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ROOSEVELT PLEDGES AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL HOLD NAZIS RESPONSIBLE FOR ATROCITIES AGAINST JEWS

NEW YORK, July 21. (JTA)-- The American people will hold "to strict accountability" the Nazi authorities who are attempting to exterminate the Jews of Europe, President Roosevelt declared in a message read tonight to thousands of persons who crowded into Madison Square Garden here to attend the mass-demonstration against Hitler atrocities, called by the American Jewish Congress, the B'nai B'rith and the Jewish Labor Committee.

The President's message, which was addressed to Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the Congress, stated:

"Americans who love justice and hate oppression will hail the solemn commemoration in Madison Square Garden as an expression of the determination of the Jewish people to make every sacrifice for victory over the Axis powers. Citizens, regardless of religious allegiance, will share in the sorrow of our Jewish fellow citizens over the savagery of the Nazis against their helpless victims. The Nazis will not succeed in exterminating their victims any more than they will succeed in enslaving mankind. The American people not only sympathize with all victims of Nazi crimes but will hold the perpetrators of these crimes to strict accountability in a day of reckoning which will surely come.

"I express the confident hope that the Atlantic Charter and the just world order to be made possible by the triumph of the United Nations will bring the Jews and oppressed people in all lands the four freedoms which Christian and Jewish teachings have largely inspired."

Meeting Hears Jewish and Christian Leaders

After hearing addresses by a distinguished group of Jewish and Christian leaders, the meeting adopted a proclamation citing the fact that of all the persecuted peoples the Jews have borne the brunt of the Nazis' wrath and requesting that the leaders of the United Nations take immediate action to impress upon the Nazi leaders that reprisals will be exacted for the persecution of innocent civilian populations in occupied nations.

Pledging that the Jewish people will never allow itself to be exterminated, the proclamation states: "To the democratic civilized world, we turn and ask: Do you not see what is being done to a great historic people? Let your voice of wrath and condemnation be heard, that the enslaved and tortured may know that you stand by them in this hour of titanic tragedy. To the leadership of the United Nations we solemnly appeal to take public cognizance of the Jewish tragedy in Europe and to give expression to their determination that on the day of reckoning the Nazis will be called to account for their deeds of torture, plunder, arson and murder."

The proclamation hails the anti-Nazi resistance which is growing throughout Europe and "the sacred flame of hope burning in the ghettos." It affirms further

that "as the representatives of the organized masses of the Jewish community of America, we here pledge ourselves to make every sacrifice to support the United Nations in their struggle for freedom and human decency against totalitarianism and darkness."

Discussing the grave dangers that threaten Palestine, the proclamation, finally, expressed the hope that the United Nations "will enable the Jewish community of Palestine to defend itself in order that the Jews of Palestine be not exposed to the same fate which has overwhelmed millions of our fellow-Jews in Europe."

American Jewish Committee Joins in Protest

A message from Maurice Wertheim, president of the American Jewish Committee, expressing the Committee's resolve that "we shall not permit the world to forget these crimes so that the perpetrators may be brought to answer for them," was sent to the meeting. The message read:

"The American Jewish Committee joins with the Jewish organizations assembled in solemn demonstration tonight to condemn the barbarous mass-murders of civilian populations by the Nazis. Hundreds of thousands of defenseless Jews - men, women and children - have been and are being murdered in violation of all laws of modern warfare by the Nazis, who openly proclaim their intention to destroy the Jews throughout Europe. We join in mourning for the destruction of the innocent and helpless victims of Nazi terror, and at the same time highly resolve that we shall not permit the world to forget these crimes so that the perpetrators may be brought to answer for them before the bar of civilization.

"The Jews of America, shoulder to shoulder with their fellow Americans, have joined in a common dedication to the task of ending this reign of tyranny, so that the dignity of man may be restored and so that the four freedoms, so eloquently set forth by our President in the Atlantic Charter, may be achieved for all peoples.

"In keeping with its tradition the American Jewish Committee will continue to cooperate with other Jewish organizations to use all means within its power to protect the civil and religious rights of Jews against oppression and tyranny."

Among those who addressed the meeting were: Governor Herbert H. Lehman of New York; Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York; Bishop Francis J. McConnell of New York; William Green, President of the American Federation of Labor; John Green, International President, the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, C.I.O.; Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, of Massachusetts; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, President of the American Jewish Congress, who presided; Adolf Held, President of the Jewish Labor Committee; Frank Goldman, of Lowell, Massachusetts, Vice-President of the B'nai B'rith; Dr. Samuel Margoshes, Editor of The Day; Joseph Weinberg, President of the Workmen's Circle; and Louis Segal, Secretary of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance.

Messages condemning the mass-murders of Europe's Jews were received at the demonstration from the following: Hon. Leighton McCarthy, Canadian Minister to the United States; George Theunis, Ambassador Extraordinary of Belgium; W. Hunthe de Morgenstierne, Ambassador of Norway; Adrien Tixier, head of the Fighting French delegation in the United States; Count Sforza, former foreign minister of Italy; Raymond Gram Swing; Dr. A. Loudon, Netherlands Ambassador; Vladimir S. Hurban, Czechoslovak Minister; Constantin Fofitch, Yugoslav Minister; Jan Ciechanowski, Polish Ambassador; F.I. Switlik, president of the Polish American Council; and other diplomats.

(Additional details of the meeting will appear in tomorrow's JTA Bulletin)

BRITISH LABOR PARTY EXPECTED TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN ON NAZI MASSACRES OF JEWS

LONDON, July 21. (JTA)-- The British Labor Party may soon launch a mass-campaign in connection with the drive to have the Allied Governments exert pressure on the German Government, aimed at checking the atrocities being inflicted upon the Jews of Nazi-occupied Europe, it was learned here today.

The executive committee of the Labor Party is now considering proposals placed before it by a conference of leading British Laborites and representatives of all the European Socialist parties, held last week-end to decide upon joint action by European labor groups in view of the Nazi oppression in Poland and the wholesale extermination of the Polish Jews. One of the chief speakers at this meeting was Samuel Zygelbaum, Socialist deputy in the Polish National Council, and one of the two Jews sitting in that body, who particularly dwelt on the Jewish sufferings at the hands of the Nazis.

In an official statement issued today the conference condemned the "bestial terror inflicted upon the entire population by the Nazi occupation authorities in Poland," and expressed horror at the German plan to completely exterminate the whole Jewish population of Poland.

The conference was presided over by Camille Huysmans, Belgian Socialist leader, and among the conferees were A. J. Dobbs, vice-chairman of the British Labor Party executive committee; George Dallas, chairman of the Party's international department; William Gillies, secretary of the international department; James Walker, Laborite M.P.; Miss Mary Southerland, chief of the women's department of the Labor Party, and John Price, secretary of the political department of the Transport and General Workers Union.

GHETTO ESTABLISHED FOR BULGARIAN JEWS IN THRACE

ZURICH, July 21. (JTA)-- A ghetto area has been established for Bulgarian Jews in an undisclosed portion of Thrace, according to a Berlin radio broadcast heard here today.

The measure appears to be a result of the "Nuremberg" laws recently adopted by the Bulgarian Parliament over considerable opposition. Berlin predicts that stiffer anti-Jewish regulations will follow those already made. However, the Nazis say that certain Jews, including those with war decorations, are exempt. Earlier reports said exemptions had been abolished.

Bulgarian Jews will be required to wear a red circle on the left side of their clothing, the Berlin announcer noted, and businesses in which they retain an interest will be similarly marked. This badge was first assigned to Jews by a church assembly at Offen, Germany, in the year 1279. In the future, the broadcast continued, Jews may not own houses or land in Bulgaria. The government will buy real estate now in their hands, it was said.

NAZI COMMISSAR ORDERS REGISTRATION OF ALL JEWS, POLES IN GOVERNMENT-GENERAL

STOCKHOLM, July 21. (JTA)-- Registration of all Poles and Jews in the Government-General section of Poland, to take place before the end of the year, has been decreed by Hans Frank, Nazi commissar for the territory, it is reported in the Krauker Zeitung reaching here today. The Nazi paper does not indicate the purpose of the registration.

German newspapers which were received here today report that Aleksander Szreter, a Pole, has been sentenced to death by a German tribunal at Lodz on the charge of "economic sabotage," because he sold textiles to Jews and Poles.

BILL TO BAN JOB DISCRIMINATION BY GOVERNMENT CONTRACTORS INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, July 21. (JTA)-- A bill that would give the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice power to stop discrimination in war industries was introduced in the House of Representatives yesterday by Rep. Vito Marcantonio of New York.

Rep. Marcantonio's bill would write into every Government contract a prohibition against discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin or citizenship. The President's Committee would have power to issue complaints, and orders to cease and desist wherever it found evidence of discrimination.

URGES RELAXATION BY U.S. ARMY OF BARS AGAINST GERMAN-BORN DOCTORS

NEW YORK, July 21. (JTA)-- The War Department was urged to relax its bars against German-born doctors in the United States in a letter to Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson sent today by Hugh De Lacy, National Chairman of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born. The letter was sent to the Secretary of War immediately following the War Department announcement that it has undertaken a campaign to obtain 20,000 additional doctors for the United States Army this year.

Mr. De Lacy's letter states that: "We feel that the bars against German-born doctors serving in the United States should be eliminated, or at the least modified, not only because they violate the democratic principles for which this war is being fought but also because they deprive America of the services and contributions of a large number of foreign-born who are loyal to this country. Many of these German-born doctors are refugees from Hitlerism and completely anti-Nazi in their outlook because of what they have witnessed in Nazi Germany."

MISRACHI WOMEN TO SPONSOR NATIONAL BLOOD DONORS' DAY

NEW YORK, July 21. (JTA)-- A nation-wide Blood Donors' Day will be sponsored early in September, by the Misrachi Women's Organization of America, the national religious women's Zionist movement, Mrs. Samuel Fasten, national defense chairman of the organization, announced today.

More than 35,000 women of the orthodox Jewish faith who are enrolled in the 175 chapters throughout the country are expected to donate their blood at their community Red Cross headquarters, Mrs. Fasten said. Registration blanks have been mailed all chapter presidents and local defense chairmen.

PALESTINE-BORN NURSE TRAINED IN HADASSAH HOSPITAL JOINS U.S. ARMY CORPS

NEW YORK, July 21. (JTA)-- A Palestine-born nurse, who received her training in the Hadassah Nurses Training School in Jerusalem during World War I, is joining the United States Army for active service, it was disclosed today by the Hadassah office here.

The nurse is Miss Judith Alkaley, who has been accepted by the New York Hospital unit of the Ninth General Hospital, U.S. Army. Miss Alkaley, who is an American citizen, has expressed the hope that she will have an opportunity to serve on the Egyptian front, where she believes her special training in tropical diseases and her knowledge of Arabic will be useful.