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RESTRICTIONS FOR JEWS IN USE OF AIR RAID SHELTERS INTRODUCED IN HUNGARY

ZURICH, June 4. (JTA) -- The Budapest radio today announced that non-Jews have priority on air raid shelters. "Jews can use shelters only when the number of Christians wanting to use them is not large," the broadcast said. "When there is no place for Jews, the latter should look for protection in some other way."

Further drastic measures against Jews in Hungary were indicated in an announcement made today over Hungarian radio stations by Lazlo Endre, Commissar for Jewish Affairs. "By the end of August there will be an abundance of Jewish flats available for the non-Jewish population," he said. In the meantime landlords and their agents throughout Hungary were today given twenty-four hours to submit to the local authorities detailed information about their tenants specifying their racial origin.

Hungarian newspapers reaching here today report that 30,000 Jews in the ghetto of Oradea are being "interrogated" on the suspicion that they turned their property over to Christian families prior to being placed in the ghetto. The Hungarian Jews Service reports that the press in Hungary has intensified its campaign against "Christian concealers of Jewish property." A number of large department stores in Budapest, including the "Parissi Lagy" and the "Arusz," have been closed down by the authorities on suspicion that they are "camouflaged Jewish enterprises," the news agency says.

In the city of Szombathely the local authorities are allowing only fifty Jews to shop each day. The fifty are selected by the chief of police. Jews in that city are forbidden to leave their homes on Sundays and holidays.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Hits Persecution of Hungarian Jews

WASHINGTON, June 4. (JTA) -- The Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday issued a statement condemning the threatened extermination of the 800,000 Jews of Hungary by the Germans, and appealed to the Hungarian people to assist the menaced Jews. The statement, which was broadcast to Europe by the Office of War Information, said:

"The people of the United States and all freedom-loving people are horrified by the news that Hitler has designated the 800,000 Jews in Hungary for death. That the people of Hungary should countenance the cold-blooded murder of innocent men, women and children is unthinkable. Once Hungary was the haven of tens of thousands who fled the Nazi terror in other lands. Once Hungary protected the helpless who sought refuge within its borders. Once Hungarians shielded their Jewish fellow-citizens. But now the Hungarian puppet government has joined the Nazis in their ruthless determination to do away with the Jews.

"While there is yet time the people of Hungary can demonstrate to the world that this unholy scheme is a betrayal of the true Hungarian spirit. They can hide the Jews until such time as they may help them to safety across the borders. They can refuse to purchase property stolen from the Jews. They can use every means to obstruct the Nazis and those Hungarians who are in league with the Nazis. They can keep track of the Nazis and those Hungarians who are accessories to murder and those who extend mercy, watch and remember those who are accessories to murder and those who extend mercy, until the time when guilt and innocence will weigh heavily in the balance. That time is near."

PALESTINE LABOR PARTY THREATENS OPPOSITION WITH EXPULSION; INSISTS ON DISCIPLINE

TEL AVIV, June 4. (JTA) -- Members of the opposition group in the Palestine Labor Party were officially warned today that they will be expelled from the party should they run their own slate of candidates in the forthcoming elections to the Jewish National Assembly.

The warning was given in a resolution adopted at the closing session of the conference of the Mapai, the Jewish Labor Party of Palestine. The resolution reads: "The conference considers the decision of 'Group B' (the opposition) to enter the elections with a competing list as a separation from the Mapai and as the practical establishment of a new party. Every member of the Mapai who will appear on a competing list, or will support it, expels himself from the party."

The conference also adopted a number of other resolutions regarding internal party discipline. Berl Kamenelson, one of the principal leaders of the Mapai, addressing the closing session of the conference, said that "the blow sustained by the Mapai from its opposition members creates an uncertain situation within the Zionist organization." Nevertheless, the Mapai should continue to build a strong and large labor movement, he urged.

AID FOR JEWISH UNDERGROUND, HAVENS FOR REFUGEES, POST-WAR REPARATIONS, ASKED BY ILGWU

BOSTON, June 4. (JTA) -- Support of the Jewish underground fighters in occupied Europe was pledged here today by the 25th annual convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union in a resolution which also asked immediate aid for refugees and outlined demands for post-war reparations for the Jewish people.

The resolution included the following specific demands: 1) Immediate opening of the doors of the United Nations to Jewish victims of Nazi persecution. 2) Cancellation of the British White Paper on Palestine. 3) Creation of "free ports" in the United States and elsewhere. 4) Enactment of measures which will facilitate the return of exiled Jews to their homes after the war, and speed their rehabilitation. 5) Return to Jews and other persons of property seized from them by the Nazis. 6) Punishment of Nazi war criminals.

Another resolution condemned the anti-Semitism in the Polish armed forces and demanded that all Jews who wish to do so be allowed to transfer from the Polish to the British army. Adolph Held, chairman of the Jewish Labor Committee, reported to the convention on the activities of the underground organizations.

Green Says A. F. L. Will Demand Jewish Palestine at Peace Conference

Addressing the convention earlier, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, pledged that the A.F. of L. would fight for a permanent Jewish National Home in Palestine at the peace conference. Strongly condemning the White Paper and demanding free immigration of Jews to Palestine, Mr. Green said that "the American labor movement is embittered and disappointed over England's treatment of the Palestine problem."

"Our hearts," he stated, "bleed when reading of the Nazi atrocities against Jews. We consider the closing of Palestine's doors to Jewish immigration a great crime. At the peace conference the American Federation of Labor will use its entire power and influence to secure a permanent national home for Jews in Palestine. Though England retreated from her promise to the Jewish people, we believe that Palestine must be a free and independent country. In order to achieve this, we shall fight for the abolition of all immigration restrictions against Jews in Palestine."

The convention was also addressed by Alexander Kahn, Joseph Baskin and other Jewish labor leaders. Israel Mereminsky, special envoy of the Histadruth in the United States, was invited by the convention to address it in behalf of organized Jewish labor in Palestine.

N.R.S. WILL FACILITATE POST-WAR REUNION OF WAR-TORN FAMILIES, WILLIAM ROSENWALD SAYS

NEW YORK, June 4. (JTA) -- "The United States will maintain its tradition of hospitality so long as the majority of the people in this country remember that immigration made us great and recognize its continuing positive value," William Rosenwald, president of the National Refugee Service, states in his presidential report for this year made public today.

"Who will be the immigrants of the future and how large will the influx be?" Mr. Rosenwald asks in his report. "Something better than pure speculation is possible on this subject. The records of this agency contain some three quarters of a million names of refugees overseas and of relatives here who are concerned about their fate. Many of these records represent broken families in which the wife may be on one side of the ocean and the husband on the other, or the father may be here, the mother a deportee in Poland, one child in England, and another in Shanghai. Many such families await the day of reunion. The task of bringing this about will, of course, engage the attention of our own and other governments, of such institutions as the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and the Red Cross, and of various private philanthropic organizations, notably the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. To that task N.R.S. will bring a considerable contribution. It will make available its records of refugees, probably the most extensive in existence, and its organization and experience."

Joseph E. Beck, executive director of the N.R.S., estimates that about 4,200 Jewish immigrants and an additional 1,000 Jewish refugees on temporary visas arrived in the United States during 1943. "In the course of the year practically every able-bodied refugee known to N.R.S., who was not previously employed, was placed in a job by N.R.S., or found a position through his own efforts," he said in his report. "Many who even a year before were considered unemployable due to old age or other handicaps were placed in positions which made them wholly or partly self-dependent."

JEWISH UNDERGROUND GROUPS ACTIVE IN POLAND; CONDUCT ARMED RESISTANCE, ASSIST FUGITIVES

MOSCOW, June 4. (JTA) -- Jewish underground groups in Poland have stepped up their activities and representatives are in contact with the Jews in the ghettos and labor camps that still exist and with those who are hiding in the homes of friendly non-Jews, according to a reliable report received here today. It discloses that the Jewish underground is in contact even with the Jews confined in the "death camps" awaiting execution.

Bands of armed Jews are still operating in Galicia and in the Kielce and Zaglembe districts, the report says. In addition, thousands of Jews are still living in caves under the ruins of the Warsaw ghetto and an attack upon a band of armed Germans at Belana, near Warsaw, recently is believed the work of these ghetto cave dwellers. In this foray the Jews succeeded in killing some Germans, although they suffered heavy losses. Some of the Warsaw Jews have been taken from the ghetto ruins by Polish democrats who secured false identification documents for them.

A special organization has been established by the underground to provide fugitive Jews with arms and to provide false documents and jobs for Jews who evade the Nazis. Some of these fugitive Jews are able to escape the Germans by travelling about the country in the company of priests or gypsy bands, moving in nomad-like fashion from one remote village to another through hidden forest paths.

The Polish Peoples National Council, which has been set up within occupied territory, has taken energetic steps to aid the Jews, and has publicly warned that persons surrendering Jews to the Gestapo will be executed. Recent bulletins of the Council contain lists of such sentences which have been carried out.

The underground report estimates that there are about 250,000 Jews remaining in Poland today, including those in the few ghettos and labor camps which have not yet been liquidated, and all fugitives.

AMERICAN LABOR COMMITTEE FOR PALESTINE CABLES \$250,000 TO HISTADRUTH IN JERUSALEM

NEW YORK, June 4. (JTA) -- The National Labor Committee for Palestine today announced the transmission of \$250,000 by cable to the Histadruth in Jerusalem. This is the largest single transmission ever sent by the Committee to Palestine. The money will be used for intensification of colonization and rescue work conducted by the Histadruth as well as for the organization of new cooperative enterprises to enable the absorption of more people, the announcement said.

DR. E. SOSKIN, NOTED JEWISH AGRONOMIST, ARRIVES HERE FROM PALESTINE

NEW YORK, June 4. (JTA) -- Dr. S. E. Soskin, noted Jewish agronomist and Zionist leader, has arrived here from Palestine. He expects to interest the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in a proposal to feed liberated Europe by hydroponics, which is soil-less agriculture.

On the basis of his experiments with the soil-less method, Dr. Soskin believes that the immediate introduction of large-scale hydroponic cultivation in Palestine would provide food-stuffs for Europe. Five hundred tons of chemicals shipped from the United States could produce 10,000 tons of potatoes in Palestine, which is particularly well adapted to the chemical method of agriculture since it has on an average of 320 days of sunshine yearly, Dr. Soskin said.

LEON GELLMAN, PRESIDENT OF MIZRACHI ORGANIZATION, GIVEN TESTIMONIAL DINNER

NEW YORK, June 4. (JTA) -- Religious Zionist leaders from all parts of the country joined today in paying tribute to Leon Gellman, president of the Mizrahi Organization of America, at a testimonial dinner in his honor, at the Commodore Hotel, in recognition of his ten years as president of the Mizrahi.

Prof. Carl J. Friedrich, director of the School for Overseas Administration at Harvard University, was the principal speaker. In recognition of his years of active service to the cause of Zionism, Mr. Gellman received a national victory membership roll of 10,000 newly enrolled members of the Mizrahi. Mr. Gellman, a former newspaper editor, joined the Mizrahi movement thirty-three years ago as its first executive secretary.

M. RIBALOW, EDITOR OF ONLY HEBREW WEEKLY IN AMERICA, HONORED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 4. (JTA) -- Leaders and representatives of national Jewish organizations interested in promoting Hebrew language and literature in America, today honored Menachem Ribalow, editor of the Hadoar, only Hebrew weekly magazine in the United States, on the occasion of the thirtieth anniversary of his literary activities. A special issue of Hadoar with articles on Mr. Ribalow by about forty writers was published to mark the occasion.

Speakers at the gathering, which took place at the Times Hall, included Dr. Israel Goldstein, on behalf of the Zionist Organization of America; Dr. Stephen S. Wise, on behalf of the American Jewish Congress; Dr. Israel H. Levinthal, on behalf of the Hadoar Committee; Rabbi Samuel K. Mirsky, on behalf of the Histadruth Ivrit; Dr. Nissan Touroff, on behalf of the Hadoar writers; Dr. A. M. Dushkin, on behalf of the Hebrew youth Commission and the Hebrew Arts Committee; S. Nizer on behalf of the Louis Lamed Fund; and Moses Feinstein, on behalf of the Hebrew Pen Club. Dr. Israel Efros, president of the Histadruth Ivrit was chairman.

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