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NAZI COMMANDER ORDERS JEWS IN OCCUPIED FRANCE TO DON YELLOW BADGES

VICHY, June 1. (JTA)-- An order forbidding all Jews in occupied France to appear in the street after June 7 without a yellow Mogen David sewn on the left side of their outer garments, was posted today throughout the occupied territory, signed by General von Stulpnagel, commander of the German military forces in France.

The order specifies that the yellow badge must be worn by all persons over six years old. It must be the size of a hand and is to have a black border. The word "Jew" must be inscribed in black across the face of the yellow star. Violations will be punished by fines and imprisonment, including confinement in a concentration camp.

An announcement that Jews will be forced to wear a yellow badge was made last week by Louis Darquier de Pellepoix, French Commissioner for Jewish Affairs. Today's order instructs the Jews to apply to their local police stations for the yellow insignias and to surrender one coupon in their clothing ration book in exchange for the Mogen David.

The Paris radio today took the occasion to blame the Jews for the food riots which took place in Paris yesterday in which two policemen were killed. "It is true that the Jews did not participate in these riots, but it is obvious that they instigated them," the Nazi broadcaster stated. He expressed satisfaction over the fact that Jews will have to wear yellow stars "so that now we will be able to distinguish them on the streets."

ABOLISHMENT OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN POST-WAR WORLD URGED BY U.S. GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, June 1. (JTA)-- The United States Government is determined that racial and religious discrimination shall be abolished in post-war Europe under the provisions of a permanent system of general security promised by the Atlantic Charter, it was learned here today.

Under-Secretary of State Sumner Welles, speaking last Saturday at Arlington Amphitheatre, indicated that the United Nations will soon be approached to support the post-war security program now being prepared with a view "to assure the sovereign equality of peoples throughout the world."

"Our victory," Mr. Welles said, "must bring in its train the liberation of all peoples. Discrimination between peoples because of their race, creed, or color must be abolished."

ANTI-ZIONIST GROUP OF REFORM RABBIS OPENS TWO-DAY SESSION IN ATLANTIC CITY

ATLANTIC CITY, June 1. (JTA)-- More than sixty Reform rabbis from various parts of the country, constituting a minority group in the Central Conference of American Rabbis who oppose Zionism and the creation of a separate Jewish Army, opened a two-day session in the Chelsea Hotel here today to discuss a number of problems including the question of "whether the creation of a Jewish State in Palestine is consonant with the universal messages of Moses and the Prophets."

Dr. Louis Wolsey of Philadelphia, presiding at the meeting, in his opening address declared that "what we shall do here is subject to the considered opinion of those who have voluntarily and convincingly assembled here." He then explained that the conference will state "whether or not the Zionist speaker is right when he claims, even before the governments of the world, that he represents the opinion of our four million Jews, and whether or not the Zionist movement means to absorb the totality of Jewish life."

"Here we shall have to say," Dr. Wolsey continued, "whether, as some have asserted, Zionism is equivalent to the Jewish religion; whether return to God means a return to nationalism; whether or not our salvation is in our religion or in a Jewish soil; whether retreat to nationalistic ghetto is a surrender of the great universal message of the Jewish prophet and sage; whether we shall yield our sacred Jewish tradition to a movement which is completely and deliberately non-religious; in a word, whether we should consent to the destruction of our faith."

Dr. David Philipson of Cincinnati read a paper on "The Message of Reform Judaism to American Israel" in which he traced the history of Reform Judaism contracting it as a religion with Zionism, which he said is a purely political endeavor. Rabbi Abraham Shusterman of Baltimore spoke on the same subject.

DAVID COLIN, JTA CORRESPONDENT IN ROME, REACHES NEW YORK; REPORTS ON JEWS IN ITALY

NEW YORK, June 1. (JTA)-- David Colin, correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in Rome, who was interned together with other American newspapermen in Italy after the Axis declaration of war against the United States, arrived here today on the Swedish steamer Drottningholm bringing a first-hand account of the situation of the Jews in Italy and in Axis-occupied Yugoslavia and Greece.

Mr. Colin, who was one of the American journalists exchanged for Axis diplomats and correspondents in this country, stated that the terror to which Jews are subjected in the Nazi puppet-state of Croatia can hardly be imagined. In Italy, he asserted, the large majority of the population hate the Nazis. His detailed account of the treatment of Jews in Italy and in the occupied Balkan countries will be published in the JTA Bulletin tomorrow.

ARAB-JEWISH UNITY IN PALESTINE POSSIBLE AFTER THE WAR, BRODETSKY DECLARES

LONDON, June 1. (JTA)--Rapprochement between Jews and Arabs in Palestine can be and must be brought about after the war, so that a settlement may be reached concerning use of the land, which will be satisfactory to all and consistent with the principle of a Jewish state there, Prof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, declared today, addressing the Jewish Historical Society at Leeds.

Palestine must become the Mecca of all Jews, from any part of the world, who desire to live there and contribute to the development of a Jewish national home and culture, Prof. Brodetsky stated. The Earl of Harewood, who is commonly considered to be pro-Arab, presided.

SOVIET TANKS AND BOMBERS WILL BE NAMED AFTER BAR KOCHBA, SPINOZA, HEINE

MOSCOW, June 1. (JTA)-- Soviet tanks and bombers will be named after Bar Kochba, the leader of the Jewish insurrection against the Roman emperor Hadrian in 132-35 C.E., it was announced here today at a plenary session of the Jewish anti-Fascist Committee. ✓

The announcement was made in connection with the drive which the Committee has proclaimed for a fund to build 1,000 tanks and 500 airplanes as a Jewish contribution to the Soviet war effort, in addition to the general participation of the Jews in the war on land, on sea, in the air and in defense work.

The sum of 1,000,000 roubles, approximately \$200,000, was subscribed today to this fund by the Jews of Biro-Bidjan, the Jewish autonomous region in the Far East. A call to the Jews abroad to donate contributions towards the fund was issued by the Committee last week.

"The tank columns and war planes built from this fund," S. Michoels, the president of the Jewish anti-Fascist Committee, declared at today's session, "will bear the name of Bar Kochba and other fighters for Jewish freedom. They will also be named after Spinoza, Heinrich Heine, the Jewish writer Shalom-Aleichem and other Jewish personalities."

Data on Jewish Heroism Collected in Soviet Russia

Parallel with raising funds to provide tanks and planes for the Soviet armies, the Jewish Committee will also collect data on the participation of Soviet Jews in the present war, on the front and in the defense industries, Mr. Michoels announced. The Committee, he said, has already taken steps to secure the records of many Jews who distinguished themselves on the battlefields and as partisans fighting in guerrilla units behind the German lines. Records will also be compiled concerning the role which Jewish women are playing in the battles at the front and in war work in factories and on the farms.

"It is important that not only we in the USSR know of our Jewish heroes, but that the entire world know of them," Michoels stated. He added that all the data which will be compiled by the Committee will be published and sent abroad.

Pointing out that the Jews in Soviet Russia do not need any special relief from abroad because they enjoy the same protection from the state as do all other citizens, Michoels emphasized that in making the appeal to Jews in the democratic countries to contribute to the fund for the 1,000 tanks and 500 planes, the Committee was concerned with "the life and the honor of the Jewish people itself." The fate of the Jews, he said, is now being decided where the struggle against the Nazis is most intense - on the Soviet battlefields.

It was revealed at today's session that a number of Soviet Jewish writers have composed a special voluntary oath for Jews. This oath will be taken by the Jews in Russia as "sons of the Jewish people," pledging themselves to sacrifice their lives in the fight against Fascism, in addition to the general vow which they took, together with all other people of the USSR, on the day when the Nazi armies invaded Soviet territory.

MEXICO'S ENTRY INTO WAR WILL NOT MEAN TOTAL IMMIGRATION STOPPAGE AUTHORITIES INDICATE

MEXICO CITY, June 1. (JTA)-- Immigration from Europe to Mexico will not be completely prohibited, although it will be affected in some degree, by Mexico's entry into the war, it was indicated today by sources close to the Ministry of the Interior. As reported some weeks ago, the President will have the authority to pass upon individual cases.

While new questionnaires went out to all foreigners in Mexico, as part of the current alien registration program, officials indicated that no category of "enemy aliens" would be set up, pointing out that fifth column elements might be of any nationality. Discrimination against certain aliens on ethical grounds, a spokesman said, would "imitate totalitarian injustice," adding that "foreigners who do not abuse Mexican hospitality can be assured of the least possible disturbance." At present all foreigners are subject to governmental restrictions on travel and to mail censorship.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO BE MARKED IN PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, June 1. (JTA)-- The semi-centennial meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society, which was founded by the late Dr. Cyrus Adler in June, 1892, will be marked at ceremonies at Dropsie College on Sunday, June 14, it was announced here today.

The library of the Society today possesses the most complete collection of material on the history of Jews in the New World. It consists of approximately 9,000 bound volumes, 8,000 pamphlets, files of more than 150 periodicals, and a large number of rare historical manuscripts dealing with little known aspects of Jewish life in the Western Hemisphere. Among the most interesting papers, according to Rabbi Isadore S. Meyer, Librarian of the Society, is a copy of Emma Lazarus' sonnet, "The New Colossus," in the poetess' handwriting. This poem was selected to be inscribed on the base of the Statue of Liberty. Another document is a letter dated December 15, 1776, from Benjamin Levy to Robert Morris, in which Levy, a Baltimore merchant, offered Morris the use of his home should the Continental Congress be forced to leave Philadelphia.

A good part of the volumes in the Society's library are the gift of Dr. A.S.W. Rosenbach, noted bibliophile, who is president of the Society. The ceremonies on June 14 will be conducted under his leadership.

YESHIVA COLLEGE TEACHERS SEMINARY GRADUATES THIRTY

NEW YORK, June 1. (JTA)-- Thirty graduates of the Teachers Seminary of the Yeshiva College, including two men who are now in the armed forces, were awarded their diplomas as Hebrew religious teachers at ceremonies in the Lempert Auditorium of the college yesterday.

Speakers at the exercises included Dean Pinchas Churgin of the Seminary; Dr. Samuel Belkin, dean of the Yeshiva College; Rabbi Wolf Gold, a member of the Mix-rachi World executive and Prof. Samuel K. Mirsky, who delivered a eulogy of Dr. Bernard Revel, late president of the institution.

JEWISH SETTLEMENT IN PALESTINE WILL BE NAMED AFTER DOV HOS AND HIS FAMILY

JERUSALEM, June 1. (JTA)-- A new settlement, to be known as Kibbutz Dorothe, will be established on 500 dunams of Jewish National Fund land at Haj in Southern Palestine, in honor of Dov Hos, deputy mayor of Tel Aviv, and his wife and daughter, all of whom were killed in an automobile accident in December, 1940. The name "Dorothe" is a combination of the first initials of Dov, Rebecca, his wife, and Tamar, his daughter.