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RETREATING NAZI ARMIES INTENSIFY ANTI-JEWISH TERROR IN UKRAINE

KUIBYSHEV, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- While the New Year finds thousands of Jews bravely fighting in the ranks of the Soviet Army in the front lines, ready to give their lives for the defense of their country and the defeat of Hitlerism, moving reports continue to reach here of the mass-murder of civilian Jews by the Nazis in occupied Soviet territory, especially in the Ukraine.

The full story of the massacres of Jews carried out by the Nazi military command will probably not be known until the Soviet army, in its present unceasing drive against the retreating Nazi troops, regains the Jewish-populated cities of Kiev, Berdichev and Zhitomir where the Nazis are reported to have slaughtered tens of thousands of Jews without displaying any mercy even to women and children. Meanwhile, the latest report from Kiev which reached here today through secret channels gives a horrible picture of what has happened to the Jews in that city since the Nazi occupation.

The report reveals that in addition to executing practically the entire Jewish male population of Kiev on the charge that the Jews who remained in the city were "Soviet spies and guerrillas," the Nazi military command ordered thousands of Jews confined in mined cemetery grounds. The victims, most of them women, were then blown up by the exploding mines. Those who survived were machine-gunned to death by the German soldiers. (Earlier reports estimated that 52,000 Jews were murdered in Kiev when the Nazis first occupied the city.)

Jewish Mothers Commit Suicide After Killing Their Children; Jews Go Insane

Attributing their present retreat to "Jewish spies," the Nazi military forces, according to the report, issued an order in the middle of December requesting all the remaining Jews in Kiev to report to the occupation authorities on a certain date. Aware of the fact that the order meant a new Jewish massacre, many Jewish mothers killed their children and committed suicide, while elderly Jews threw themselves to death by jumping from open windows. For days, the report says, their bodies remained untouched on the sidewalks of the streets of the city. The pathetic scenes of Jewish women killing their own children and later taking their own lives have driven many Jews to insanity, and one can now see insane Jews running wild in the streets of Kiev, provoking compassion on the part of the Ukrainian population which is living under the same Nazi terror and is hoping for the day of liberation from the Nazi yoke.

Similar reports are reaching here also from other Jewish-populated cities in the Nazi-occupied Ukraine. Military orders compel the Jews in every township in the Ukraine to report en masse at certain designated places, from where they are led away under military guard, without anybody ever hearing of them again.

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PRAYERS FOR AMERICAN VICTORY WILL BE DELIVERED IN ALL SYNAGOGUES ON NEW YEARS DAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- Prayers for a speedy victory over all enemies of the United States will be delivered on New Year's Day in all synagogues throughout the country in accordance with President Roosevelt's proclamation setting the first day of the year 1942 as "a day of prayer, asking forgiveness for our shortcomings of the past, of consecration to the tasks of the present, of asking God's help in days to come."

The Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada, as well as other rabbinical groups in America, issued a call to all Jews to attend the special victory prayers in the synagogues. The Mizrahi Organization of America, religious wing of the Zionist movement, at a special emergency conference at the Astor Hotel today adopted a series of resolutions urging and encouraging all its members and youth "to support without stint American military efforts, civilian defense, the purchase of Defense Bonds, the campaign of the Red Cross and all other civil and military agencies." A prayer was delivered at the conclave "that the Heavenly Father bring about speedily the triumph of justice and humanity, and that He strengthen the hands of the President of the United States, whose godly vision and guidance is the hope of all humanity."

A special resolution adopted at the conference calls upon the members of the clergy affiliated with Mizrahi "to volunteer in significant numbers as chaplains in the U. S. Army and Navy." The conference also expressed its "heartfelt jubilation" over the visit of Winston Churchill to this country.

NRS PROGRAM FOR 1942 OUTLINED BY ROSENWALD

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- "Continuance of the major aspects of the National Refugee Service's peace-time program and the successful fulfillment by the agency of its new war-imposed tasks" are the chief perspectives of the NRS for the coming year, it was stated today by William Rosenwald, president of the organization.

"Since war creates grave and greatly increased responsibilities for the National Refugee Service, our patriotic desire to aid our nation dictates that we continue to make possible through NRS the complete incorporation of the refugee newcomer into American life," Mr. Rosenwald said. Some of the major problems NRS will have to cope with, Mr. Rosenwald pointed out, are a rising relief problem, an increase in employment and retraining activity, the speeding-up of the work of providing Americanization opportunities and arrangements for English instruction to loyal aliens, and making available the special abilities of emigre physicians and other professionals with skills useful to national defense.

DEMOCRACIES WILL WIN OUT IN THE END, PROF. EINSTEIN DECLARES

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 30. (JTA)-- Confidence that the democracies will win out over the totalitarian powers and the necessity to "strike hard and leave the breaking to the other side" were stressed today by Prof. Albert Einstein.

Explaining his conversion from his former policy of pacifism, Dr. Einstein stated: "In the Twenties, when no dictatorships existed, I advocated that refusing would mean making war improper. As soon as conditions came about that in certain states there was so much coercion that this method could not be employed, I felt that it would weaken the less-aggressive nations in the face of the more aggressive."

NAZI PRESS IN NEW YEAR'S REVIEW PREDICTS JEWS WILL BE DEPRIVED OF FOOD IN 1942

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- The new year of 1942 will bring further restrictions for Jews in Nazi-occupied territories, including complete deprivation of food rations and clothing, it is openly predicted in German newspapers reaching here today from the Reich.

Declaring that the forthcoming year will be the decisive year in the present war, the Nazi press points out that all available food and clothing will have to be reserved for the army. Anything that is left will be rationed for the German population in a stricter form than hitherto. Small rations will also be assigned to the "Aryan" populations in the occupied countries, but no provisions will be made for Jews there, especially in occupied Poland. As a result of the war with Russia, it will be impossible to provide food and clothing for the Jews in the ghettos, the German newspapers "explain."

The Ost-Deutscher Beobachter, in an article by the Nazi public prosecutor, Thiemann, makes it clear that the year 1942 will bring increased Nazi terror for the Jews as well as for the Poles in Nazi-held Poland. The Nazi authorities, Thiemann writes, will apply death sentences to Jews and Poles there "for any action which will be considered anti-German." For minor offenses for which no death penalty can be given, the Jews and Poles will not be sentenced to imprisonment, but will be sent to punitive camps. In all cases, neither Jews nor Poles will have the right to appeal against the sentence which will be carried out within twenty-four hours, the Nazi prosecutor writes.

Reviewing the economic "gains" of the Germans in Poland in the course of the past year, Dr. Max Winkler, head of the Office of Trustees over "Aryanized" Jewish and Polish property in occupied eastern territories, reveals in an article in the magazine "The Four-Year Plan" that 230,000 business enterprises and industrial establishments and 187,500 other properties have so far been taken over from Jews and Poles in the annexed zone alone, which was incorporated as a part of Germany.

CHIEF RABBI PROF. SCHORR OFFICIALLY REPORTED DEAD IN SOVIET RUSSIA

LONDON, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- Chief Rabbi Prof. Moses Schorr of Warsaw, whose release from Soviet imprisonment has been sought by the Polish authorities since the signing of the Polish-Soviet pact, died in Russia on July 8, 1941, just about three weeks before the pact was concluded, the Polish Ambassador in Moscow today cabled his government in London.

The disclosure of Prof. Schorr's death was made to the Polish Ambassador by the Soviet authorities. Prof. Schorr was arrested by the Soviets in Lwow immediately after the occupation of that city by the Red Army in 1939. He was later transferred to the Soviet interior, but until today no one had been able to ascertain his fate or his whereabouts. No indication as to the circumstances of his death was given in the message which the Polish government received today from its embassy in Moscow.

Born in Przemysl in 1874, Prof. Schorr was one of the outstanding leaders of Polish Jewry. A distinguished scholar, whose attainments were recognized by both Jews and non-Jews alike, he was appointed in 1922 as Chief Rabbi of Warsaw. Four years later he was appointed professor of Semitic languages and of History of the Ancient East at the University of Warsaw. He taught in the University of Lwow from 1910 until his appointment in Warsaw.

Prof. Schorr had been a member of the Polish Academy of Science since 1928. He was appointed by the Polish President as a member of the Senate in 1935 and was

one of the Jewish representatives in the Polish Upper House. As one of the leading Jewish figures in Poland, he was active in Jewish cultural, religious and political life. He was also the vice-president of the B'nai B'rith in Poland.

When the Polish Government was compelled to evacuate Warsaw during the Nazi invasion in September, 1939, Prof. Schorr was included in the Governmental evacuation party. He, however, refused to leave Polish soil despite the offer of the Polish Government to enable him to reach France. According to Count August Zaleski, Foreign Minister in the Polish Cabinet-in-exile which was formed in Paris, Prof. Schorr remained in Lwow saying: "As long as I am the head of Polish Jewry, I cannot leave Polish soil on which millions of Jews remain." When Lwow was later occupied by the Soviet Army, Prof. Schorr was among the first Jewish leaders to be arrested.

An author of a number of scholarly works which have received recognition in the scientific world, Prof. Schorr had the honorary degree of Doctor of Hebrew Letters conferred upon him in absentia by the Jewish Institute of Religion in New York in June, 1940, while he was already detained in a Soviet prison. Rabbi Stephen S. Wise and Jewish leaders in Britain intervened with the Soviet embassies in Washington and London to secure his release with a view of permitting him to proceed to Palestine. These appeals, however, brought no results.

PAMPHLET ON JEWISH EMANCIPATION PUBLISHED BY AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE'S INSTITUTE

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- The publication of the first in a pamphlet series "Jews and the Post-War World" was announced here today by Max Gottschalk, director of the Research Institute on Peace and Post-War Problems of the American Jewish Committee. The pamphlet under the title "Jewish Emancipation - a Selection of Documents" was prepared by the historian, Dr. Raphael Mehler.

The pamphlet contains 72 pages of annotated documents with a number of introductions dealing with the spread and development of emancipation throughout the world. Its publication is timed to coincide with the 150th anniversary of the emancipation of the Jews by the French revolution in 1791. A number of other pamphlets on different subjects are scheduled to appear early next year. The series of pamphlets are edited by Abraham G. Duker.

145 AGED GERMAN JEWS ARRIVE IN COLOMBIA

BARRANQUILLA, Colombia, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- A group of 145 German Jews, all above the age of sixty, arrived here today from Spain, by way of Cuba.

JUNIOR HADASSAH SENDS \$25,000 TO PALESTINE FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING OF YOUTH

NEW YORK, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- A sum of \$25,000 was cabled to Miss Henrietta Szold in Palestine yesterday by the Junior Hadassah, for the maintenance and vocational training of 100 children; it was announced here today. The money, which will aid both recent immigrant children and underprivileged Palestinian youngsters, was sent in response to an urgent appeal from Miss Szold.

BIALIK PRIZES AWARDED TO KLAUSNER, SHALOM IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Dec. 30. (JTA)-- The annual Bialik prizes awarded by the Tel Aviv municipality for the best literary contributions during the year were presented here today at festive ceremonies. The awards went to Prof. Joseph Klausner of the Hebrew University for his History of Modern Hebrew Literature and to S. Shalom, a writer of this city.

BECAUSE OF NEW YEAR'S DAY THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL APPEAR ON FRIDAY