

MORE EXPULSIONS OF JEWS FROM HUNGARIAN CITIES; DECREE "LEGALIZES" GHETTO IN BUDAPEST

ZURICH, April 28. (JTA) -- Following its decision to expel all Jews from the two Jewish-populated Hungarian towns of Mukacz and Ungvar, the Nazi-controlled Hungarian Government today announced that the entire Jewish population of the city of Kosice, will also be expelled. Jews have been living in Kosice for generations.

At the same time, the Budapest radio today also broadcast the text of new decrees under which Jews in Hungary will be forbidden to buy textile goods and to possess firearms and munitions. All such articles are to be surrendered within eight days.

The official gazette today published a decree, broadcast over Hungarian radio stations, making legal the requisitioning of Jewish apartments in Hungary and the segregation of Jews in "compulsory residences." The decree also provides for the rejection of non-Jews who moved into houses of Jews deported or sent to concentration camps. This provision is apparently aimed at preventing friendly non-Jews from taking over the homes and the property of their Jewish friends and taking care of them until the liberation of Hungary.

A new census of the Jewish population has been ordered for May 1. The order, published in the official gazette, requires each Jew to submit to local authorities all personal data about himself and the members of his family.

Meanwhile, the Jewish Council in Budapest, which acts as a central Jewish body representing Jewish interests before the government, received an order to publish a notice on the front page of its publication, "Magyar Zsido Klapja," instructing all persons who are considered Jews under the new anti-Jewish laws, to register immediately for labor service in war industries. Those who do not register within 48 hours will be punished and will be forcibly conscripted.

Hungarian newspapers reaching here today carry lists of Jews fined from 100 to 1,000 pengoes for not wearing a yellow star. The papers reveal that non-Jews in Budapest are making a point of strolling in the streets with Jews who wear the yellow badge, to demonstrate publicly their sympathy for the Jews.

AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE EXPRESSES INDIGNATION OVER ANTI-SEMITISM IN POLISH ARMY

NEW YORK, April 28. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Committee today sent a cable to the Polish Government protesting against anti-Semitism in the Polish Army, and demanding that "full and immediate punishment be visited upon the anti-Semitic agitators." The protest, signed by Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, president, reads:

"The American Jewish Committee urgently represents to the Polish Government the widespread concern and indignation felt in this country over the manifestations of anti-Semitism exhibited in the Polish Army in England.

"It is of record that several hundred Jewish soldiers, because of these conditions, were permitted to leave the Polish Army to join the British forces. That the few soldiers who were court-martialed for endeavoring to join the British Army were singled out for punishment was essentially a complete reversal of previous policy. These Jewish soldiers were not seeking to shirk military duty; they were seeking to

fight in the British Army and, in the language of Emanuel Szerer, representative in the Polish National Council who was present at the court-martial, "That these men were driven to the desperate step of leaving their units to join the British Army must impress everyone having an open heart for human distress."

"It is a complete violation of the great principles for which this war is being fought to punish these men who were driven by intolerable conditions to seek a place in the British Army where they could fight with that morale and heroism that can exist only under decent human conditions, and not to visit the most condign punishment on those who were responsible for the anti-Semitic manifestations that made it practically impossible for self-respecting human beings to function as soldiers within the Polish ranks.

"We earnestly represent that American public opinion demands that full weight be given to the circumstances which impelled these men to seek to join the British Army, and that full and immediate punishment be visited upon the anti-Semitic agitators in the Polish Army. The Polish Government owes a duty to itself and to humanity to put a stop to these conditions and, in the language of Mr. Eden in his statement in Parliament, "to intensify its efforts to eradicate manifestations of anti-Semitism in the Polish forces" and to see to it "that all steps are taken to insure that this policy be translated into appropriate action."

#### JEWISH SAILORS TRIED BY POLISH COURT MARTIAL; ONE-THIRD OF TRANSFERREES IN COMBAT UNITS

LONDON, April 28. (JTA) -- Three Jewish sailors in the Polish Navy were recently tried by a Polish court-martial sitting in a southeastern English port, it was revealed today in the House of Commons during a resumption of the debate on anti-Semitism in the Polish forces. The court's verdict is not known.

Presenting further evidence of anti-Jewish incidents in the Polish Army, which culminated last week in the sentencing of 21 Jews to terms ranging from one year to two years imprisonment on charges of leaving Polish units and attempting to enlist in the British forces, Tom Driberg, Independent, told Commons that he had received a letter from a Jewish chaplain in the British Army revealing the court-martial of the sailors.

The chaplain, Driberg said, had requested permission from the Polish authorities to attend the court-martial when he learned that no Polish Jewish chaplain was available, but his request was refused. Driberg also reported that "one of the ablest Jewish doctors in the Polish Army" recently committed suicide after his repeated requests for a transfer to a British unit had been rejected. The doctor was a veteran of the campaign in France, he said.

Driberg declared that he has received "excellent reports" concerning the 207 Jews who have been transferred from Polish to British units. One-third of them, he said, have already been placed in combat units at their own request, indicating that in leaving the Polish Army they were not attempting to evade active service.

Replying to Driberg, George Hall, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of the Foreign Office, reiterated the British Government's refusal to allow any further transfers from the Polish forces. It is unfair, Hall said, to say that all Jews in the Polish Army are dissatisfied, "since from November, 1940 until February, 1944, only 17 Jews deserted."

AMERICAN SHORT-WAVE RADIO APPEALING TO HUNGARIANS TO ASSIST JEWS FLEE NAZIS

CAIRO, April 28. (JTA) -- Short-wave transmissions from "Voice of America" stations beamed to Hungary are calling on the Hungarian people to aid Jews to escape their Nazi persecutors.

The broadcasts warn that the puppet Hungarian regime is trying to make the Jews scapegoats for the Allied bombings to conceal the fact that it is sacrificing Hungarian blood for the Germans and that Hungarian factories are working for Germany.

One transmission heard here last night told Hungarians to do more than just show their sympathy for the Jews, citing President Roosevelt's appeal to the people of Europe on March 21 calling on them to do whatever was in their power to save the Jews to "show the world they are worthy to take their place in the family of freedom loving nations."

Circles here associated with relief and rescue work expressed the hope today that these transmissions would be continued, declaring they were bound to have a helpful effect.

GOVERNMENT BODY URGES CHANGES IN VISA SYSTEM TO FACILITATE ADMISSION OF REFUGEES

WASHINGTON, April 28. (JTA) -- Refraining from recommending any changes in the existing immigration laws, or in the immigration quota, the Interdepartmental Committee charged with approving visas for refugees has decided to suggest a more liberal approach to visa applications, in order to enable more refugees to enter the United States.

The Interdepartmental Committee consists of representatives of the State Department, War Department, Navy Department and the Department of Justice. Its present recommendations, it is understood, suggest the elimination of the requirement that the applicant for a visa to the United States must prove that he will be a benefit to the country if admitted. Another suggestion urges the simplifying of the application forms for visas which are now very complicated. It also recommends the simplification of the questions which the applicant is asked in connection with national security.

Should the recommendations be accepted by all departments concerned, the procedure for admission of refugees from Europe will be much reformed, to the benefit of the applicants for visas. The existing immigration quota, which permits more than 150,000 persons to immigrate yearly to the United States, has not been filled for a number of years despite the fact that thousands of Jews in Europe are seeking refuge.

PALESTINE POLICE RAID JEWISH SETTLEMENT IN VAIN SEARCH FOR ILLEGAL ARMS

JERUSALEM, April 28. (JTA) -- A detachment of military police raided the settlement of Kiryat Shaul, near Herzlia, at midnight Wednesday, it was learned here today.

The police, who were apparently seeking illegal arms, routed all the settlers from their homes and conducted extensive searches. No arms were found.

This is the first police raid on a Jewish settlement that has occurred in several months. A series of raids in the latter part of last year culminated with a clash between police and settlers at Ramath Hakovesh during which one colonist was killed.

AGENCY ASKS PALESTINE GOVERNMENT TO COOPERATE IN REHABILITATING DEMOBOLIZED SOLDIERS

JERUSALEM, April 28. (JTA) -- The Palestine Government will be asked to cooperate with the Jewish Agency in providing land and jobs for several thousand demobilized Jewish soldiers after the war, Dr. Bernard Joseph, acting head of the Agency's political department, today told a press conference here.

The Agency, Dr. Joseph said, has prepared an extensive memorandum on the rehabilitation of demobilized soldiers, which has been submitted to the Government. It asks assistance in settling 2,000 to 3,000 ex-soldiers on Jewish National Fund and Government land, and in constructing new housing in the suburbs of larger cities and large settlements.

The Government, as well as all Jewish institutions, will be asked to give employment preference to veterans, the Agency official said. Returning soldiers who wish to continue their studies at institutions of higher education will have 200 scholarships made available to them by the Agency.

ANGLICAN SYNOD OF MONTREAL DENOUNCES ANTI-SEMITISM IN COMMERCIAL ADVERTISEMENTS

MONTREAL, April 28. (JTA) -- The practice of certain summer resorts which advertise that they are reserved "for Christians only" was strongly condemned here today at a session of the Anglican Synod of Montreal.

The session adopted a resolution stating that "this Synod strongly condemns the use of the name "Christian" in hotel and other advertisements as a screen for pagan, commercialized anti-Semitism, such use being contrary to the spirit of Christ and the universal message of the Gospel."

ANGLO-JEWISH PUBLISHERS MEET IN INDIANAPOLIS; EDITORIAL, BUSINESS PROBLEMS ON AGENDA

INDIANAPOLIS, April 28. (JTA) -- Publishers of the leading Anglo-Jewish newspapers throughout the country will meet here tomorrow at a meeting called to discuss editorial and circulation problems and to plan the formation of an Association of Anglo-Jewish Publishers. The meeting will continue through Sunday afternoon.

An "Oneg Shabbat" tomorrow afternoon will open the proceedings. It will hear addresses by Alexander Brin of the Boston Jewish Advocate and Philip Slomovitz of the Detroit Jewish News. Saturday night and Sunday morning's sessions will be devoted to advertising and circulation respectively. After a luncheon on Sunday afternoon, to be addressed by Boris Smolar, editor of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, the final session of the convention will be held, with the editorial work of the papers the chief topic of the discussion. Election of officers will close the convention.

B'NAI B'RITH PLANNING NATIONAL GIRLS' ORGANIZATION

CHICAGO, April 28. (JTA) -- A blueprint for the creation of a national organization of B'nai B'rith Girls, to be patterned after B'nai B'rith's organization for teen age boys, the Aleph Zadik Aleph, was approved here at a national conference of leaders of the district councils of B'nai B'rith Girls, presidents and chairmen of B'nai B'rith Girls activities of the Women's Grand Lodges and officials of the Women's Supreme Council, under whose auspices the meeting was held. The B'nai B'rith girls organization, when finally established on a national level, will become part of a new nationwide B'nai B'rith youth organization to be governed by a B'nai B'rith Youth Commission. The new youth commission is to be created at the forthcoming national B'nai B'rith convention.