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SOVIETS READY TO PERMIT EMIGRATION OF RABBIS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS TO PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, June 9. (JTA)-- The Soviet Government, in a cable from Kuibyshev, today informed Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog that it is prepared to grant exist visas to rabbis, religious leaders and theological students who are interested in proceeding from Soviet Russia to Palestine.

The Chief Rabbi was asked in the cable to prepare lists of those persons whom the Palestine rabbinate would like to bring to Palestine, so that there will be no delay in their departure from Russia.

The Jewish Agency today announced that Jewish refugees from Poland now in Russia have so far not received any of the food-and-clothing parcels sent to them by relatives in Palestine. The Agency advised Palestinians to stop sending parcels to Polish Jews in Russia for the time being until the matter can be cleared with the Palestine Government.

Jews DRIVEN FROM CAFES IN PARIS; NON-JEW ARRESTED FOR WEARING YELLOW BADGE

ZURICH, June 9. (JTA)-- With Jews in occupied France now easily distinguishable because of the yellow Mogen David which they are required to wear, a group of young followers of Jacques Doriot's anti-Semitic party today invaded every cafe in Paris on the fashionable Champs Elysees and forced all Jews present to leave the establishments.

One French non-Jew was arrested during a similar raid on cafes in another section of Paris. He is charged with wearing a yellow Mogen David which he donned as an expression of sympathy with his wife who is a Jewess.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT REJECTS PROPOSAL TO SURRENDER PALESTINE MANDATE TO AMERICA

LONDON, June 9. (JTA)-- The British Government today rejected the proposal that it surrender its twenty-year-old mandate over Palestine to the United States, in an acrimonious debate in the House of Lords raised by Lord Wedgwood of Barlaston on the issue of arming the Jews of the Holy Land.

Viscount Cranborne, British Colonial Secretary, spurning Lord Wedgwood's suggestion that Britain admit its failure in Palestine and give the United States a chance there, told the House of Lords that Wedgwood's broadcast in which he made the proposal was "an incitement to civil war in Palestine." He vehemently denied allegations made by Wedgwood in his broadcast to the United States two weeks ago that the British administration in Palestine was biased against the Jews and described as "fantastic" the idea that officials of the Palestine administration and the Colonial office were a "sinister gang of Fascists."

In a speech scathingly critical of the whole British policy in Palestine, Lord Wedgwood today made three demands of the government: that it organize a home guard in Palestine, that it recruit a Jewish military force from among refugees who

had escaped from Hitler, and that it arm and militarily train the Jewish volunteers "now ignominiously serving in the Pioneer Corps." He denied Lord Cranborne's charge that he was inciting the Jews to violence.

Labor Party Does Not Support Wedgwood's Views, Parliament Told

Lord Listowel repudiated Lord Wedgwood's broadcast. The Labor Party, he said, did not support the views which Lord Wedgwood expressed in his broadcast to the United States and did not support a policy which might lead to civil war in any part of the British Empire.

Lord Cranborne, speaking for the government, declared that the question of arming the Jews of Palestine was essentially a military matter. He indicated his belief that such action might lead to civil war "which can hardly be regarded as a satisfactory solution of the Palestine problem." He was supported by Lord Moyne, former Colonial Secretary, who denied that Britain had broken its pledges over Palestine. He asserted that it had never been intended to convert Palestine into a Jewish State against the will of the Arabs.

The tragedy of Palestine, Lord Moyne said, lay in the conflict between the two rivals, Jew and Arab. "Surely it is time that the Zionists abandoned an appeal to force and sought a negotiated settlement with the Arabs," he added.

Admit Jews Into Countries Bordering Palestine, Lord Moyne Asks

Lord Moyne pointed out that the war would leave millions of Jews in Europe homeless and accused the Zionists of narrowly looking only at Palestine, which is only a fraction of ancient Syria. He suggested settlements by Jews north of Palestine and expressed the hope that the British government would "seriously consider" negotiations with Arab states bordering on Palestine to admit Jewish settlers. He added that a federation of northern Arab states might assist in a solution of the Palestine issue.

The former Colonial Secretary concluded by voicing the belief that no one in the United States would be misled by Wedgwood's broadcast and assume that Britain would surrender the mandate. He denounced the broadcast as "an incitement to the Jews to seize political domination of the land."

SPIRITUAL JUDAISM WILL HELP AMERICA TO BUILD LASTING PEACE, WALLACE STATES

NEW YORK, June 9. (JTA)-- "The spiritual essence of Judaism," the Roman idea of law and discipline and the British feeling for "the rights of the common man" will be fused in America to produce a lasting peace and justice and freedom for all, Vice-President Henry A. Wallace declared last night addressing a dinner in the Waldorf Astoria hotel on the occasion of the presentation to President Roosevelt of the annual award of The Churchman, a Protestant publication, given "for the promotion of good will and better understanding among peoples."

"America, the heir of the religious concepts of Palestine and the culture of Rome and England, is building in the full sun of a new day for a peace which is not based on imperialistic intervention," he stated. "We shall see the day," he added, "when the sun of our America is the sun of righteousness, and when that sun will rise with healing in its wings."

SIKORSKI ASSAILS NAZI ATROCITIES AGAINST JEWS IN BROADCAST TO POLAND

LONDON, June 9. (JTA)-- Premier Wladyslaw Sikorski, in a broadcast today to the people of Poland, assailed the atrocities perpetrated by the German occupation forces there and particularly cited the "tens of thousands of Jews who have been massacred in Lublin, Wilno, Lwow, Stanislawow and Mieczow during the past year." He revealed that the details of Nazi terror and destruction in Poland would be made the subject of a formal note which will be handed to all Allied and neutral governments in the near future.

Describing the forms that German persecution of Polish Jews have taken, Premier Sikorski declared the Jewish people are "being starved to death in the ghettos; mass-executions are common and even those suffering from typhus are shot." Only the announcement of speedy retribution and the application of reprisals wherever possible can halt "the rising tide of madness of the German assassins and save hundreds of thousands of innocent victims from certain death," he said.

The Manchester Guardian today, in an editorial commenting on conditions in the Warsaw ghetto, declares that "hope is the chief nourishment of the ghetto residents. It is the business of the United Nations to see that this hope be realized."

HUNGARIAN ECONOMY DAMAGED BY EXPROPRIATION OF JEWISH LAND, PARLIAMENT HEARS

GENEVA, June 9. (JTA)-- An admission that the Hungarian Government's policy of expropriating Jewish-owned agricultural holdings is causing "great damage to the national economy" was made in the Hungarian parliament, in the course of a debate on the "Jewish question," it is reported in Budapest papers reaching here today.

Several spokesmen of the rightist opposition to the Government criticized the bill providing for the confiscation of Jewish farm land, charging that "from the moment that the Jews feel that their ownership of the land is threatened they cease tilling it. It is not important who possesses the land, but how it is cultivated."

Other deputies, however, demanded that the government immediately take steps to "Aryanize" all big Jewish commercial and industrial enterprises.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF JEWISH SOCIAL WELFARE CLOSES SIX-DAY SESSION

ROCHESTER, N.Y., June 9. (JTA)-- The National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare today concluded its six-day annual meeting, electing Kurt Peiser of Philadelphia as president. It was decided to hold next year's sessions in Cleveland.

The conference was addressed last night by Clarence E. Pickett, director of the American Friends Service Committee, who expressed the belief that post-war relief should be financed largely by governments and not by private agencies.

Mr. Pickett praised the Jewish reconstruction efforts in Palestine and praised the relief work of the Joint Distribution Committee. He emphasized that the JDC "has played a most significant and valuable role in its vast experience in relief ever more than 25 years," and spoke of the cooperation which has prevailed during the last few years between the JDC and his own committee with regard to relief and services to refugees.

Elliot E. Cohen of New York, in a statement read before today's session, pointed out that while war services play an important role in the program of Jewish social welfare agencies, they must not overlook the importance of their day-to-day services to the sick and needy in appealing for public funds.

POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION OF EUROPEAN JEWRY HELD RESPONSIBILITY OF AMERICAN JEWS

LONDON, June 9. (JTA)-- The "enormous responsibility" that will rest upon Jewry of the English-speaking world - especially upon American Jews - during the ten or fifteen-year period of reconstruction that will follow the war was stressed today by Prof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, opening the new term at the Institute for Jewish Learning here.

The influence wielded in Jewish life today by the English-speaking Jews is greater than is due them, on the basis of the number of them adhering to Judaism, as a result of the destruction of European Jewry, Prof. Brodetsky declared. American and English Jewry, he said, will have its own problems after the war, "but they can and will face them and conquer them; the question is whether they are prepared to also face the responsibility for European Jewry."

PRINCESS ALICE PAYS TRIBUTE TO JEWS AT HADASSAH GATHERING IN CANADA

MONTREAL, June 9. (JTA)-- Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice yesterday paid tribute to the Jewish people whose courage under suffering and persecution, she said, would always remain a subject of respectful wonder.

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the Montreal Council of Hadassah held in the Mount Royal Hotel, Princess Alice said: "You have been in the war longer than any of us, for it was upon you that Hitler first declared his hate and let loose as soon as he came to power his unbridled fury. But the Jewish people had never lost heart despite extreme suffering, nor allowed the vision of their future freedom to be blurred.

"As we look back along the pages of your history," she continued, "were not the Jewish people always at their best when most oppressed? Did not their greatest prophets, kings and seers arise when hope of release seemed beyond the bounds of possibility? It is the great fellowship of sacrifice among all the peoples opposed to the Nazi doctrine that is going to be the overwhelming power which alone can destroy this satanic possession of the thoughts and hearts of some of the human race."

ROBERT LURIE NAMED DIRECTOR OF B'NAI B'RITH WAR SERVICE ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 9. (JTA)-- Appointment of Robert Lurie as director of B'nai B'rith war service activities, was announced here today by Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith and chairman of its national war service committee.

Lurie was transferred to this new position from New York where for two years he was coordinator of B'nai B'rith activities in the Metropolitan area, serving under the Supreme Lodge, and executive secretary of the B'nai B'rith Council, representing 34 New York City lodges.

SOVIET EMBASSY UNABLE TO VERIFY REPORT OF DEATH OF DUBNOW IN U.S.S.R.

WASHINGTON, June 9. (JTA)-- The Soviet Embassy today informed the Yiddish Scientific Institute in New York that it has no way of verifying the report published in a New York Jewish newspaper stating that Simon Dubnow, noted Jewish historian, has died somewhere in Soviet Russia, to where he fled from Riga prior to the occupation of that city by the Nazi army.

Advising the Institute, of which Dubnow is honorary president, to cable for information directly to Dubnow's friends or to Jewish organizations, the Soviet Embassy said that since the report did not give Dubnow's address or even the town, it has no means of ascertaining officially whether the report of Dubnow's death is correct.