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RUMANIA OUSTS ALL JEWS FROM SMALL TOWNS; EXPULSIONS TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN MONTH

GENEVA, June 30. (JTA)-- Jews in Rumania have been thrown into panic by a new order issued this week which instructs all Jews residing in villages and in small towns to move "voluntarily" into the district capitals and report to the authorities there immediately upon arrival.

The order specifies that the "voluntary moving" must be completed by August 1. Jews affected by this order fear that they will all be deported from the district capitals to Transnistria, since these cities are overpopulated, and especially because of the fact that the Rumanian authorities do not permit newcomers to establish themselves in the larger cities unless they can prove that their residence there is essential to the interests of the community.

The Rumanian press reaching here today reports that all Rumanian Jews who are still residing in Germany or in any of the German-occupied territories will soon be deported by the Nazi authorities to Transnistria in accordance with an arrangement reached between the German and Rumanian authorities.

REFUSAL OF GERMANS IN PALESTINE TO RETURN TO REICH MAY HAMPER REPATRIATION OF JEWS

LONDON, June 30. (JTA)-- Interested Jewish organizations today approached the Foreign Office for information as to whether the exchange of Palestinian Jews interned in Germany will stop as a result of the fact that German nationals interned in Palestine refuse to be repatriated to the Reich.

There are still a number of Palestine Jews held in German camps as civil internees. Their exchange for German settlers interned in Palestine was expected to be arranged as were similar exchanges since the outbreak of the war. The decision of the German internees not to leave Palestine may result, however, in making further exchanges difficult, it is feared in Jewish circles here. A statement from the Foreign Office clarifying the matter is expected in the next few days.

EXPLOSION IN PALESTINE NEWSPAPER PLANT; EXTREMISTS BLAMED BY JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

JERUSALEM, June 30. (JTA)-- A bomb exploded early this morning in the printing plant where the Yiddish-language weekly newspaper Naje Welt ("New World") is printed. The bomb caused great damage to the machinery and furniture. The plant is located in Ramath-Gan, near Tel Aviv.

As soon as the news of the blast became known in Jerusalem, the Jewish National Council of Palestine issued a statement strongly condemning the methods used by extremists in fighting against the Jewish press published in Palestine in languages other than Hebrew. A similar statement was issued by the central committee of the Histadruth, the Jewish Labor Federation of Palestine.

(Jewish extremists in Palestine have long been conducting a fight against the publication of newspapers in the Yiddish language, insisting that Hebrew is the only language which the Jewish press in Palestine should use. The anti-Yiddish activity resulted in a protest issued last month by Jewish writers in America addressed to Jewish national organizations in Palestine and to the Hebrew press there.)

SURVIVORS OF WARSAW GHETTO FORCED TO WORK FOR NAZI INDUSTRIES IN TRAWNIKI CAMP

LONDON, June 30.(JTA)-- A report reaching here today from the underground movement in Poland states that a majority of the survivors of the Warsaw ghetto are now confined in the Trawniki concentration camp where the Nazi administration has established leather and shoe factories to make use of the Jewish artisans and the skilled Jewish shoemakers.

Official Czech circles here consider it unlikely that 50,000 Jews have been deported by the Nazi authorities from the fortress town of Theresin, in the Czech Protectorate, to "death camps" in occupied Poland in reprisal for the British bombing of the Ruhr dams, as reported this week by the Swedish newspaper Aftontidningen. They admit, however, that reprisals against Jews may have been taken by the Nazis as a result of the report that the Ruhr dams were bombed at the suggestion of a Jewish refugee from Germany now in London.

SLOVAK ORGAN ASKS INTERNMENT OF "PRIVILEGED JEWS"; SAYS THEY SPREAD "ALARMING RUMORS"

ZURICH, June 30.(JTA)-- In an attempt to counteract the pastoral letter recently issued by a group of Slovakian bishops, in which they protested against the persecution of Jews, the Gardista, organ of the fascist Hlinka Guard and controlled by the anti-Semitic Minister of Interior, Sano Mach, has launched a new anti-Semitic campaign.

The newspaper demands that "privileged Jews," who are exempt from deportation, be interned in labor camps, alleging that those Jews who have remained in the country "have caused demoralization by spreading alarming rumors." It declares that most of those who pitied Jews when the mass-deportations began, no longer have any sympathy for them, and claims that "anti-Jewish feelings here have never been so strong." This is at variance with recent reports in the pro-Nazi Slovakian press, which have lamented the fact that anti-Semitic sentiments among the people have decreased and that the anti-Jewish laws were being flouted.

CONGRESS HEARS APPEAL FOR SENDING OF FOOD TO STARVING PEOPLE IN OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

WASHINGTON, June 30.(JTA)-- An appeal to President Roosevelt and to Winston Churchill to modify the United Nations' blockade of Europe so as to permit the shipment of food to the starving population of Poland and other Nazi-occupied countries was made from the floor of the House by Representative Harold Knutson, Minnesota Republican.

"The technical problems are very simple and can easily be handled if England and the United States will agree to the principle," Congressman Knutson said. He quoted a statement from the State Department saying that the U.S. Government receives regular reports through the Swedish Government that the food shipments which are being sent to Axis-occupied Greece for the starving population there are being distributed under the auspices of the International Red Cross "without interference by the occupation authorities." The same procedure, he said, could be arranged for Poland and other Nazi-held lands.

Congressman Knutson disclosed that he and Congressman Herter from Massachusetts had a conference last Tuesday with Herbert H. Lehman, Director of the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations, regarding the question of sending food to Nazi-occupied countries. "We found Governor Lehman sympathetic and willing to do all in his power to give aid," he said. "His was an excellent choice for that important position. Unfortunately for the sufferers in other lands, Governor Lehman is almost helpless in this crisis, as he has no voice in policy making. That rests with Messrs. Roosevelt and Churchill alone. One word from either of them would banish all the horrors of famine and pestilence from Poland, Finland, Norway, Denmark and the Low Countries. Will they arise to the occasion?"

CONGRESS OF AXIS JOURNALISTS CONCLUDES AFTER ADOPTING ANTI-JEWISH PLEDGES

ZURICH, June 30.(JTA)-- The German radio today announced that the so-called "International Congress" of Axis-controlled journalists, which has been meeting in Vienna, concluded after voting to aid "by pen and sword" in the annihilation of the Jews and in the "liberation of the world from Anglo-American imperialism."

More than 350 journalists and writers from twenty European countries, including neutrals like Turkey and Switzerland, attended the congress, the Berlin radio reported. The principal speakers were Alfred Rosenberg, Knut Hamsun, and Rost Van Tonnigen, former League of Nations Commissioner from Austria, all of whom delivered violent anti-Jewish speeches.

The emphasis being placed on intensified anti-Jewish propaganda as a means of counteracting the defeatist spirit among the German people is indicated by the fact that Gen. Sundermann, a member of the German General Staff, was sent to the Vienna Congress to "explain" to the journalists the "guilt of the Jews" in the present war. Meanwhile, General Dietmar, chief military commentator over the German radio, surrendered his broadcast this week to a series entitled "Political Crimes of Jews During the Last 150 Years," which are being delivered by a Dr. Wilhelm Koppen.

JEWISH DELEGATION FROM RUSSIA CALLS FOR UNITY BETWEEN RUSSIAN AND AMERICAN JEWS

NEW YORK, June 30.(JTA)-- Unifying the activities of the Jews in the United States and those in the U.S.S.R. in the war against the Axis is an immediate and urgent problem of the Jewish people today, Solomon Mikhoels, president of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee in Russia, declared here yesterday at a reception at the Soviet Consulate, attended by leaders of various Jewish groups, including Zionists.

The reception was arranged in honor of Mr. Mikhoels and Itzik Feffer who came here as a Jewish cultural delegation from Russia. "Only the urgency of this problem of coordinating the efforts of Jews of our two countries could have impelled me to leave the U.S.S.R. at so crucial a time in its history," Mikhoels said.

Mr. Feffer, speaking of the Jewish contribution to the Russian war effort, pointed out that Russia today is the only country in the world where anti-Semitism is outlawed. The war, he said, has brought all nationalities in Russia even closer together. While on the battlefield, as a high ranking officer of the Russian Army, Feffer saw Jews protect non-Jewish soldiers by throwing themselves in front of the enemy's fire; also how non-Jewish soldiers risked their lives to protect Jews. The noted Jewish soldier-poet also described how the Soviet authorities, although badly in need of trains for military purposes, nevertheless managed to evacuate hundreds of thousands of Jews from the front line zones into the interior in order to prevent them from falling into the hands of the Nazis.

ONLY JEW IN IRISH PARLIAMENT RETAINS SEAT; RE-ELECTED FOR SIXTH TERM

DUBLIN, June 30.(JTA)-- Robert Briscoe, the only Jew to hold a seat in the Dail Eireann, has been re-elected. Briscoe, who is a member of Prime Minister Eamon De Valera's party, has held office continuously since 1927, having been elected five times.

Briscoe was born in Dublin and earned the appellation "the Fighting Jew" for his participation in the struggle between the Irish Republican Army and the English "Black and Tan" troops. He has been active in Jewish affairs in the last decade. He visited the United States in 1939.

JDC COOPERATES WITH OFRRO IN NORTH AFRICA IN AIDING LIBERATED REFUGEES

NEW YORK, June 30.(JTA)-- More than 1,500 Jewish refugees from Bizerte are now living in four school buildings of the Jewish community of Tunis and are being maintained by funds sent by the Joint Distribution Committee to its local representative in Algiers, it was learned here today. The JDC announced that an emergency grant of 250,000 francs has been made for this purpose.

Fred K. Hoehler, chief of the Lehman office in North Africa, reports that the J.D.C. representative in Algiers is assisting the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations in aiding the refugees in the Algerian area. He cited a case when the OFRRO was confronted with the problem of locating housing accommodations and feeding facilities for liberated refugees. "The local representative of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Mr. Gozlan, kindly agreed to permit these men to sleep in the trade school which his committee had in operation until a teaching staff was mobilized," Mr. Hoehler reported. "Mr. Gozlan also arranged restaurant accommodations for these men."

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT COMMENDS TORONTO RESOLUTION PROTESTING NAZI MURDER OF JEWS

TORONTO, June 20.(JTA)-- The City Council of Toronto today is in receipt of a message from Acting Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs Dr. Hume H. Wrong, commending it for adopting a resolution condemning the persecution of Jews in Nazi-held countries. Mr. Hume said that the recommendations contained in the Council's resolution, a copy of which was sent to Prime Minister Mackenzie King, would be carefully considered.

The text of the resolution reads: "This Council does emphatically condemn the brutal policy of murderous extermination of Jewish and other racial and religious groups in Nazi-Fascist occupied territories, and further, that this Council does declare that these heinous crimes against humanity shall strengthen our resolution to defeat the Nazi-Fascist enemy of civilization, secure the liberation of all oppressed people and bring freedom to the world, and that this Council ask the Federal Government to act in unison with the United Nations in protesting the Nazi atrocities against a helpless people and to cooperate with the United Nations in the efforts to secure a haven for those victims who can be saved from the grip of Hitlerism at the present time."

AUSTRALIAN TRADE UNION CONGRESS DENOUNCES SPREAD OF ANTI-SEMITISM

MELBOURNE, June 30.(JTA)-- The annual congress of the Australian Council of Trade Unions, meeting here, adopted a resolution denouncing anti-Semitism, which, it said, "has been noticeable here recently." The delegates denied allegations that Jewish employers were guilty of unfair labor practices.

Twenty-three prominent Christians today cabled to Prime Minister Churchill urging him to offer sanctuary in Palestine to Jews being deported by the Bulgarian authorities, and to use British influence to secure Turkish transit visas for the Jews.

PALESTINE TO EXHIBIT INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS AT INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION IN TURKEY

JERUSALEM, June 30.(JTA)-- The Palestine Government has decided to participate in the International Industrial Exhibition which is opening in Smyrna, Turkey, on August 20, it was announced here today. The Palestine pavillion will be part of the British exhibit.