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CZECH POPULATION ANXIOUS OVER DEPORTATION OF 40,000 JEWS FROM PRAGUE

ZURICH, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- The mass-deportation of Jews from Prague and other cities in the Czech Protectorate is provoking considerable anxiety among the Czech non-Jewish population who fear they too will soon be deported by the Nazis to occupied Poland, it is reliably reported here today.

The report is substantiated by an article in the pro-Nazi newspaper "Posledni List," reaching here today from Prague. The article states that the non-Jewish population in the Protectorate considers the deportation of the Jews as only the fore-runner for a wholesale ousting of Czechs, especially since the Nazi press has recently warned non-Jews that they too will be deported should they fall under suspicion of sympathizing with Jews.

Attributing the fear among the Czechs to "a Jewish whispering campaign," the Posledni List publishes a doubtful assurance which aims at allaying their fears but which actually gives the Czechs more reason for worrying. "Only Jews and philo-Semites will be ordered to leave the Protectorate, but not the people fulfilling their duties in the belief in a happy Czech future within the framework of the existing political conditions," the article explains.

The Prager Abend, a daily evening paper which reached here today from Prague, reports that the deportation of Jews from Prague and Moravska-Ostrava "is making great progress." German newspapers reaching here today from Berlin report that over 40,000 more Jews will be deported from Prague to Poland and Nazi-occupied sections of Russia, in addition to those already transported. The total Jewish population in the Protectorate is estimated to be about 115,000, not including so-called part-Jews.

RUMANIAN JEWS ORDERED TO DELIVER LINEN, SHIRTS, BLANKETS TO THE ARMY

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- Details of the order issued in Rumania forcing Jews to deliver part of their belongings to the army are reported here today in the Stockholm Tidningen, a Swedish newspaper. The order, according to the report, provides:

1. Jews with a small income who fall in the category of non-payers of income tax must deliver at least one shirt, one pair of pants, a pair of stockings, two handkerchiefs and one towel.
2. Jews of the wealthier groups, in addition to having their tax increased, must deliver bed linen, blankets and any other articles demanded. Should they not possess such articles, they must buy them.

Information reaching here from Rumania reveals that the ghetto sections in the annexed Soviet territory to which the Jews of Bessarabia and Bukovina are to be deported are all located east of the Bug river, in the Ukraine.

HADASSAH SENT \$1, 862,860 TO PALESTINE; DEMANDS JEWISH ARMY IN NEAR EAST

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- The American Hadassah has sent \$1,862,860 to Palestine during the past year for war emergency, hospitalization, public health, schools, child welfare, youth, refugees and land reclamation work, it was reported today by Mrs. Samuel J. Rosensohn, national treasurer, at the first business session of the 27th annual convention of Hadassah, meeting here

Of the 30 shipments of food, medical instruments and drugs sent by Hadassah to Palestine during the last twelve months, only two did not arrive "because of enemy action," it was revealed by Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin, Chairman of the Palestine Committee. The other shipments, in convoys protected all the way by British destroyers, reached Palestine unharmed.

Mrs. Tamar de Sola Pool, national President of the organization, stressed that Palestine was aiding the British as "an arsenal of democracy in the Middle East." She reported that 200 new industries employing thousands of Jewish workers had been established and that they were manufacturing cloth, wire, precision instruments, canned goods and other war necessities.

Eleanor Roosevelt Forest Project Launched

The launching of an Eleanor Roosevelt Forest Project in Palestine by the Hadassah in honor of the President's wife was announced at today's session of the convention. A letter was read from Mrs. Roosevelt stating that she was greatly touched by the fact that the project will carry her name. "I have long been interested in the work done in Palestine and have always had a great sense of satisfaction when I have heard of the progress made. I am gratified to find that despite the precarious position of these pioneers, which is recognized by so many of us, the building program has been carried forward without interruption," Mrs. Roosevelt wrote. Another forest, named in honor of Senator Robert Wagner of New York, chairman of the American Palestine Committee, will also be planted in Palestine, it was disclosed at the convention.

A resolution accepted today by the convention asked for the formation of a Jewish force in the Near East to serve on a basis of equality with the military forces of Great Britain and the other Allies. Another resolution opposed the White Paper as a "last relic of a disastrous, now repudiated, policy of appeasement."

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Administrative Committee of the World Jewish Congress, addressing the convention said that he feared that of the ten million Jews living in Europe before the war only about six or seven million will survive and that the Jews may prove to be the greatest sufferers in the conflict. "Today we demand a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine with full sovereignty in order to take care of the post-war Jewish problem," Dr. Goldmann emphasized.

Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Hadassah leader and the only woman member of the Executive of the Jewish Agency, made an appeal to American Jews to participate concretely in Palestine problems and if necessary to send representatives there to get first hand information. She said "old slogans must be discarded. We have discovered that nationalism can also have odious connotations, that small nations cannot enjoy economic determinism, that limitations are put upon culture and language. We must consider Zionism against the background of this new ferment."

Other speakers included Rabbi Israel Goldstein, Emanuel Neumann, Prof. Charles K. Webster and Miss Juliet N. Benjamin.

JEWISH REFUGEES DENIED ADMITTANCE INTO ARGENTINA THREATEN SUICIDE

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- Immigration authorities here suddenly clamped down a twenty-four hour guard on the 35 Jewish refugees confined in the "Hotel des Immigrantes," Argentina's Ellis Island, for fear that they would commit suicide because they face deportation to Europe on November 12. Another 60 Jewish refugees who arrived here yesterday aboard the Cabo de Hornos are not being permitted to land and also face being returned to Europe.

Threats of suicide came from the 35 refugees when they learned that Acting President Ramon Castillo had reiterated his refusal to allow the immigrants to stay in Argentina, despite pleas by Jewish and Christian welfare leaders here and even an appeal by his wife. The authorities faced with the prospect of world-wide disapproval if any group of the refugees, in their desperation succeed in harming themselves, are taking no chances of leaving them unguarded for a single moment.

Meanwhile Jewish leaders here have suggested that Great Britain offer refuge to the immigrants in one of its colonies or dominions, with expenses to be defrayed by the Jewish relief organizations. The Argentine press and public opinion is wrought up at the prospect of these 35 being sent back to almost sure death in concentration camps.

For the refugees their present plight is the climax of a nine months odyssey. They left France for Brazil in January on the steamer Alsina but were halted at Dakar and kept in concentration camps for five months. They finally obtained passage to Brazil, but by the time they arrived there their visas had expired and they were denied admittance. The ship continued onward to Buenos Aires where the refugees were kept on board eight days before being allowed to land. Finally permission was granted for them to stay three months until another place of refuge for them could be found. However, Acting President Castillo's new order for them to return on November 12 leaves them facing deportation before permission can be secured for them to land elsewhere in America.

IRWIN ROSEN APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF BROOKLYN FEDERATION

NEW YORK, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- The appointment of Irwin Rosen as executive director of the Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, central fund-raising and distribution agency for 25 affiliated health and welfare institutions, was announced here today by Hugh Grant Strauss, president of the Federation.

Mr. Rosen was formerly the director of the Transmigration Bureau of the American Joint Distribution Committee. Prior to that he served this organization as a member of its European Executive Council in Paris and was in charge of the Amsterdam office supervising the agency's program in the then countries of refuge, including France, Italy, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland and Luxemburg. He is a graduate of Harvard, class of 1925 and received his M.A. from Columbia University in 1931.

POLISH GOVERNMENT ASKS MOSCOW AMBASSADOR TO INTENSIFY SEARCH FOR RABBI SCHORR

LONDON, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- The Polish Government today cabled Stanislaw Kot, its Ambassador in Moscow, asking him to intensify the investigation into the whereabouts of Chief Rabbi Moses Schorr of Warsaw, former Polish-Jewish deputy Dr. Emil Sommerstein and the "Bobover Rabbi" Halberstam, who were reported as released from exile in the Russian interior some time ago. It is disclosed here today that the Polish government would like to include Rabbi Schorr as one of the Jewish representatives in the new Polish National Council expected to be formed this week.

NAZI OFFICIALS IN POLAND SELL "ARYAN CERTIFICATES" TO JEWS

NEW YORK, Oct. 30. (JTA)--- Bribery among Nazi officials in occupied Poland has reached a point where for 125 zlotys, nominally \$25, any Jew can buy a certificate exempting him from compulsory labor, while for 500 zlotys he can secure a certificate exempting him from wearing the yellow Mogen David, it is reported in an article in the November issue of the monthly magazine Free World which was published today.

Assuring that it "can guarantee the truth of this story, but to safeguard the underground movement we purposely refrain from giving details," the article reveals that when the Governor of Warsaw discovered that many Jews were not wearing compulsory arm-bands, and was informed of the reason, he stated that a perfectly legal and official certificate would be granted to any Jew who cared to pay 600 zlotys.

"In Cracow, for 1,200 zlotys, certificates of pure Aryan origin can be obtained," the article continues. "Payment in local currency is accepted but Jews willing to pay in United States dollars have a definite priority. Sometimes Gestapo men cheat the customers, especially over the exemption from requisition of goods in Jewish shops. On payment of 40 percent of the value of the freed goods, one Gestapo man marked the document involved with a rubber stamp in red ink. Two days later another Gestapo man seized the goods anew; the red stamp it seems, was no good - a black rubber stamp was required. Of course, the second Gestapo man was willing to affix a black stamp - for the payment of the regular 40 percent." The article names Herr Wegener, chief of the passport division of the Government General in Cracow as one of the Nazi officials who "has made a lot of money by changing Jews into Aryans."

"FREE RUMANIA" LEADER PLEDGES JEWS BE RESTORED TO THEIR RIGHTS IN POST-WAR RUMANIA

NEW YORK, Oct. 30. (JTA)-- The assurance that "all Rumanian Jews, even those who had to flee into exile, will be restored to their full constitutional rights" in a post-war democratic Rumania is given by Charles A. Davila, former Rumanian Minister to the United States, who is now the organizer of a Free Rumania movement in America, in a letter addressed to Charles Sonnenreich, president of the United Rumanian Jews of America, made public here today.

The letter came as a reply to the decision of the organization of Rumanian Jews in America to give "full moral support to Davila's initiative in the creation of an organization that will represent Rumanian democracy abroad and that will have an uncompromising attitude towards all elements who at any time fostered or accepted racial discrimination."

In answering this letter, Mr. Davila assures that Jews of Rumanian descent in America "can trust the Rumanian democrats whom I represent, to see that no racial or religious discrimination whatsoever will be accepted by them and that all Rumanian Jews, even those who had to flee into exile, will be restored to their full constitutional rights, as existing prior to the discarding by the royal dictatorship of the democratic constitution. Besides this legal aspect of the problem, I avail myself of this opportunity to state again how deeply I was always moved by the attachment of the American Jews of Rumanian descent to their country of origin, in spite of the endless injustices and inhuman treatment their co-religionists endured there. This feeling was due, no doubt, to their knowledge of the traditional tolerance of the Rumanian people and to their conviction that only a regime organically attracted by totalitarian principles could lower itself to such brutalities and denials of justice."