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BRITAIN REJECTS DEMAND OF TRANSJORDAN CABINET FOR ABOGATION OF MANDATE

JERUSALEM, June 22. (JTA) -- The British Government has rejected a demand submitted by the cabinet of Transjordan asking abolition of the mandate and complete independence, it was learned here today.

Any new arrangements or treaties concerning the status of Transjordan must wait until after the war, the British Government informed Emir Abdullah, the ruler of Transjordan. In the meantime relations between the two countries will have to continue on their present basis, the reply said.

Upon receipt of the British reply, the Transjordan cabinet resigned. Its resignation was not accepted by Emir Abdullah after a conference with Sir Harold MacMichael, British High Commissioner for Palestine and Transjordan, who made a flying trip from Jerusalem to Amman, the capital of Transjordan.

Under the terms of Article 25 of the mandate, Transjordan was included in the mandated territory of Palestine. But by virtue of a saving clause in the article, the British Government, as mandatory, was empowered to withhold application of any clauses of the mandate which she might consider to be inapplicable to Transjordan, and to provide it with such administration as she might think fit.

In the British view, Transjordan, unlike Palestine, fell within the area in which the McMahon promise of independence applied. The British Government, therefore, in 1922, secured approval by the Council of the League of Nations of a memorandum proposing that Transjordan be exempted from all those clauses dealing with the Holy Places and the Jewish National Home. On the strength of this, Jews have been refused immigration into Transjordan and the right to purchase land there, a step which they resent as being an infraction of the article of the joint mandate which provides against discrimination on grounds of race, religion or language.

HOUSE OPENS HEARINGS ON U. S. WARNING TO NAZI COUNTRIES AGAINST PERSECUTION OF JEWS

WASHINGTON, June 22. (JTA) -- The resolution condemning the extermination of the Jews of Europe which was adopted yesterday by the House Foreign Affairs Committee was formally introduced in the House today by Rep. Sol Bloom, chairman of the committee.

Immediately after introduction of the resolution, which also pledges post-war punishment of persons guilty of persecuting oppressed people, Rep. Bloom announced the committee would hold open hearings on it tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

The measure asks Secretary of State Cordell Hull to convey "through such means as he may find appropriate, the concern and determination of the House," and calls upon "the Nazis and all their satellites to stem the tide of inhumanity toward helpless peoples."

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HUNGARIAN GOVERNMENT SEIZES \$45,000,000 FROM JEWS IN TRANSILVANIA CAPITAL

ZURICH, June 22. (JTA) -- The extent to which the pro-Nazi Hungarian Government is enriching itself at the expense of Jews whose property and homes have been seized is indicated in Hungarian newspapers reaching here today.

One paper reports that in the city of Nagyvarad (Oradea), the capital of Transylvania, Jews reported property valued at 180,000,000 pengoes (approximately \$5,000,000) while the municipal authorities claim that they discovered additional property worth 50,000,000 pengoes (approximately \$10,000,000). Jews were ordered to "report" their property preparatory to confiscation. About 25,000 Jews have been concentrated in a ghetto in Nagyvarad, which was transferred from Rumania to Hungary in 1940.

Minister of Finance Remenyi Schneller, speaking at Baja, assailed the "greed" of persons anxious to enrich themselves as a result of the anti-Jewish campaign. Denouncing those people who wish to be given Jewish property, he said that the nation will use it for "national purposes." He urged persons in possession of Jewish property, no matter how obtained, to report it to the government.

The Hungarian Telegraph Bureau reported today that the time limit for Budapest Jews to move into ghettos has been extended two days to June 24 "for technical reasons." Further restrictions have been imposed upon these Jews who have already moved into the ghettos, which are located in the suburbs of the capital. In Ujpest and Rakospalota Jews may only shop between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on week-days and not at all on week-ends and holidays. The mayors of both suburbs have also asked the police to forbid Jews working in war factories to leave their homes after working hours.

Budapest newspapers quote Lazlo Body, deputy mayor of Budapest, as stating that 112,620 Jews in Greater Budapest have already exchanged their ration cards for "Jewish cards" which restrict purchases. He said that 10,467 Jews have applied for exemption from the anti-Jewish laws, of whom 7,479 received approval.

Meanwhile, Zoltan Bosnyak, head of the Institute for Jewish Research, is continuing his campaign for expulsion of all Jews from the country. Bosnyak is reported in the Budapest press to have stated that "segregation of Jews in ghettos cannot bring a successful solution of the Jewish problem. Jews must be moved far away from us to some entirely isolated part of the earth."

J.D.C. DIRECTOR CONFERS WITH UNRRA OFFICIALS IN CAIRO; 200 GREEK JEWS REACH ALEPPO

CAIRO, June 22. (JTA) -- Dr. Joseph Schwartz, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, has arrived here from Italy and North Africa to confer with officials of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration on problems concerning Jewish rehabilitation work in the Mediterranean area. Dr. Schwartz expects to proceed from here to Palestine and Turkey in connection with J.D.C. relief activities.

A group of 200 Greek Jews are reported here today to have reached Aleppo en route to Palestine. Their transportation is being financed by J.D.C. funds.

ROBOT BOMB HITS JEWISH AGRICULTURAL TRAINING FARM IN ENGLAND; KILLS FIVE CHALUTZIM

LONDON, June 22. (JTA) -- Five members of the Hechalutz were killed, and three gravely injured, when one of Hitler's robot bombs struck a Hechalutz building somewhere in southern England, it was learned today. Several other persons in the building, which housed young refugees receiving agricultural training, were slightly injured. The dead Cholutzim, two of whom were girls, came to England from Germany and Austria.

CONGRESS POSTPONES HEARINGS ON BILLS TO ESTABLISH "FREE PORTS" IN THE UNITED STATES

WASHINGTON, June 22. (JTA) -- Hearings in both Houses of Congress on bills to establish temporary havens in the United States, which were scheduled for yesterday, were postponed at the last moment.

In the House, hurrying to adjourn in time for the national political conventions in Chicago, committees were requested to call off all business, so that members could attend. The House Immigration and Naturalization Committee complied by canceling hearings on "free ports."

In the Senate, hearings before the Foreign Relations Committee on the Gillette bill to provide temporary detention care for Jewish and other refugees at Ellis Island or at special reception centers were postponed at the request of Senator Gillette.

ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT ORDERS SCHOOLS TO GIVE JEWISH CHILDREN "MORAL INSTRUCTION"

MONTEVIDEO, June 22. (JTA) -- Further details on the segregation of Jewish children on separate benches in some of the public schools in Argentina reached here today. They reveal that Jewish pupils, exempt from the study of Catholicism, are given "moral instruction" in the schools in accordance with a decree issued by the Argentine Government introducing compulsory teaching of the Roman Catholic religion in all schools.

The decree was issued, the government said, because any child who has no knowledge of religion is an atheist, who commences by repudiating the name of God and ends by denying His existence and laws, thereby destroying the private and public morals on which Argentine national unity is founded. It therefore orders that "in all public schools or primary, elementary, secondary and special education, the teaching of the Roman Catholic religion shall be taught as a regular subject of study. Pupils whose parents express opposition to this principle by reason of belonging to another religion, are exempt on the ground of 'freedom of conscience.' These pupils shall be given moral instruction."

JEWISH, CATHOLIC, PROTESTANT RELIGIOUS LEADERS ISSUE JOINT CALL ON EDUCATION

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- One hundred and forty outstanding Protestant, Catholic and Jewish religious leaders have signed a joint statement calling for the early establishment of a permanent International Office for Education on the ground that the war had reached a stage "where it is of prime importance to consider the shape of the civilization we want, civilization based on friendliness and collaboration among individuals, groups and nations."

The statement was made public today by Dr. Harlow Shapley of the Harvard Observatory from the office of the American Association for an International Office for Education of which he is president. It calls for effective education on all levels and peaceful collaboration to advance educational development, without interference with the educational systems of any country. "The further peace and security of the American people, as of all peoples," it maintains, "rests upon the attainment of mutual understanding, the applications of reason and knowledge to the solution of human problems and -- as an indispensable means to their objective -- effective education on all levels."

"We can only hope to overcome destructive aggression and to reduce the possibility of further war to the extent that we can infuse human minds and human institutions with ethical and spiritual purposes," the statement says. "Education is a necessary instrument to this end."

LOUIS E. KIRSTEIN PROFESSORSHIP IN HUMAN RELATIONS ESTABLISHED AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY

BOSTON, June 22. (JTA) -- Creation of a Louis E. Kirstein professorship in Human Relations at the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration was announced here by James B. Conant, president of the University. The new chair will continue the life-long work of the late Jewish leader and philanthropist in the improvement of human relations in business and community life.

Funds totalling more than \$200,000 have been donated by 125 friends and business associates of Mr. Kirstein for the establishment of the professorship. Several trade unions have also contributed to the fund, marking the first time that labor groups have given in this way to the University.

"The purposes of the professorship, first, to honor Mr. Kirstein and, second, to encourage teaching and research in the neglected area of human relations, make it a project of especial significance, both to the University and to the nation," President Conant said. "Kirstein typified many of those characteristics and qualities which universities should represent, encourage and pass on to future generations. Also, no thoughtful citizen can escape being greatly disturbed by the sectional and group conflicts developing in this country, very often based on misunderstanding and poor human relations. It will be a purpose of this professorship to point the way toward maximum cooperation among all groups in the nation.

"National unity and group understanding are necessary if this country is to have the great influence for good which it should have in international affairs in the future, and if our own democracy, itself, is to survive. Of great importance, also, is the symbolic meaning of this new chair. It will be a focal point where labor and business, as well as other groups, can meet and discuss their problems in a judicial atmosphere--in a neutral area, as it were," President Conant concluded.

AGUDAS ISRAEL OPENS FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AT FERNDAL, NEW YORK

FERNDAL, N. Y., June 22. (JTA) -- The fifth annual convention of the Agudas Israel organization of America opened here this afternoon with 500 delegates from all parts of the country and Canada in attendance. The convention, which is meeting at the Hotel Empire, will continue through Sunday.

Rabbi Eliezer Silver, president of the Agudas Israel, announced at the opening session that he had received a cable from the Agudas Israel of Palestine urging redoubled efforts on behalf of the Jews of Europe.

YESHIVA COLLEGE AND TEACHERS INSTITUTE AWARD SIXTY-SEVEN DIPLOMAS TO GRADUATES

NEW YORK, June 22. (JTA) -- Fifty-four bachelor of arts degrees and thirteen teachers diplomas were conferred upon graduates of Yeshiva College and the Teachers Institute, respectively, at joint commencement exercises held today.

Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the Yeshiva, of which the Institute is an integral part, and Yeshiva College delivered the commencement address and bestowed an honorary degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, upon the distinguished French mathematician and author, Prof. Jacques Hadamard, formerly of the Sorbonne in Paris and a relative of the late Capt. Alfred Dreyfus.

The Mordecai Ben David Foundation Award of \$1,000 given annually to a "person of the Jewish faith for patriotism and noteworthy achievement to America" was presented posthumously to Lt. Louis Werfel, Chaplain, U. S. Army, who was killed in a plane crash December 27, 1943 in North Africa. Lt. Werfel, a graduate of Yeshiva College was known as the "Flying Rabbi." The award was accepted by a member of his family.