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BRITISH PARLIAMENTARIANS OFFER PROGRAM FOR INTENSIFIED RESCUE OF REFUGEES

LONDON, May 12.(JTA)-- On the eve of the debate in the House of Commons on the results of the Bermuda conference on refugees, which is scheduled for next week, leading members of Parliament today addressed a press conference arranged by the National Committee for the Rescue of Nazi Victims at which the British Government was urged to adopt the following program of action:

1. Irrespective of measures which other nations may take with regard to rescuing Nazi victims, the British Government should adopt the most generous policy in helping people from Nazi-held territories to find asylum in free countries.

2. The British authorities must revise the existing visa regulations in order to enable more refugees from Nazi Europe to enter the country.

3. Camps to provide temporary shelter for refugees escaping Nazi lands must be established in North and East Africa, Cyprus and the Isle of Man.

4. Neutral countries must be encouraged to admit more refugees from German and German-occupied territories as well as from Nazi-dominated lands.

5. Neutral ships as well as returning troop and supply vessels should be used for transportation of refugees.

6. Temporary camps for refugees should be established in Palestine, irrespective of the Palestine immigration quota. The selection and transportation of the 4,000 Jewish children and 500 adults from Bulgaria to Palestine should be speeded up.

7. An exchange of interned Axis sympathizers for Jews living in Axis countries should be arranged.

8. The arrangements which have been reached with Bulgaria and Hungary with regard to emigration of Jews from these countries, should be extended to other satellite countries.

9. The United Nations should appoint a High Commissioner to visit neutral and Allied countries to negotiate for the maximum admission of refugees.

10. The British Government should establish a new central authority in England to deal with refugee rescue work.

The conference also demanded increased pressure on satellite countries to permit mass-emigration of Jews from these countries, and urged that the British Government shower the people in those countries with appeals by radio and leaflets to extend aid to the persecuted Jews.

"The case of one innocent Jewish victim, Captain Dreyfus, roused the world," Miss Eleanor Rathbone, Independent, said, addressing the conference, "now millions of innocent Jews are perishing." Major Cazalet, Conservative, who presided at the conference, said that "public opinion must force the British Government to do more than we have done for the refugees." The conference was held in a committee room of the House of Commons.

James Malcolm, former Colonial official, in a statement to the press today, warned the Jews that they may lose "the fruits of Zionist endeavor" unless they achieve unity within their own ranks. Recalling his part in the negotiations which led to the issuance of the Balfour Declaration, he urged the Jews in Britain to call a conference for the purpose of achieving internal unity.

DICKSTEIN DENOUNCES BERMUDA CONFERENCE; APPEALS TO CHURCHILL TO OPEN PALESTINE

WASHINGTON, May 12.(JTA)-- Chairman Samuel Dickstein of the House Immigration Committee, today denounced the Anglo-American refugee conference in Bermuda for "sterility" and called "inconceivable" the British plan to limit immigration into Palestine by enforcement of the White Paper.

The New York Democrat, in a brief speech on the floor of the House, appealed to Congress and the people for action on the refugee problem. Of the Bermuda conference, he said that "not even the pessimists among us expected such sterility at a conference which met to discuss a problem so vital, so urgent, so demanding of solution....The conferees of both countries conferred and what they accomplished is a very deep, dark secret. So deep and dark indeed, that we only know what they failed to accomplish. The Americans failed to offer admittance under the existing immigration laws. They could have done so by pooling the unused quotas of the last five years....The British delegates, like the Americans, came with a long list of their past good deeds, but with minds closed toward present or future plans."

Dickstein praised the accomplishments of Jewish colonists in Palestine and asked for the creation of a Jewish army there. He reminded Premier Winston Churchill, now conferring with President Roosevelt here, that in 1939 he had denounced the White Paper on the floor of the House of Commons. "Churchill recognized the necessity for maintaining an open door policy in Palestine so that a persecuted people might find a haven and be given the opportunity to develop normally to make their contribution to the cause of world freedom and world peace," Dickstein said. "He recognized the necessity then and he should recognize the necessity now."

SAMUEL ZYGELBOJM, JEWISH MEMBER OF POLISH NATIONAL COUNCIL, DIES SUDDENLY IN LONDON

LONDON, May 12.(JTA)-- Samuel Zygelbojm, Jewish member of the Polish National Council, who escaped from the Nazis after having organized a Jewish underground movement in occupied Poland, died suddenly today. He was 49 years old and suffered from chronic stomach ulcers.

Zygelbojm was held as a hostage by the Nazis in Poland immediately after the occupation of Warsaw. When released, he became a member of the Warsaw Jewish Council which supervised Jewish life in the ghetto. He escaped from Poland when the Nazis were seeking to re-arrest him as one of the organizers of the underground movement and succeeded in reaching Paris. After the fall of France, he came to the United States, but left for London in 1942 when the Polish Government-in-Exile appointed him a member of the Polish National Council to represent organized Jewish labor in Poland.

Born in Chelm, Poland, he joined the Jewish Socialist Party "Bund" in Poland at the age of 14. In 1924 he held the post of secretary general of the Federation of Jewish Labor Unions in Poland. In 1926 he was elected a member of the Warsaw Municipal Council.

During his stay in London as a member of the Polish National Council, Zygelbojm maintained contact with the Jewish underground movement in Poland and was greatly responsible for informing the world concerning Nazi atrocities in the ghettos, from where he constantly received information through neutral countries. In one of his last speeches in London he declared that he would not survive the annihilation of the Jews in Poland. He died a day after a Polish clandestine radio announced the liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto after heroic Jewish resistance there.

SPANISH PAPER REPORTS OPPOSITION TO ANTI-JEWISH LAWS RISES IN FRANCE

LONDON, May 12.(JTA)-- A dispatch from the Paris correspondent of the Madrid newspaper, Arriba, a copy of which arrived here today, admits that French public opinion is totally opposed to the anti-Semitic measures introduced by the Vichy regime. This is the first time that such a report has been allowed to appear in a Spanish newspaper.

The correspondent writes that the "anti-Jewish fever" is losing ground in France, where it has been overcome by popular reaction against anti-Semitic laws. "As soon as the anti-Jewish laws are abolished, not a trace of racialism will remain in France," he adds.

A copy of the French underground student newspaper, "L'Universite Libre," which was smuggled out of France to Fighting French quarters here, reveals that Dr. Valentin Feldman, a young Jewish professor, has been executed by the Germans for participating in sabotaging an electric power station near Dieppe. Although tortured for six months, Feldman refused to reveal the names of the other members of the underground who had assisted him, the paper states. Feldman, who is now buried at Ivry near Paris, was an outstanding pupil at the Sorbonne. He was of Russian origin.

ITALIAN RADIO STATIONS TELL PALESTINE ARABS THAT AXIS DEFEAT IS "TEMPORARY"

JERUSALEM, May 12.(JTA)-- Voicing the slogan "We will be back in Africa," Italian radio stations were heard today broadcasting a message from Mussolini in the Arab language, assuring the Moslem world that the Axis defeat in North Africa "is only of a temporary nature." At the same time a broadcast in Arabic from the Italian station at Bari urged the Arabs in Palestine and throughout the Near East to conduct sabotage against the Allied forces, declaring that "one day we shall return to the Arab countries."

The Italian station told the Arab listeners that within twenty-four hours after the fall of Tunis and Bizerte, Hitler ordered the inclusion of the Arab language in the curriculum of the Hitler youth.

ASSASSINATED GESTAPO CHIEF IN POLAND SUPERVISED MASS-KILLING OF JEWS, POLES REPORT

LONDON, May 12.(JTA)-- Polish circles today ridiculed the denial issued from Berlin that General Wilhelm Krueger, Gestapo chief in Poland, has not been assassinated. They insisted that Krueger, who was notorious for the reign of terror he instituted against the Jews in the ghettos, was killed by Polish patriots and called the assassination "a masterpiece of audacity."

Krueger supervised the liquidation of the ghettos in Warsaw, Cracow and Lublin, the Polish press here reports. He accelerated the annihilation of Jews by introducing such instruments of mass execution as mobile gas chambers and freight cars filled with sufficient chloride of lime to asphyxiate their occupants. Krueger also initiated the custom of having the Nazi executioners blacken their faces so that they could not be recognized and thus might avoid future vengeance.

ZIONIST CONFERENCE DISCUSSES EXCHANGE OF DELEGATIONS BETWEEN PALESTINE AND AMERICA

TEL AVIV, May 12.(JTA)-- The question of exchanging delegations between the Jews of Palestine and Zionist groups of America was the center of discussion here today at the conference of the General Zionists, Group A, attended by 170 delegates from all parts of Palestine.

IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL FOR DR. ZHITLOWSKY; DR. WEIZMANN SENDS CONDOLENCES

NEW YORK, May 12.(JTA)-- Thousands of Jewish workers, intellectuals and leaders of cultural organizations participated in impressive funeral ceremonies today for Dr. Chaim Zhitlowsky, prominent Jewish author and philosopher and one of the founders of the Social Revolutionary party in Czarist Russia, who died last week in Canada while on a lecture tour there.

The body of Dr. Zhitlowsky was brought from Calgary, Canada to New York yesterday and was laid in state in Manhattan Center from where the funeral procession started today. The cortege proceeded through the main streets of the city to East Broadway where it halted in front of the Jewish daily newspaper The Day, of which Dr. Zhitlowsky was a staff member for many years. It then proceeded to Montefiore Cemetery, Long Island, where the burial took place.

Dr. Chaim Weizmann, leader of the world Zionist movement, and other prominent Jewish leaders were among the hundreds who sent condolences to Zhitlowsky's family. A message of condolence was also received from the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee in Russia. Similar messages have also arrived from Jewish organizations in Mexico, Cuba, Canada, and other countries. Resolutions of mourning were adopted by the Yiddish Scientific Institute, the Jewish Writers Club, the Pen Club, and by a number of Jewish schools and other cultural institutions. The funeral was arranged by the Jewish Committee of Writers and Artists.

JEWISH GIRL PILOT CITED FOR DELIVERING SUPPLIES TO GUERRILLAS UNDER NAZI FIRE

KUIBYSHEV, May 12.(JTA)-- A young Jewish girl pilot, who flew into enemy-held territory in order to get supplies to a partisan band and who lost a leg in combat with several Messerschmidts while carrying out the assignment, is cited in the local press today.

The pilot, Rose Lemberg, was an aviation student in Kiev when the war broke out. She was immediately mobilized for service with the Red Army. One day, recently, the commander of her squadron summoned her and asked her if she were willing to substitute for an ill pilot "on a very dangerous mission." It was necessary, he said, to fly into enemy territory at night, locate a guerrilla band carrying out important operations and drop food to them by parachute.

That night, Miss Lemberg left the airdrome for her destination, flying an unarmed plane. Just as dawn was breaking over her home field - many hours after she should have returned - her plane was seen circling the field for a landing. When the ground crew rushed up to the ship after it landed, they found the pilot in a semi-conscious condition, bleeding from severe leg wounds which necessitated that one leg be amputated.

It was not until several days later that she was able to tell what had happened. After she had located the partisan band and dropped the supplies, she was discovered by two German fighters, who immediately attacked her. Unable to fight back she directed her plane directly at the Messerschmidts and dodging and weaving succeeded in outrunning her pursuers, although her craft was badly shot up.

PALESTINE RADIO COMMEMORATES MASSACRED JEWISH COMMUNITIES OF POLAND

JERUSALEM, May 12.(JTA)-- The massacred Jewish communities of five Polish cities - Warsaw, Vilna, Cracow, Lublin and Brodi - will be commemorated on a special broadcast here tomorrow.