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been in many years. All of us must fight and pray until people everywhere can again live in a free world."

Secretary of the Interior Ickes in his message declares: "This Jewish New Year dawns with the light of hope for Jews and other oppressed peoples in Europe. One of the criminals, a persecutor of helpless Jews and an enemy of civilization, has already fallen and is in craven hiding. The other criminals, particularly those in Berlin and Tokyo, already see the handwriting on the walls. The day of liberation for Jews and other tortured and oppressed peoples is inevitably approaching."

#### JEWS FIGHTERS ON LAND, ON SEA, AND IN THE AIR WILL OBSERVE ROSH HASHONAH TONIGHT

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.(JTA)-- Solemn prayers for a speedy victory and an early return to homes and families will be conducted tomorrow evening by 185 Army, Navy and Marine Chaplains of Jewish faith on American fighting fronts the world over as Jewish fighting men, often with the sound of battle still in their ears, usher in the Jewish New Year of 5704.

The National Jewish Welfare Board, with the cooperation of military authorities, has shipped prayer books and rams horns (shofars) to chaplains of all faiths who will supervise and conduct High Holy Day services for the tens of thousands of Jewish men and women in uniform. Among these shipments are 3,000 Orthodox Jewish prayer books sent to North Africa in response to a cabled request from General Eisenhower.

In the Mediterranean theatre of war, scores of religious services for Jewish fighting men will be held in ancient synagogues in Italy and North Africa, at points of rally behind fighting lines and in bivouac areas, according to arrangements recently completed at a conference of Jewish chaplains serving with the Allied Armies. The conference took place in Algiers and was attended by chaplains who came by plane and jeep from various fronts in the area. Included in the arrangements were provisions for American fighting men of Jewish faith to be the guests of liberated Jewish families in North Africa, Sicily and Italy during the Holy Day period.

#### 100 Communities in Britain Will Give Hospitality to American Jewish Servicemen

The Jewish Hospitality Committee of Great Britain, recently organized by Walter Rothschild, chairman of the Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board, cabled today that "in over 100 communities facilities for hospitality attendant on High Holy Day services will be provided for American servicemen stationed in Britain." The Balfour Services Club in London also wired that "on Rosh Hashonah we are entertaining several hundred of your sons and brothers."

In the United States, over 500 local Jewish Welfare Board Army and Navy Service Committees have arranged for Jewish servicemen and women to be guests at homes in communities adjacent to military operations and colleges where men in uniform are in training. Civilian rabbis will serve as visiting chaplains at military establishments where no regular Jewish chaplains are on duty to conduct Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur services. Hospital visiting committees, organized throughout the country by the Jewish Welfare Board Army and Navy Committee, will attend wounded servicemen as well as disabled veterans of the last war during the High Holy Days.

In a message to Jewish members of the armed forces, Frank L. Weil, president of the Jewish Welfare Board, said yesterday that "As the sound of the shofar heralds the coming of Rosh Hashonah, we face the year 5704 with new hope and with renewed confidence in the future. The tide of victory has definitely turned our way and the heroic exploits of our armed forces and of our great allies gives every indication of ultimate triumph over the totalitarian forces that, for a time, threatened to engulf us."

AMERICAN JEWISH LEADERS HOPE NEW YEAR WILL BRING SALVATION FOR JEWS IN EUROPE

NEW YORK, Sept. 28. (JTA)-- Messages expressing the hope that the forthcoming Jewish New Year which starts tomorrow evening will bring salvation to the Jews in Nazi Europe and a complete victory of the United Nations were issued today by various Jewish organizations.

Mr. Paul Baerwald, honorary chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, voiced the hope that the spirit of human kindness soon would again become a governing force in the world. He paid tribute to the devoted services rendered by men and women throughout the world to the welfare of their co-religionists.

"In the Joint Distribution Committee," he said in his message, "over a period of almost three decades, we have been allowed to see so much of that spirit of human kindness through the services rendered by countless devoted men and women all over the world and through the contributions we have received, that we may say in all earnestness that the activities of the Joint Distribution Committee are an expression of that spirit."

Emphasizing that the concluding year "was the most dreadful in the many thousand years of our tragic history," the World Jewish Congress, in its Rosh Hashonah message, said: "We now approach a year which must see the defeat of the Axis and the punishment of those guilty of the evil which has threatened the freedom of the world; a year which must reward the democracies for their determination to wipe out the menace of fascism and assure to stricken Jewry the reestablishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Eretz Israel and the restoration of their centers of culture and learning in the ravaged lands of the earth."

The Synagogue Council of America, in a message declared that "Israel, the first and greatest sufferer at the hands of Nazidom, is encouraged on this day to look more hopefully to the emergence of a new era, when the Jew will know justice and equity wherever he dwells, and when out of Zion a Jewish community dwelling in its ancestral home in peace and security may, as of old, radiate moral inspiration to all mankind."

700 Rabbis Throughout Country Will Discuss Rescue Tasks in Sermons

During Rosh Hashonah and Yom Kippur services, more than 700 Conservative, Orthodox and Reform rabbis throughout the country will discuss enlarged rescue operations that will be required in the New Year to help the victims of Hitler survive and rehabilitate the lives of those who have escaped from Nazi-dominated Europe, the United Jewish Appeal announced today. In scores of congregations from coast to coast special appeals will be made during the High Holidays for funds to support the global rescue effort carried on through the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal.

Rosh Hashonah services for refugees temporarily detained by the immigration authorities and for Jewish members of the U.S. Coast Guard in the vicinity of New York have been arranged for Wednesday night, Thursday and Friday, by the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigration Aid Society. Services will be held at Ellis Island and in the Hias headquarters in New York.

The United Synagogue of America, in a message from its president, Louis J. Moss, asked for asylum for those who can escape the Nazi brutality. He said the Jews of America may well take pride in the work accomplished in the recent American Jewish Conference, which "served to call the attention of the world to the dire extremities in which Jews in many parts of the world find themselves and of the need for immediate relief."

DEPORTATION OF ALL JEWS FROM DENMARK PREDICTED UNDER NEW NAZI REGIME

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 28.(JTA)-- With the arrival in Copenhagen of Gen. Kurt Daluge, new Nazi dictator for Denmark, it was predicted in the Swedish press today that the 6,000 Danish Jews will soon be deported to Poland as were the Jews of Norway.

The Dagens Nyheter, a Swedish newspaper, referring to Daluge's anti-Jewish record, writes that the first act of the leader of the Nazi Elite Guard will be "to start the deportation of all Jews from Denmark in accordance with Hitler's policy." Earlier efforts by the Nazi occupational authorities in Denmark to apply their anti-Jewish measures to the Danish Jews met with severe opposition on the part of the King.

The Swedish Supreme Court today confirmed the sentence of two months imprisonment imposed upon Prof. Israel Holgren "for offending a foreign government" in his book "The Nazi Hell."

RABBIS WILL MARCH TO WASHINGTON TO URGE IMMEDIATE RESCUE OF JEWS IN EUROPE

NEW YORK, Sept. 28.(JTA)-- Several hundred orthodox rabbis will march on Washington next Wednesday, October 6, to urge immediate action by the President and Congress to save the millions of Jewish people trapped in Europe, it was announced today at an extraordinary session of the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, held at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

The march is a part of a mass petition campaign initiated by the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe through which Americans will ask the President and the Congress of the United States to create a special inter-governmental agency to handle refugee problems with powers to act without delay and on a large scale and also to request the British government to open the doors of Palestine to all the Jews escaping from the death trap of Europe.

The Washington march, it was announced, will include a solemn prayer on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, a meeting with Congressional leaders at the Capital building, and a visit to the White House where the rabbis will present the petition to the President.

The march will be followed by a Week of Compassion to be observed by 6,000 Christian churches throughout the country, it was also announced by the Emergency Committee. A message to the churches signed by Presiding Bishop Henry St. George Tucker of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Resident Bishop Francis J. McConnell of the Methodist Church, and Rev. Henry Sloane Coffin, moderator of the Presbyterian Church, asked all the churches to "urge immediate action to alleviate the plight of the Jews" and to set up committees in their congregations to work with the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe.

LONDON MEETING DEMANDS BRITISH REMOVE BAN ON FOOD SHIPMENTS TO OCCUPIED COUNTRIES

LONDON, Sept. 28.(JTA)-- A demand that the British Government cease opposing the shipment of food to the starving populations of occupied countries was voiced here last night at a large meeting in Central Hall called to protest the persecution of Polish children by the Nazis. The gathering was addressed by Arthur Greenwood, British labor leader, Adam Ciolkosz, Socialist member of the Polish National Council, several members of Parliament and other notables.