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EXPULSION OF ALL JEWS FROM SPAIN FORECAST; HISTORY WILL REPEAT ITSELF, SAYS FALANGIST

LISBON, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- A forecast that all Jews will soon be expelled from Spain in the same manner as this was done in the 15th century was voiced here today by Jose Luna, vice-secretary of the Falange Party.

Speaking at a public meeting in Caceres, Luna declared that history will soon repeat itself with regard to the Jews in Spain. "We shall proceed to the expulsion of the Jews with the firmness that may be necessary, consistent with the doctrine of unity," the leader of the Falangists declared. There are today not more than 5,000 Jews in Spain, in addition to the Jewish refugees who are held isolated in special camps.

WEIZMANN MAKES REPRESENTATIONS TO COLONIAL OFFICE OVER THE DEATH OF STRUME REFUGEES

LONDON, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- Representations over the tragic death of the 750 Jewish refugees from Rumania who were drowned this week when the freighter Strume went down in the Black Sea, after they had been refused admission to Palestine under the immigration quota, were made today to Lord Cranborne, the newly appointed Colonial Secretary, by Dr. Chaim Weizmann on behalf of the Jewish Agency.

Paying his first visit to Lord Cranborne whose appointment to the post of Colonial Secretary was made early this week, Dr. Weizmann told him of the statement issued yesterday by the executive of the Jewish Agency in which the Palestine Government and the Colonial Office in London were charged with responsibility for the death of the 750 Jewish victims.

Simultaneously, the Zionist Review, official Zionist organ, today carries the statement of the Jewish Agency on its first page framed in black. "If any justice is left in the world, then those who are responsible for the tragic death of the Strume victims will not remain unpunished. The cruel policy towards Jewish refugees is not worthy of the British administration," the Zionist organ comments.

Change in Palestine Administration Demanded in England

A demand that the Palestine administration should either change its policy with regard to admitting Jewish refugees, or that there should be a change in the administration itself is voiced today in an editorial in the Manchester Guardian. Commenting on the sinking of the Strume, the paper appeals to Lord Cranborne to do something about the present policy of the Palestine administration.

Speaking in the House of Lords today, Lord Cranborne stated that the British ambassador in Turkey has been instructed to report immediately on the details of the Strume disaster. He added that the Government "deeply deplores the tragic loss of life" resulting from the sinking. His statement came as a reply to sharp criticism of the Colonial Office voiced by Lord Wedgwood.

CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS ADOPTS WIDE PROGRAM OF SOCIAL JUSTICE

CINCINNATI, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- The Government's "understanding in handling cases of men refusing to bear arms because of religious scruples," was lauded here today at the fifty-third annual convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in a report of the Commission on Justice and Peace presented by Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman.

The report which was adopted at the morning session of the convention voiced complete support of the Government in the present war effort. It urged the Government to accept in the armed forces "refugees who by accident of birth are natives of nations with whom we are at war." It appealed to the administration to admit Negroes on equal terms with other Americans to all services in the Navy and the Army. It urged the public to welcome Negroes as salesmen and salesladies in commercial establishments. It emphasized that "the plight of the Negro in our country is a violation of every canon of social justice voiced by our Hebrew prophets."

The Commission's report as adopted by the convention also recommended "100 percent excess profits tax on all war contracts;" voiced opposition to all profiteering at the expense of the war effort in defense and non-defense industries; opposed "the creation of another generation of war millionaires and silk-shirted workers;" opposed, in principle, a sales tax "which imposes too great a burden on those least able to pay;" urged the application of the Wagner Labor Relations Act and Wages and Hours Bill to farm labor; and opposed the abuse of censorship "which would suppress liberal and progressive movements as subversive. The report also stated that the coming peace treaty "must provide some form of world government which will demand some change in the concept of national sovereignty."

STALIN SAYS ANTI-SEMITISM PUNISHABLE IN USSR; HITLER SAYS "JEWS TO BE EXTERMINATED"

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- The full text of two messages, one by Stalin condemning racial hatred and reminding the world that anti-Semitism is punished by law in the Soviet Union, and the other by Hitler declaring that "the Jews will be exterminated" in the present war, reached New York today.

The Stalin message, delivered as an Order of the Day to the Red Army on Feb. 22 in Moscow on the occasion of the 24th anniversary of the Soviet army, reads in part, as follows: "The Red Army is free from the feeling of racial hatred. It is free of such a degrading feeling because it has been brought up in the spirit of racial equality and respect for the rights of other people. Also, one should not forget that in our country any manifestation of racial hatred is punished by law."

The Hitler message sent from the Eastern front on Feb. 25 to Nazi chiefs in connection with the twenty-second anniversary of the party platform, read in part: "Just as was the case in our own country during and after the first World War, so it is today only the Jews, and again and again the Jews, who are responsible for conflicts among nations. There exists one difference, however, if we compare the world fight today with the end of the war that lasted from 1914 to 1918. In 1919 we National Socialists were just a small group who confessed our cause and who not only saw the international enemy of humanity but also fought him. Today, however, the ideas of our National Socialist, and those of the Fascist, revolution have conquered large and powerful States, and my prediction will find its fulfillment, that by this war not the Aryans but the Jews will be exterminated.

"Whatever this fight still has in store for us, or however long it may last, this will be its final result. Only then, after these parasites have been removed, will the suffering world be relieved by a long period of understanding among nations, and true peace will come over the world."

SIKORSKI'S PLEDGE TO MINORITIES OMITTED FROM OFFICIAL POLISH TEXT OF ADDRESS

LONDON, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- Polish Jewish circles here today are both surprised and disconcerted at the fact that the official Polish transcript of Premier Sikorski's address to the opening session of the National Council on Tuesday, omits the passage promising that the loyalty shown to Poland by national and religious minorities will not be forgotten when a post-war free Polish state is created.

This passage, which was contained only in the official government hand-out in English, was also omitted from the Dziennik Polski, official organ of the Polish government, as well as from the official Polish broadcast of the address.

JEW NAMED TO HIGH POST IN DUTCH COLONIAL MINISTRY

LONDON, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- Dr. G.H.C. Hart, a Jew, has been named to the post of Secretary-General of the Ministry of Colonies in the Dutch government-in-exile, it was announced here today. He will work directly under Prime Minister Peter Gerbrandy who has assumed the position of Colonial Minister since Lieut. Gen. Van Mook, of the Netherland East Indies, who had been slated for the position, is unable to leave his post.

A special prayer for the success of the Dutch defense in the East Indies will be offered at Saturday's services in the Spanish-Portuguese synagogue here, the congregation announced today.

BULLITT DENIES HE REPORTED TO ROOSEVELT THAT PALESTINE IS IN DANGER

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- The New Zionist Organization here today announced that Ambassador William C. Bullitt has vigorously denied the report, broadcast recently by Washington columnists Drew Pearson and Robert Allen, that he has told President Roosevelt that Palestine, Syria and the Suez Canal were in imminent danger of falling into the hands of the Nazis.

In the course of an interview this week with Eri Jebotinsky and A. Kopelowicz, representing the NZO presidency, Ambassador Bullitt is reported to have emphasized that he had not communicated with Messrs. Allen and Pearson nor had they any opportunity to learn the contents of his report to the President. Mr. Bullitt further stated, according to the NZO representatives, that he did not think that the Near East was in any immediate danger.

JEWISH AND ANGLO-JEWISH PRESS IN USA AND CANADA LAUD JTA IN SPECIAL ARTICLES

NEW YORK, Feb. 26. (JTA)-- Praise for the services of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and for the role which it plays as a link between the Jews of the world in the present time of Nazi oppression and war is voiced in all leading Jewish and Anglo-Jewish newspapers throughout the United States and Canada, in special articles published this week on the occasion of the JTA's 25th anniversary.

The Jewish Daily Forward and the Jewish Day, the two leading Jewish newspapers in America, in their articles point to the progress which the Jewish Telegraphic Agency has made during the 25 years of its existence and cite the value of its news service both to the press and the Jewish community. "When the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was established in February, 1917, none could foretell the important role which this Jewish news agency would play in our present difficult times, when it is so essential to keep the world informed about the endless Jewish troubles," Mr. B. Meiman writes in

today's issue of the Forward. He stresses the fact that the news of Jewish life and anti-Jewish persecutions in the ghettos of today "would no doubt have remained unknown to the wide world if not for the Jewish Telegraphic Agency which has the interest and the necessary machinery to bring this special Jewish news to public attention."

JTA "Keeps an Eye on the Millions of Suffering Jews," Says "The Day"

The Day, in a special article, points out that the JTA is the institution which today "keeps an eye on the millions of Jews who are suffering under the Nazi boot." It compares the present anti-Jewish persecutions with the Petlura pogroms during the last World War, and stresses the difference between the situation then when the world was practically unaware of the horrible massacres of Jews under Petlura because there was no Jewish news agency to report them, and the present when there is a JTA to report all the anti-Jewish atrocities which the Nazis commit in the Reich and in the occupied territories. The article also lauds the services which the JTA performs for Jewish organizations in America by keeping them informed on all phases of Jewish life throughout the world.

The Jewish Daily Eagle, in Montreal, points out in an editorial that "with the establishment of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency the existence of the Jewish press received particular justification since Jewish newspapers were enabled to bring special Jewish news which the reader could not find in the general press."

Comparison Drawn Between JTA and Other News Agencies

The Hebrew Journal, a Jewish daily newspaper in Toronto, emphasizing the role which the JTA plays in Jewish life, says editorially: "It is true that there are many news agencies, and large ones, in existence. They supply the newspapers with news hourly. But this is not Jewish news. Let us be frank - the general press pays attention to Jewish news only when it is of a sensational nature. The Jewish people cannot live on sensations." The editorial then points out that "the JTA, despite all difficulties, has fulfilled its mission by always standing on guard" for Jewish interests.

The Jewish Record, St. Louis, writes in an editorial that "if the world were not now involved in war, many Jewish communities in various countries would have, no doubt, seen fit to celebrate the JTA anniversary in a demonstrative way since the JTA is instrumental in bringing the needs of one Jewish community to the attention of the others." The Jewish Daily Courier in Chicago publishes an article on the JTA lauding its many-sided services for the Jews all over the world.

The National Jewish Ledger, Washington, says editorially that "the manifold significance of the JTA during this critical period cannot be over-emphasized." A similar opinion is expressed in editorials published in The Jewish Times, Philadelphia; Jewish Ledger, Albany, N.Y.; Jewish Ledger, Syracuse, N.Y.; and the Jewish Ledger of Rochester, N.Y.

JTA Safeguards Name and Honor of the Jewish People

The Jewish Review and Observer, Cleveland, in an editorial praising the JTA news service, points out that "unlike any other news agency, the JTA has been going out of its way throughout the world and in the Americas to safeguard the name and honor of the Jewish people. It has gone about, earnestly and often grimly, checking on libels and false reports intended to place the Jew in an evil light. It has dedicated itself to the task of rounding out the existence of the Jew himself by making available to him the current events of his own history." The Chicago Jewish Chronicle declares that the JTA "is a recognized force in the life of the Jews the world over." The Aufbau carries an editorial saying that "the JTA is much more than a mere news agency. It is an institution of the Jewish people."