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### 200 JEWISH STUDENTS DRIVEN OUT OF HUNGARIAN UNIVERSITY IN ANTI-SEMITIC RIOTS

BUDAPEST, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Serious anti-Jewish disturbances took place last week in the University of Klausenburg, the capital of Transylvania which passed from Rumania to Hungary about a year ago, it is reported in the German press today.

More than 200 Jewish students were driven out of the University buildings during the disturbances which occurred on November 27. All Jewish stores in the vicinity were closed down for fear of riots, according to the German newspapers.

The Hungarian press reports that by the end of this year a total of 162,000 acres of Jewish land in Hungary will be transferred to Hungarian small farmers and that during the coming year some 9,000 new homes will be established for Hungarians on Jewish land.

### SLOVAKIA PROMULGATES MORE ANTI-JEWISH LAWS; JEWS FORBIDDEN TO USE TELEPHONE

ZURICH, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Further laws regulating the Jewish status in the Nazi-puppet state of Slovakia are published in the Slovakian Official Gazette, Hospodarsky Dennik, reaching here today. The laws provide:

1. No Jew is permitted to use telephone service.
2. Jews are prohibited to ride on bicycles.
3. Real estate confiscated from Jews is to remain state property, and is not to be sold.
4. Movable Jewish property when confiscated, can be sold but to "Aryans" only.
5. "Aryans" can secure possession of Jewish houses, only if they prove that they need them for "Aryanized" trade.

Slovakian newspapers reaching here today also report that the Supreme Court in Bratislava refused permission to a Slovak there to extend his business activities, on the basis that the applicant was married to a Jewish woman.

### NAZI PAPER DEMANDS COMPLETE JEWISH SEGREGATION TO PREVENT SYMPATHY OF OLDER GERMANS

ZURICH, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Emphasizing that the older generation of Germans continues to display sympathy with Jews in the city of Stuttgart, the Stuttgarter Zeitung publishes an article demanding complete segregation of the Jews and stricter measures against "Aryans" still maintaining relations with former Jewish neighbors.

The Nazi paper reports that a German woman was overheard in the street saying to a Jew that "it requires more courage to carry a yellow badge than to fight on the front line." It also relates incidents of how Germans of the older generation are publicly shaking hands with Jews as an expression of sympathy with the latter. It similarly complains that in the street cars one can still see "Aryans" vacate their seats for Jewish women.

JEWISH HEROISM AT TOBRUK REPORTED; ZIONIST FLAG ORDERED REMOVED

LONDON, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Tales of Jewish heroism in the battle of Tobruk on the Libyan front reached London today simultaneously with news of British discrimination in Palestine where civilian officials ordered the removal of the Zionist flag when Jewish units from the Libyan desert returned home for a temporary rest and hoisted the Jewish colors alongside the Union Jack with the approval of the military authorities.

The news from Tobruk reaching Zionist offices here today reveal the active part which thousands of Jewish soldiers are taking in the fierce battle there. They report that:

1. Leo Gutfreund, a Jewish refugee from the sunken S. S. Patria, was one of the first soldiers to be killed in the present attempt by the British forces to regain full control of the Tobruk section. Released only recently from the internment camp at Athlit, he joined the Czech Legion and was the first casualty of the Czech military unit. His brother, Ernst, is serving with the same legion.

2. Jewish truck drivers, captured by German tanks, succeeded in returning to the British lines after being constantly machine-gunned by the enemy. The drivers succeeded in escaping by putting on speed till they were out of sight of the German tanks. Then they jumped off, and leaving the engine of their trucks running, hid themselves in a ditch where they held out against the pursuing Germans until nightfall. In the darkness of the night they crawled out of the ditch and were able to reach the British lines.

3. During the months of the Tobruk siege Jewish stevedores from Tel Aviv organized in special units, handled the delivery of supplies to the besieged troops despite constant Nazi bombing from the air.

The part which Jewish volunteers in the desert army play in repairing captured, damaged Axis vehicles is also reported in the news from the Tobruk front. In recognition, one of the streets in Tobruk has been renamed "Dr. Theodore Herzl street," while the remnants of the Italian Nazionale Cafe have been named "Zion Cafe."

In spite of the acknowledged acts of Jewish bravery on the Libyan front, Zionist quarters here were informed that the Palestine administration issued an order forbidding any outward designation of the Jewish units as distinct from British, in addition to removing the Zionist flag, which the returning Jewish soldiers flew.

PALESTINE ARAB LEADS PRO-AXIS ARAB TERRORIST BAND

LONDON, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Existence of a wide-spread pro-Axis Arab terrorist organization sworn to assassinate prominent pro-Allied Arab leaders was revealed here today with the arrival of leaflets in Arabic found in the pockets of several Arabs rounded up as suspects in the murder of Fakhiri Bey Nashashibi in Baghdad early last month.

The leaflet is published by the "Committee of the Great Arab Revolution," led by Aref Adhel Razek, one of the chief rebel leaders in the Palestine disturbances of 1936. It announces the murder of Nashashibi and warns that his followers will meet a similar fate.

"HISTORY OF JEWS" BY PROF. GRAETZ TO BE PUBLISHED IN SPANISH IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- The eight-volume "History of the Jews" written by Prof. Heinrich Graetz will be published here for the first time in a Spanish translation on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his death, Verdad Publishers announced.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR A JEWISH ARMY OUTLINES FOUR-POINT PROGRAM FOR ACTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Pierre van Faassen, noted journalist, was today elected chairman of the National Committee for a Jewish Army which at a conference here yesterday adopted a resolution urging the creation of an army of 200,000 Jews to be recruited in the United States, Palestine and other countries with a view of fighting alongside the Allied armies under a Jewish flag.

Announcing that he will hold conferences with members of Congress in order to facilitate the presentation of the Committee's cause on the floor of both houses, Mr. van Faassen today outlined the following four-point program as the Committee's immediate objectives: (1) The mobilization of public opinion; (2) The registration of volunteers for the projected army; (3) The establishment of training centers for officers and enlisted men "wherever feasible"; and (4) A national fund-raising campaign.

THE JEWS ARE MERELY FIRST TO SUFFER UNDER HITLERISM, N. Y. HERALD-TRIBUNE WARNS

NEW YORK, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- Emphasizing that "from hounding Jews within Germany to hounding all the non-Germans of Europe is but a step, and a step which the Nazis have already taken," the New York Herald-Tribune in an editorial today comments on the tragedy of the Jewish people under the Nazi regime as summarized in a study entitled "Jews in Nazi Europe" issued by the Institute of Jewish Affairs of which Dr. Jacob Robinson is director.

"Here," the editorial says, "is displayed the Nazi technique of anti-Semitism: the initial assaults upon the political, civil and economic rights of the Jews, the appeals to mob violence, the deportations, the ghettos. And here we have the results - a pitiful fragment of Jewry, decimated, robbed, deprived of all places in the nations which it has served for centuries, kept at forced labor on rations far below the rest of the population, subject at any time to new indignities, arrests, beatings, slayings. Here is a glimpse of the especial terrors of the Jewish refugees who fled from nation to nation only to find the Gestapo remorselessly on their heels. One may read, too, of callous deportations in which groups of Jews were herded into railroad cars, with far less consideration than would be given to beef cattle headed for the slaughter pen, and shipped to borders which refused them passage or to war-torn regions where no provision was made to receive them. The sum of it all indicates that the fate reserved for the Jews by the Nazis is worse than a status of serfdom - it is nothing less than systematic extermination.

"The indictment thus presented against the Nazi mentality is a terrible one, not because the victims are Jews, but because they are human beings. From hounding Jews within Germany to hounding all the non-Germans of Europe is but a step, and a step which the Nazis have already taken. The savage maltreatment of the Jews was the first ominous sign of the madness that Hitlerism contained within itself; the Jews were merely the first to suffer. That madness must be eliminated, not simply to save what remains of Europe's Jewry, but to preserve the sanity of the world."

NEW JERSEY STATE SUPREME COURT INVALIDATES LAW AGAINST ANTI-SEMITIC SPEECHES

TRENTON, Dec. 5. (JTA)-- The New Jersey Race Hatred Law under which nine members of the German-American Bund were sentenced for making anti-Semitic speeches, was today declared invalid by the State Supreme Court on the ground that it conflicts with the Constitutional guarantees of free speech. The nine men were charged originally with making or promoting anti-Jewish talks at the camp in Andover, Sussex County, and were fined \$1,000 or \$2,000 each and sentenced to from 12 to 14 months in prison.