

JEWS ENTER HUNGARY FROM OCCUPIED POLAND; INTERRED IN SPECIAL CAMPS

GENEVA, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Several thousand Polish Jews who have been hiding in the woods along the Polish-Hungarian frontier recently succeeded in crossing into Hungary where they were placed in internment camps, Jewish organizations here learned today.

Scores of Polish Jews are still reaching Hungary daily, says the report, received from Jewish leaders in Hungary. They are not detained by the Hungarian border authorities when caught crossing the frontier illegally, but they must undergo a medical examination before being placed in a camp.

The Nazi Transocean News Agency today reported that the Hungarian Minister of Interior, speaking in the parliament, estimated that 3,100 Polish Jews have entered Hungary illegally. Of them 1,530 have been interned and the remainder have been sent back to their "original residences," he said. He assured the parliament that "strong measures are being taken against illegal Jewish entries into the country."

"The Government is doing its best to hasten the emigration of Jews from the country," the Minister is reported to have stated, "but the number of Jews emigrating does not exceed fifty persons a month at present. It is to be hoped that the process of Jewish emigration from the country will be speeded up soon."

ARABS SUBMIT PROPOSALS ON SOLUTION OF PALESTINE PROBLEM; WANT EXILES RETURNED

LONDON, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- A "Green Book" formulating Arab proposals for the solution of the Palestine problem on the basis of special rights for Jews and Christians there was submitted in Cairo to Richard G. Casey, British Minister for the Middle East, it was disclosed today by the publication "Great Britain and the East" which is close to the Colonial Office.

The same publication reveals that some of the Palestine Arabs who participated in the British-Arab conference on Palestine held in St. James Palace in London in 1938 are likely to be chosen as representatives to the Cairo parleys on the formation of a pan-Arab federation. In this connection it was learned reliably here today that the Palestine Government intends to repatriate from Rhodesia the extremist Arab leader Jamal Hussein, a relative of the ex-Mufti and one of his most active collaborators, who was officially held responsible for the Palestine riots in 1936 and 1937.

Followers of Hussein, it was revealed, insist that the delegation of Palestine Arabs to the Cairo conference be composed on the same basis as the Arab delegation to the British-Arab talks on Palestine in London. They contend that they are unable to nominate delegates to Cairo as long as their leaders are in exile. Jamal Hussein was one of the Arab leaders who accompanied the ex-Mufti - who subsequently fled to Germany - to Syria and Iraq, where he participated in the political intrigues which led to the Rashid Ali pro-Axis revolt in the latter country in June, 1940.

JEWS DEPORTED FROM AEGEAN ISLANDS; MORE JEWS WANTED FOR MINSK FORTIFICATIONS

BERN, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- All Jews on the Aegean islands which have been taken over by the German military command have been deported to occupied Poland, the Swiss press reported today.

Swiss newspapers also report that anticipating a retreat from the Minsk area in Russia, the German military command has requested that more Jews be sent from Poland and other occupied territories to the Minsk district to work on fortifications, German settlers in that district were simultaneously ordered to move into the interior of the Reich.

The Swiss newspaper Volksrecht reports today that about 20,000 Dutch Jews are hiding from the Nazis who are scouring the country for both fugitive Jews and Dutchmen who have refused to report for work in Germany. The paper confirms that all other Jews in the Netherlands have been deported.

JEWS ABSTAIN FROM PARTICIPATING IN PALESTINE WAR ECONOMIC COUNCIL

JERUSALEM, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Jewish members of the War Economic Advisory Council formed recently by the Palestine Government abstained from participating in today's first session of the Council as an expression of their dissatisfaction with the fact that Jewish organizations were not consulted on the formation of this new body.

The formation of the Council was announced early this month by High Commissioner Sir Harold MacMichael, who said that its functions will be to coordinate the work of various government departments in connection with civilian economic activities. Four places in the Council were given to Arabs, four to Jews and two to Britons. The two English members are to hold the posts of chairman and secretary, the High Commissioner stated.

JEWS SETTLERS IN PALESTINE WOUNDED DURING POLICE SEARCH FOR ARMS

JERUSALEM, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Several Jewish settlers were wounded in the Ramath Hakovesh settlement during a search for arms conducted by the Palestine authorities. They were taken to the Jewish hospital in Kfar Saba. (No more details are available due to censorship.)

A military court in Jerusalem today sentenced two Arabs to two and three years imprisonment, respectively, for possession of automatic pistols and ammunition. These sentences are in sharp contrast to the seven years to which Elihu Zacharov, former body guard of Dr. Weismann, was sentenced recently when two bullets above the legal quota were found on him, one of which was not useable.

RUMANIA TURNS OVER JEWISH CEMETERIES TO MUNICIPALITIES

ZURICH, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Jewish cemeteries, which were placed under the supervision of the "Rumanization Office" established by the Antonescu government, have been turned over to the towns in which they are located, the Nazi-controlled Prague radio reported today.

Slovak newspapers reaching here today report that a prominent Slovak official, Otomar Kubala, announced that there are still 15,000 Jews living in Slovakia. He added that they are "the greatest enemies of the Slovak people" and must be "liquidated."

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE OPENS HEARINGS ON RESCUING JEWS IN AXIS EUROPE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Arrangements to bring 5,000 Jewish children and 500 adults out of Nazi-occupied territory, after the Anglo-American refugee conference in Bermuda last winter, were thwarted when the Nazi puppet government of Rumania arrested the agent there, it became known today.

Chairman Sol Bloom, New York Dem., made the disclosure during public hearings before the House Foreign Affairs Committee on the Baldwin-Rogers resolution favoring a special government commission to plan the rescue of European Jews. Bloom, who was one of three United States delegates to the Bermuda conference, told how ships had been chartered to remove Jews from Rumania and arrangements made to build reception camps for them in North Africa. The British government, he said, had offered to pay all shipping costs.

Defending the accomplishments of the Bermuda Conference, Bloom spoke of 22,000 refugees, 6,000 of them Jews, removed from Spain. Other work now going on as a result of the meeting depends on secrecy, he added, and would become valueless if known.

In a statement submitted to the committee, Wendell Willkie urged adoption of the resolution. He regretted his inability to appear in person and said: "The appointment of a commission to establish temporary reception camps for the Jewish people of Europe is of paramount importance. The urgency of the situation demands immediate action."

Dean Alfange, American Labor Party candidate last year for Governor of New York, said that the purpose of the bill was not to deal with refugees already outside Hitler's grasp, but to enable others to get out. He criticized the statement on atrocities issued from the Moscow conference by President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin, for not mentioning specifically crimes against Jews. He called for a special warning on atrocities against Jews, and for notice to Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary and Vichy France that they would be held responsible for Jews deported into Nazi hands.

Others who testified at today's hearings emphasized that the problem of rescuing the Jews of Europe is so urgent and so complicated that only a special government agency charged with its solution can effectively accomplish it. They pointed out that this problem must be dealt with by some specific agency, if there exists a sincere and earnest desire to take effective action to save those millions of Jews awaiting annihilation.

The very fact of the establishment of an Agency to Save the Jewish People of Europe would considerably improve their situation, they argued. It would show the importance attached to the fate of the Jews by the United States or by the United Nations as a whole -- in case the Agency is to become an Inter-Allied one -- which would impress Germany and particularly her satellite nations and force them to relieve the position of the Jews out of fear of retribution.

50,000 JEWS SERVE IN BRITISH ARMED FORCES, ARMY PUBLICATION REVEALS

LONDON, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Fifty-thousand Jews are serving in Britain's armed forces - 8,000 of them in the Royal Air Force - it was disclosed today by British military authorities with publication of a pamphlet designed to combat anti-Semitism. Entitled "Are We United Nations," the pamphlet, which is issued by the Army Bureau of Current Affairs, points out that the 50,000 Jews constitute 12% of the 400,000 Jews of Britain, including women and children.

JEWISH PROPERTY SEIZED BY GERMANS IN POLAND VALUED AT A BILLION DOLLARS

TEL AVIV, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- The value of Jewish property confiscated by the Germans in Poland was estimated at a billion dollars in a memorandum submitted here today to the Polish Consul General by a group of Polish-Jewish industrialists residing in Palestine.

The memorandum asked the Polish Government-in-Exile to invalidate all transfers of Jewish property in Poland which occurred after Sept. 1, 1939, when the country was invaded by the German armies. The Consul-General promised to transmit this demand to his government in London.

ZOA EXECUTIVE HEARS REPORTS ON IMPORTANT ZIONIST NEGOTIATIONS IN WASHINGTON

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Reports indicating that important negotiations are being conducted by American Zionist leaders in Washington were presented to the first session of the newly elected executive of the Zionist Organization of America held here, it was announced today by the ZOA office. Members of the executive from various parts of the country participated in the session.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council, reported on his talks with important government officials in Washington concerning Jewish demands regarding Palestine. He also reported on the steps taken to intensify the activities of the Emergency Council in connection with the drive by the Zionist movement against the White Paper and for wider Jewish rights in Palestine. Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the ZOA, criticized the statement on the White Paper made last week in the House of Commons by Colonial Secretary Col. Oliver Stanley and pointed out that American protests can still force the abrogation of the White Paper.

ATTY. GEN. QUASHES CONVICTION OF TWO BOSTON JEWISH YOUTHS IN ANTI-SEMITIC RIOTS

BOSTON, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- The case against two Jewish youths, Jacob Hodas and Harvey Blaustein, convicted in Dorchester District Court last month of "participating in an affray" was quashed today by Massachusetts Attorney-General Robert T. Bushnell, who declared that there was "evidence of unprovoked and brutal assault" upon the youths by a police sergeant. The Atty.-Gen. pointed out that the disturbance in which they were accused of participating was the result of a long series of "acts of lawlessness belonging in the classification of anti-Semitic."

In a statement setting forth the reasons for noprosecuting the case, the Attorney General said he was convinced that the boys were not brought into criminal court "as a result of a fair and honest attempt on the part of Boston police authorities to enforce law impartially."

The Attorney General's nol-pros of the case today covers 11 long typewritten pages and sets forth in detail circumstances of the arrests, trial and conviction; sets forth his contentions as to the handling of difficulties in Boston, which he says are anti-Semitic in origin. On evidence given, Bushnell states, the boys went to the scene of the alleged affray to find if boys were there who were beating up Jewish boys in that vicinity, found that they were not, and were "walking down the hill" when the police arrived.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR JEWISH EDUCATION NAMES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NEW YORK, Nov. 19. (JTA)-- Ben Rosen, Jewish educator, has been chosen executive director of the American Association for Jewish Education, according to an announcement today by Mark Eisner president of the Association. Mr. Rosen has served as director of Jewish education in Philadelphia for more than 20 years.