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INTERRED AMERICAN JEWS KILLED DURING ALLIED RAIDS ON BUDAPEST, SAY HUNGARIANS

ZURICH, July 18. (JTA) -- Eighty-nine American Jews who had been interned in Hungary since the outbreak of the war were killed during recent Allied bombings of Budapest, according to the Budapest newspaper Függetlenség, official organ of the pro-Nazi Sztojay government.

The paper, a copy of which was received here today, claims that the Jews were recently moved from an internment camp near a railroad station at the request of the central Jewish council which was charged with securing food and other supplies for the Americans. It has been the expressed policy of the Hungarian Government, however, to move Jews from places of comparative safety to areas close to military targets and to deny them access to air-raid shelters.

The Függetlenség says that two of the seven buildings in which the American Jews were quartered had been destroyed, and that it was impossible even to find the remains of the bodies of the occupants, among whom were women and children. Survivors have been returned to their original camp, the paper adds.

The Budapest correspondent of the Berlin Boersen Zeitung reports that Jewish property in Hungary is valued at about thirty billion pengoes (approximately six billion dollars). Most of this property has been confiscated by the government under decrees issued since the German occupation of the country. The publication of the Budapest Property Owners Association, however, complains that confiscations are not proceeding rapidly enough and urges the authorities to take over 15,000 houses in Budapest owned by Jews and 20,000 in the provinces.

Meanwhile, protests continue to mount against the economic and physical destruction of Hungarian Jewry by the Germans and the pro-Nazi authorities. Today the reformed Consistory of the National Protestant Church at Basle, the Swiss Catholic association at Geneva and other Swiss religious bodies issued statements attacking the mistreatment of the Jews. Catholic Bishop Dr. Kury joined in the protests.

Count Karoli Urges Hungarians to Resist Extermination of Jews

LONDON, July 18. (JTA) -- Count Michael Karoli, leader of exiled Hungarian democrats, last night appealed to "the whole Magyar people" to resist German efforts to exterminate the Jews of Hungary. Denouncing the collaborationist regime of Admiral Horthy, Karoli urged the Hungarians "to take their stand along with their Jewish brothers."

NAZIS EXHUMING BODIES OF 30,000 YUGOSLAV JEWS TO HIDE TRACES OF MASSACRES

WASHINGTON, July 18. (JTA) -- The Nazis are systematically exhuming the remains of 70,000 Yugoslavs and 30,000 Jews executed since 1941, according to the Swiss newspaper Gazette de Lausanne, as reported by the OWI today. The Nazis are erasing all marks "of mass murders, the Swiss paper said.

WISE URGES DEMOCRATS TO ADOPT PLANK SUPPORTING JEWISH COMMONWEALTH IN PALESTINE

CHICAGO, July 18. (JTA) -- The resolutions committee of the Democratic National Convention was urged last night by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, co-chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council, to incorporate within its platform a plank calling for unrestricted Jewish immigration into Palestine and the establishment there of a Jewish Commonwealth.

Citing the long history of Democratic Party support of Jewish aspirations in Palestine, dating from the administration of Woodrow Wilson up to the present time, Mr. Wise stressed that Palestine today is the only hope of refuge for hundreds of thousands of Jews in occupied Europe. He submitted to the resolutions committee the text of a draft resolution which was prepared by the Zionist Emergency Council, and urged that it be adopted as the official Democratic policy on Palestine. It reads:

"From the days of Woodrow Wilson and throughout the administration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, it has been the policy of the Democratic Party to support the full implementation of the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate over Palestine. In the light of that historic policy and the uprooting and homelessness of millions of Jews in European lands, we call for the opening of Palestine to unrestricted Jewish immigration and colonization; and, in accordance with the full intent and purpose of the said covenant made with the Jewish people, the establishment of Palestine as a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth, in which all the inhabitants shall have equal civic, religious, and cultural rights, and in which the Holy places of all faiths shall be fully safeguarded."

Rep. Emanuel Celler, (Dem.-N.Y.) today told the committee that present restrictions on Jewish immigration to Palestine violate U. S. treaty provisions, and urged that the Democrats issue a strong denunciation of the British White Paper on Palestine. Rep. Celler stressed the necessity for the Democrats to adopt a Palestine plank as strong or stronger than that adopted by the Republican convention.

Zionist spokesmen who addressed the committee included Rabbi Israel Goldstein, president of the Zionist Organization of America, who said that "regardless of its gravity, the Democratic platform cannot afford to omit a reference to Palestine."

Convention Asked to Back Outlawing of Racial Propaganda

NEW YORK, July 18. (JTA) -- A request that the resolutions committee of the Democratic Party's National Convention adopt a plank urging federal legislation outlawing the spreading of propaganda aimed at fostering racial and religious hatreds was wired from here today by Harold O. N. Frankel, Grand Master of the Independent Order Brith Abraham.

GERMANS CAPTURE 100 WARSAW JEWS HIDING IN HOMES OF FRIENDLY POLES

LONDON, July 18. (JTA) -- German police in Warsaw recently rounded up 100 Jews who were being sheltered in the homes of Poles, according to information reaching Polish circles here today. The fate of the Jews, who were probably survivors of the liquidation of the Warsaw ghetto, is not known.

The Jews were captured during mass arrests by the Nazis of Poles whom they are using for forced labor to construct fortifications. It is also reported that the prison located within the ruins of the Warsaw ghetto was raided recently by Polish patriots who liberated 15 political prisoners, including leaders of the resistance movement.

J.D.C. ALLOTS \$10,459,472 FOR FIRST HALF OF YEAR; WORKING WITH UNRRA

NEW YORK, July 18. (JTA) -- The establishment of the War Refugee Board, liberation of occupied territory and other factors have so widened the scope of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee that its allocations during the first six months of 1944 surpassed those which it made for the whole year of 1943, it was announced today.

The J.D.C. - major American agency for the relief of distressed Jews abroad - appropriated \$10,459,472 between January 1 and June 30 of this year, for rescue, relief and rehabilitation of refugees overseas. Its budget for all of 1943 came to \$10,453,052. There is every indication, the announcement said, that the J.D.C. expenditures for the balance of this year will be accelerated because of the widespread operations of governmental and intergovernmental overseas relief and rescue agencies.

Over seventy percent of J.D.C.'s total expenditures went into the work of rescue from and relief in the war-torn areas. The Joint Distribution Committee is today working closely with the War Refugee Board, UNRRA and the Intergovernmental Committee for Refugees, as well as with the Allied governments-in-exile. Operating in virtually every important Allied and neutral country, the J.D.C. is also bringing assistance to destitute Jews in the occupied lands.

In the first half of 1944, four members were added to the overseas staff of the J.D.C., which now has representatives in London, Lisbon, Madrid, Barcelona, Algiers, Tangier, Bari, Istanbul, Jerusalem, Teheran, Buenos Aires and Montevideo. The J.D.C. representative remains interned in Shanghai.

ANTI-SEMITISM IN PRE-WAR POLAND RESULT OF GERMANIC INFLUENCES, SAYS POLISH PUBLICATION

NEW YORK, July 18. (JTA) -- Anti-Semitism in Poland originated with the introduction of Germanic influences into the nation's economic life in the 19th century and was deliberately sharpened during the 130 years that Poland was partitioned and under the rulership of Germany, Austria-Hungary and Czarist Russia, according to the forthcoming issue of "Polish Facts and Figures" issued by the Polish Government Information Center here.

The publication says vigorous efforts were made to combat anti-Semitism in the period between 1919-1939 and cites several pieces of legislation by the post-World War I Polish Government guaranteeing equality to Jews. "It should be emphasized," it continues, "that no legal discrimination whatever against Jews was to be found in Poland up to the last moment before the Hitler invasion." Admitting the existence of anti-Semitism in this period, it asserts that the extent of the anti-Jewish excesses was "insignificant" compared to the "scope and wealth of development of political, cultural and economic life of millions of Polish Jews."

The pamphlet traces the history of the Jewish community from the middle ages when Poland was a haven for persecuted Jews through the Nazi occupation. It stresses the economic, political and cultural contributions which the Jews made to the country as a whole.

Discussing post-war reconstruction plans of the Polish Government-in-Exile in London, the pamphlet says that Jews will be indemnified for property confiscated by the Germans and will have "equal rights and duties" with all other Polish citizens.