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JEWISH WOMEN IN PALESTINE TO ORGANIZE INTO AUXILIARY CORPS

LONDON, Oct. 9. (JTA)— The creation of a Women's Auxiliary Corps in Palestine was foreshadowed here today in Commons by an announcement made by Duncan Sandys, financial secretary of the War Office. The British official said that the War Office is now considering the formation of a Palestine Women's Auxiliary Force, and that the final decision will be reached soon.

Meanwhile a report was received here today from Tel Aviv stating that the Jewish youth of Palestine was called upon "to volunteer and fill the ranks" in a resolution passed at the Jewish Volunteers Conference now taking place in Palestine. The resolution read: "With Jewish communities in flames, and with the honor of our nation being trampled, our hopes envision tens of thousands of Palestine volunteers."

A message urging the Jews of other countries to be "courageous," was also adopted by the conference. "We will fight your war and carry your banners high. When the day of victory comes, we will continue to build our life and fight for our full liberation," the message said.

SLOVAKIA EMULATES ANTI-JEWISH POLICY OF NAZIS IN CZECH PROTECTORATE

ZURICH, Oct. 9. (JTA)— The first case of a Jew being arrested in Slovakia for not wearing the yellow Mogen David is reported in the Grenzboten, a German paper published in Bratislava, which reached here today. The wife of the arrested Jew attempted to commit suicide when she learned that her husband had been jailed, the paper reports.

Emulating the new anti-Jewish Nazi policy in Prague, the authorities in Slovakia similarly embarked this week on a policy of increased anti-Jewish persecutions. The income of Jews was fixed by a special order as not to exceed 1,500 kronen a month, while Jews possessing bank accounts were prohibited to withdraw more than 400 kronen weekly from their deposits.

Katherina Backstuber, a Slovak fish dealer, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment and 10,000 kronen fine on the charge that she secretly sold fish to twenty-one Jews. Each of the Jews involved was fined 1,000 kronen and sentenced to one day in jail, the pro-Nazi newspaper Slovak, published in Bratislava, reported today.

NAZIS ORDER REGISTRATION OF JEWISH DOCTORS IN THE BALTIC LANDS

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 9. (JTA)— All Jewish doctors and dentists in the Baltic countries have been ordered to register so that they may be sent to the Soviet-German front to treat wounded German soldiers, it was reported here today.

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PALESTINE MUFTI HIDING OUT IN IRANIAN MOUNTAINS

LONDON, Oct. 9. (JTA)-- British military authorities are now combing the mountains on the Turko-Iran frontier where it is believed the Mufti of Jerusalem is in hiding, it became known here today following a statement made last night in Commons by Anthony Eden, British Foreign Minister.

Eden reported to Commons that the Mufti has until now eluded all British efforts to seize him. The British and Iranian authorities, Eden said, were exerting all efforts to secure capture of the Mufti.

When asked by Philip Noel-Baker, Laborite, whether the Mufti, when apprehended, would be treated as a declared enemy of England, Eden replied: "We would like to catch him first."

USSISHKIN'S SECOND WILL OPENED IN PRESENCE OF JNF, AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 9. (JTA)-- Acting in accordance with the last wishes of the late M. M. Ussishkin, his second will was opened today, seven days after his death.

The ceremony of opening the will took place in Ussishkin's home, at nine o'clock in the morning, in the presence of the immediate members of his family and representatives of the Directorate of the Jewish National Fund and of the Executive of the Jewish Agency. The contents of the will have not yet been announced and it is not known whether it will be made public.

Meanwhile speculation was rife here as to who would succeed Ussishkin as head of the Jewish National Fund. A new JNF president will be chosen by the forthcoming World Zionist Congress which would have taken place this autumn were it not for the war situation. Between now and the eventual appointment of a new president by the Congress, the affairs of the Jewish National Fund will apparently be conducted by a directorate.

CZECH POPULATION DEFIES GESTAPO IN PRO-JEWISH DEMONSTRATIONS

GENEVA, Oct. 9. (JTA)-- Defying Gestapo orders, a wave of pro-Jewish demonstrations is now sweeping the Czech Protectorate to a point where the authorities have been compelled to take strong police precautions, it was reported here today from Berlin.

The report, carried by the Swiss newspapers, states that the Czech population, resentful of the anti-Jewish measures instituted this week by Reinhard Heydrich, the new German "protector," organized public demonstrations expressing sympathy for the Jews. Although dispersed by the police, the demonstrations were repeated and continue to spring up in various Czech towns.

The drastic anti-Jewish laws proclaimed this week by Heydrich are only the forerunners of more severe decrees which will be issued for the Jews in Bohemia and Moravia, the Berlin report states. It reveals that a Jew was executed in Prague yesterday on the charge of illegal slaughter and sale of fifty hogs on the "black market."

RABBIS IN CANADA AFFECTED BY CHANGE IN U. S. NATIONALITY LAW

MONTREAL, Oct. 9. (JTA)— Concern has been caused among some of the religious leaders of Canada as a result of the ruling of the U. S. Department of Justice, made public here today, that naturalized American citizens who have lived abroad for some years must return to the United States by October 13, 1941, if they wish to retain their American citizenship.

Rabbis are particularly hit by the new ruling, as Canada, not having any rabbinical schools, draws on the United States for many of its rabbis, and in quite a number of instances naturalized Americans come to Canada to accept posts in different Jewish temples or synagogues.

One prominent rabbi in Montreal, who pointed out that he was born in Lithuania and later was naturalized in the United States, said he hoped a way would be found to obtain exemption for such persons as himself, who had established himself in Canada now and yet did not want to lose his American citizenship and revert to his former nationality.

45 JEWISH REFUGEES IN ARGENTINA TO BE RETURNED TO SPAIN

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 9. (JTA)— Forty-five Jewish refugees who recently arrived in Argentina on a Spanish ship, and who are presently housed in the Hotel de los Immigrantes, the Argentinian Ellis Island, are to be deported back to Spain because the Argentine Government refuses to admit them, it was disclosed today.

The expulsion order is part of a protracted conflict on immigration policy between Acting President Ramon Castillo and pro-democratic Minister of Agriculture Daniel Amadeo y Videla. The conflict was brought to a head today when Videla rejected a project to rigidly limit immigration proposed by a three-man pro-Fascist immigration council appointed by Castillo.

FIRST HEBREW BOOK ON CHURCHILL PUBLISHED IN PALESTINE

TEL AVIV, Oct. 9. (JTA)— The Davar Publishing Company of Tel Aviv has issued the first book in Hebrew on Winston Churchill. The volume also contains letters and speeches by the Prime Minister, and includes some of his pronouncements on Zionism and Palestine.

NAZIS CONFISCATE JEWISH REAL ESTATE IN LITHUANIA

BERNE, Oct. 9. (JTA)— All real estate belonging to Jews in Lithuania, particularly commercial establishments, have been confiscated by the Reichskommissar and reserved for German merchants coming from Eastern Prussia, it was reported here today.

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION BEGINS TWENTIETH YEAR

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA)— Formal exercises marking the beginning of the twentieth academic year of the Jewish Institute of Religion were held last night in the auditorium. Rabbi Morton M. Berman, '26, of Temple Isaiah Israel, Chicago, and Guggenheimer Fellow of the first graduating class, gave the principal address. Dr. Stephen S. Wise, President and Founder, greeted the assembly.

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PALESTINE FUNDS SPENT \$7,586,411.40 IN 11-MONTH PERIOD

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA)— A sum of \$7,586,411.40 was spent in Palestine by the national funds supported by the Jews of America from October 1, 1940 to September 1, 1941, it was announced today by Charles Rosenbloom, of Pittsburgh, Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal.

The report of the expenditure of \$7,586,411.40 during the 11-month period covered the activities of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, the Palestine Foundation Fund, which provides for colonization, immigration, security, national organization and the furtherance of every other avenue of national development, the Jewish National Fund, the land-acquisition arm for the rebuilding of the Jewish homeland, and the Central Bureau of the Jewish Agency for the Settlement of German Jews. All organizations are supported by American Jews through the United Palestine Appeal.

The largest item of expenditure in the 11-month report was \$4,856,901.75 for colonization, the acquisition of land and its amelioration; \$174,627.90 for immigration and training; \$200,896.20 for relief; \$317,467.35 for labor and housing; \$360,680.85 for the stimulation of trade and industry; \$804,281.40 for the promotion of education and culture and Youth Aliyah; \$495,444.60 for security purposes and national organization and \$376,111.35 for administration.

ACTIVITIES OF JDC IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE REPORTED AT PRESS CONFERENCE

NEW YORK, Oct. 9. (JTA)— The major relief activities which the American Joint Distribution Committee is conducting for Jews in unoccupied France were outlined here today at a press conference addressed by Herbert Katski, member of the JDC overseas staff, who recently returned from Marseille where he supervised the many-sided program of the JDC relief work in France. This program, as stated by Mr. Katski, includes:

Regular cash relief grants to 20,000 refugees who are technically at liberty and are not confined to internment centers. These people are not permitted to engage in business and may be sent to special labor battalions for foreigners. For the most part they have long since used up such resources as they were able to bring with them; in thousands of instances their bank accounts have been blocked in the occupied zone, and they have suffered serious depreciation of morale.

Assistance to between 15,000 and 20,000 interned Jewish refugees in nine major camps. The assistance takes the form of sending food, clothing and other supplies to the camps for distribution among the neediest. Over 5,500,000 francs have been expended for this kind of assistance in internment centers by various agencies under J.D.C. supervision.

Care of close to 5,000 refugee children in France. These are not necessarily orphans, but include children whose parents are interned or are in other countries.

Assistance to students and other intellectual elements among the Foreign Jews in France. Several hundred boys and girls of East European origin are enrolled as students in French universities. They are cut off from their families and from any form of outside aid. Relief is also extended to some 4,000 people who were formerly artists, musicians, journalists, scholars, religious functionaries, but who are now without resources and are unable to pursue their professions. Emigration help is one of the most important functions of JDC organization in France. Since July 1940, the JDC enabled several thousand refugees who had visas and whose papers were in order, to emigrate from France to overseas countries.