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### JEWS BEING RAPIDLY PURGED FROM ECONOMIC LIFE OF HUNGARY

ZURICH, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- A far-sweeping purge of Jews from the economic life of Hungary is proceeding at a rapid pace, it was reported today by Radio Rome. Hungarian authorities, the Italian radio stated, are devoting particular attention to the film industry. Several Bucharest Jews have been arrested for producing films.

The broadcast from the Italian capital also disclosed that Jewish refugees fleeing from Nazi-occupied Serbia, formerly a part of Yugoslavia, were arrested while trying to cross the Bulgarian border. The Bulgarian border patrol turned the refugees over to the Serbian officials, the report, which came from Sofia, stated.

### 180,000 JEWS WORKING IN LODZ GHETTO "UNDER UNBENDING LEADERSHIP," SAYS NAZI GOVERNOR

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Some 180,000 Jews are working for their livelihood in the Lodz ghetto under "unbending German leadership," according to an address delivered at Magdeburg by Dr. Arthur Greiser, governor of the Wartheland, the section of Poland which was directly annexed to the Reich, as reported in the Nazi paper *Dagens Nyheter*, reaching here today.

Stressing that the "Jewish problem" in the Wartheland had been settled not by expelling the Jews, as was done elsewhere, but by putting them to productive work, Greiser declared that the paramount task of the Nazi party in the East was the fight against the Jews. Describing the territory over which he rules as a "training ground for all of Eastern Europe, Greiser said the great amount of space which the Nazis have now acquired must be made not only self-sufficient but also must help supply the Reich. This can be done by utilizing the conquered people, including the Jews, he stated.

### PROTECTORATE TEACHERS URGED TO STRESS RACIAL GULF BETWEEN JEWS AND CZECHS

ZURICH, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Teachers in the Czech Protectorate schools were today urged to concentrate on the teaching of "racial theory, stressing the gulf which exists between Czechs and Jews," in a special broadcast over the Prague radio.

Stating that despite constant anti-Jewish propaganda in the press and on the radio the Czech population still does not realize the racial separation between Czechs and Jews, the broadcast emphasized that teachers must educate the youth to understand that a common language does not always characterize members of the same nation. "Just as German Jews are not a part of the German nation, so Czech Jews are not a part of the Czech nation, despite the fact that they speak the same language," the Nazis speaker pointed out.

He stressed the fact that the Czechs are racially related to the Germans and that disregard of this fact had brought much evil into Czech political life.

BEN-GURION CALLS FOR JEWISH STATE IN PALESTINE; ASSAILS BRITISH APPEASEMENT OF ARABS

BALTIMORE, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Declaring that "Palestine as a Jewish State is the only possible solution of post-war Jewish misery and we are determined to achieve it," David Ben-Gurion addressing the Inter-American Jewish Conference several hours after his landing in New York, last night demanded that:

1. The Palestine administration should cease its policy of appeasing Arabs.
2. A Jewish army fighting Hitler side by side with Allied armies be established.
3. The entire responsibility of post-war resettlement of millions of Jews after the war is over "as well as the authority to do so" should be left to the Jews themselves.

"After the last war," Ben-Gurion stated, "millions of Greeks, forced to abandon Turkey and Anatolia, were settled in European Greece in a short time. Jews can do the same thing in Palestine, as proved by their achievements there so far. But no foreign administration, however friendly and well-meaning, will do it. The whole responsibility and necessary authority must be left to the Jews themselves.

"When the war is over," Ben-Gurion continued, "and Hitlerism is destroyed, the world will be faced with a formidable Jewish problem - millions of destitute, uprooted Jews in dire need of a country of their own. Palestine is the country, and the only country, for these Jews. We have so far settled a half million Jews in a fifteenth part of western Palestine. We can settle several millions in the rest of the country. We have in Palestine all the necessary experience for that. We have rich experience in dealing with large-scale immigration and colonization, and can confidently undertake the settlement of millions of Jews, provided that Palestine is placed under a Jewish administration - provided, that is, that Palestine is established as a Jewish Commonwealth."

Scoring the appeasement policy of the Palestine administration, Ben-Gurion stated that "while the British people overthrew the Chamberlain Government, and under Churchill, are pursuing a policy of fighting Hitler to the finish, the same administration remains in Palestine, and the same stupid policy of appeasing the enemies of England in the Middle East and sacrificing its friends, is still continuing. The Mufti is in Berlin but his friends are free to act in Palestine and Baghdad. This policy, however, will not deter the Jews from contributing their best to the general war effort - they are determined to have a Jewish army fighting Hitler side by side with Allied armies."

Jewish Army, National Home, Discussed in Both Houses of Parliament

LONDON, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Britain's failure to allow the formation of a Jewish army and the creation of a Jewish National Home in Palestine were the subjects of prolonged discussions in both houses of Parliament today. In Commons, Prime Minister Churchill evaded a direct reply to the question posed to him by Geoffrey Manders, as to whether the British Government associated itself with Premier Smuts' Balfour Day declaration on the necessity to maintain the policy of a Jewish National Home in Palestine. Replying only to a section of Manders' question Churchill stated that he would be glad to place Smuts' address in the library of the House of Commons, as Manders had requested, but he refused to elaborate further.

In the House of Lords, Lord Moyne, the Colonial Secretary declared that he was unable to say whether the question of a Jewish army would be reopened. Lord Croft, Under-Secretary for War, announced that at the end of October there were 7,985 Palestine Jews with the British forces in the Middle East, but that the creation of a Jewish division is impracticable at the present time.

INTER-AMERICAN CONFERENCE DEFINES JEWISH PEACE AIMS; SETS UP PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

BALTIMORE, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- The first Inter-American Jewish Congress concluded tonight after adopting resolutions defining Jewish peace aims, outlining plans for Jewish representation at the post-war peace conference, demanding a Jewish military unit in Palestine and a Jewish Commonwealth there and lauding President Roosevelt for the initiative he has taken in organizing the Inter-Governmental Committee for the purpose of solving refugee problems.

The conference also voted to perpetuate itself in the form of a permanent organization to be known as the Inter-American Jewish Council, which will meet bi-annually in different countries of the Western Hemisphere.

On the question of Jewish representation at the peace conference, the delegates here adopted a resolution stating that no effort to solve the Jewish problem can be successful except on the basis of full consultation with a democratically elected Jewish leadership. It recommended the establishment of a united Jewish representation, elected by democratic procedures and authorized to speak on behalf of the Jewish people at any peace conference.

At the closing sessions the delegates reaffirmed the determination of the Jewish people to seek redress for all the wrongs inflicted upon them by Hitlerism and expressed the hope that those governments now fighting aggression will create a system of international law that will guarantee rights in the new world to those of every race, creed and faith.

Another peace aim adopted by the conference was the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine as an integral part of any peace settlement. "Warm, fraternal greetings" were sent by the conference to the Yishub together with a pledge to continue the fight for a Jewish military unit.

Final resolutions adopted by delegates from all the Americas promised a continued fight against anti-Semitism in the Western Hemisphere and urged Jewish organizations in America to continue to send maximum aid to Britain.

Increased Jewish relief work in Russia and the raising of a Jewish relief fund through self-taxation of Jews in the American countries was discussed at the conference today. The World Jewish Congress was urged to establish a special department to deal with emigration activities and the hope was expressed that other American Jewish communities will follow the example of Latin-American Jews in supplying relief funds to the World Jewish Congress.

The Brazilian Consul surprised the conference today by appearing and greeting the delegates on behalf of his government, which did not permit a Jewish delegation to attend. The consul emphasized that there is no distinction in Brazil between a Jew and a non-Jew.

HEADS OF ALL JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN RUMANIA SENT TO CONCENTRATION CAMPS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- The heads of the Jewish communities in every city and town in Rumania, with the exception of Bucharest, were arrested and sent to concentration camps some time during the middle of October, it was reported here today. The information was contained in a letter sent to a Jerusalem Jewish resident by his parents in Rumania.

VICHY BARS FRENCH JEWS FROM BUYING STOCK IN ANY ENTERPRISE

VICHY, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Jews in France may no longer purchase stock in any enterprise unless first granted special permission, under a new decree just passed. It is expected that further laws will prohibit Jews entirely from operating in stock companies and from acquiring any economic influence under corporate guise.

The Lyons regional office of the General Jewish Commissariat announced the placing of 36 Jewish enterprises under temporary administration. This means that "aryans" have been appointed to direct the firms until sale or other liquidation.

MRS. ROOSEVELT TO BE GUEST OF HONOR AT "NIGHT OF STARS" TODAY

NEW YORK, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, as guest of honor, will make the principal address tomorrow night opening the 8th annual "Night of Stars," which will be held at Madison Square Garden under the auspices of the United Jewish Appeal. Mrs. Roosevelt will stay for the four-hour entertainment following her speech and will be seated in the official box with the Mayor and Mr. Nathan Straus, chairman of the "Night of Stars."

More than 300 noted stars of the stage, screen and radio will contribute their talents to the show, which will be under the direct supervision of Marvin Schenck of Loew's, chairman of the production committee. According to Mr. Straus, it is expected that approximately \$100,000 will be raised for refugee relief and Palestine resettlement work.

NO AMERICAN RED CROSS UNIT OPERATING IN POLAND AT PRESENT

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Recent reports emanating from Geneva concerning activities of an American Red Cross delegation in a number of cities in Nazi-occupied Poland, were today denied by Ralph G. Hubbell, Administrative assistant in the Washington office of the American Red Cross.

Mr. Hubbell disclosed that the last American Red Cross unit in Poland ceased its activities shortly after June, 1940. At that time, he stated, Genoa, which had been used as a port of trans-shipment for supplies from the United States, was closed to the Red Cross as a result of Italy's entrance into the war. Later negotiations aimed at securing permission for the Red Cross to resume its work in Poland were unavailing, Mr. Hubbell revealed.

AMERICAN ZIONIST YOUTH COMMISSION ESTABLISHED BY Z.O.A. AND HADASSAH

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- Judge Louis E. Levinthal, President of the Zionist Organization of America, today announced that an American Zionist Youth Commission has been established under the joint sponsorship of the Z.O.A. and Hadassah for the purpose of promoting an extended program of Zionist youth education throughout the country. The budget for the newly created body will be shared by both organizations.

FOUR JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS AIDING UNION-STAR DEFENSE IN SWEENEY CASE

NEW YORK, Nov. 25. (JTA)-- According to information released here today, the Jewish organizations who yesterday petitioned the Supreme Court to be allowed to intervene in the case of the Schenectady Union-Star, which is being sued for libel by Rep. Martin Sweeney of Ohio, are: the American Jewish Committee, the B'nai B'rith, the Jewish Labor Committee and the American Jewish Congress. The Jewish Peoples Committee, which had been previously mentioned as participating in the case, is not among the organizations who are asking to be allowed to aid the defense.