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CREMIEUX DECREE RESTORED; 140,000 JEWS IN ALGERIA RESTORED TO FRENCH CITIZENSHIP

LONDON, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- The Cremieux Decree, which was abrogated in 1941 by the Vichy government of Marshal Petain and later by Gen. Henri Giraud, was today reinstated by the French Committee for National Liberation, it was reported here from Algiers. The 140,000 native Algerian Jews who were deprived of their French citizenship by abrogation of the decree, have thus had all their pre-war rights restored.

The Cremieux Decree, which was issued in 1870, will govern the Jews of Algeria until the French Republic is re-established, the report said. Today's act came as a result of pressure on the part of liberal elements, including Gen. de Gaulle, who considered repeal of the decrees to be an anti-Jewish measure contrary to the principles of a democratic France.

While the Vichy Government abrogated the Cremieux Decree under German pressure, Gen. Giraud explained his repeal of the decree as motivated by a desire to keep the Jews of Algeria on the same status as the Moslems there, despite the fact that the Moslems, for various reasons, preferred not to accept French citizenship. French circles here today predicted that with the restoration of the native Arab Jews to full French citizenship, some gesture will also be made to the Arab population in Algeria.

LAST JEWS DEPORTED FROM AMSTERDAM, INCLUDING ALL JEWISH LEADERS, DUTCH PREMIER SAYS

LONDON, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- The last Jews remaining in Amsterdam, including the members of the Jewish Council, which was the central Jewish body in occupied Holland have been deported by the Gestapo from the Westerbork concentration camp to an unknown destination, Premier Peter Gerbrandy of the Netherlands Government-in-Exile, announced today.

The expulsion of the last of the 65,000 Amsterdam Jews took place on September 29, the head of the Netherlands cabinet said in a broadcast. He emphasized that much as the Dutch nation suffers under German occupation, the Jews in Holland have suffered more.

"Although there are hardly any Jews left on Dutch soil, the Jewish section of our people will resume one day its place in the Netherlands," he continued. "The curtain descended upon the Jewish drama when the last 5,000 of the still remaining Amsterdam Jews were forced three weeks ago to follow the path of their brethren to slavery escorted by torturers."

"I am moved by the tragic fact that Jewish leaders were forced to help organize the expulsion of their brethren," Premier Gerbrandy said. "The Jewish Council accepted the offer to assist Jews in their misfortune and it performed its task with love and devotion. But the oppressor used and misused even this Council. When victims for deportation were no longer available, the members of the Council suffered the same fate of all the Jews of Holland."

POLISH JEWS FIND REFUGE IN HUNGARY; UKRAINIANS DIRECT MASSACRES OF JEWS IN GALICIA

GENEVA, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Jews from German-occupied Poland are escaping into Hungary where they are interned in special camps, it was authoritatively reported here today. The Hungarian border authorities have apparently received instructions not to turn back any Jew who may be caught crossing the frontier, the report said.

The report discloses that many Jews in Poland are joining Russian guerrilla units in the Ukraine. The intensified Nazi terror has left no alternatives for the Jews in the Galician part of Poland except flight to Hungary or to the Russian guerrillas.

Actively participating in the renewed terror against the Jews are Ukrainian mayors appointed by the German administration in Galicia. The report points out that "practically all mayors in the Galician communities are guilty of torturing Jews." Hundreds of Jews are being shot by Ukrainian storm-troopers who are also being sent for this purpose to the Lublin district where the extermination of the Jewish population is being conducted under the direction of Major Dolf, former chief of the notorious concentration camp at Dachau, Germany.

A blacklist of leading Ukrainians who are held responsible for organizing pogroms against Jews in Galicia has reached Switzerland. It contains the names of a number of mayors and town officials in various Galician towns as well as of the local Ukrainian police chiefs and other police officers.

JEWISH WOMEN IN PALESTINE GO ON SIT-DOWN STRIKE AS GOVERNMENT CLOSES WORKSHOPS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Wives of Jewish servicemen called a sit-down strike before the office of the District Commissioner here yesterday to protest the closing of military workshops for the repair of uniforms where they had been employed. After remaining in front of the Commissioner's office all day, the women were informed that the workshops would not be reopened because of the high cost of repairing the garments and because of the great distance from the front.

The Association of Vegetable Growers issued a statement today declaring that the price ceilings recently set by the government make it impossible for them and the retail dealers to remain in business. They expressed a desire to cooperate with the government, but requested that "reasonable" prices be set. Unless this is done, the statement threatened, the population of Palestine will be without vegetables.

MEXICAN ZIONIST CONFERENCE DEMANDS ESTABLISHMENT OF JEWISH COMMONWEALTH

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- A demand for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine was voiced here in a resolution adopted at the closing session of the first convention of Mexican Zionists.

TEN PERSONS DROWNED IN PALESTINE WHEN EXCURSION BOAT OVERTURNS

JERUSALEM, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Ten men were drowned in Lake Kinnereth, near the colony of the same name yesterday, when the boat in which they were taking a pleasure trip overturned. The victims were delegates to a cattle-breeders conference at Kinnereth.

PALESTINE JEWS DISSATISFIED WITH GOVERNMENT ALLOTMENT FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

JERUSALEM, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- The executive committee of the Jewish National Council of Palestine has sent a memorandum to the Colonial Office protesting the fact that only 26 percent of a proposed \$4,000,000 grant for education in Palestine has been allotted to the Jewish educational system, it was learned today.

The Council's protest asserted that the amount earmarked for the Jewish schools corresponds neither to the needs of the Jewish community nor to the proportion of taxes it pays. Information concerning the grant was obtained early last week, but on Monday of this week the Colonial Office refused either to deny or confirm that such an appropriation had been made.

CANADIAN GOVERNMENT IS ASKED TO ADMIT REFUGEES; 500,000 WILL SIGN PETITION

MONTREAL, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- The Canadian National Committee on Refugees today launched a campaign to obtain 500,000 signatures of Canadian citizens on a petition asking the Government to admit refugees. The Committee hopes to prove to the Government that there is popular support for the admission of refugees to Canada. Evidence of such support has been given to the chairman of the Committee, Senator Cairine R. Wilson, in resolutions of national organizations such as the Trades and Labor Congress, the Canadian Congress of Labor, the National Council of Women and organized church bodies.

The petition, which will be circulated for the next six weeks, urges the Canadian Government to offer the sanctuary of Canada to refugees from political or religious persecution without regard to race, creed or financial condition; to take immediate steps to facilitate the entry into Canada of refugees (especially those stranded in Portugal) whom it is still possible to rescue; to make any changes in the Immigration Act, Regulations or administration thereof necessary to admit such refugees into Canada.

AUSTRALIA LIFTS EMPLOYMENT BAN FOR JEWISH REFUGEES; MAY WORK IN WAR PLANTS

MELBOURNE, Australia, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Jewish refugees in Australia will be enabled to seek employment in many war industries hitherto barred to them as a result of a decision by the Commonwealth Government made public today.

The ruling gives special status to aliens who are political or religious refugees, placing them in virtually the same category as nationals of neutral nations. Guarantees by Jewish authorities concerning the trustworthiness of the refugees will be acceptable by the government.

DOMINIONS MINISTRY DENIES ARAB LAND IN PALESTINE BEING ILLEGALLY TRANSFERRED

LONDON, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Sub-Secretary for Dominions P.V. Emrys-Evans denied in Commons today that illegal subterfuges were being used in Palestine to enable the transfer of more Arab-owned land than is permitted by present land regulations. Replying to a query by W. Astor, Conservative, Mr. Emrys-Evans pointed out that land transfers are under judicial supervision and are decreasing annually. He said that they would eventually cease completely. He promised, however, to consult Palestine High Commissioner Sir Harold MacMichael as to whether he felt the situation was satisfactory.

During his question, Mr. Astor also stressed the urgency of constructing dehydration facilities in Palestine to save the citrus growers from bankruptcy. The sub-secretary replied that the government's Dehydration Mission has recently returned from Palestine and is preparing a report which will provide a basis for action.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Outstanding authorities on European social and economic conditions, former heads of European Jewish communities, former professors at continental institutions of learning, and technicians in the field of relief and reconstruction will comprise the faculty of the Joint Distribution Committee's Introductory Course on Relief and Reconstruction Overseas, it was announced today.

The course, lasting four weeks, will be given at Columbia University, beginning on October 25, under the directorship of Prof. Philip Klein. The subjects for study have been grouped under four major topics: the present work of Jewish relief and rehabilitation overseas; background and conditions in the principal areas to be served by Jewish relief and rehabilitation in the post-war period; technical tasks and special activities relating to relief and rehabilitation; and organization, history, procedures and administration of the J.D.C.

Material on European affairs will be presented by Vera Michales Dean, research director of the Foreign Policy Association; Charles Davila, former Rumanian Ambassador to Washington; Professor J. B. Condliffe of the Carnegie Endowment Fund and economic consultant to the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation Operations; Professor Otto Nathan of Vassar, Professor Marcus Nadler of New York University and Professor Salo Baron of Columbia University and George Warren, executive secretary of the President's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees. The Low Countries are to be covered by Dr. Max Gottschalk, director of the Research Institute on Peace and Post-War Problems of the American Jewish Committee. Material on the Near East and Palestine will be supplied by Hans Kohn, professor of modern history at Smith College. Russia will be discussed by Olga Leng, professor of history at Hunter College.

History, background and techniques of the J.D.C.'s twenty-nine years of relief and reconstruction will be presented by Joseph C. Hyman, executive vice-chairman, and Moses A. Leavitt, secretary. Dr. Bernard Kahn, who directed the J.D.C. work in Europe for seventeen years, will lecture on post-war emergency relief and reconstruction requirements. The philosophy underlying credit cooperatives and free loan banks will be discussed by Alexander A. Landesco, member of the Board of the American Joint Reconstruction Foundation, J.D.C. affiliate, which organized banks and cooperatives in Europe in the 1920's and which is now extending its program to South American Jewish communities. Technical details of operations in this field will be presented by Noel Aronovici. Col. Morris Troper, who was in charge of J.D.C. work in Europe from 1938 to 1941, will describe administrative and budgetary programs.

Jewish community life and problems in Rumania will be presented by S. Lubin, formerly editor and publisher of one of Rumania's outstanding liberal newspapers and a veteran fighter for Jewish civil rights in that country; Dr. Simon Segal and Jacob Lestchinsky will discuss Poland; Eugene Hevesi, Hungary; Rabbi D.A. Jessurun Cardozo, Holland; Isaac Alkalay, Yugoslavia; Henri Sinder, France. Problems and techniques of child and medical care will be presented by Dr. Leo Pulman, while Dr. J.J. Golub, director of the Hospital for Joint Diseases of New York, is to discuss medical rehabilitation on the basis of his experience as a member of the J.D.C. medical commission sent to Poland after World War I.

JEWISH CHAPLAIN KILLED IN AUTO CRASH IN WASHINGTON

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.(JTA)-- Chaplain Henry Goody, of Philadelphia, Jewish chaplain assigned to Ft. Belvoir, Va., was killed Tuesday when his automobile was struck by a derailed street-car in Washington, D.C., the Jewish Welfare Board announced today. Chaplain Goody was a graduate of the University of Manitoba and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He is the second chaplain of Jewish faith to lose his life in service.