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ISH NATIONAL COUNCIL REJECTS MOTION TO GRANT CULTURAL AUTONOMY TO JEWS IN POLAND

LONDON, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- The Polish National Council today rejected a motion Jews be given cultural autonomy in post-war Poland. Emanuel Szerer, one of the Jewish members of the Council, introduced the defeated measure which was supported he Socialist members of the Council and by several members of the Polish Peasant y. While rejecting the proposal for cultural autonomy, the Council voted to grant sibilities for national and cultural development" to Jews in Poland after the war.

Speaking for his motion, Szerer quoted from a statement of Jan Stanczyk, Polish ister of Labor, to the Jewish Labor Committee in New York proposing that Jews be n cultural autonomy upon the liberation of Poland from the Germans.

The rejection of Mr. Szerer's motion follows last week's rejection by the ish National Council of a motion made by the same Jewish deputy asking that measures taken by the Polish Government-in-Exile to counteract anti-Semitic activities in Polish army. The majority of the Council refused to vote for the motion unless references to the existence of anti-Semitism in the ranks of the Polish armed ces were deleted. The Council adopted a substitute resolution which, making no tion of anti-Semitism, declared that "brotherly relations between members of all ces and denominations in the Polish armed forces are absolutely necessary."

REAU FOR JEWISH RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS ESTABLISHED IN MOSCOW BY GOVERNMENT

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- A special Bureau for Jewish Religious Affairs has en established in Moscow, the Palestine Victory League announced today on the basis information received from Teheran.

It is assumed here that the Bureau will be headed by Samuel Chobrutsky, presi- nt of the Moscow Jewish Community who is expected to return to Moscow from Tashkent, here the offices of the Moscow Jewish Community were evacuated when the Russian apital faced the dangers of German invasion.

8,000,000 WILL BE SPENT ON PROJECTS OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES

LONDON, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- The British and United States Governments jointly re prepared to appropriate eight million dollars to the International Red Cross for ny project recommended by the Intergovernmental Committee for Refugees, it was nnounced today. The announcement confirms a similar statement made by Assistant Secretary of State Breckinridge Long before the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Jewish organizations here, interested in relief and rescue work, expressed the hope that the agreement reached between the Jewish Agency and the Red Cross in Turkey for the delivery of food and clothing to Jews in Transnistria will be extended also to Jews in other occupied countries in Europe. It is understood that the arrangement for Transnistria was made with the full approval of the Allied governments. Under this arrangement the fifty thousand Rumanian Jews deported to Transnistria will receive 50,000 packages of food and clothing through the Red Cross.

...AW GHETTO STILL "FORBIDDEN LAND;" 200 DUTCH JEWS BROUGHT TO CLEAR DEBRIS

GENEVA, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- The Warsaw ghetto, though long "judenrein," is still ...bidden land to any outsider, it was reported here today by an eye-witness arriving ...m Warsaw.

The ghetto, he stated, is now nothing but a huge mass of ruins. Not a building ...left intact. Nevertheless no one is allowed to enter its walls without special ...mission. The main entrances are guarded by strong platoons of Nazi Elite Guards.

"The only residents are about 200 Jews deported from Holland, who were brought ...for the purpose of clearing the debris," the eye-witness said. "They are sheltered ...specially improvised barracks. Now and then time bombs going off break the silence ...re formerly there was so much life. The ruins are strewn with the corpses of Jews ... lost their lives in their last heroic resistance to the Germans."

...Q PREMIER EXPECTED IN PALESTINE; SYRIAN ARABS URGE ARAB-JEWISH UNITY

JERUSALEM, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- Premier Nuri Pasha of Iraq who is one of the ...ive sponsors of the plan for the establishment of a Pan-Arab Federation, is expec... soon in Palestine, it was learned here today. He will confer on the Pan-Arab ...eration plan with Arab leaders in Palestine since no Arab delegation can be sent to ...ro to participate in the political discussions on Arab unity now going on ... several months.

The Beirut daily newspaper L'Orient today calls upon the Arabs in Palestine to ...lize that the Jews have come to Palestine to stay and that "they will continue to ...e to Palestine where they acquired land legally."

"The presence of the Jews in Palestine," the Syrian paper writes, "is a fact ...ich the Arabs there must take into consideration. They must, therefore, approach ...e Arab-Jewish problem without narrow-mindedness. Only such an approach can lead to ...ab-Jewish talks which may solve the problem which is unique in the East."

In connection with the Cairo parleys on Arab unity, it was reliably learned ...re today that King Ibn Saud of Saudi-Arabia has definitely decided to abstain from ...rticipating in these talks until the end of the war when the status of Palestine ...ll be definitely established.

...000,000 YOKES JEWISH LAND CONFISCATED IN HUNGARY; PREMIER CLAIMS CREDIT FOR IT

ZURICH, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- Premier Nicholas von Kallay of Hungary, addressing ...e Hungarian Parliament, announced that 1,000,000 yokes of Jewish land in Hungary ...ve been confiscated under the anti-Jewish laws, the Budapest newspapers reaching ...re today report.

In making this announcement, the Hungarian Premier emphasized that he personal... assumes the full responsibility for taking the land away from the Jews. "In connec...ion with the Jewish estates, may I mention that the campaign was solely my work," ...on Kallay is quoted as having declared.

...LFRED ROSENBERG TO HEAD "LIQUIDATION" OF JEWISH PROPERTY IN ALL OCCUPIED LANDS

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- German military headquarters in Copenhagen ...nnounced today that Alfred Rosenberg, notorious Nazi leader, has been named head of ... committee to "liquidate" Jewish property in all occupied countries, the Swedish ...ress reported today. The report added that Rosenberg is now in Copenhagen in connec...ion with his new functions.

EVACUATED RUSSIAN JEWS RETURN TO LIBERATED AREAS IN THE UKRAINE

MONTREAL, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- Russian Jews who had been evacuated from various sections of Russia before the Nazi invasion are now returning to the liberated regions because they love their homes and the separation was only a temporary one," Lt. Colonel Peter Matunoff, member of the Soviet Legation at Ottawa, declared here today before representatives of the press.

"The majority of the Jewish populations of the Ukraine, White Russia and other threatened parts of the Soviet Union were evacuated before the arrival of the Nazi armies," he said. He stressed the fact that in many cases preference on the railroads was given to the Jewish evacuees because the authorities knew that the Jewish populations were always the first victims of the Hitlerite atrocities. The evacuation was carried through very systematically. Thousands of Jews were sent to the Urals where they were absorbed in the war industries. These industries played a vital role in the defeat of the enemy on many fronts. The Polish-Jewish refugees were sent to Tashkhent, he added.

Answering a question on the participation of Russian Jewry in the fighting forces Lieut. Colonel Matunoff stated that he met Jewish heroes on all fronts.

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE OPPOSES BARRING RACIAL PROPAGANDA FROM MAILS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- The American Civil Liberties Committee is opposed to the pending bill to bar appeals to race hatred from the mails.

The House of Representatives subcommittee investigating the bill today made public a letter from Arthur Garfield Hays, general counsel of the ACLU, urging that "racial hatred cannot be legislated out of existence," and emphasizing that "only education and tolerance can do that."

The letter also pointed out that a similar law was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of New Jersey in 1941. Subcommittee chairman Samuel A. Weiss, Pennsylvania Democrat, introduced one of the bills. His group is expected to report them favorably to the full Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads this week.

Hays' letter, written on Oct. 15, was made public as part of 96 pages of testimony and letters on the bill, almost all favorable. It pointed out that the ACLU is opposed to the postmaster general's power to bar seditious and obscene matter from the mails, and therefore opposed to any extension of that power.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE REPRESENTATIVES DISCUSS RELIEF MEASURES IN WASHINGTON

NEW YORK, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- Representatives of the Rescue Commission of the American Jewish Conference have been meeting with officials of the State and Treasury Departments and the International Red Cross, pressing for specific measures for rescue and relief of Jews trapped in Nazi dominated territories, it was announced today by the Conference headquarters here.

Among the specific problems discussed at these conferences were the repatriation of Rumanian Jews from Transnistria who are now exposed to great danger at the hands of the retreating Nazi armies and the possibility of the International Red Cross extending further assistance in the form of medicaments and packages to persons in the occupied territories.

DR. NAHUM GOLDMANN ARRIVES IN LONDON; WILL ASSIST DR. WEIZMANN IN POLITICAL TALKS

LONDON, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, member of the executive of the World Zionist Organization, arrived here today from New York. He will participate in the political discussions which Dr. Chaim Weizmann is now carrying on with officials of the British Government touching upon the post-war status of Palestine.

As chairman of the administrative committee of the World Jewish Congress, Dr. Goldmann will also utilize his stay in London to negotiate on questions concerning the rescue of European Jews, it was announced here.

MORE THAN A MILLION JEWS WILL EMIGRATE FROM EUROPE AFTER THE WAR, EXPERT SAYS

NEW YORK, Jan. 18. (JTA) -- A Jewish emigration of 1,000,000 to 1,500,000 souls will be anticipated following the war, according to Ilija M. Digour, secretary of the ORT-Ica Emigration Association, writing in the Jewish Social Service Quarterly.

"It is difficult, indeed, to assume that in the Western Hemisphere, especially in the United States, post-war economic and political conditions will favor immediate large-scale Jewish immigration," Mr. Dijour writes. "The contrary is more likely to be the case. The American countries will be confronted with problems of demobilization and transition from war production to peace-time industry, which will entail the re-shifting of entire sections of the population. We may, therefore, expect on the American continent a growing tide of anti-immigration policy. Perhaps the only possible immigration will be that of close relatives of citizens of countries on this continent.

"Emigrants who because of their idealistic tendencies may be suited be colonization enterprises, will no doubt go to Palestine," Mr. Dijour continues. "There is little likelihood of a large scale Jewish emigration that could be directed to colonization elsewhere. Furthermore, Palestine will be called upon to play an important role in the solution of the tremendous Jewish refugee problem after the war, if the Intergovernmental Committee, or a similar body set up by the United Nations, will truly attempt to find a realistic solution to this problem. It is evident that the one-and-half million Jews who will seek new havens after the war, will not be able to find a single country that could or would absorb them in a short period of time. Considering the fact that during the terrible ten years of Hitler's domination over Europe, only 163,000 Jewish emigrants or some 16,000 per year, were admitted in the United States, the post-war picture does not look bright for Jewish immigration into this country. Furthermore, there will most likely be a large trend among the non-Jews of Europe to immigrate into the United States."

Argentina, Mr. Dijour states, which never absorbed more than 14,000 immigrants a year admitted an average of 4,000 to 5,000 Jewish immigrants yearly. "There is no reason to believe that even under the most favorable conditions, one may expect in the future a larger immigration into that country," he writes. "The same holds true of the other South and Central American countries, as well as of Canada, South Africa and Australia. All these countries taken together, except the U.S.A., may absorb a total of 25,000 Jewish immigrants per year. Assuming optimistically that the United States, too, will admit 25,000 Jewish immigrants a year, a total of 50,000 Jews from European countries will be able to find new homes for themselves."

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