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200 JEWS DYING DAILY IN CONCENTRATION CAMP IN POLAND; JEWISH DEPUTIES APPEAL FOR AID

LONDON, March 22.(JTA)-- An average of 200 Jews are dying daily in the "Jewish" concentration camp which the Nazis have established in Majdanek, in Central Poland, according to information reaching the Polish Government here today.

The report says that Jews from all over Poland are being driven to the camp at Majdanek where they are held under the most primitive sanitary conditions, which has resulted in the spread of typhus.

At the session of the Polish National Council today, the two Jewish deputies, Dr. Ignacy Schwarzbart and Samuel Zygelboim appealed for urgent and effective measure to save the Jews in occupied Poland from Nazi extermination. "Hitler will never succeed in annihilating 25,000,000 Poles, but he can exterminate all the Jews in Poland if nothing is done to check him," Dr. Schwarzbart said. He reported how Jews in the ghettos are forcibly resisting the Nazis. Mr. Zygelboim asked for the appointment of a special committee with special powers to take unusual steps to save Polish Jews.

GEN. GIRAUD AND GEN. DE GAULLE WILL DISCUSS CREMIEUX LAW WHEN THEY MEET

LONDON, March 22.(JTA)-- The question of why Gen. Giraud found it necessary to repeal the Cremieux Law and thus deprive the native Jews in Algeria of their French citizenship will be one of the subjects of discussion between Gen. Giraud and Gen. de Gaulle when the two meet in the near future, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was assured here today by leaders of the Fighting French.

Gen. de Gaulle's spokesmen, however, warned that the abolition of the Cremieux Law will not be a major issue between the heads of the French groups. "Because of the other and more important problems with which Gen. Giraud and Gen. de Gaulle will have to deal when they meet, the issue of the Cremieux Law will play a minor role," they said.

(The N.Y. Times, in a cable from Algiers today reported that "the entire question of conditions for citizenship is now under review by Gen. Giraud and his chief legal advisers." It added that French legal sources state that "after three months, decisions regulating the situation will be made by the regime." It quoted Gen. Giraud's counselor as declaring that "most Jews in Algeria prefer to get (French) citizenship independently" and that Jews who held government office were restored to their positions by General Giraud's "declaration and ordinance" of last Wednesday. Their citizenship will be restored swiftly to enable them to retain office. While the new regulations are being worked out there will be "no restrictions on Jews entering schools or the army or practicing professions," the Counselor stated.)

HUNDREDS OF U.S. JEWISH SOLDIERS MARK PURIM IN ARMY CAMP IN BRITAIN

LONDON, March 22.(JTA)-- Hundreds of Jewish soldiers in a United States Army camp "somewhere in Britain" yesterday held services marking the celebration of Purim. The "megillah" was read by a rabbi sent from London by the Agudas Israel. A Christian chaplain, McAllister, attended the services.

EX-MUFTI APPEALS TO ARABS IN AMERICA TO ABSTAIN FROM PARTICIPATING IN WAR EFFORT

ZURICH, March 22.(JTA)-- An appeal to Arabs in the United States to refrain from taking part in the war was broadcast today by the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem speaking from Rome.

The ex-Mufti, who is now in the service of the Axis powers, said that Arabs in America must realize that if the Allies win the war, Jewish influence will increase in the post-war world. "Already a large number of senators and congressmen in the United States are demanding the opening of the gates of Palestine for Jews," he stated.

Quoting Dr. Chaim Weizmann as having allegedly said that "North Africa will form a bridge between New York and Jerusalem," the ex-Mufti declared that the Allies will take sides with the Jews on the question of Palestine and "are already supporting the Jews against the Moslems in North Africa and are planning to make Morocco a shelter for Jewish refugees." This, the ex-Mufti asserted, explains Dr. Weizmann's statement.

RUSSIAN JEWS ASK FOR GREATER JEWISH AID FROM AMERICA, ENGLAND

KUIBYSHEV, March 22.(JTA)-- Jews in various countries outside Russia have so far contributed \$2,000,000 to the Russian war effort, it was announced here today by the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee.

The announcement terms this sum "a drop in the bucket" and demands that Jews in the democratic countries, especially in the United States, should increase their aid to Russia. "We are constantly being assured that Jews in America, Great Britain and in other countries are ready to make the greatest sacrifices and help the Red Army to wipe the Fascist pestilence off the face of the earth, but where are the concrete deeds?" the statement asks.

Two Jews were promoted today to the rank of major general in the Red Army in a decree issued by the Council of Peoples' Commissars of the USSR. The two are Major General Zelig Joffe and Major General Julius Rabiner.

DISTURBANCES PREDICTED IN PALESTINE IF ARAB-JEWISH PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED SOON

LONDON, March 22.(JTA)-- Unless some kind of a settlement between Jews and Arabs in Palestine is reached soon, serious disturbances may be expected there, it is predicted by Sir Ronald Storrs, former governor of Jerusalem, in an article sent from Palestine to the Sunday Times here.

"It is disquietingly rumored that both sides hold considerable quantities of armament," Sir Ronald writes. He points out that the problem of establishing Palestine as a bi-national state must be solved quickly, otherwise the coming of world peace "may open the shooting season" in Palestine. He attacks the Histadruth for encouraging Arab workers to demand higher wages "while Jews refuse employment to Arabs."

Pointing out that the trouble in Palestine may start as early as next year when Jewish immigration will be stopped under the provisions of the White Paper, the former governor of Jerusalem says that while the Jews insist that the White Paper must be replaced by a more favorable document, the Arabs now regard the White Paper as their charter and are fully supported in this contention by Egypt and Iraq.

"CHILLY FORMALISM" IN U.S. IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS CRITICIZED; RELAXATION URGED

NEW YORK, March 22.(JTA)-- The "chilly formalism" in the immigration regulations of the United States, which tends to hinder the immigration of refugee Jews from Europe, was assailed yesterday by Congressman Emanuel Celler of New York City, addressing an emergency conference called by the United Rumanian Jews of America.

Mr. Celler urged liberalization of our immigration laws and procedures and suggested that "Nansen passports" be revived by the Allied Governments. He also urged that the United Nations secure havens for European Jews in neutral countries, with guarantees to the neutrals that the refugees will be maintained; open the doors of Palestine to more Jews; and arrange for the sailing of mercy ships carrying food to the starving populations of Poland, Rumania and other occupied countries.

Similar proposals were made by the meeting in an appeal sent to President Roosevelt. In addition it was urged that negotiations be opened with the Rumanian Government looking towards the release of the thousands of Jews in Transnistria. The appeal also demanded the enactment of legislation incorporating the principles of the Atlantic Charter, the outlawing of anti-Semitism and a guarantee that individual Jews and Jewish communities will be indemnified after the war for property and loss of life resulting from the actions of the Rumanian Government.

The meeting also adopted a series of resolutions concerning post-war relief and rehabilitation, which pledged Rumanian Jews to assist in the rehabilitation of the Jews remaining in Europe after the war and in securing places of settlement for those desirous of emigrating, and to aid the war victims to become economically self-sustaining. Messages were received from President Roosevelt, Director of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Herbert Lehman, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, Senator James Meade, Charles A. Davila, former Rumanian minister to the United States and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise. The conference was presided over by Charles Sonnenreich, president of the organization.

500 JEWISH ENGINEERS AND MECHANICS GRADUATED BY TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN HAIFA

JERUSALEM, March 22.(JTA)-- More than 250 Jewish engineers have been graduated during the war from the engineering college of the Hebrew Institute of Technology in Haifa, it was reported here by S. Kaplansky, president of the Institute. In addition, 240 students were graduated from the Technical High School of the Institute. All the graduates are now engaged in government work and wartime industries, or in building roads and fortifications for the armed forces.

The chemical laboratories of the Institute, Mr. Kaplansky reported, are developing and producing substitutes for materials not obtainable at present, and are adapting new chemical processes to the requirements and possibilities of the Middle East. The workshops of the Institute are doing welding and repair work for the mechanized units of the army and are also making and repairing precision tools for the Royal Air Force. Mr. Kaplansky appealed to Jews in America to give more adequate financial support to the Institute through the American Society for the Advancement of the Institute.

282 AMERICAN PROFESSORS SUBMIT PETITION TO ROOSEVELT ON NAZI MASSACRES OF JEWS

WASHINGTON, March 22.(JTA)-- A petition, signed by 282 professors of 83 leading American universities and colleges, asking President Roosevelt to do everything in his power to rescue the Jews in Nazi Europe, was submitted to him today.

The petition also urges the President to find a way of warning each German that the German people will be held responsible for generations if the present Nazi massacres of Jews continue. The Yiddish Scientific Institute in New York collected the signatures for the petition.

ALL JEWS IN CANADA WILL SIGN PETITION URGING RESCUE OF EUROPEAN JEWRY

MONTREAL, March 22.(JTA)-- Every Jew in Canada will be asked to sign a petition addressed to the Canadian Government and all the United Nations, asking them to take all possible measures to aid European Jewry, it was decided here last night at a meeting of the Dominion Council of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Dr. Joseph Schwartz of the Joint Distribution Committee and Dr. Arieh Tartakower of the World Jewish Congress addressed the meeting, which was presided over by Samuel Bronfman, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress. They reported on the present situation of the Jews in Europe. Saul Hayes, executive director of the Congress, outlined a program of relief activity which the United Nations could take.

SYMPATHY OF JEWS FOR CHRISTIAN MARTYRS IN ROMAN EMPIRE REVEALED BY HISTORIAN

NEW YORK, March 22.(JTA)-- Evidence indicating the sympathy which Palestinian Jews in the time of Diocletian expressed for the Christian martyrs whom the Roman Emperor was persecuting was presented here today by Prof. Saul Lieberman in his paper "Diocletian's Persecution of the Christians in the Light of the Talmud," read before The Third Institute for Biblical and Post-Biblical Studies, at the Jewish Theological Seminary here. Dr. Lieberman's lecture, developed around hitherto unrecognized text: pertaining to this period of persecution.

Outstanding scholars and authorities on Jewish learning are taking part in the program of the Institute, which opened today under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary. The participants, members of the faculty and visiting scholars will cover a wide field of Jewish scholarship from biblical times through the medieval period. The Institute will close on March 30.

DR. EISENDRATH ELECTED DIRECTOR OF UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

CINCINNATI, March 22.(JTA)-- Rabbi Maurice N. Eisendrath, of Toronto, has been elected director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, for the duration of the war, it was announced here today by Adolph Rosenberg, chairman of the executive board of the Union.

In accepting the call to head the Union, Rabbi Eisendrath, a leader of Canadian Jewry, declared: "The most significant task in Jewry today is to sustain and strengthen the traditional citadel of our faith, the Synagogue. I say this in full recognition of the many other consuming labors which confront us in the embattled household of Israel; the rescuing of our perishing brethren from their many houses of bondage, the upbuilding of Zion and the reconstruction of our Jewish life in so many regions of the earth. But above all, it must be remembered that it is 'by the spirit' that Israel shall prevail."

ARMY GETS NEW FIGHTER PLANE AS GIFT OF REFUGEES FROM NAZI OPPRESSION

NEW YORK, March 22.(JTA)-- The Army Air Force yesterday received a brand new Curtiss Warhawk fighter plane as a gift from 1,600 recent refugees from Nazi oppression. In ceremonies at LaGuardia field here, attended by 3,000 persons, the plane was formally presented to the Army by Elizabeth Bergner, noted Austrian-Jewish actress, who swung a bottle of champagne across the ship's nose to christen it "Loyalty."

Accepting the plane, Brig. Gen. Willis R. Taylor declared that "the pilot who will fly it will carry to the land of the aggressor the hope for the freedom of millions of persecuted people." After the dedication, an Army pilot took the ship up for a demonstration flight.