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NO MORE GHETTOS IN LATVIA; ALL JEWS, WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, EXECUTED

STOCKHOLM, July 15.(JTA)-- There are no more ghettos in Latvia, since practically all Jews there have been executed by the Nazis, a traveller reaching here from Riga told the newspaper Aftontidningen today.

"The few Jews whose lives have been spared are those that Germany needs for its industry, but even they are dying a slow death of starvation, since their food rations are very meager," the Swedish paper quotes the traveller as stating.

"All along the roads near Riga, Zepnekals and Birkenieki there are endless mass graves of executed Jews," the paper continues. "There have also been cases of non-Jews massacred by the Nazis in retaliation for hiding out Jewish friends or refusing to divorce their Jewish wives."

JEWS FROM BULGARIA FLEE TO ALBANIA; ARRESTS REPORTED

ZURICH, July 15.(JTA)-- Jews from Bulgaria are fleeing to Italian-occupied Albania in the hope of reaching Italy and remaining there until the country surrenders to the Allied forces, it was reported here today.

The report is partly substantiated by the Nazi Transcontinent Press which today states that four Jewish families in Bulgaria have been arrested while trying to cross the frontier into Albania.

DR. WEIZMANN EXPECTED IN PALESTINE; BIG ZIONIST CONFERENCE IS PLANNED

JERUSALEM, July 15.(JTA)-- Dr. Chaim Weizmann is expected to come to Palestine from London for a short visit, Davar, leading Hebrew newspaper reports today.

Jewish groups here are considering utilizing Dr. Weizmann's visit to convoke a conference of Zionist leaders with wide representation of all factions in the Zionist movement. The conference is to be in the nature of a "small Zionist Congress" in which Zionist leaders from Nazi-held territories now in Palestine would also participate.

ANOTHER BOMB EXPLODES IN PRINTING PLANT OF YIDDISH PUBLICATION IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, July 15.(JTA)-- Another bomb was thrown into the printing plant of the Yiddish weekly "Naje Welt" in Ramath Gan, near Tel Aviv, last night, demolishing a linotype machine and causing other damage.

This is the second time within two weeks that the printing plant has been bombed by extremists who are determined to halt the publication of any newspaper in Palestine in the Yiddish language. The Jewish National Council of Palestine as well as the Histadruth have published statements strongly condemning the use of such methods in the fight against the non-Hebrew Jewish press. Protests have also been received here from Jewish groups in the United States but they seem to have no effect on the extremists who insist that every publication in Palestine must appear in the Hebrew language.

HISTADRUTH LEADER DEMANDS DEMOCRACIES RECOGNIZE JEWS AS FULL-FLEDGED WAR ALLY

JERUSALEM, July 15.(JTA)-- A demand that the democratic world recognize the Jewish people as full-fledged participants in the global war was voiced today by David Remez, secretary of the Histadruth, Palestine Federation of Labor, to which sixty percent of Palestine's workers belong, at the organization's 50th semi-annual conference being held in the colony of Ayeleth Hashachar, with 330 delegates in attendance.

Speaking in an improvised amphiheater, Remez voiced greetings to organized labor in Britain and America. He thanked the British Labor Party for the resolution adopted at its recent annual congress supporting the Jewish demand for a national home in Palestine, and thanked William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Philip Murray, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations for "the great sympathy with which they have supported Jewish efforts in Palestine." Remez concluded with an appeal to the forthcoming American Jewish Conference to "rise up to meet the fateful days of decision and victory."

David Ben-Gurion, addressing the convention, praised the colonization projects of the labor group as "a model of just, socialistic colonization, which are helping in the development of a Yishuv possessing great economic, cultural and political independence despite a foreign and hostile regime." He appealed to all groups within the Histadruth to settle their differences and urged all workers throughout the country to join.

POLISH GOVERNMENT URGED TO ESTABLISH MINISTRY FOR JEWISH AFFAIRS UNDER JEWISH MINISTER

NEW YORK, July 15.(JTA)-- The establishment of a Ministry for Jewish Affairs by the Polish Government-in-Exile, with a Jewish member of the Cabinet, to be chosen by Jewish representatives, as the head of such a Ministry, is demanded today in Nowy Swiat, a New York Polish newspaper.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, addressing a memorial service here today for the late Polish Prime Minister, Gen. Sikorski, held under the auspices of the Representation of Polish Jewry in the United States, declared that Gen. Sikorski "understood that the Jews in Poland have made their contribution to its strength. He viewed the Jews of Poland not as tolerated guests but as one of the groups which together made for a great future for the Polish Republic."

"On behalf of the Jews of America," Dr. Wise said, "I lay a wreath of honor upon the bier of General Sikorski. I mourn the loss of General Sikorski to Poland, to the United Nations, to the hopes of human freedom. Sikorski has died but the Polish Republic will live. We hold out our hands in deepest, truest, brotherly sympathy to the people of Poland in a great sorrow, which may God Heal."

PLIGHT OF JEWS IN POLAND PICTURED BY AMERICAN RELIEF OFFICIAL

NEWTON, Mass., July 15.(JTA)-- Describing the desperate plight of the Jews in Nazi-held Poland, Miss Margaret Frawley, associate secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, today urged that the United States start shipping food to Europe "to feed all who are starving abroad."

"Jews in Poland are allowed only 300 calories a day and the remainder of the population is expected to survive on only 600 calories," she said addressing members of the New England Institute of International Relations. "This country has a grave responsibility to make more effort - and promptly - to feed Europe, to help save the present civilization and help in post-war work. Over all of occupied Europe and in the neutral countries the mortality of children up to 14 years has risen fifty percent since 1939. There also has been a great rise in tuberculosis, rickets and typhoid."

INTERRED AMERICAN JEWS BADLY TREATED BY RUMANIAN AUTHORITIES

ZURICH, July 15.(JTA)-- A number of American Jews who did not succeed in leaving Rumania together with the last group of American citizens, which included the U.S. Consular staff, are now being badly treated as "enemy aliens" by Rumanian authorities, it was reported today by a Jewish industrialist from Bucharest who arrived here after many trials and tribulations which took him from Rumania through Germany to Switzerland.

This Rumanian Jew disclosed that the Nazi authorities in Bucharest continue to press the Rumanian Government for more drastic anti-Jewish action. They are especially dissatisfied that the present severe anti-Jewish legislation "is not driving the Jews of Rumania to suicide to the same extent as in the Reich."

"Those Jewish leaders in Bucharest who have not yet been deported to Transnistria live under constant fear of deportation," the Jewish industrialist reported. "The case of Dr. Filderman has made a profound impression on all the Jews in the country. Dr. Filderman himself, apparently expecting arrest, had not been staying at home for many weeks and slept every night in the house of a different friend."

"Many Rumanians," he continued, "display sympathy with Jewish friends in the hope that when the present regime falls they will be able to prove that they were in disagreement with it. Other Rumanians are doing business by sheltering Jews for high remuneration. On the whole, however, there are thousands of Rumanians in Bucharest who try to be of aid to Jews despite the Government's anti-Jewish policy. It was due to such aid that I succeeded in leaving Rumania."

JEWS RESISTANCE IN WARSAW GHETTO COMPARED WITH HEROISM AT STALINGRAD

LONDON, July 15.(JTA)-- Comparing the heroism of the Jews in the Warsaw ghetto with the heroic defense of Stalingrad, Lord Strabolgi, at a dinner today arranged by the Committee for a Jewish Army, said that the Jewish resistance to the Nazis in the Warsaw ghetto has not been well publicized among non-Jews. "Jews should be given a chance to fight, since they are begging for it," he declared. Forty members of Parliament attended the dinner.

VICTOR CAZALET GROVE TO BE PLANTED IN PALESTINE BY HADASSAH

NEW YORK, July 15.(JTA)-- As a tribute to the late Major Cazalet, a member of the British Parliament, who died in the plane crash which took the life of Polish Premier Sikorski, the national board of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, today voted to plant 1,000 trees in Palestine to be known as the "Victor Cazalet Grove."

LEO J. LYONS, BOSTON JEWISH LEADER AND JOURNALIST, DIES AT 79

BOSTON, July 15.(JTA)-- Funeral services were held here today for Leo J. Lyons, 79, well known Jewish leader and a member of the staff of "The Boston Globe" for the past fifty years. From 1905 until 1920 Mr. Lyons was also editor and one of the owners of the Boston Jewish Advocate.

Mr. Lyons was unique in the fact that he was the first journalist on any American newspaper to specialize in reporting Jewish news. He was president of Amos Lodge, B'nai B'rith and for thirty-five years was secretary of Temple Israel in Boston. On his seventieth birthday, in recognition of his efforts for civic betterment, a library on Judaea was founded by his friends, in his name, at the Boston University School of Religious Education.