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BERMUDA CONFEREES RULE OUT LARGE-SCALE RESCUE OF NAZI VICTIMS

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 22.(JTA)-- Large-scale rescue of persecuted persons in Nazi-held territory was completely ruled out today by the heads of the American and British delegations to the Bermuda Conference on Refugees in statements at a press conference here.

Dr. Harold W. Dodds, head of the American delegation, and Richard K. Law, head of the British delegation, emphasized that it is out of the question to discuss at the present time taking out large numbers of people from Nazi countries. They added that efforts will be made, however, to find a haven of refuge for as many individuals as possible.

The fact that Senator Scott Lucas of Illinois, one of the three American delegates to the Conference, is still in the United States, unable to leave the country because of illness, is preventing the conference from getting into full swing since the American delegation is not complete, it was stated here today.

The work of the parley since its opening on Monday has been principally one of analysis and of trying to establish a "pattern," Dr. Dodds declared today. "We are getting into the heart of the refugee problem, trying to decide what is practicable," he said, adding that progress in this direction is being made, but that it must be borne in mind that "winning the war is the greatest humanitarian effort."

Mr. Law reiterated at a press conference today that the British Government "will not go beyond the White Paper" in admitting refugees to Palestine.

Disappointment in Britain at Spirit of Bermuda Parley

LONDON, April 22.(JTA)-- Disappointment is felt by all liberal circles here at the spirit in which the Anglo-American conference on refugees is proceeding in Bermuda.

In an editorial today the Manchester Guardian expresses astonishment that even in the formal speeches at the opening session of the conference, the leaders of the British and American delegations found it necessary to completely ignore the Jewish side of the Nazi persecutions although the conference "sprung from the horrors of the Nazi extermination of the Jews."

In a statement published in the London Times today, Major Victor Cazalet, commenting on the Bermuda Conference in behalf of the National Committee for Rescue from Nazi Terror, asks: "Was it necessary to send three ministers to Bermuda only to repeat the well-worn phrases so familiar to the front benches of Parliament? We are convinced that if the conference breaks up without having initiated immediate measures of rescue on a scale not wholly inadequate, there will be a mounting wave of indignation in Britain which may surprise those who failed to appreciate how deeply the public conscience has been stirred and how determined our people are upon action."

NAZIS START MASS-EXECUTION OF WARSAW JEWS ON PASSOVER; VICTIMS BROADCAST S.O.S.

STOCKHOLM, April 22.(JTA)-- A massacre of the last 35,000 Jews in the Warsaw ghetto was started by the Nazis on Passover with the streets of Warsaw echoing to the shots of the Nazi murderers and the shrieks of the victims, while able-bodied Jews were trying to defend themselves within the walls of the ghetto.

The secret Polish radio station SWIAT was heard here shortly after six o'clock last night transmitting the following frantic appeal from occupied Poland:

"Death sentence has been proclaimed on the last 35,000 Jews in the Warsaw ghetto. Gun salvos are echoing in the streets of Warsaw. Women and children are defending themselves with bare hands. Save us..." At this point the broadcast was suddenly cut off.

(The American Representation of the Zionist Laborite Party in occupied Poland today reported that it has received underground information stating that pogroms have been going on not only in the Warsaw ghetto, but also in a number of cities in Galicia. A message from the Jews in the Warsaw ghetto indicated that not more than 40,000 Jews were left there and that they expect mass-executions. It appealed to the world for immediate aid "before it is too late." The appeal states that two Zionist Laborite leaders in Galicia, Dr. Max Schaff and Moshe Richter, "disappeared" during Nazi pogroms in Galicia.)

NAZI RULER OF HOLLAND SAYS NO JEWS WILL BE LEFT THERE BY END OF THIS YEAR

STOCKHOLM, April 22.(JTA)-- An announcement that no Jew will be left in Holland "by the end of this year" was made by Arthur Seyss-Inquart, chief Nazi commissar for occupied Holland in a speech delivered at Haarlem, and broadcast over the Nazi-controlled radio stations today.

In his address, the Nazi ruler declared that the Jews of Holland will now be concentrated in the Amsterdam ghetto and in a special concentration camp near Vught. He urged non-Jewish Dutchmen to report to the authorities any Jew who may be discovered outside these two centers.

The Swedish press reports today that 400 Jewish children have been torn from their parents in Holland recently and deported by the Nazis to an unknown destination in the east. A pastoral letter condemning this act has been read from the pulpits of all Protestant and Catholic churches in occupied Holland.

PEACE CONFERENCE WILL DEAL WITH JEWISH TRAGEDY IN EUROPE, WALLACE DECLARES

LIMA, Peru, (JTA -By Airmail)-- Vice-President Henry A. Wallace, addressing a press conference in the Government Palace here, declared that the peace conference will take up the question of the Jewish people in the light of their present tragedy.

The Vice-President of the United States said: "There is no human heart which does not bleed for the sufferings of the Jewish people. The Anglo-American conference in Bermuda will deal with this problem. The problem will also be taken up - perhaps among the first questions - at the forthcoming peace conference."

ZIONIST WOMEN PRESENT TWELVE AMBULANCES TO BRITISH ARMY AS GIFT

LONDON, April 22.(JTA)-- Twelve ambulances were presented here by the Wizo, international Zionist Women's Organization, to the military authorities as a gift of the organization to the British Army. The ambulances will be driven by Jewish women, members of the Auxiliary Territorial Service.

JEWS LEADING CROAT GUERRILLA BAND HARRASSING AXIS FORCES; MUFTI IN CROATIA

ZURICH, April 22.(JTA)-- The pro-Nazi Quisling press of Croatia, received here today, carries prominent appeals to the Croat population to aid in the capture of the Jewish leaders of a strong guerrilla band which is operating in the mountains and making life extremely uncomfortable for the occupation and collaborationist forces. The Jews are described as Moses Piade, Rueben Weiss and the latter's wife Yelka.

The Croatian newspapers also report that the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem, who is now in the employ of the Axis, spent several days as a guest of the Neditch Government and visited the Moslem communities in Sarajevo and Banjaluka.

The Donau Zeitung, Nazi paper published in Belgrade, reports that a Bulgarian Christian who was wearing a yellow Mogen David badge to indicate his defiance of the anti-Jewish laws was killed by the police at Plovdiv. The dead man was seated in a cafe near several policemen when he suddenly drew a yellow star from his pocket and affixed it to his coat. One of the policemen asked him if he were Jewish, why he did not wear the star at all times, as the law required. In the ensuing altercation the policeman shot the wearer of the Mogen David. An official investigation later disclosed that he was not a Jew and had donned the star to show his contempt of the police and their anti-Jewish regulations.

J.W.B. AND HILLEL FOUNDATIONS AGREE ON PLAN OF SERVICE ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 22.(JTA)-- A plan of cooperation between the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations and the National Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board regarding service to Jewish men and women in uniform stationed on college campuses throughout the country was made public here today jointly by Frank Weil, president of the Jewish Welfare Board and Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith.

The plan provides for full collaboration and cooperation to the end that the men themselves will be adequately served through the combined efforts of Hillel, the J.W.B. and the U.S.O. Hillel has the funds for the military program it is now conducting or will undertake until September 1943. Should further aid be needed at any time, every possibility for financing the military program through sources available to the J.W.B. or Hillel will be explored before any public campaign is undertaken for this program, it was stated.

B'nai B'rith Spurs Blood Donor Drive; More than 29,000 Donors Recorded

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 22.(JTA)-- Spurred on by official Red Cross recognition of B'nai B'rith's record of more than 24,000 blood donors during 1942, B'nai B'rith men's and women's groups, Aleph Zadik Aleph chapters and Hillel Foundations throughout the country today launched an intensified drive to surpass that mark during 1943 in keeping with the pledge made by Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith, to Norman H. Davis, chairman of the Red Cross, that the Red Cross Blood Donor Service's campaign for 4,000,000 donors in 1943 "will receive the unqualified support of B'nai B'rith manpower and machinery."

In reply to this pledge, which coincided with an announcement that 3,812 more B'nai B'rith, AZA and Hillel members had been recorded as blood donors since January 1, bringing the national total to 29,009, Mr. Davis wrote Mr. Monsky that the Red Cross "has learned by experience that it can depend upon B'nai B'rith in the support of every humanitarian undertaking." B'nai B'rith blood donors in 1942 accounted for approximately 2% of the total of 1,300,000 for the whole country.

LEHMAN TO RETURN HOME SOON; PRAISES JDC WORK IN NORTH AFRICA

LONDON, April 22.(JTA)-- Herbert H. Lehman, Director of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations, will return to America soon, it was revealed here today. Mr. Lehman has been in England for several weeks conferring with officials of the British and exiled governments.

At a press conference last night, Mr. Lehman paid high tribute to the relief activities being conducted in North Africa at present by the Joint Distribution Committee and the American Red Cross.

60,000 CHILDREN ATTEND 517 JEWISH SCHOOLS IN NEW YORK, EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW YORK, April 22.(JTA)-- Nearly 60,000 pupils are enrolled in 517 organized Jewish schools here, it was disclosed in a statistical report published today by the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

The report accounts for 361 Talmud Torahs and Hebrew Schools, 31 all-day Yeshivoths, 36 Sunday schools and 89 Yiddish schools. There are 36,355 pupils enrolled in the Talmud Torahs and Hebrew Schools and 6,270 in the Yeshivoth. In the Sunday-schools and in other schools where sessions are held only once a week, there are about 12,000 pupils, and in the Yiddish schools there are about 5,000 students. The report does not include the pupils in the small "chedarim" and in certain small schools, as well as the children who receive private instruction.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE PUBLICATION TELLS STORY BEHIND ABOGATION OF CREMIEUX DECREE

NEW YORK, April 22.(JTA)-- The story behind Gen. Giraud's abrogation of the Cremieux Decree is revealed by Hannah Arendt, a student of French politics, in the current issue of the Jewish Contemporary Record, monthly magazine published by the American Jewish Committee.

The current issue of the publication, which made its appearance today, also carries articles on Zionist policy by Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, and by Dr. J.L. Magnes, president of the Hebrew University and proponent of the Ichud movement which advocates the establishment of Palestine as a bi-national state.

BIOGRAPHY OF DR. NORDAU TO BE PUBLISHED HERE; WIFE AND DAUGHTER GIVEN RECEPTION

NEW YORK, April 22.(JTA)-- A reception for Anna and Maxa Nordau, wife and daughter, respectively, of the late author and Zionist leader, Dr. Max Nordau, will be held here at the Hotel Astor on Sunday to mark the publication of their biography of their husband and father.

The publication of the biography - which will also appear in Spanish in Buenos Aires and in Hebrew in Palestine - marks the twentieth anniversary of the death of Dr. Nordau, who died in Paris.

CORRECTION

In listing the Jewish organizations with which Mr. George Backer is affiliated, in the Bulletin of April 19, the names of the Refugee Economic Corporation and the Palestine Economic Corporation were inadvertently omitted. Mr. Backer is now in Bermuda as one of the government experts to the U.S. delegation to the Anglo-American Conference on refugees. He is a member of the boards of both the above organizations.