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### ESTORATION OF LOOTED PROFERTY, FULL RIGHTS. PROMISED FOLISH JEWS BY NEW COMMITTEE

IONDON, July 24. (JTA) -- Polish Jews were assured today by the new Polish Committee of National Liberation, which has established headquarters in Chelm, in central Poland, that their looted property will be restored and that all legal rights will be guaranteed them. The assurance was contained in a manifesto broadcast by the Moscow radio.

The head of the War Reparations Department of the committee is Dr. Emil Sommerstein, a prominent Jewish member of the pre-war Polish Seim. Dr. Sommerstein was arrested when the Russians occupied eastern Poland in 1939 and was sent into the interior of Russia. He was released in the winter of 1941 following the amnesty granted Poles in Russia under the agreement negotiated by the late Premier Sikorski and Premier Stalin. At one time Dr. Sommerstein was slated to receive a seat in the Folish National Council in London.

The manifesto pledges "democratic freedom and equality to all citizens, regardless of race, creed or national origin" and urges increased participation by the Polish people in the war, stating that "the hour of revenge against the Germans has struck - revenge for the burnt villages, destroyed cities, ruined churches, slave labor, concentration camps, the executions at Majdanek, Treblinka and Oswiecim, and the massacres in the ghettos."

Discussing the restoration of confiscated property, the manifesto says that "in view of the sufferings inflicted upon them by the occupation forces, Jews will be guaranteed the restoration of all rights through the existence of legal and actual equality."

#### ALL OF PINSK'S 25,000 JEWS MURDERED; 6,000 KILLED IN VILNA PRIOR TO NAZI RETREAT

MOSCOW. July 24. (JTA) -- No Jews remain in the city of Pinsk, according to front line reports reaching here today. Red Army troops who recaptured the city did not encounter even one survivor of the 25,000 Jews who dwelt there prior to the German invasion of Russia.

A similar situation exists in Vilna, which had a pre-war Jewish population of about 55,500, other dispatches reveal. Non-Jews in the city disclosed that a few days prior to retreating from Vilna, the Germans executed 6,000 Jews in the local ghetto, They were the last Jews remaining in the city.

# DECISION REGARDING PALESTINE'S FUTURE REACHED IN LONDON, JERUSALEM HEARS

JERUSAIEM, July 24. (JTA) -- Unofficial reports reaching here state that a decision regarding palestine's future status has been reached in London, but that details are not known as yet even in high official circles.

The Palestine Jewish community has interpreted the appointment of Viscount Gort as High Commissioner as an indication that a new British Palestine policy is in the offinge

#### HORTHY'S WIFE ASKED TO AID JETS; REPLYS SHE WILL FURTHER "HUMANITARIAN PRINCIPLES"

BERNE, July 24. (JTA) -- The wife of Regent Micholas Horthy, in a telegram to the Association of Swiss Nomen, has pledged to do "anything in her power to Author the cause of humanitarian principles," it was announced here today. The promise was in response to a telegram to Mrs. Horthy by the association protesting the extermination of Hungarian Jews.

The Hungarian press press reports that Kazmer Kallay, nephew of the former premier Micholas Kallay, who was arrested recently for attempting to smuggle Jews out of the country, has been interned. Kallay denied that he had been paid to help the data scape, but said that he had assisted old friends because he liked Jews. He confessed that he provided four fugitives with false identification documents and heptismal cortificates.

The papers also report that the Minister of Industry has ousted several prominent Jewish industrialists from the Industrial Raw Material Economic Council. They include Leo Budy-Goldberger, Ferenc Chorin, Jenoe Erdoes, Bela Waldman, Baron Jenoe Welss and Baron Andras Volfner.

#### NON-PARTY MEMBERS IN HISTADRUTH VOTE TO JOIN PALESTINE LABOR PARTY

JERUSALEM, July 24. (JTA) -- A conference of nearly 1,900 delegates reprecepting 20,633 members of the Histadruth, the Palestine Labor Federation, who are not millilated with any of the parties represented in the Histadruth, has voted to join the Palestine Labor Party, it was announced today.

The conference called on the opposition group within the Labor Party to rejoin the party in order to strengthen the Histadruth and enable it to play a leading role in the development of the country. At present, the opposition group plans to present a separate slate in the elections to the council of the Histadruth which are to be held August 6 and 7.

At the same time, Shlomo Kaplansky, one of the founders of the world Jewish Socialist movement, announced that he is resigning from the Labor Party because of the failure of the two divergent groups to settle their differences. He attacked the leaders of both groups for destroying the unity necessary "to meet the urgent tasks facing the Jewish labor movements"

Meanwhile, representatives of the Sephardic Jews, the New Zionist Organization, the General Zionists "B," the Jewish Agriculturists, the Jewish Inadlords association and the "Bnei Chorin" issued a statement saying that they would be be elections to the Assefath Hanivcharim, the Falestine Jewish Assembly, because of the refusal of the Jewish National Council to postpone the elections, slated for nuxt onth, until an agreement can be reached to amend the elections system, which they claim is responsible for the fact that there are 35 separate lists of candidates.

## AUCH-POSTPONED PAN-ARAB CONFERENCE OFF AGAIN; ONLY TWO COUNTRIES WILLING TO ATTEND

IONDON, July 24. (JTA) -- The much-postponed pan-Arab unity conference has been delayed once again, it is reported here today. Lebanese Premier Riad el Sohl told a Riuter's correspondent that he has been informed by Fremier Mahas Fasha of Egypt, moving spirit behind the pan-Arab movement, that the conference which was to nave been held in Cairo early next month has been postponed because only Lebanon and Iransjordan agreed to send delegates.

## THOUSANDS OF DESTITUTE JEWS IN ROME REQUIRE INTEDIATE ASSISTANCE; BEING AIDED BY JDC

ROME, July 24. (JTA) -- Nearly one-fourth of the Jewish population of Rome, and over 1,000 Jewish refugees from other sections of Italy and foreign countries residing here, are in need of immediate assistance, it was reported here today by Jewa Ferlman, Joint Distribution Committee representative in Italy, following a week-long survey of conditions in the Rome area.

Mine-hundred and ten foreign Jews of 14 nationalities and 460 Italian Jowish refugees from occupied territory are presently receiving assistance in Rome from the Jint Distribution Committee through the "Delasem," its local committee here, Perlman said, and the JDC - through the Delasem - has undertaken to provide assistance for 2,000 destitute Jews of Rome and 250 Jews in small towns in the Rome area.

Under normal conditions, Perlman pointed out, the Italian Jews would be able to neet their own relief requirements, but the Rome community has no funds at present. It has been estimated that 9,000 Jews remain in Rome of the 12,000 who formerly dwelthere. There are in addition 1,100 foreign Jewish refugees. The Rome Jewish community contained a large proportion of small traders, artisans and workers who were made destitute by Fascist discriminatory lews and Mazi persecutions.

The JDC committee here, Perlman disclosed, continued to function during the nine months the Germans occupied the ontital. During this period they borrowed 5,000,000 lire under an agreement by which the JDC promised to repay the loan after astillities ceased. At present the JDC is working here under the aegis of the Interpovernmental Committee on Refugees, which is subordinate to the Allied Control commission.

Outlining future plans of the JDC in this area, Perlman said that it was claiming to establish vocational training projects in Rome and is also studying the possibility of setting up a farm training school. The community has been asked to essist in reopening the Jewish dispensary and hospital of fifty beds, which was closed from by the Fassists and Germans and stripped of all its supplies and equipment. Plans are also under way to establish a school for Jewish children and to open a nostel to house the Jewish refugees who keep drifting into Rome from the battle areas. All these activities of the JDC, Ferlman said, are being financed by a grant of 140,000 made by the home office in New York.

# JDC Office in Buenos Aires Marks First Anniversary

MONTEVIDEO, July 24. (JTA) -- On the occasion of the first anniversary of the establishment of the Buenos Aires office of the Joint Distribution Committee, the DC representative there, Jacob Lightman, today outlined its accomplishments.

Expressing appreciation for the cooperation of the Latin American Jewish communities, Lightman said that the JDC now works with 30 local committees in various outh American countries.

## ABBI GEDALIAH SILVERSTONE, FORMERLY OF WASHINGTON, DIES IN PALESTINE

JERUSAIEM, July 24. (JTA) -- Funeral services were held here yesterday for abbi Gedeliah Silverstone, 74, a former resident of Washington D.C., who served as rabbi of the Combined Congregations there for more than 20 years. Rabbi Silverstone, who was chief rabbi of Belfast, Ireland at one time, was an active Zionist and the author of many religious books.