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STATE DEPT. SILENT ON ARAB PROTESTS; WALLACE CANCELS PLAN TO ADDRESS PRO-ZIONIST DINNER

WASHINGTON, March 6. (JTA) -- The United States Government has not yet replied to the Arab governments which have made representations to the State Department on the Palestine resolution, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was told by a State Department spokesman today, following the disclosure that Secretary of State Cordell Hull, has also advised the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, by letter, that he opposes action at present on the resolution.

It was learned here today that Vice-President Wallace, who was scheduled to deliver a prepared speech on Thursday evening at the dinner of the American Palestine Committee here, has decided not to make the speech. Harold Young, the executive secretary to the Vice-President, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that Wallace would attend the dinner, but is not planning to deliver any address. If he is called upon, he will say a few words, Mr. Young added. The American Palestine Committee had arranged to have the Wallace address broadcast from Washington on a nation-wide hook-up.

Members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee were pessimistic today as to the prospects for action by the Committee on the Palestine resolution since the War Department and the State Department oppose its passage. Senate circles expressed resentment over the repeated protests from Iraq and the protest by Emir Abdullah, the ruler of Transjordan to President Roosevelt. The protest from Emir Abdullah is lending strength to the belief that the Arab representations were stimulated by the British Government, since it is well-known here that Emir Abdullah is a puppet of the British resident officer in Transjordan and does nothing without first securing the approval of the British High Commissioner for Palestine.

CHURCHILL'S PERSONAL FEELINGS WILL NOT INFLUENCE FATE OF WHITE PAPER, OFFICIALS WARN

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- British official circles today indicated that no matter what Prime Minister Winston Churchill's personal feelings may be with regard to the White Paper, "he will not allow his personal predilections stand in the way of continuity of the decisions of the state."

Churchill had opposed the White Paper prior to becoming head of the British Government. But officials here, in discussing his attitude towards the document, emphasized that in a democracy of the British type successive governments consider that they have collective, as distinct from individual, responsibility.

Britain remains pledged to solve the Palestine problem on the basis of Arab-Jewish compromise and not on the basis of recommendations suggested by "outside parties," the officials commented. The solutions suggested by "outside parties," they said, range from the extreme Zionist demand for unrestricted Jewish immigration and the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in the whole of Palestine and Transjordan, to extreme Arab demand that all further Jewish immigration to Palestine be barred.

150,000 JEWS STILL LIVING IN LODZ; GATHERED FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES FOR SKILLED LABOR

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- Polish-Jewish circles here today received an underground report from occupied Poland stating that there are at present 150,000 Jews living and working in the ghetto of Lodz, a Polish industrial city.

Of these Jews, the report says, only thirty thousand are from Poland. The remainder have been brought from various other occupied countries. They are all skilled craftsmen who have been collected from all over Europe to work in German war industries, chiefly in textile, leather and clothing plants.

PALESTINE CHIEF RABBI RETURNS FROM TURKEY; SATISFIED WITH RESULTS OF HIS RESCUE TASK

JERUSALEM, March 6. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Herzog returned here today from Turkey satisfied with the results of his efforts to arrange rescue facilities for Jews in occupied countries.

"Though, for obvious reasons, I cannot disclose much of my work and achievements in Turkey, I am glad to state that I am satisfied with the outcome of my month's stay there," he told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency.

The Chief Rabbi indicated that he met with high Turkish government officials in Ankara regarding the question of saving Jews from the Balkan countries. He emphasized that government leaders as well as the general population in Turkey are in sympathy with the plans for rescuing Jews from Nazi countries. Sixty Jewish refugees who reached Turkey from various occupied countries arrived in Palestine on the same train that carried the Chief Rabbi.

British Foreign Office Cannot Be Trusted With Rescue of Jews, London Paper Says

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- The British Foreign Office does not command "unlimited confidence" when it comes to the question of saving Jews and other persecuted people in Europe, an article in the London Spectator states, commenting on the refusal of the British Government to establish a War Refugee Board on the pretext that a Refugee Department exists already at the Foreign Office.

The article urges that members of Parliament interested in rescue work "make the Government conscious of their vigilance." It emphasizes that "the country is in some danger of falling behind the United States" with regard to saving Nazi victims from Europe.

20,000 IN ZAGREB HEAR ATTACK BY CROATIAN ARCHBISHOP ON GERMAN RACIAL THEORY

ZURICH, March 6. (JTA) -- An attack on the Nazi theory of racial superiority and the German treatment of minority peoples has been made by Dr. Alejsije Stepinac, Archbishop of Zagreb and Metropolitan of Croatia, it is reported by the Neue Zuercher Nachrichten.

The paper states that the Archbishop's address was delivered to an audience of 20,000 which had gathered outside the Zagreb Cathedral, because the church could not hold all the people who wished to hear it. "The Catholic Church," Dr. Stepinac stated, "can never admit that any one race or one people -- because it is, perchance, numerically or militarily strong -- should violate smaller races and peoples."

WICHTY POLICE ROUND UP POLISH JEWS FOR ALLEGED PARTICIPATION IN THEATRE BOMBING

ZURICH, March 6. (JTA) -- The Nazi-controlled Swiss radio reported today that Wichty police have rounded up a large number of Jews in Zurich for alleged complicity in the bombing of a moving picture theatre in that city on March 1, which killed three German soldiers and injured ten.

The broadcast said that the police had discovered that the bombing had been carried out by "a Jewish resistance movement," and, "therefore, proceeded to make many arrests among the Jewish population."

MOSCOW CONFERENCE WILL HEAR REPORT ON AMERICAN JEWS AND TO RUSSIAN WAR EFFORT

MOSCOW, March 6. (JTA) -- A report on Jewish life in the United States and the attitude of Jewish groups there towards helping Russia in the war against Germany will be delivered at the third annual convention of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee which opens here on April 2, attended by delegates from factories, military units and partisan detachments, it was announced today.

The report, which will be delivered by Prof. Solomon Mikhoels and Col. David Feler, who visited the United States as a Jewish cultural delegation from Russia, will be one of the major points on the agenda, the announcement said.

DUTCH NURSE FOLLOWS JEWISH PATIENT TO CONCENTRATION CAMP AND DEPORTATION

WASHINGTON, March 6. (JTA) -- The case of a non-Jewish Dutch nurse who voluntarily followed a Jewish patient to a concentration camp and deportation is reported today by the Dutch news agency Ansa.

The nurse had been taking care of a Jewish youth, who had lost both of his legs in an accident, for several years when the Germans invaded Holland. She continued caring for him until last year when he was ordered to a concentration camp during the mass round-up of all Netherlands Jews by the Germans. When she heard that her patient was to be deported to Poland, the nurse asked the German authorities to allow her to go with him. Permission was granted. Both of them are now in Poland.

HELMON SIGNED BY 101,000 CANADIANS ASKS PARLIAMENT TO BAN IMMIGRATION TO CANADA

MONTREAL, March 6. (JTA) -- A petition asking the government to ban the entry of immigrants was today submitted to the Canadian parliament in Ottawa. It carries 101,000 signatures and was sponsored by the St. Jean Baptiste Society in Quebec to offset a previous effort by the National Committee on Refugees which asked for a relaxation of the Canadian immigration laws in favor of the persecuted peoples of Europe.

The Montreal city council today shelved two anti-immigration resolutions which were placed on the agenda by the St. Jean Baptiste Society and La Ligue Nationale after a motion proposed by a Jewish Councillor, William Victor was adopted by a majority vote. During the debate many councillors spoke at length upon the motion and the sentiment was against permitting mass immigration after the war.

BILL OUTLAWING ANTI-JEWISH DISCRIMINATION PASSES FIRST READING IN ONTARIO LEGISLATURE

TORONTO, March 6. (JTA) -- A bill outlawing anti-Jewish discrimination by public places and employers in the province of Ontario has passed its first reading in the Ontario Parliament. Introduced by the Attorney-General of the province, following a suggestion by Governor-General Matthews in his annual "Speech from the Throne," the measure is being supported by all major political parties represented in the legislature. The bill was sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress.

PUBLICITY ON SYNAGOGUE DESECRATIONS AIMED AT "BESMIRCHING" CATHOLICS, BISHOP CHARGES

NEW YORK, March 6. (JTA) -- The charge that "paid publicity agents" had exaggerated children's scribbles on synagogue buildings into a "phantom of anti-Semitic hate for the deliberate besmirching of the minority Catholic population of this area," was made yesterday by Bishop J. Francis A. McIntyre, addressing 1,000 members of the Catholic Court Attaches Guild at a communion breakfast in the Hotel Roosevelt.

As an example of the publicity he was condemning, Bishop McIntyre indicated that the "March of Time" news motion-picture organization, had re-enacted the desecration of a Jewish synagogue in Washington Heights. He said that professional child actors were used "to portray the supposed desecration."

"Under the heading of toleration," the Bishop said, "action of this kind is employed, which in reality is inciting hatred, enmity and violent dislike. Obviously, this inconsistency is basically intellectual dishonesty and, what is more, a flagrant abuse of freedom of the press and freedom of speech. It is most un-American in spirit. In fact, it is ruthless sabotage. Being done with the blare of trumpets and the waving of the American flag, this inconsistency looms up as even more than sabotage; it is treason to the American way of life."

Richard de Rochemont, producer of March of Time, said cameramen and professional child actors re-enacted an act of vandalism at the Temple of the Covenant, on Feb. 25 with the permission of Harold Mashioff, rabbi of the temple. He said the re-enactment of the incident - the marking of the word "Jew" on the outer temple wall - was to form one of a series of illustrative incidents in a film on tolerance and that the incident actually had taken place several months ago. An outline of the film, which was intended "to reprove anti-Semitism, bigotry and racial prejudice," had been approved by the National Conference of Christians and Jews before the filming of the production was begun, he disclosed.

Rabbi Mashioff revealed that he had been asked to cooperate with the March of Time by the Anti-Defamation League and had been told that it was planned to film mock-desecrations of a Protestant and a Catholic church as well as his own temple. He said that the synagogue had been defaced several times in recent months.

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS PAY TRIBUTE TO DR. VICTOR BASCH AT LONDON MEETING

LONDON, March 6. (JTA) -- Exiled leaders of the democratic movements in many of the countries of occupied Europe gathered here last night to pay tribute to the late Dr. Victor Basch, who was reported to have been murdered under mysterious circumstances near Lyon, France in January.

Among the speakers were Hubert Ripke, Assistant Foreign Secretary of the Czechoslovakian Government-in-Exile; Count Michael Karoly, Hungarian democratic leader; Juan Negrin, last premier of the Spanish Loyalist Government and Harold Iaski, British labor party leader. Prof. Iaski described Basch, who had been active in liberal movements all his life, as "one of those who were ready to fight for freedom wherever it was threatened anywhere on the globe. Dr. Basch was one of the defenders of Capt. Alfred Dreyfus."

PEKARSKY NAMED TO DIRECT COUNCIL OF SOCIAL AGENCIES IN DETROIT

DETROIT, March 6. (JTA) -- Herman M. Pekarsky, acting executive director of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Detroit, has been named managing director of the Council of Social Agencies of Metropolitan Detroit, it was announced here today. He assumed the acting executive directorship of the Federation last May after serving as general administrative assistant of the Federation since 1939.