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GESTAPO ARRESTS DANISH PROFESSORS FOR PROTESTING AGAINST DEPORTATIONS OF JEWS

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 5. (JTA)-- A number of non-Jewish professors of Copenhagen University were arrested by the Gestapo yesterday following the decision of the rector and the governing board to close the university for one week as an expression of protest against the German mass-arrests of Danish Jews, it was learned here today.

Jews are continuing to escape from Denmark to Sweden by swimming during the night across the narrow waters separating these two countries. Many of them arrive naked, while others were drowned when caught in German fire after being spotted by German patrol boats. The bodies of a number of Jews were washed ashore and picked up by Swedish police officials. The Dagens Nyheter reports that about 1,700 Danish Jews have reached here safely.

The refugees who succeeded in reaching Sweden today told a horrible story of how the German police entered the Jewish Home for Aged in Copenhagen and dragged out all inmates including men and women from seventy to ninety years old. The aged Jews were herded into two trucks, but a Danish saboteur succeeded in assassinating the Gestapo driver of one of the trucks and freed the Jews.

All Jewish Property in Denmark Will Be Confiscated

Anger is mounting in Sweden as new reports reach here from Denmark describing the German brutalities. The Gestapo is now compiling lists of Jewish property in Denmark for confiscation, one of the reports stated. The German authorities have also issued an order instructing officials of the Danish radio corporation and of other Danish institutions to prove their "Aryanship." At the same time they have started arresting so-called "half-Aryans" who have only one "Aryan" parent."

The various reports from Denmark reaching here confirm that two of the three German ships which were being prepared in Copenhagen harbor to carry the deported Danish Jews to Germany have been sunk by Danish saboteurs. The third ship is said to have left for a Baltic port carrying 1,800 Jews, including Denmark's oldest woman, Madame T. Exiere, the mother of a professor at the University of Copenhagen.

The Jewish refugees reaching Sweden are being placed in hotels and also lodged in private homes in southern towns. A convalescent home in Malmoe has been converted into a temporary shelter for the refugees. The Swedish Red Cross is also placing the refugees on country estates and has received many of them in Red Cross institutions.

Among the refugees who succeeded in reaching Swedish territory are a number of young Jewish boys and girls from Germany and Poland who were receiving training for agricultural work in Palestine on one of the farms in Denmark established for

this purpose by Jewish relief organizations. Though the Swedish authorities indicated to Germany that they were willing to admit only Danish Jews, no difficulties have been made for these Jewish youths.

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SOLUTION OF PALESTINE QUESTION MUST PRECEDE PAN-ARAB UNION, SAYS IBN SAUD

CAIRO, Oct. 5.(JTA)-- Solution of the Palestine question must precede any measures relative to establishment of a pan-Arab federation, King Ibn Saud has advised the Egyptian Premier Mustapha Nahas Pasha, according to a report published in the Arab press here today.

The Arabian monarch was said to have set forth his views in a letter handed to the Egyptian mission sent to Saudi Arabia to secure his participation in the Cairo talks on federation scheduled to be resumed this week. The letter, which purportedly clarified Ibn Saud's decision not to participate in the federation parleys, expressed the view, according to the local press, that an Arab union already exists "morally" as exemplified by a common language and religion.

In view of Ibn Saud's position, it is considered unlikely that there will be concrete results from the Cairo talks, even in the direction of the limited goal, which is far short of the political and economic union sought by the pan-Arab movement.

Palestine, which is believed to be figuring largely in the current conversations in Washington with Emir Feisal, son of Ibn Saud and Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister, is also expected to bulk large in the next stage of the Cairo talks when Nahas Pasha meets the Syria delegation this week. The Arab press, which has been giving considerable prominence to the talks and to the Palestine question, however, seems to recognize that no definitive action on Palestine is likely in the immediate future. The influential Cairo daily La Bourse Egyptienne points out today that "a solution of the Palestine problem does not seem opportune at the present moment."

POST-WAR UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG JEWS WILL ASSUME SERIOUS PROPORTIONS, CONFERENCE IS TOLD

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.(JTA)-- Planning for the post-war employment problems of American Jews is of immediate urgency, Dr. Walter A. Lurie, director of the Jewish Vocational Service and Employment Center of Chicago, declared in an address delivered before the Second Conference on Jewish Economic Adjustment, held here.

"As the armed services are now releasing almost a million men a year into civilian life, private and public vocational services have opportunities of previewing the type of re-employment problem which will reach critical proportions at the end of the war," he said. To prepare for demobilization these agencies must evaluate their experiences not only in the adjustment of returning soldiers but in the re-employment of workers released from industries undergoing conversion during the war, urged Dr. Lurie.

The Conference, attended by sixty-two representatives of national and local organizations concerned with Jewish economic welfare, was also addressed by Max F. Baer, national director of the B'nai B'rith Vocational Service Bureau, who spoke on "The Post-War Employment Outlook," and by Reuben Bennett, director of guidance activities for the Jewish Welfare Board, who spoke on "Government Resources for Dealing with Post-War Employment Problems."

Mr. Baer, in his analysis of labor trends after the war, declared that as a result of industrial conversion to a peace economy seven to twelve million million persons were likely to become unemployed. The number of unemployed Jews

would assume serious proportions, Mr. Baer warned. However, because of accumulated savings and consumer needs, a post-war boom which would take up a great deal of the unemployment slack was likely to follow industrial retooling.

Mr. Bennett pointed out possibilities of service by Jewish vocational agencies to returning veterans in connection with developing government plans for demobilized servicemen. At present the major governmental effort is being directed through the Veterans' Administration in large part, to disabled servicemen and civilians. Concrete plans for dealing with the employment problems of able-bodied servicemen and civilians during demobilization are lacking, Mr. Bennett declared.

The Second Conference on Jewish Economic Adjustment, called by the Jewish Occupational Council as the central national agency coordinating all Jewish organizations concerned with Jewish economic welfare, discussed the significant problems faced by Jewish organizations in fulfilling their functions as manpower sources for the nation's industries. Methods of recruiting Jewish labor supply, programs for orienting new recruits to unfamiliar jobs in strange surroundings, means of cooperating with governmental agencies, measures to eliminate employment discrimination, and the proper functions of Jewish vocational service agencies in adjusting their programs to war conditions were among the topics considered by the Conference.

#### RABBIS GO TO WASHINGTON TODAY TO PETITION ROOSEVELT TO AID JEWS IN EUROPE

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.(JTA)-- The Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe today announced that "five hundred leaders of the rabbinate are going tomorrow to Washington to impress upon our Government the tragic plight of the Jews of Europe." The rabbis will seek an audience with President Roosevelt in the White House to whom they will submit a petition calling upon the Executive and Legislative branches of the U.S. Government to create a special Intergovernmental Agency to save Jews in German-dominated territories, with powers and means to act at once and on a large scale. The petition will also ask for U.S. intervention with the British Government to keep the doors of Palestine open for immigration of Jews from Europe.

#### N.R.S. PRESENTS TESTIMONIAL TO PROF. CHAMBERLAIN FOR LEADERSHIP IN REFUGEE WORK

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.(JTA)-- Professor Joseph P. Chamberlain of Columbia University, chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Refugee Service, tonight received a testimonial scroll from William Rosenwald, president of the organization, honoring him for half a century of public service, and particularly for his leadership in rescue of victims of Nazism, at a gathering at the Harmonie Club.

The tribute was accorded to Professor Chamberlain in the name of the officers, directors and members of the executive committee of the National Refugee Service, in celebration of his 70th birthday. The scroll extolled Professor Chamberlain as "one of the outstanding leaders in this nation in the task of aiding the newcomers and helping them toward a speedy and complete adjustment to American life." In making the presentation, Mr. Rosenwald pointed out that Professor Chamberlain had performed great services not only for refugees, but for the improvement of municipal government in New York City and federal legislation.

#### UNITED NATIONS RELIEF BODY WILL HOLD FIRST MEETING NEXT MONTH AT ATLANTIC CITY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.(JTA)-- The first meeting of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, which, under the leadership of United States, Russia, Britain and China, will supervise relief activities in all liberated territories, will probably be held on November 10 at Atlantic City, New Jersey, it was announced here by the State Department.