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ROOSEVELT REBUKES ARGENTINA FOR BANNING YIDDISH PRESS; U.S. AMBASSADOR WILL INTERVENE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- President Roosevelt today branded Argentina's suppression of all Jewish newspapers as "closely identified with the most repugnant features of Nazi doctrine," while the State Department announced that the American Ambassador in Argentina, Norman Armour, has been notified concerning the attitude of the United States on the ban of the Jewish press and has been authorized to convey that information to the Argentine authorities. In a specially prepared statement, the President said:

"I have been informed that the Argentine Government has suspended the publication of Jewish newspapers, some of which have been in existence for many years. While this matter is, of course, one which concerns primarily the Argentine Government and people, I cannot forbear to give expression to my own feeling of apprehension at the taking in this hemisphere of action obviously anti-Semitic in nature and of a character so closely identified with the most repugnant features of Nazi doctrine. I believe that this feeling is shared by the people of the United States and by the people of the other American republics. In this connection I recall that one of the resolutions adopted at the eighth international conference of American states at Lima in 1938 set forth that 'any persecution on account of racial or religious motives which makes it impossible for a group of human beings to live decently, is contrary to the political and juridical systems of America.'"

Asked whether this statement would be officially transmitted to the Argentine Government, he suggested that his questioner put that query to the State Department. Later the State Department announced that the U.S. Ambassador in Buenos Aires will make representations to the Argentine Government. The State Department added that attention will be particularly drawn to the fact that anti-Semitic action has been closely associated in the minds of the United Nations with Nazi doctrine and propaganda.

Representatives of Jewish Papers Appeal to Argentine Government

MONTEVIDEO, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- Representatives of the Jewish newspapers in Buenos Aires, which were closed by order of the Argentine Government banning all Jewish publications in the country, today called on members of the Argentine cabinet and appealed for lifting of the ban.

(The United Press reports that several Jewish newspapers were allowed to resume publication today, largely because the closing order had worked hardships on employees of the publications. Others still were banned, it said.)

At the same time, the Argentine Press Association intervened with the Ramir Government to permit the reappearance of the Yiddish newspapers, which have been closed since Wednesday. No official reason has been given by the authorities for the suspension order. Argentine newspapers and news agencies have been ordered to make no mention of the closing down of the Yiddish papers which have a large circulation among the 350,000 Jews in the country and also in the neighboring countries. The Yiddish papers have been outspokenly pro-United States.

CHIEF RABBI OF DENMARK INTERNED BUT NOT DEPORTED, GERMANS ANNOUNCE; TERROR CONTINUES

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- German authorities in Denmark today issued a denial of the report that Chief Rabbi Friediger of Copenhagen has been deported on one of the "deportation vessels." Admitting that the Chief Rabbi has been arrested, the German authorities declared that "he is still interned in Denmark."

The number of Danish Jews already deported from Denmark is estimated in the Swedish press today to have reached more than 1,000. The homes of the deported Jews are being sacked by the Germans and the loot sent to Germany.

Information reaching here today from Denmark states that Rena Pfiffer-Madsen, famous Danish music critic, was mortally wounded by the Germans when attempting to escape to Sweden. She was taken to a Danish hospital where she died of her wounds. Nazi officials also rearrested Prof. Niels Nielson in reprisal for his part in the Danish Students' Association protest against Jewish persecution. The proclamation, read by Prof. Nielson at a special meeting of the Association, stated: "The removal of a group of our countrymen from all official positions has caused the management of the Students' Association, as the leading Danish cultural institution, to condemn with sharpest protest these acts which are so strongly in opposition to the Danish mentality."

The German Minister in Denmark, Werner Best, is being flooded with resolutions from various organizations in the country demanding that German action against Danish Jews be stopped. Bodies submitting resolutions of this nature include 30 civil service organizations, 21 Danish youth groups, the Academic Architects Association, Danish Pharmaceutical Association, Danish Engineers Association, Danish Medical Association, Danish Veterinarians Association, Danish Dentists Association, Lawyers Union, Danish Chemists Association, and Gymnastic School Teachers Association.

DR. SAUL TCHERNIKOVSKY DIES OF HEART ATTACK; IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL IN TEL AVIV

TEL AVIV, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- Dr. Saul Tchernichovsky, 68, the famous Hebrew poet, died last night from a heart attack while spending the Succoth holiday at Katamon, a suburb of Jerusalem. He was buried today at the Old Cemetery in Tel Aviv by the side of the late Hebrew poet Chaim Nachman Bialik, in accordance with his last will. Thousands of people participated in the funeral.

The body was escorted to Tel Aviv by delegations representing all the national Jewish organizations and institutions. The funeral was arranged by the Jewish National Council of Palestine. Tchernichovsky was a practicing physician on the staff of the Tel Aviv municipality.

Born in Russia, Tchernichovsky studied in German and Swiss universities and later practiced medicine in St. Petersburg under the Czarist regime. In the last World War he was mobilized as an army physician and worked at the front with the Russian army. In 1924-25 he practiced in Palestine and later in Germany. He left Germany in 1931 and settled in Palestine.

His first Hebrew poem "In My Dream" was published in 1892 in the United States, in the magazine Hapigah (The Summit); In addition to his original writings in Hebrew, Dr. Tchernichovsky translated into Hebrew Shakespeare's "Macbeth," Homer's "Odyssey" and other classical works. He was decorated by the Finnish Government for the translation which he made of the Finnish national epic "Kalevala." During the past year he was working on translating Serbian poetry into Hebrew.

COLONIAL OFFICE ASSIGNS \$1,000,000 FOR JEWISH EDUCATION IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- A \$4,000,000 grant from the Colonial Office's "Colonial Development Fund" has been allocated for educational activities in Palestine, it was learned today. Twenty-six percent of the grant will be assigned to Jewish education and the remainder will be used for developing Arab educational facilities.

It was also learned today that the Colonial Office has appointed J.V.M. Shaw, Colonial Secretary at Cyprus, to be Chief Secretary of the Palestine Administration. He succeeds James P. MacPherson, who has been named to a post in Washington.

The Palestine War Savings campaign was opened here today by High Commissioner Sir Harold MacMichael, in the presence of 150 leading representatives of the Arab and Jewish communities. Sir Harold stated that the campaign had the two-fold purpose of absorbing surplus cash and of aiding the Allied war effort. S.S. Hoofien, head of the Anglo-Palestine Bank, who spoke on behalf of the Jewish community, promised its full cooperation, but expressed the opinion that it would be difficult for Jews to save any funds in view of the sky-high living costs. He also stated that he wondered "if in view of present happenings," the Jewish contribution to the war effort was really appreciated.

INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES DECIDES TO EXPAND ITS ACTIVITIES

LONDON, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- The Inter-Governmental Committee on Refugees, which hitherto dealt only with problems concerning refugees coming from Germany, Austria and the Sudeten area of Czechoslovakia, today announced that its executive committee has decided to extend its activities to refugees from other countries.

The decision has been approved by a majority of the members of the Committee, the Manchester Guardian reports, though the official announcement does not specify this. The paper considers the widening of the Committee's powers and responsibilities important, especially in the interests of solving the problem of long-term refugees who are unable to return to their native countries. "Only the concentration of all efforts in the hands of a single body of international repute and recognition can bring order out of the chaos of human suffering brought about by Germany's bestial treatment of individuals in Europe," the Guardian writes.

GESTAPO ARRESTS ALSATIAN JEWS IN PARIS ON CHARGES OF WORKING WITH UNDERGROUND

BERN, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- A large number of Alsatian Jews were arrested in Paris this week by the Gestapo on charges of "working against the Reich" by participating in underground organizations, it is reported here today. The Gestapo captured the Jews when they surrounded a private residence on the Avenue Le Clerc and placed machine guns at all exits.

Another report from France states that Tristan Bernard, French playwright and humorist, has been arrested at Cannes. M. Bernard, who is 77, had been living at Cannes since the surrender of France, but was not molested while the district was held by the Italians.

AUSTRALIAN JEWISH RELIEF FUND COOPERATING WITH JDC AND JEWISH AGENCY

MELBOURNE, Australia, Oct. 15.(JTA)-- The United Relief Fund for European Jewry here will cooperate in the future with the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, it was announced today.

SENATE IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE TO STUDY PROPOSAL TO ADMIT RELIGIOUS REFUGEES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA)--The Senate yesterday referred to its Immigration Committee a resolution introduced by Senator W.M. Barbour, Republican of New Jersey, asking for the admission into the United States, annually, of 100,000 refugees who can prove that they are being persecuted in Europe because of their race or religious faith.

The resolution was adopted several weeks ago by the National Democratic Club and the National Republican Club. It provides that the refugee be allowed to remain in this country as visitors for the duration of the war and six months afterwards. The resolution also allows transportation costs for the refugees to be paid by relief organizations.

Two measures to bar from the mails incitements to racial or religious intolerance will be considered Monday at an open hearing by the Committee on Post Office and Post Roads of the House of Representatives. One bill which would make it a criminal offense to mail "defamatory or false statements which intend to expose persons designated therein by race or religion to hatred," was introduced by Rep. Walter A. Lynch, New York Democrat. The other proposal was introduced by Rep. Samuel Dickstein, New York Democrat.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN TO MARK 50TH ANNIVERSARY AT CHICAGO CONVENTION

NEW YORK, Oct. 15. (JTA)-- The 50th anniversary of the National Council of Jewish Women, the oldest Jewish women's organization in the country, will be marked at the 17th triennial convention of the group which will meet in Chicago from Nov. 7 to Nov. 11. The Council was founded in Chicago in 1833.

Delegates from 215 senior and 100 junior sections of the Council, from all parts of the United States, will plan the organization's program for the next three years with emphasis on the functioning of the five departments of the Council; Service to Foreign Born; Social Legislation, Social Welfare and War Activities; Contemporary Jewish Affairs and International Relations and Peace. Because of the war the convention has been stripped of all festivities with the exception of a "Golden Jubilee" dinner on Nov. 10. A featured speaker at the convention will be Earl G. Harrison, United States Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization.

MALCOLM ROSS NAMED CHAIRMAN OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15. (JTA)-- President Roosevelt today announced the appointment of Malcolm Ross as chairman of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice, to succeed Mgr. Francis J. Haas, recently appointed Roman Catholic Bishop of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Ross, who served as deputy chairman under Haas, is a former newspaperman and sociologist.

OVER HALF-MILLION DOLLARS RAISED IN CANADA FOR UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

MONTREAL, Oct. 15. (JTA)-- A total of \$515,000 dollars has been raised in Canada for the current United Palestine Appeal, it was announced here today by Rabbi Jesse Schwartz, national executive director of the Zionist Organization of Canada. This marks an increase of more than \$225,000 over the amount raised by the Canadian UPA last year. The UPA here operates independently of other Jewish welfare drives.