

GERMAN-AMERICAN NEWSPAPER URGES U.S.A. TO EMULATE NAZI ANTI-JEWISH LAWS

BISMARCK, N.D., Oct. 27, (JTA)-- Special laws closely resembling the anti-Jewish regulations of Nazi Germany are suggested for the United States in an editorial "Is There A Jewish Problem?" published here in the German-language newspaper Der Staats-Anzeiger.

Declaring that he is "against wild anti-Semitic agitation because nothing good is usually achieved by it," the writer of the three-column editorial, H. Dralle, urges solving the Jewish problem in America "in a sensible way." He cites a number of Jewish "sins" and then suggests the promulgation of a law, the text of which reads:

"Any person who acquired United States' citizenship by birth or naturalization, but who at the same time also belongs - because of religious or nationalistic reasons - to another nation or national group which is advocating and developing dangerous principles, is automatically put under the special law which provides that:

"1. A person falling under the above law is not to occupy any public or advisory post in Government or State offices. Nor is he to hold any position in the court system.

"2. A doctor belonging to the category of persons for whom this law is intended is to treat patients of his nationality only. The same is to be applied to lawyers, bankers and dentists. Such a person should serve in the army and navy as a soldier of the lowest rank only.

"3. People against whom this law is proclaimed are not to be owners or partners of large business enterprises in America. Those possessing property and capital valued at more than \$500,000 should have their belongings gradually confiscated for the State within a period of ten years after the issuance of the law.

"4. A person falling under this law may be permitted to engage in small trade, artisanship or landwork. He cannot, however, possess or manage more than two such small enterprises.

"5. A person affected by this law may by act of law sever his connections with the national group to which he belongs."

Providing punishment by imprisonment from two to fifteen years for violating the above "law," the author concludes his editorial with a "promise" that in his forthcoming articles he will suggest two more "laws" dealing in similar vein with regard to vacations and clothing.

SYNAGOGUE SERVICES MARK ANNIVERSARY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIAN INDEPENDENCE

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- The twenty-third anniversary of Czechoslovakian independence, which will be celebrated tomorrow, was marked by ceremonies in the St. John's Wood synagogue here yesterday.

Rabbi H. Stransky, formerly chief rabbi of Zilina, delivered the sermon while the prayer for the fallen was recited by Lieutenant A. Kraus, Jewish chaplain of the Czechoslovak forces. Dr. Hubert Ripka represented President Benes at the services and several Czech Ministers were also present. Dr. L. Kolmanovic represented the National Council of Czechoslovakian Jews of which he is president. Meanwhile today the Federation of Czechoslovakian Jews sent a message to Benes in connection with the anniversary, in which they pledged their loyalty to the "cause of our country, which for twenty years was an island of religious freedom in a Europe torn by racial hatreds."

TEL AVIV, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- The Palestine Orchestra, conducted by the Czech-Jewish conductor George Singer last night commemorated the anniversary of Czechoslovakia's independence with a performance of Smetana's "My Fatherland."

PORTUGAL RELEASES REFUGEES FROM PRISON; SENDS THEM TO FORCED RESIDENCE

LISBON, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- All but five of the Jewish refugees who were imprisoned here for remaining in the country without permission or for not having obeyed expulsion orders have now been released from prison and sent to forced residence in the resort town of Caldas da Rainha, it was disclosed here today.

There are now about 160 Jewish refugees at Caldas da Rainha being maintained by the American Joint Distribution Committee working through the Portuguese Jewish relief committee. The Hias-Ica Emigration Association is seeking emigration possibilities for these people, most of whom came here soon after the fall of France.

Some of the refugees now interned at Caldas da Rainha had been granted United States immigration visas but had not actually received them when the State Department's new regulations became effective in July. Some of them can qualify for visas under the new regulations but so far the American authorities have not acted on the applications submitted to Washington by relatives of these refugees. The delay in Washington in handling Lisbon cases is a source of much anxiety here not only to the refugees at Caldas but to several scores of refugees still having residential permits but who may, at any moment, be ordered to leave the country.

Jewish refugee aid officials here declared today that the number of Jewish refugees in Portugal is now appreciably less than a thousand, as compared to an estimated 10,000 a year ago. More than 50,000 have passed through Portugal since the fall of France, and the residue still here consequently represents less than two percent of one of the greatest emigration movements in many years. The decline in the number of refugees stranded here is also shown by the fact that refugees dependent on the relief agencies for maintenance have decreased from about 1,700 a year ago to 501 at present. This number includes the refugees at Caldas da Rainha.

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Early in November the train will carry 1,500 Jews from Bratislava to ghettos in Sereď, Novaky and Orgulas. 10,000 more Jews will be deported on similar "Jewish trains" soon after the first group leaves the Slovak capital, the information reveals.

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INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE OPENS IN NEW YORK; WILL DISCUSS POST-WAR EMIGRATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- Post-war problems, including the problem of emigration from war-torn European countries, will be discussed at the Conference of the International Labor Organization which opened here today in the presence of delegates from 35 countries and from all continents. Dr. Max Gotschalk, president of the Hias-Ica Emigration Association, is one of the delegates representing the Belgian Government. The I.L.O. formerly met in Geneva.

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JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS URGE RENEWAL OF U.J.A. FOR 1942

OMAHA, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- Tabling a proposal to include other national agencies in the scope of the United Jewish Appeal, the West Central States Regional Conference of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, which concluded its sessions here today, asked that the U.J.A. be renewed and continued for the year 1942.

The delegates adopted a resolution for civic protective organizations to unify their program and coordinate their activities during the coming year.

At the opening sessions, attended by five hundred persons from ten midwestern states, Amos Deinerd of Minneapolis, retiring president, told that the success or failure of all post-war refugee resettlement will rest on the outcome of the Jewish refugee program. Rabbi James Heller of Cincinnati in an address at the opening session, reminded his listeners that there have been other Hitlers and other dark periods in Jewish life and even if the Jewish people are not to survive, there are indications that what they have stood for will continue. Morris E. Jacobs of Omaha was elected new president of the Region. Others named are Clarence Ullman of Peoria, first vice-president; Louis Meyers of Kansas City, second vice-president; Paul Veret of Omaha, secretary and E. E. Grueskin of Sioux City, Iowa, treasurer.

NAZI METHODS OF ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA IN AMERICA REVEALED BY MRS. ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the President, in a radio broadcast last night condemned the propaganda which she said is being conducted by Nazi agents in this country to the effect that Jews discharge American workers and replace them with refugees.

"A correspondent from the Pacific Coast," Mrs. Roosevelt said, "has written me that in practically every large city he visited he heard stories that the largest Jewish-owned department stores had discharged many American workers to provide jobs for Jewish refugees. No story could tend to create disunity more rapidly, or be less true. It might be time for a seasonal lay-off, or any one of a number of reasons might make a drop in employment necessary. The Germans circulate a story like this to create a dislike of the Jews."

BERTHOLD JACOBS, GERMAN-JEWISH JOURNALIST, REPORTED ARRESTED IN PORTUGAL

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- Die Zeitung, German emigre daily published here, today reports that Dr. Berthold Jacobs, German-Jewish journalist, has been arrested in Portugal, while awaiting a visa to a South American country.

Dr. Jacobs was the cause of an international incident in the Spring of 1935 when he was kidnapped from Switzerland by Nazi agents and taken to Germany. Switzerland protested to the Nazi Government and threatened to bring the case to the World Court at The Hague. As a result of this and other world-wide protests the Nazis were forced to release Jacobs from the jail in which he had been confined for several months and he was returned to Swiss soil.

BRUNO CASSIRER, GERMAN-JEWISH ART COLLECTOR, DIES IN LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 27. (JTA)-- Bruno Cassirer, famous German-Jewish publisher and art collector died at Oxford today at the age of 69. He was the founder of the Cassirer Art Gallery in Berlin and published a magazine dealing with art. He first popularized the French impressionists in Germany and was personally acquainted with Renoir, Degas, Toulouse-Lautrec and other of the impressionists.