be gainfully employed, the matter was discussed by the Washington representative of HIAS with the Justice Department. To expedite action upon applications, a form of a special affidavit, which may be modified as the case may warrant, has been prepared.

6,000 JEWS ARRESTED IN PARIS SENT TO LABOR CAMPS

VICHY, August 22. (JTA)-- The 6,000 Jews arrested in Paris this week during a gigantic house-to-house raid in the Jewish section of the city were today sent to labor camps

At the same time the authorities in Paris today officially announced that owners of houses, flats and buildings having Jewish tenants who have not returned to Paris are given the legal right to sell the tenant's household furnishings. They are entitled to deduct the rent and taxes due from the money received from the sale, but they must not return the remainder to the Jewish tenant. Instead they must deposit this balance with the German authorities in Paris in accordance with the German ordinance blocking funds belonging to Jews.

Details received here today on the raid which was carried out in the Place de la Republique section which is thickly populated by Jews, reveal that policemen were stationed at the door of every house from daybreak. At six a.m. inspectors with lists in their hands entered each house, while others were engaged in stopping men in the streets asking them for their identity papers. The arrested Jews were all told to take indispensable hand luggage along with them, prior to their being transported to the concentration camp in Drancy.

In addition to the 6,000 Jews rounded up this week, hundreds of Jews were arrested in Paris long before the recent anti-Nazi demonstrations. Some 500 Jews in one group are now spending their ninth month in an internment camp known as Camp de la Lande, near Tours. This group consists of Jews who had originally resided in Alsace-Lorraine and who were sent to Bordeaux when Alsace-Lorraine was evacuated. They were expelled from Bordeaux last December and interned in the camp. Among this group of internees are over 100 children under the age of 14, and eighty men and women over the age of 50. Some of the families had sons or brothers in the French army.

WEIZMANN DISCUSSES PALESTINE PROBLEMS WITH MEMBERS OF BRITISH CABINET

LONDON, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- The Jewish Agency office today issued an official statement reporting that Dr. Chaim Weizmann has been in constant touch with the British Government since his return from the United States.

The statement reveals that Dr. Weizmann has had several conferences with Lord Moyne, Colonial Secretary, and with Foreign Minister Anthony Eden. He has also conferred with Brendan Bracken, the recently appointed Minister of Information, who was parliamentary private secretary of Prime Minister Churchill and is considered one of Churchill's intimate advisers.

HABIMAH JIVES HEBREW PERFORMANCE FOR POLES AND AUSTRALIANS

TEL AVIV, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- A special performance for Polish refugees and Australian soldiers now in Palestine was given here last night by the Habimah Hebrew Theatre, playing "Michal, Saul's Daughter." The Polish ex-Premier Jedrzejewicz who was among the many Polish notables present commented after the performance that "the Poles in Palestine have now become acquainted with the real Jewish spirit and achievements."

JEWS IN BRITISH FORCES TO RECEIVE FURLONGHS FOR JEWISH HIGH HOLIDAYS

LONDON, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- The Admiralty, the War Office and the Air Ministry today announced that Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur furloughs will be given to Jewish officers and men in the service desiring to observe the Jewish High Holidays. The furloughs will be granted in lieu of normal leaves.

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### WILLIAMSTOWN INSTITUTE TO HELP ELIMINATE PREJUDICE

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass., Aug. 22. (JTA)-- Practical methods of achieving community cooperation among Protestants, Catholics and Jews and eliminating prejudice from community life, will be discussed by six round table groups which will meet daily at the Williamstown Institute of Human Relations which opens Sunday evening on the campus of Williams College here. The Institute is being convened under the auspices of the National Conference of Christians and Jews to consider the theme, "The World We Want to Live In."

Participating in the round table discussions will be Protestant, Catholic and Jewish leaders from the fields of religion, education, business and labor, youth, and city and rural community and civic organizations.

Each round table group will consider the problems of cooperation and the elimination of prejudice as it affects its own special field and will discuss how the members of its particular field can cooperate to solve these problems.

### LILIAN FREIMAN WARD DEDICATED AT MILITARY HOSPITAL IN BRITAIN

LONDON, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- The Lilian Freiman Ward at the Canadian Military Hospital in Buckinghamshire, dedicated in honor of the late president of the Canadian Hadassah, was formally presented today in ceremonies attended by a group of WIZO representatives, including Mrs. Vera Weismann, wife of Dr. Chaim Weismann, Rebecca Sieff and others.

After being received by the Matron of the hospital and Commanding Officer Col. Mackenzie, the Zionist women inspected the ward which bears a tablet on which is inscribed: "Lilian Freiman Ward Dedicated by the Canadian Hadassah Federation and the Women's International Zionist Organization."

### MANCHESTER SYNAGOGUE REBUILT AFTER NAZI BOMBING

LONDON, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- First services were held today in the rebuilt South Broughton Synagogue in Manchester, which was severely damaged during a Nazi air raid. Repairs on the synagogue have just been completed.

Rabbi J. Chesner, who has been ill for several months from injuries suffered during an air raid, in his first sermon in the rebuilt synagogue stressed the spirit of self-sacrifice shown by the community in providing funds for the repairs under the present difficult conditions. "The savage oppressor can destroy our buildings but he can never destroy our spirit," the Rabbi declared.

### ORTHODOX JEWS URGED TO UNITE FOR DEFENSE OF JUDAISM

BALTIMORE, Aug. 22. (JTA)-- A call to American orthodox Jews to unite for the defense of Judaism was sounded today by Rabbi Eliezer Silver of Cincinnati, national head of the Agudas Israel, at the second day of its third annual convention being held here.

Rabbi Silver asserted every effort should be brought to bear by Agudah to center attention of orthodox Jews in this country on the imperative necessity of building new centers of Jewish learning both in Palestine and in the new world. Such need, he asserted, is most pressing now that centuries-old Jewish communities have been destroyed.

Rabbi Benjamin W. Hendles, executive director, reported that the Agudah gave \$21,000 for relief of Jewish scholars in Europe during the past six months.