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PALESTINE JEWS WILL FIGHT ATTEMPTS TO DEPRIVE THEM OF ARMS FOR DEFENSE, SAYS SHERTOK

JERUSALEM, Nov. 22 (Delayed.) (JTA)-- The Palestine Jewish community will fight all searches for arms "aimed at taking the last means of defense away from the Jews," it was stated here today by Moshe Shertok, political chief of the Jewish Agency, speaking at funeral services on the premises of the Jewish Agency for Shmuel Wolynetz, who died yesterday from injuries suffered when police raided the colony of Ramath Hakovesh last week in a search for hidden arms.

It was disclosed today that Mr. Shertok saw High Commissioner Harold MacMichael on Nov. 18, two days after the raid on Ramath Hakovesh, to discuss the situation with him. No information as to what transpired at their meeting has been made public. Today the Jewish Agency political head saw Chief Secretary J. V. M. Shaw.

The city of Tel Aviv, where there has been a great deal of unrest since the raid on the Jewish settlement was quiet today. Residents observed a two-minute period of silence in honor of Wolynetz at the suggestion of the municipal council.

Following the recital of Kaddish by Chief Rabbi Uziel at the Jewish Agency building, Wolynetz' body was taken to Ramath Hakovesh where burial took place, with thousands of persons from all over Palestine in attendance. Leaders of the Histadruth and other groups spoke.

Chief Rabbi Isaac Herzog visited the colony yesterday and also went to the hospital where several of the settlers are still confined. A reliable informant told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that 35 colonists were arrested during the raid.

GERMANS STERILIZING THOUSANDS OF DUTCH JEWS; HUNT FOR FUGITIVES CONTINUES

LONDON, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- Thousands of Dutch Jews married to non-Jewish spouses have been sterilized in Amsterdam hospitals within the past few weeks, according to a report "from the German frontier" received by Dutch circles here today.

The report said that the sterilization is performed by German doctors and the patients are kept in the hospital for a week after the operation. Persons submitting to sterilization are permitted to remain in Holland and are not compelled to wear a yellow Magen David badge. Recently, however, 150 prominent Jews, who had been confined in a camp at Barneveld, were sterilized and then deported to Germany, the report adds.

The search for fugitive Jews continues, the report says, with the Germans estimating that there are 15,000 Jews at large. Last week police succeeded in arresting a number of them, while others whose nerves had been shattered by their constant flight voluntarily surrendered.

The liquidation of the Netherlands Jewish community was speeded up after the visit to Holland of Gestapo chief Heinrich Himmler, the information received here states, with 1,000 Jews being sent to Eastern Europe weekly.

GERMANS PLANNING STRINGENT RESTRICTIONS ON ITALIAN JEWS; WILL CONFISCATE PROPERTY

ZURICH, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- Further indication that the Germans in Italy plan to take strong measures against the Jews under their rule is given in a Nazi Transocean dispatch from Rome received here today.

Transocean says that in the future anti-Jewish laws will apply to all Jews, without exception. Hitherto there have been "privileged Jews" who were exempt from the anti-Jewish legislation. In addition, Jews will no longer be regarded as Italian citizens and no passports will be issued to them. The dispatch also says that all Jews will probably be sent to concentration camps, confirming reports which have been current here. Their property, Transocean added, will be taken over by an "administrator for Jewish property."

An optimistic paragraph at the end of the dispatch, says that after the war drastic restriction will be enforced against the Jews and "identification cards" will be introduced for "those Jews who are allowed to remain in the country."

POLISH JEWS INDICT WAR CRIMINALS RESPONSIBLE FOR MASS MURDERS

LONDON, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- The names of the ten men who head the list of German war criminals whose punishment will be demanded by the Jews of Poland after hostilities cease were made public today together with descriptions of the crimes with which they are charged.

Addressing a press conference, attended by "Edward Warsawski," a survivor of the Warsaw ghetto battle who reached England last month, Ignacy Schwartzbart, Jewish deputy in the Polish National Council, accused the following Nazis of chief responsibility for the near-extirmination of Polish Jewry; and especially for the liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto:

Ludwig Fischer, district-governor of Warsaw; S. S. Group Leader Leist, the German mayor of Warsaw; Dr. Auerwald, Warsaw Ghetto Commissar until July, 1942, who ordered nightly executions of Jews, including 60 men charged with issuing an underground paper; Reinhardt, Chief of the Annihilation Squad who directed sixteen sub-leaders in executing Jews in Lublin, Radom, Otwock, Lwow, and other ghettos, during which hundreds of thousands were killed; Heyman, an officer of the Annihilation Squad; Schoen, Chief of the "Re-settlement Office" in the Warsaw district who was responsible for sending 70,000 Jews in the district into the ghetto.

Also Dr. Tebenow, chief of the Deportation Office, directly responsible for the liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto and for deporting thousands of its residents to the Treblinka "death camp"; S. S. Chief Brandt who was in charge of "Jewish Affairs" during the liquidation of the ghetto, who personally shot many Jews and led the final assault on the ghetto; Seifert, chief of the supply depot who was responsible for the deaths of thousands of persons by starvation; and Behrens, head of the industrial production department, who organized slave labor and who "withdrew" labor permits from thousands of Jews, thus automatically sentencing them to death.

"Warsawski" told the press conference that all elements within the ghetto participated in the insurrection, aided by members of the Polish underground. He asserted that "part of the underground is anti-Semitic, but these people will not shape Poland's future."

JEWISH CEMETERIES IN RUMANIA WILL BE CONVERTED INTO DWELLING SITES

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- Jewish cemeteries in Rumania which were recently turned over to the municipalities in which they are located by the "Rumanization Office" will be razed and the sites used to construct dwellings, it is reported today by the Stockholm Tidningen.

NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL OF WELFARE FUNDS URGES AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE REJOIN CONFERENCE

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. Nov. 23. (JTA)-- A resolution urging the American Jewish Committee to rejoin the American Jewish Conference was adopted at the tenth annual conference of the New England States region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, held in Springfield, Mass. over the week-end. The conference, which met at the Hotel Sheraton here, was attended by 100 delegates from sixteen states in the six-state region.

Citing the "remarkable progress made in the various communities in this region in bringing about united and cooperative action," the conference further urged that "where community councils, welfare funds and federations now exist, such efforts be extended. In those communities where no organizations now exist, immediate steps should be taken to inaugurate representative, democratically operated community bodies.

Another resolution pointing out that "the unanimous opinion of all Jews in America favors the abolition by Great Britain of the so-called 'White Paper,'" requested the United States to "use its good offices with the British Government in order to abrogate the White Paper and to open the doors of Palestine to unrestricted Jewish immigration."

Sessions arousing considerable interest among delegates were those dealing with central community organization and civic protection. The community organization session was addressed by Philip Bernstein, Director of Field Service for the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. He suggested the formulation of principles which should underly the democratic operation of local community organization. In this way, he pointed out, could be met current Jewish responsibilities arising out of the political and relief problems of Jews overseas, mobilization of resources to win the war, Jewish participation in peace proposals, and internal Jewish development.

The sessions on civic-protective work were addressed by Maurice B. Fagan, executive director of the Anti-Defamation Council of Philadelphia, Herbert Ehrman of Boston, and Rabbi Abraham Feldman of Hartford. The delegates considered the need for representative community agencies in each city to handle civic-protective problems, at the same time cooperating closely with national Jewish agencies. Two meetings of executives of the region considered needs of families and children in the current war period, and community understanding and participation in welfare funds.

Chairmen of the sessions were Herbert L. Cohen of Bridgeport, regional president; Raphael Mutterperl of New Bedford; and Bernard Kopkind of New Haven.

JDC SENDS REPRESENTATIVES TO MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTH AMERICA

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- The Joint Distribution Committee announced today that it is sending Reuben B. Resnik, former executive director of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Dallas, Texas, to Istanbul to supervise its expanding relief package service which is sending thousands of packages monthly to European Jews who have found refuge in Asiatic Russia. Mr. Resnik will also attempt to speed the emigration of 5,000 Jewish children and adults from the Balkans to Palestine. He will work together with the Middle East Advisory Committee of the JDC, in Jerusalem.

Another Texas social worker, Jacob B. Lightman, former executive director of the Jewish Community of Houston, is being sent by the JDC to South America where he will attempt to further the economic and social integration of the 125,000 Jewish immigrants in Latin America, the announcement said. He will also help to coordinate welfare activities in the older Jewish communities.

FRENCH WAR PRISONER DESCRIBES MASS EXECUTION OF JEWS IN POLAND BY NAZIS

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- The mass executions of hundreds of Jews from German and Nazi-occupied countries in a public square in the city of Tarnopol, in the Ukraine, was described here today by a young French war prisoner who recently succeeded in escaping to Sweden from a German prison camp in Prussia.

The Frenchman, who had been confined in a camp near Tarnopol until recently, said that on several occasions he had seen large transports of Jews unloaded from freight cars and lined up in a square where they were machine-gunned. He added that he had also seen Jews shot at random on the streets of Tarnopol.

A dispatch by the Danish Press Service published in the newspaper Aftenbladet today states that ten percent of the Danish Jews deported to Germany are being utilized for forced labor in German war industries while the others have been deported to Theresienstadt in Czechoslovakia.

BLOOM ATTACKS EMERGENCY COMMITTEE TO SAVE JEWISH PEOPLE AT HOUSE HEARING

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- Hearings before the House Foreign Affairs Committee today on a joint resolution asking establishment of a commission to coordinate efforts to assist the Jews of Europe - which is sponsored by the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe - were utilized by Chairman Sol Bloom to query Peter Bergson, co-chairman of the group concerning his personal status and to criticize the Committee.

Bloom questioned Bergson concerning his status as an alien and then proceeded to attack the Committee for a telegram it had sent to 200 persons appealing for funds to "force" passage of the bill. Bloom indicated that he considered the resolution superfluous since the United States is doing all it can to rescue the Jews. It is expected that Bergson will have an opportunity to testify concerning the bill itself at tomorrow's hearing.

Alfange Says America, Britain Must Act to Save Jews of Europe

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA)-- Dean Alfange, vice-chairman of the Emergency Committee to Save the Jews of Europe, said last night that further inaction by American and British governments on the problem of saving the Jews of Axis-occupied Europe would be "tantamount to partnership in crime." In a radio address over station WABC, Alfange urged passage of a joint Congressional resolution prepared by the committee and scored President Roosevelt for his "tragic inaction." The resolution provides for establishment by the President of a rescue commission.

"In every speech Hitler has made," Alfange said, "he never failed to attack the Jews. In no speech made by United Nations statesmen was Hitler ever answered. The tragedy of the Jews has been our own apathy." Alfange, who was the American Labor Party candidate for Governor in 1942, said that more than 2,000,000 innocent persons of Jewish faith have been slaughtered, with no effective intervention by an United Nations government. "At present we are engaged in a debate to determine whether we shall do something about it. If the decision be negative, I say without hesitation that our professions of a better world, of justice and decency will be so much sham and mockery," he added.

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