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AMERICAN TROOPS LAND IN PALESTINE; RECEIVE ROUSING WELCOME

LONDON, Nov. 4. (JTA)-- The arrival of American troops in Palestine and Syria to reinforce the British garrisons there was reported here today. The Jewish population in Palestine gave the Americans a rousing welcome. It is assumed that the American military units will be stationed for a time in the vicinity of Haifa and Jerusalem.

The news of American armed forces landing in Palestine coincided with publication of the news that Hitler demanded that Britain surrender Palestine and Syria to Germany. This demand was made as part of the "peace proposal" which Rudolph Hess carried to England when he landed there in May, 1941. Sir Patrick Dollan, former mayor of Glasgow, revealed in the London press today.

SPLIT IN RUMANIAN CABINET RESULTS IN TEMPORARY HALTING OF JEWISH DEPORTATIONS

ZURICH, Nov. 4. (JTA)-- The deportation of Rumanian Jews to Transnistria, the Rumanian-administered part of the Ukraine, has been temporarily halted due to differences of opinion in the Rumanian cabinet on the entire Jewish issue, it was reported today in the Neue Zuercher Zeitung, a liberal Swiss newspaper.

The report states that some members of the Rumanian cabinet have expressed the fear that the present drastic anti-Jewish policy of Premier Antonescu will have a devastating effect upon Rumania's economy. They, therefore, advocate the retention of certain categories of Jews in Rumania, permitting them to continue their businesses unmolested. As a result of the insistent attitude taken by these ministers, the Rumanian cabinet decided to establish a commission for the purpose of investigating the effect of the anti-Jewish laws upon the economic life of the country, the report reveals.

Hungarian newspapers reaching here today from Budapest report that fifty thousand "Aryans" stormed the Rumanization Office in Bucharest trying to secure the flats of four thousand Jews who were evicted from their homes in the Rumanian capital and deported to Transnistria. At the same time the German radio announced today that the Rumanian Government has issued a decree banning the sale and circulation of all books written by Jewish authors. Bookshops and libraries throughout the country were ordered to display lists of the banned books and the public was informed that only certain libraries will be permitted to have them on their shelves, and no one will be able to read them without special permission.

QUISLING GOVERNMENT INTERNS ALL JEWISH WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN NORWAY

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 4. (JTA)-- A special concentration camp for Jewish women and children was established in Norway this week by the pro-Nazi Quisling government following the mass-arrests of practically all Jewish men in the country, the Dagens Nyheter, a Swedish newspaper, reports today. The camp is located near Narvik.

BULGARIA PLANS SMALL GHETTO COMMUNITIES FOR JEWS; CLOSES MANY SYNAGOGUES

BERN, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- Small ghetto communities for Jews, consisting of at least fifty families, will be established in Bulgaria, the Nazi Transocean News Service reported today from Sofia, quoting an announcement by the Commissariate for Jewish Affairs. All property within those communities will be held collectively, the report stated, adding that the heads of these Jewish "ghetto collectives" will be appointed by the Government.

At the same time, according to the Transocean dispatch, the Commissioner for Jewish Affairs announced that all synagogues serving fewer than 150 Jews will be closed. No new synagogues can be built and Jewish schools may be used for technical education only, the Sofia announcement said.

CROATIA CONFISCATES ALL VALUABLES OF JEWS; APPROPRIATES JEWISH FUNDS

ZURICH, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- The nationalization of Jewish property in the Nazi puppet state of Croatia was ordered today by a decree of the Croatian government announced over the Zagreb radio.

The decree provides that within one week from today all Jews in the country must surrender to the government all stocks, bonds, gold and silver articles, tapes, tries, art objects and other articles of value. All debts to Jews must be paid to local banks and credited to the account of the Ministry of Finance, the decree orders. Jewish real estate was confiscated by the government under previous regulations.

JEWS IN POLAND ASSURED OVER RADIO THAT ROOSEVELT, CHURCHILL AWARE OF THEIR MISERY

LONDON, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- Jews in Nazi-occupied Poland were assured last night in a broadcast from here that President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill are fully aware of the "agonies which Polish Jewry suffers under the Nazis" and that the Polish Premier Sikorski has definitely guaranteed a normal life for Jews in post-war Poland.

The broadcast was made by Ben Zion Margulies, chairman of the Council of Polish Jews in Great Britain whose address was beamed to Poland over the BBC European service. "All those fighting for the freedom of the world know of your sufferings and you have, by your perseverance, won the admiration of those who are fighting for your deliverance," Mr. Margulies said, addressing himself to the Jews in the Polish ghettos. He emphasized that the Council is composed of Polish Jews representing all parties and non-party elements.

COMBINED JEWISH APPEAL IN BOSTON RAISES \$1,271,000 IN 1942 CAMPAIGN

BOSTON, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- The 1942 Combined Jewish Appeal of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies and the United Jewish Appeal here announced at a Victory Dinner last night that it had raised a total of \$1,271,000, topping all other years.

With additional funds still to come in from some outlying sections of Greater Boston, it is expected that the quota of \$1,258,000 will be exceeded by approximately \$50,000. Israel Friedlander, general campaign chairman, announced that a minimum total of \$1,300,000 will be reached. Speakers at the Victory Dinner were Mr. Louis E. Kirstein, president of the Associated Jewish Philanthropies, Dr. B. M. Selekman, executive vice-chairman of the 1942 Combined Jewish Appeal and Mr. Friedlander, who presided.

RABBIS, LAYMEN WILL DRAW UP BASIC PEACE PRINCIPLES AT FOUR-DAY INSTITUTE

CINCINNATI, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- A four-day gathering of rabbis and laymen for the purpose of drawing up basic peace principles will open here at the Hebrew Union College on December 21, it was announced today in an Armistice Day message issued by the Justice and Peace Commission of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

The message which calls upon the Jews of America to pledge themselves to work for the achievement of a "just and enduring peace" emphasizes that "in order to make future wars difficult, if not impossible," the following seven principles must serve as basis for the forthcoming peace:

- 1.-The universal recognition of the sovereignty of God, the Father and Creator of all, and the duty of all men to obey His will.
- 2.-The application of the Bill of Rights of the American Constitution to all men, thus making democracy universal, ending all colonial empires, asserting the equality of all races and of all individuals, and abolishing all racial and class distinctions. These rights come from God and are, therefore, the inalienable possessions of every person, regardless of race, color, creed, or station.
- 3.-The creation of an international organization through which all nations would cooperate and to which they would yield some of their national sovereignty.
- 4.-Gradual universal disarmament, and the establishment of an international police force which, subject to international laws, could restrain outlaw nations.
- 5.-Placing at the disposal of all men the natural resources of the world, created by God, thus making possible the removal of economic injustices, the full utilization of technological inventions to create the abundant life, and the abolition of poverty, slums, and insecurity.
- 6.-The institution of a world court where nations, races, or individuals with grievances could plead their causes and receive justice.
- 7.-Universal, international, and unselfish cooperation in rebuilding the war-torn areas, and in the post-war adjustment of peoples in all lands.

"Victory for the Allied nations will not, by itself, achieve peace and justice. Victory on the battlefield must be supplemented with moral victory in every soul, expressing itself in the treaty that follows the war and in the subsequent years. To such a peace we dedicate ourselves now. We urge all of the family of Israel and all of the family of mankind to join us in the pledge to create a just and enduring peace," the message concludes.

REFUGEES FROM GERMANY AND AUSTRIA FORM NEW POLITICAL PARTY IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- The Federation of Jewish Settlers from Germany and Austria today concluded its conference in Kfar Shmaryahu by converting itself into a new "non-partisan political progressive party" which will be known under the name *Alyah Chadasha* (The New Settlers).

Members of the new party, it was stipulated, must belong to any of the groups affiliated with the World Zionist Organization. No Revisionists will be admitted to membership. The newly-formed party's membership as it stands now is composed of refugee immigrants from Germany and Austria affiliated chiefly with the General Zionists, the Jewish Labor Party and the Hashomer Hatzair.

Resolutions adopted by the conference demand free Jewish immigration into Palestine "in accordance with Jewish needs," urge an Arab-Jewish understanding, endorse the Zionist aspirations as expressed in the Bialle Program, and emphasize the opposition of the conference to the White Paper which restricts Jewish immigration and land acquisition in Palestine. Dr. Felix Rosenbluth was elected president of the new party.

FORMATION OF JEWISH ARMY WOULD HURT ALLIED CAUSE, MAJOR ELIOT ASSERTS

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- Major George Fielding Eliot, military expert of the New York Herald Tribune whose articles are syndicated throughout the country, today expressed strong opposition to the formation of a Jewish Army in Palestine.

Writing in the Herald-Tribune, Major Eliot asserted that it would be difficult to find instructors for the training of Jewish officers for a separate Jewish Army "at a time when it is difficult enough to find adequate instructors for the officers-training programs of the British and American armies." Stating that a Jewish Army could not possibly be prepared for the field in less than a year to eighteen months, Major Eliot writes that "it is, therefore, beside the point to urge that the formation of such a force could have any immediate effect on the fortunes of war in the Middle East."

Pointing to the lack of shipping facilities, he says that "it would be an advantage gratuitously offered to the enemy" if a single ton were diverted "for the purpose of building up an army which could not possibly take the field for a year, and probably not for a much longer period." He refers to the fact that a Palestine regiment with Jewish and Arab battalions has been formed, and concludes: "It is the considered judgment of this writer that any attempt to form and equip a Jewish army in Palestine at this stage of the war would be a detriment rather than an aid to the cause which the proponents of this idea are seeking to serve."

ABOLISHMENT OF LITERACY TEST FOR CITIZENSHIP IS URGED FOR PARENTS OF SOLDIERS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- Parents of those in the armed forces would no longer have to pass a literacy test for citizenship, under a bill introduced in Congress by Rep. Joseph E. Casey, Massachusetts Democrat.

The bill, now under study by the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization, goes beyond previous measures in that it provides no minimum age or length of residence.

One recent proposal, approved by Attorney General Francis Biddle, requires that the alien be 50 years old and have resided in this country since 1924 as conditions for waiving the educational test. Another, sponsored by Rep. Thomas H. Eliot, Massachusetts Democrat, permits enemy aliens to become citizens if they have close relatives in the armed forces, but keeps the literacy requirement. Both these bills have been favorably reported by the committee.

BOOKLET LISTS HONOR ROLL OF JEWISH SERVICE MEN

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.(JTA)-- The second edition of a booklet containing the names and deeds of service men of Jewish faith who have been decorated for valor since Pearl Harbor was issued today by the National Jewish Welfare Board's Bureau of War Records.

The names of four service men who have received two awards each are listed in the pamphlet. They are Lieutenants Roy Bright, of Eveleth, Minn., and Morris N. Friedman, of Grand Forks, N. D.; Sergeant Meyer Levin, of Brooklyn, and Radioman David Goodman, U.S.N., of Brooklyn. The names of all other service men of Jewish faith who have been honored during the war up to the time the pamphlet was printed were also noted, but it was observed that the folder is based on official records and is necessarily incomplete.