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DEMONSTRATIONS IN PALESTINE URGE RESCUE OF JEWS FROM NAZI EXTERMINATION

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26, (JTA)-- Spontaneous demonstrations, provoked by recent reports concerning the Nazi extermination of Jews in Poland and other occupied countries, took place here today with thousands of Jews marching through the streets carrying black banners and shouting: "Our brethren are being massacred," "Save our brethren," "Death for the Germans,"

One of the demonstrations was headed by Chief Rabbi Herzog who earlier in the day visited the Papal Nuncio and submitted to him the latest information on the intensified mass-slaughter of Jews by the Nazis. It is understood that the Papal Nuncio promised to communicate this information to the Vatican. It was also learned today that Rabbi Herzog will shortly visit Turkey and Egypt to contact high Christian church leaders and diplomats to enlist their aid in an attempt to save the Jews of Europe.

The Chief Rabbinate of Palestine today proclaimed Wednesday, December 2, as a day of national mourning for the hundreds of thousands of Jews massacred by the Nazis in Poland and other occupied territories. Jews in Palestine will stop their work on that day and the orthodox Jewish population will fast and offer prayers in the synagogues throughout the country.

The entire Hebrew press in Palestine will appear for seven days with black-bordered pages, beginning today. A special gathering of all rabbis in Palestine will be held on Sunday to discuss the gravity of the Jewish situation in Europe in the light of the latest Nazi massacres there.

A call to the Jews of the world "not to rest until the civilized world understands that the German nation must pay for the Jewish and Polish victims of Hitler's atrocities," was cabled by Prof. Stanislaw Kot, prominent member of the Polish Cabinet, to the World Orthodox Agudas Israel Organization. The cable was read last night at a mass-meeting called by the Agudah in Tel Aviv to protest against the Nazi cold-blooded mass-extinction of Jews.

JEWISH LEADERS CONFER ON HITLER'S ORDER FOR ANNIHILATION OF ALL JEWS IN EUROPE

NEW YORK, Nov. 26, (JTA)-- Appalled by the reports of the intensified mass-extinction of Jews in Nazi-held Poland and other occupied territories, representatives of major Jewish organizations last night held a special conference under the chairmanship of Dr. Stephen S. Wise at which it was decided to take the following measures:

1. Make public the documents on the Nazi annihilation of Jews in Europe which were made available through the State Department, including the report of

Hitler's recent decree ordering the extermination of all Jews in the Reich and in occupied countries by the end of 1942, which was obtained from high German officials.

2. Intervene with the U.S. Government to take effective measures which would force the Nazis to discontinue their wholesale murder of Jews.

3. Invite the aid of Christian organizations ready to protest against the Nazi massacres of the Jews in Europe.

4. Proclaim a Day of Mourning to be observed by fasting and prayers by Jews "in all the lands where Jews are still free."

Participating in the conference were representatives of the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress, Jewish Labor Committee, B'nai B'rith, World Jewish Congress, Agudath Israel, Synagogue Council of America and the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of America and Canada. The call for a day of mourning will also be signed by Dr. Chaim Weismann, president of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, it was stated. A committee is to decide whether the Day of Mourning should be set for Sunday, December 6, or December 13.

These Extermination First Discussed Last August

Dr. Wise stated at a press conference last night that the total extermination of the Jews has been under discussion by the Nazi leaders since August, 1942. The plan, he said, was originally submitted to Hitler's general headquarters by Herman Goack, Secretary of State for Economics. Under the plan "all Jews living in Germany and German-occupied and controlled countries, numbering some five million, should, after deportation and concentration in certain regions of Eastern Europe, be exterminated at one stroke, in order to solve once and for all the Jewish question in Europe." The time of execution was set for the Fall of 1942. In anticipation of the execution of this plan, large-scale deportations from all European countries began. The plan of Herman Goack, submitted directly to Adolf Hitler, was based on economic reasons, in order to ease in part the difficult food situation by the annihilation of at least four million persons who would otherwise have to be fed, Rabbi Wise stated.

"The adoption of this plan was delayed through the opposition of a number of leaders of the Nazi party," Dr. Wise added. "These include Dr. Frank, Governor General of the occupied-Polish territories, who opposed the plan, not on humanitarian grounds, but on the grounds that the Jews were artisans or specialists in industries, and could ease the shortage of labor in Poland. The plan was also opposed on the same grounds by Heinrich Himmler, Chief of the Gestapo. Despite this opposition, however, the plan was finally accepted, and Hitler signed the order calling for the mass deportation of Jews, with a view to their ultimate extermination."

Dr. Wise gave the following as the latest reliable figures on Jewish populations in German-controlled countries:

	Dec. 1939	Now		Dec. 1939	Now
Germany	200,000	40,000	Netherlands	180,000	69,000
Austria	75,000	15,000	France	300,000	235,000
Bohemia-Moravia ..	80,000	15,000	Slovakia	90,000	20,000
Poland	2,000,000	1,000,000	Latvia	100,000	4,000
Belgium	85,000	8,000	Lithuania	150,000	6,000

THROGS CROWD LONDON THANKSGIVING SERVICE FOR JEWISH MEN IN A.E.F.

LONDON, Nov. 26. (JTA).-- Thanksgiving services for the Jewish men with the A.E.F. in Britain were held today in the new West End Synagogue. Large numbers of American officers, enlisted men and women auxiliaries attended. Kaddish was recited for the men of the American forces fallen in battle.

BILTMORE DECLARATION WILL BE PRINCIPAL ZIONIST DEMAND AT PEACE CONFERENCE

TEL AVIV, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- The Biltmore Declaration, demanding the post-war establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth, which has been adopted by American Zionists and approved by the Jews of Palestine, will be the major demand of the Jewish Agency at the post-war peace conference, David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency, declared here addressing a conference of General Zionists.

"The preparations for the peace conference," Mr. Ben-Gurion said, "actually started the moment the Atlantic Charter was drafted. Special committees are already working on peace plans in Washington and in London. It is for this reason that it became necessary to urgently adopt the Biltmore declaration demanding at the same time a Jewish Home Guard for Palestine and Jewish immigration into Palestine under all circumstances."

Pointing out that the victory of the United Nations will present the problem of immediately rescuing Jews from the countries which will gradually be liberated, Ben-Gurion said that the Zionists must develop a campaign of world-wide propaganda on a large scale stressing Palestine's possibilities for absorbing large masses of Jews. "In accepting the Biltmore Declaration we have to be prepared for friendly negotiations as well as for fighting for our cause," he emphasized.

ANTI-JEWISH ACTION OF POLISH OFFICIALS PROVOKES STORMY DEBATE IN NATIONAL COUNCIL

LONDON, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- A stormy debate took place in the Polish National Council today when a joint interpellation was made by the two Jewish deputies and by five non-Jewish members of the Council asking for an explanation of why Polish officials, when re-broadcasting to occupied Poland the text of a speech by Premier Sikorski, omitted the phrase in which the Polish Premier pledged equal treatment for Jews in post-war Poland.

The Polish Socialist leader, Ciolkosz, and the Polish-Jewish leader, Dr. Ignacy Schwarzbart, both members of the Council, stated at today's session that they carefully listened to the broadcast and were startled to note that the phrase in Premier Sikorski's text reading: "Jews will fully benefit from the blessings of victory in common and on equal terms with all Polish citizens," was amended by the broadcaster who completely omitted the words "in common and on equal terms with all Polish citizens." The Polish Premier delivered this speech at a meeting last month in Albert Hall here called by Jewish organizations to protest against Nazi atrocities in Poland.

Replying to the interpellation, Stanislaw Stronski, Polish Minister for Propaganda, denied that such an omission was made in the broadcast beamed to Poland from a London station. Despite this denial, some of the leaders of the Polish Socialist Party and the Polish Peasant Party charged from the floor that officials of the Polish Government-in-Exile are pursuing a double-faced policy of differentiating between statements intended for the world and those broadcast to the people in Poland.

ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT AGREES TO ADMIT 1,000 REFUGEE CHILDREN FROM NAZI EUROPE

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- The Argentine Government has agreed to admit 1,000 Jewish refugee children from Nazi-occupied European countries, it was disclosed here today by the D.A.I.A., the central organization of Jewish groups in Argentina, which had petitioned the government for such an order. The Jewish organizations here will guarantee to provide transportation and maintenance for the young refugees. Since Argentina still maintains diplomatic relations with Germany, it is possible that the Nazis would be willing to allow the children to proceed here.

SO. AFRICA AGREES TO RECEIVE TEMPORARILY REFUGEE CHILDREN EN ROUTE TO PALESTINE

LONDON, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- The government of the Union of South Africa has agreed to allow contingents of Jewish refugee children en route from Portugal to Palestine - via the Cape of Good Hope - to stay temporarily in South Africa, it was reported today at a meeting of the executive committee of the Youth Aliyah organization, which had requested such permission.

Although the majority of the 1,000 immigration certificates allotted by the Jewish Agency to refugee children in France cannot be sent to France, as a result of the Nazi occupation of the entire country, it is hoped that some of the children for whom the certificates were assigned succeeded in escaping into Spain or Portugal before the German troops entered the unoccupied zone, it was reported at the meeting.

NAZIS BURY ALIVE OLD JEWS AND UKRAINIANS FOR REFUSING TO ENTER EACH OTHER

KUIBYSHEV, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- Ten old men in a Ukrainian town - five of them Jews and the other five Ukrainians - were all buried alive by the Nazis when each group refused to enter the other, it was reported by a Red Army sergeant today, who was told of the mass burial by Zuni Greilich, the grandson of one of the Jewish victims.

When the Germans invaded the village of Skarlivka, in the Kiev province, the greater part of the population fled and those who remained hid in the gardens and the fields. Young Greilich, who had taken refuge in the attic of his house, could see everything that was happening in the street below. A German officer, with whip in hand, selected ten bearded, elderly men - five Ukrainians and five Jews. They were each given a spade and ordered to dig a pit. When the pit had been half dug the Nazi ordered the Ukrainians to get out and instructed the Jews to continue digging. After a while he told the Ukrainians to take up their spades and to cover the Jews, who were still digging the pit, with the earth that had been dug up.

The Ukrainians, however, just looked horrified when they heard the German officer's command and did not pick up their spades. When the Nazi saw that they would not obey his orders, he forced the Ukrainians to get into the pit and told the Jews to climb out and bury their neighbors. The Jews, among whom was Rachmiel Greilich, Zuni's grandfather, likewise refused to move. Using his foot, so that the old Ukrainians in the pit should not see him, the Nazi shoved some earth on top of them and called: "Look, the Jews are willing to bury you. You'd better get out and bury them." But the old men did not budge.

Thoroughly infuriated by this time, the Nazi shoved the old Jews into the pit, on top of the Ukrainians, and, together with his men, buried them all alive. Young Zuni succeeded in escaping from Skarlivka that night and after several days he encountered a Red Army detachment, including Sergeant Leizer Lieberman, to whom he told the story.

NEW MONTHLY MAGAZINE PUBLISHED BY ZIONIST LABOR YOUTH IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.(JTA)-- The first issue of a monthly magazine "Furrows," official organ of the Labor Zionist Youth organization in America, made its appearance today. In announcing the purpose of the new publication, the editorial board says that "Furrows" will bring directly to young American Jews the activities, problems and developments of the Zionist world in terms of creative, positive Zionism. It will also carry articles on cultural developments in Jewish life.