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6,000 JEWS MOWED DOWN BY NAZI MACHINE-GUNS IN POLAND; CHILDREN EXECUTED

LONDON, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Some 6,000 Jews were machine-gunned to death by Gestapo units in Nazi-held Poland, it is reported today by Polish official circles here on the basis of information received from reliable sources in Poland.

The massacre, according to the report, took place in September soon after the Nazi authorities in Warsaw announced the establishment of new labor camps for Jews in the region of Lomzha. These camps were established on large fields between the townships of Czyzew and Zaremby-Koscielna.

Upon the arrival of the first contingents of Jews at these camps, the Gestapo ordered 6,000 of them to descend into trenches left there by the Russian army in the early weeks of the Russo-German war. Once in the trenches the Jews, according to the report, were ordered to kneel in rows. They were then all mowed down by machine-guns.

A similar massacre of Jews, though on a smaller scale, took place in Rzeszow, Galicia, where several hundred Jews were, according to the same report, killed by machine-guns.

Addressing the National Vigilance Association in London today, Wanda Grabinska, honorary secretary of the International Union of Judges, reported that children between nine and sixteen years old are being executed by the Nazis in Poland "for political activities." During the evacuation of the Jewish population from one part of Poland to the other, a newly-born child was thrown out of a railroad car by a Gestapo agent, the child's mother related.

THIRD OF JEWISH POPULATION IN BESSARABIA EXTERMINATED; SAVAGE POGROMS REPORTED

LISBON, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Almost one-third of the entire Jewish population of the province of Bessarabia was exterminated in the course of the fierce Rumanian-Soviet fighting there and in the savage pogroms which followed the Rumanian conquest of the province, it was learned here today on receipt of a report by neutral authorities whose identities cannot be disclosed.

The carnage among the Jews in the Ukrainian towns and villages which fell to the Rumanians was described in the report as having assumed tremendous proportions. The Rumanian tactics, when a town was captured, the report revealed, was to separate the entire population into two groups: the "Aryan" - Russian, Ukrainian, German - and the Jews. There were no limits to what the Rumanian troops were permitted to do to the Jewish groups. In one town, 20,000 Jews were concentrated into 500 houses and kept under guard, unable to leave or to forage for food. No food or water were given them. The sufferings of the Jews were so acute, the report revealed, that many of

the Rumanian sentries could not witness the spectacle and repeatedly had to ask to have their posts changed in order to escape the pitiful sight.

Hundreds of thousands of Jews throughout Rumania and the reconquered provinces have been interned in forced labor camps, the report disclosed. Many of them get no pay. When they are paid, the rate is 35 lei daily, or about one cent. Their food is rationed on the basis of the equivalent of one soldier's daily ration for eight men. The forced labor decree applies to all men between the ages of 18-45. No provision is made for their families at home and in most cases these are absolutely destitute except for the limited aid the Jewish community can give them. In Kishenev, no Jews are allowed to hold any employment whatever and the Jewish population is left to die of starvation. Hunger and starvation are so rampant there among the Jews that young girls prostitute themselves for a piece of bread.

In general, treatment of the Jews in Rumania today, according to the report, rivals in savagery the worst excesses committed during the wild days of the Iron Guard revolt when the bodies of murdered Jews were displayed on meat-hooks in butcher-shops even in Bucharest, the capital.

Jews Arrested for Wearing Mogen Davids in Bucharest

Ironically, the only controlling influence in this orgy of bestiality is that exercised by the Germans, not out of any desire to protect the Jews, but simply because they wanted an end to the civil disorders in the country. Thus, when the Rumanian government ordered all Jews in Rumania proper to wear a large Star of David badge, the Germans put pressure on the authorities to revoke the order so as not to provoke new riots. The order was consequently revoked two days after its issue. Two Jews in Bucharest, who had not known about the second order which forbade Jews to wear the Star of David badge, were arrested because they were doing so in compliance with the first order.

The Rumanian government has issued a decree providing that after December 31 no Jew may be employed in any Rumanian enterprise of any kind. As by that date there will not be a single Jewish enterprise in Rumania, the country's Jewish population is simply doomed to slow death.

There is not a single Jewish hospital left in Rumania, according to the report. All were ordered closed or taken over to handle Rumanian war casualties. Jewish schools are still permitted to function and are crowded as Jewish children are not permitted in Rumanian schools. Most of the concentration camps are bare fields surrounded by barbed-wire and rows of sentries, with no shelter for the inmates and no facilities of any kind.

NAZIS EXPLOIT ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH TO INCREASE THEIR ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- The Jewish situation in Germany is expected to become even more precarious, Berlin correspondents of Swedish newspapers predicted today. The predictions are based on the blast of anti-Jewish propaganda released today in the Nazi press and over the Nazi radio stations, charging that the Jews are responsible for President Roosevelt's speech on Navy Day.

Information reaching today from Berlin reveals that the Jewish emigration office which was closed down last week in Berlin was not the department maintained by the Reichsvereinigung of German Jews to facilitate Jewish emigration from Germany, but the office established by the German authorities through which Jews desiring to emigrate had to clear all the necessary papers. The office was located on Kurfuerstenstrasse in Berlin. It is not known why the office was suddenly closed down.

JEWISH PROPERTY IN CROATIA SKIZED; MASS-ARRESTS OF JEWS IN BUDAPEST

LONDON, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- The German radio today announced the mass-arrests of Jews in Hungary, the confiscation of Jewish wealth in Croatia and the deportation of Jews from Bratislava, Slovakia.

In Budapest alone some 90 Jews were arrested, the Nazi radio reported. In the Nazi puppet-state of Croatia the government ordered confiscation by the State of all Jewish properties and banking accounts. The deportation of 1,500 Jews from Bratislava will be completed before November 1, it was reported by the Nazi announcer.

TEL AVIV TO INTRODUCE FOOD RATIONING; ALREADY STARTED IN SMALLER COMMUNITIES

JERUSALEM, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- The city of Tel Aviv will shortly introduce food rationing, it was announced today by Eliezer Perlson, vice-mayor of Tel Aviv, at the conference of Palestine mayors and council heads called by the Vaad Leumi to combat the rising cost of living. A report by Chaim Ariev, secretary of the Palestine Farmers Association, disclosed that rationing has already started in some of the smaller settlements.

A demand that the government extend price control to hitherto uncontrolled commodities was made at the conference by David Hurwitz of the Economic Research Institute of the Jewish Agency. H. Frumkin, of the Histadruth, demanded outright confiscation of all stock still in the possession of Palestine merchants.

Addressing the conference on the effects of high food costs on the health conditions in Palestine, Dr. Israel Kligler of the Hebrew University, revealed that half of the Jewish school children in Palestine were undernourished and that the living standards of more than forty percent of the rural population had declined to a new low.

Meanwhile, Col. George W. Heron, Controller of Supplies for the Palestine Government, broadcast an appeal to the public to cooperate in preventing profiteering and revealed that the government was taking steps to guarantee an adequate stock of food and other essentials and to make the country as self-sufficient as possible.

DELEGATION OF CZECH JEWS RECEIVED BY BENES IN LONDON

LONDON, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- A delegation from the Federation of Czechoslovakian Jews, headed by Chief Rabbi Hertz, president of the organization, was received today by Czech President Benes, to whom they expressed their continued loyalty to Czechoslovakia, in connection with the celebration of Czechoslovakian independence day.

The group also discussed current problems facing the Czech government in regard to the formation of a new State Council. President Benes stated that he greatly appreciated the patriotic sentiments of the Czech Jews.

JEWS EXECUTED BY NAZIS FOR BUYING WHITE BREAD

LISBON, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Three Jews, working in a labor gang at Poznan, Poland, were arrested and sentenced to death for having bought white bread, it is reported here today. White bread is forbidden to Jews.

The German police marched them through the streets of the city wearing large sandwich boards announcing they were to be hanged the following day. All the other Jews working in the gang had to pass under the three gallows from which the bodies of their former associates dangled.

FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS COUNCIL TO MEET IN CHICAGO; OVER \$15,000,000 RAISED

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- The 1942 General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federation and Welfare Funds will be held in Chicago from January 31 to February 2, in accordance with a decision of the Council's Board of Directors, it was announced here today.

Campaigns for local as well as for non-local needs conducted by Jewish federations, welfare funds and joint appeals in 132 cities during the first nine months of 1941 raised a total of \$15,895,697, according to reports received up to October 1 by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. This figure represents about 60 percent of the total amount of funds expected to be raised this year.

The returns, many of them as yet incomplete, are exclusive of campaigns scheduled to open in the fall such as the Federation in New York, which has a goal of \$7,500,000; Boston, with a goal of \$1,308,000; and Philadelphia, with a \$1,250,000 goal. Included among other communities which have opened or are about to launch their fall campaigns are Buffalo, Cincinnati, Dayton, Montreal, Rochester, Toledo, Toronto and Youngstown. Complete reports have been received to date only from 74 of the 132 communities. These 74 cities raised \$5,989,004, the balance representing the funds raised in communities for which campaign returns have not been reported in full.

A comparison between the amounts raised in 1941 and those in 1940 in 68 communities where the campaigns have been completed showed an increase in the 1941 figure of 2.8 percent. These communities raised \$5,527,972 in 1940, and \$5,476,942 in 1941.

PALESTINE INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS REPORTED AT ILO CONFERENCE; HISTADURTH INVITED

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Jewish industrial progress in Palestine is emphasized in a report which Edward J. Phelan, the acting director of the International Labor Office, an institution affiliated with the League of Nations, submitted today to the Conference of the International Labor Organization now taking place here, the first time it has been held in America.

At the same time it was announced today that a representative of Palestine's organized labor has been invited to attend the worker's section of the Conference, and that Mr. I. Mereminsky, Histadurth leader now in America, will be the representative.

In his report to the conference in which delegates of governments and labor groups from 33 countries are participating, the acting director of the ILO says that "in Palestine, the development of industries by Jewish enterprise has reached the point at which industrial output exceeds agricultural output; prospecting for minerals is being actively carried on; new factories for tin, starch, and glucose have been started; new commercial uses have been found for the part of the citrus crops which cannot be marketed."

WIDOW OF DR. MAX NORDAU ARRIVES IN NEW YORK FROM EUROPE

NEW YORK, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Nordau, widow of Dr. Max Nordau, late leader of the World Zionist movement, arrived in New York from Europe on the Excambion bringing with her four original manuscripts of her husband, one of which has not yet been published. She was met at the pier by her daughter Maxa Nordau, painter and lecturer, and by friends of the Nordau family.

JEWISH COMMONWEALTH IN PALESTINE IS DEMANDED BY HADASSAH CONVENTION

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Support to President Roosevelt in his fight for democracy as well as aid to Zionist leaders in their effort to have Palestine established as a Jewish Commonwealth were pledged here today by the Hadassah at the opening session of its 27th annual convention, in a declaration which was accepted by all 1,500 delegates present. The declaration states:

"Hadassah's hundred thousand senior and junior members give unwavering support to the principles and policies enunciated by President Roosevelt to help defeat the Nazi regime and lay the foundation for a free and better world. But a democratic world order must also concern itself with a just and adequate solution of the age-old Jewish problem. Such a program requires restitution of fundamental rights to all Jews as individuals everywhere and recognition of the rights of the Jewish people to freedom, soil and security in their own homeland. We recognize that Jewish homelessness and suffering will not disappear even after the Allied victory until the masses of Jews uprooted in the course of the terrible struggle are afforded an opportunity to reestablish themselves under guaranteed freedom in a land of their own.

"Solemnly we declare that a rapid resettlement and rehabilitation of these homeless masses would best be effected by the restitution of Palestine within historic boundaries as a Jewish homeland under conditions permitting its fullest development. We ask the leaders who are working for a free world to openly and publicly include the Jewish people amongst those who may look forward to moral and national restoration. We call upon them to affirm their belief in the establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth as an integral essential part of the democratic world order."

Addressing today's session, Judge Louis E. Levinthal, President of the ZOA, pointedly asked cooperation of Zionists and non-Zionists in America. "Americans are the only spokesmen in behalf of millions of Jews silenced by Nazi terror," he said. Rabbi Stephen S. Wise in an address noted England's "omissions and commissions" regarding Palestine during recent years. He added that Zionists, of course, join those who pledge all to safeguard Britain and ensure her earliest triumph. "We would be untrue to ourselves as Jews and Americans if we failed to say to the British Government that next to our reliance in our own country is our faith in Britain," he said. "After the first World War came the Balfour Declaration, after the second war, with Britain's and our own country's help, must come such simplification of the Declaration as shall set a seal of world recognition and approval upon the miraculous achievements of the half million Palestine pioneers." Mrs. Pool in an address stated "there can be no retreat. We have but one goal - defeat Hitler." A memorial tribute was paid to M. M. Ussishkin and Justice Louis D. Brandeis by Mrs. Edward Jacobs.

CANADA RELEASES REFUGEE STUDENTS FROM INTERNMENT

MONTREAL, Oct. 29. (JTA)-- Twenty-eight young German-Jewish refugees interned in Canada since they were brought here from England in July 1940, have been released from internment in order to continue their studies in the universities of Montreal, Toronto and Kingston.

Their release was obtained through the intervention of the Central Committee for Refugees in Canada, and the United Jewish Refugee and War Relief Agencies. This freedom was granted after a similar number of sponsors had undertaken to cover the costs of maintenance and upkeep of the students during the period of their studies at the universities. Another group of 62 student refugees will be released as soon as the additional number of sponsors is obtained.