ITA DAILY NEWS BULLETIN Published by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency 106 East 41st Street. New York 17. N. Y. Tuesday, November 23, 1943 VOL. X. NO. 271 JEWS IN PALESTINE STOP WORK TO PROTEST KILLING OF JEWISH SETTLER; OUTBREAKS IN TEL AVIV JERUSALEM, Nov. 22. (JTA) -- Jewish workers throughout Palestine left theirshops this evening between the hours of four and five P.M. and Jewish storesclosed as the entire Jewish community mourned the death of Shmuel Wolynetz, who died in the Nablus hospital last night from injuries suffered during the police search for illegal arms in the colony of Ramath Hakovesh last Tuesday. Wolynetz was buried this morning at Ramath Hakovesh. The call for the work stoppage was issued by the Jewish National Council. Meanwhile, unrest continued in Tel Aviv where 21 Jews and 11 British policemen were injured yesterday during demonstrations protesting the arrest and wounding of the Ramath Hakovesh settlers. Most of the injuries occurred during a clash between police and demonstrators who flung stones and flaming kerosene soaked rags through the windows of government offices. The interior of the offices was set ablaze but the fire was soon extinguished by the municipal fire brigade. The British flag flying in front of the building was torn down by the demonstrators and replaced by a Zionist banner. A 15-year-old boy was struck in the chest by a bullet fired from a housetop, but most of the injuries were inflicted by police clubs, since the police were apparently under orders not to fire into the crowds. The police finally succeeded in throwing a cordon around the government offices, preventing further attacks. Copies of Government Newspaper Destroyed by Demonstrators

Attempts by Mayor Israel Rokach to quiet the crowds were unsuccessful. The mayor appealed to the Palestine Government to cease distribution in Tal Aviv of "Chadashot Hayom," "Rews of the Day" an official Hebrew-language newspaper which the government is circulating in lieu of the Hebrew dallies which continue suspended two of them by government ban and the others in sympathy with them-since its distribution provoked new outbreaks. Copies of "Chadashot Hayom" were burned in a huge bonfire by some of the demonstrators.

A large protest meeting was held yesterday at Ramath Hakovesh with representatives of most of the Jewish trade unions participating. The only speaker was David Ben Gurion, chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agenoy, who demanded that the government stop searching for arms in the Jewish settlements, since all such arms were kept only for defense purposes. He also demanded an objective inquiry into last Tuesday's incident by a commission sent from London, the release of all those arrested during the raid, and lifting of the ban on the Hebrew press.

In Haifa, yesterday, 4,000 persons gathered in the ampitheatre to hear an account of what occurred at Ramath Hakovesh. The meeting was addressed by leaders of the Histadruth and by residents of the settlement.

Wolynets, the first fatality resulting from the raid, came to Palestine from Poland in 1836. He leaves a widow, who was seriously injured during the pre-war arab riots, and a young daughter. He was 36 years old.

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### GERMANS REPORTED PLANNING TO DEPORT 15,000 ITALIAN JEWS TO RUSSIA FOR FORCED LABOR

BERN, Nov. 22.(JTA) -- Ten thousand to 15,000 Italian Jews will probably be sent shortly to the Minsk area to construct fortification under the supervision of the German Total Organization, according to a report received here today. The German military authorities, the report says, have cleared the Minsk district of most of its inhabitants in preparation for a German stend there and, consequently, there is an acute shortage of labor.

The same report says that the Germans are planning to confine all the Jews in northern Italy in a ghetto near Piacenza before the end of the year. This is confirmed by a broadcast on the Paris radio today which stated that all Jews in Italy will be "incorporated for the duration of hostilities."

Another report received today says that in the Haute Savoie district of France, bordering on Switzerland, the Nazi occupation authorities have arrested all Jews in the towns of Annecy, Thonon and Chambery and have transferred them to an unknown destination.

#### Germans Sending French Jews to Coal Mines in Poland

LONDON, Nov. 22. (JTA) -- The Polish Government organ "Dziennik Polski" reports that several thousand Jewish deportees from France are now working as slave laborers in the German mines in Silesia.

At least 100 of them die daily, the report adds, due to the appalling conditions under which they live. A similar situation exists at the coal mines in the Katovice district where the Jews deported from Holland have been placed at forced labor.

## MOSLEY RELEASE RECEIVED WITH MIXED FEELINGS BY BRITISH JEWS

IONDON, Nov. 22. (JTA) -- Home Secretary Herbert Morrison is in receipt of a communication from the Board of Jewish Deputies outlining British Jewry's attitude on the release from prison yesterday of Sir Oswald Mosley, British Fascist leader, and his wife, it was disclosed last night by Frof. Selig Brodetsky, president of the Board, speaking at its monthly meeting here.

Prof. Brodetsky said that Mosley's release "has been received with mixed feelings by the Jewish community of Britain, which, in common with other citizens, would deplore the release if it should lead to the spreading of fascist anti-Semitio propaganda."

Suprise guests at the meeting were Prof. Solomon Mikhoels and Lt.-Col. Itzik Feffer, the Soviet Jewish delegation which is now touring Britain. It was revealed that they have discussed with Prof. Brodetsky the question of common action by all Jewish groups at the peace conference.

#### SEIZED JEWISH PROPERTY TO BE RENTED TO CROATIAN CIVIL SERVANTS

ZURICH, Nov. 22. (JTA) -- Jewish property seized by the Nazi puppet-government of Groatia will be rented for the coming year, it is reported by the Deutsche Zeitung Kroatien quoting an announcement by the Ministry for the Maintenance of Property Acquired by the State. The property will be leased to officials of the tax bureau, other civil servants, and farmers who do not own any land, the announcement said.

Information reaching here from Hungary states that the Hungarian authorities are turning back many Jews who seek to cross the border from Yugoslavia and are placing in concentration camps those Jews who succeed in crossing before they are caught.

## UNRRA WILL NOT MAKE SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR TREATMENT OF JEWISH WAR VICTIMS

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ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 22.(JTA) -- The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration will probably not make any provisions for special handling of Jewish war victims in liberated territories, according to information available here today. The UNRRA sub-sommittee on Social-Welfare policies, to which several pleas for recognition of the Jewish relief problem as such have been submitted, has decided not to include a recommendation for special treatment for Jews in Europe in its final report.

Early in the council's session here, the Jewish Labor Committee, headed by Adolph Held, asked that "special and extraordinary measures" be taken in behalf of Jewish war victims, and that a separate branch be established for that purpose. Later, the World Jewish Congress, through Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Dr. Nahum Goldmann, asked recognition of "a central Jewish body, internationally organized, as an integral part of the post-war relief and rehabilitation machinery." They suggested that their organization would be competent to serve such a purpose.

The Jewish Labor Committee also requested a hearing on the subject, but Council Chairman Acheson, told Held that no requests for hearings had been received and the Council's time was so limited that it had been "compelled, reluctantly," to take the position that none could be granted. "We are more than sympathetic with the problems that you have presented," he added, however, "and your letter will be referred to the appropriate authorities, where it will be given careful consideration."

Both requests were referred to the subcommittee on Social-Welfare Folicies, because its jurisdiction also includes UNRRA relations with voluntary relief agencies. Jan Kwapinski, of Foland, whose delegation includes a strong unofficial Jewish contingent, is chairman of the committee, and Harry Greenstein, of Baltimore, Md., on loan from the Associated Jewish Charities to the U.S. Secretariat, is secretary.

The subcommittee's decision is the outcome of friendly debate between two schools of thought, both equally sympathetic to Jewish needs, but differing as to methods of meeting them. One, which includes the Jewish Labor Committee and the World Jewish Congress, fears that routine methods, applicable to all afflicted populations, will prove highly inadequate so far as the Jews are concerned. The other, which has prevailed, feels that appropriate plans for dealing with special Jewish problems can be worked out within each afflicted nation - and that for UNRRA to undertake to give them extraordinary treatment might, in the long run, react to the Jews' own disadvantage.

Aware that the subcommittee probably would rule against them, spokesmen for some of the members of the first school of thought said today that they intended to continue the fight at the general-committee, and also that they would make every effort to have the Jewish question raised before the council itself if necessary.

#### ARGENTINA REMOVES BAN ON KASHRUTH; CLERGY ACTIVE IN ANTI-JEWISH CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.(JTA) -- The ban on kashruth recently imposed in the province of Entre Rios in the Argentine has been removed and some of the Jewish schools which were closed in this area have now been reopened, it was reported today by the Inter-American Jewish Council, the chairman of which is Dr. Stephen S. Wise, on the basis of antheritative information.

The report also reveals that anti-Jewish agitation in the province of Entre Rios is being aided by the clergy, many of whom are of German descent. The informant of the Inter-American Jewish Council confirms the issuance of a general decree with respect to deneturalization, but indicates that Alberto Gerchunoff, distinguished Argentine publicist, is not being subjected to such action, as was previously reported.

## SARA DELANO ROOSEVELT INTER-FAITH CENTER DEDICATED AT HUNTER COLLEGE

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.(JTA) -- The Sara Delano Roosevelt Memorial House was dedicated here today as an inter-faith center for students of Hunter College at ceremonies participated in by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mayor Fiorello La Guardia, Henry Monsky, president of B'nai B'rith, Dr. George N. Shuster, president of Hunter College, and other dignitaries. Mrs. Roosevelt brought a personal message from the President.

The center, which is composed of two adjoining houses formerly owned by the President's mother, was donated to the college a year ago by a committee of laymen, headed by Joseph P. Day, chairman; Charles H. Tuttle, and John S. Burke, honorary chairmen, and A. C. Horn, treasurer, as a meeting place for religious groups, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, which will have their clubs in the building. The center will also house special social and athletic clubs of the college. It will be the first center of unity of its kind in New York City to help promote fraternalism among the different religious.

The Student Christian Association, non-denominational, and other Protestant clubs will occupy the top floor; the Newman Club, serving the Catholic students, will be located on the fourth floor, and the Hillel Foundation, a branch of B'nai B'rith will have the third floor. There will be directors and advisors for each group.

## GEORGIA JURIST REVEALS HE HAS EVIDENCE PROVING INNOCENCE OF LEO FRANK

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.(JTA) -- American Jews, many of whom vividly recall the lynching of Leo Frank in 1915, greeted with interest today the report that a retired Georgia jurist, Arthur G. Powell, had announced that "after certain persons are dead" he can furnish proof to clear Frank of the charge on which he was convicted, sentenced to prison for life, and which eventually resulted in his lynching.

The Frank case began on April 24, 1915, when the body of 14-year-old Mary Phagan was found in the besement of the pencil factory of which Frank was superintendent. Frank was charged with having attacked and murdered the Phagan girl, and despite much conflicting testimony at his trial, he was convicted.

For two years the case was fought through the Georgia courts and up to the Supreme Court which refused to reverse the decision. American Jewish leaders, such as Louis Marshall, interested themselves in the case. Frank's original sentence of death was finally commuted by Georgia's governor, John M. Slaton, to life imprisonment because he had doubts of Frank's guilt. On the night of August 16, 1915, a bend of masked men broke into the State Prison Farm at Milledgeville, carried Frank to Marietta, where Mary Phagan had lived, and hanged him from an oak tree.

Although it was repeatedly denied in Georgia that the fact that Frank was a Jew had any bearing on his arrest and conviction, it was common knowledge that a great deal of the resentment against him was stirred up by anti-Jewish elements, wild stories were spread that rich Jews in Atlanta, New York and Chicago were conspiring to secure his freedom.

# B'HAI B'RITH WOMEN HEAR REFORTS ON WAR ACTIVITIES AT ANNUAL MEETING IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov.22.(JTA) -- The far-flung war activities of the 42,000 B'nai B'rith women, ranging from the sale of war bonds to rolling bandages for the armed forces, were reported on here today at the opening session of the annual meeting of the Women's Supreme Council of B'nai B'rith.

Mrs. Maurice Turner of Chicago, president of the group, reported that it has equipped 518 recreation facilities for the Army and Navy, has contributed \$140,000 to Brnai Brith war service projects, and has produced 3,500,000 surgical dressings for the Red Cross. The women have also sold \$34,000,000 worth of war bonds since January.