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EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNT OF DEPORTATION OF HUNGARIAN JEWS GIVEN BY ARRIVAL FROM BUDAPEST

BERN, July 27. (JTA) -- A first-hand account of the persecution and deportation of Hungarian Jews is given today by a Hungarian woman who left Budapest a few days ago, in an interview appearing in the BaslerArbeiter Zeitung.

She reports that thousands of Jews from the Budapest suburbs of Ujpest and Kispest, where ghettos have been established, were recently loaded into scaled cattle trains and sent to Poland. Many persons witnessed the deportations, which were accompanied by scenes of horror and terror since the Jews knew the fate in store for them.

Jews from the city of Gyoer, she said, were sent to Lublin, which has just been liberated by the Red Army. Some postcards arrived from Jews deported to other parts of Poland, but they were postmarked with the names of towns whose locations were not known, since the Nazis have changed the Polish names to German ones.

Jews are not permitted to accompany their dead to the cemetery, she disclosed. Jewish corpses are taken to the graveyards and buried by Jewish labor gangs without any relatives present. Jews in internment camps are not allowed to seek cover during air raids, and no shelters are provided for them.

The woman, who was enabled to reach Switzerland because she is married to a Swiss national, said that the fate of Hungarian Jews is in the hands of a Nazi-dominated Hungarian triumvirate consisting of Minister of Interior Andor Jaross and two officials under him - Laszlo Baky, Secretary of State in the ministry, and Under-Scaretary Laszlo Endre.

Hungarians Allege Never Offered to Exchange Jews for Allied Supplies

ZURICH, July 27. (JTA) -- Faced by world-wide revulsion as a result of disclosure of the German-Hungarian offer to spare the estimated 400,000 Jews remaining in Hungary in exchange for non-military supplies from the Allies, the semi-official Hungarian Telegraph Agency today denied that such a proposal had-been made. Although the report of the negetiations have been corroborated by reliable Allied sources, the Rungarian press agency denounces it as a "malicious rumor,"

Meanwhile, it was learned here today that 800 Budapest Jews who possess exit visas face the prospect of sharing the fate of the bulk of Hungarian Jewry unless they can ket out of the country by August 1. The Nazi Transkontinent Press reports that the visas issued to these Jews will be invalidated at the end of this month. The possessors of the visas, although compelled to wear a yellow star, have not been otherwise molested.

FEW JEWS REMAIN IN OCCUPIED YUGOSLAVIA; TITO OFFICIAL REVEALS: ONLY ONE JEW IN BELGRADE

LONDON, July 27. (JTA) -- Few Jews remain in German-occupied Yugoslavia, it was reported today by a high official of Marshal Tito's liberation movement who has just arrived here. Of the Jews who escaped being massacred, many are fighting with Tito's forces, while others who were deported to Italy by the Italian occupation forces, either as prisoners of war or internees, are being returned in substantial numbers to territory now held by the liberation forces.

The partisan official also revealed that there is only one Jew alive in the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade. He is 80-year-old Dr. Vukic Piade, noted gynecologist, who was president of the Belgrade Jewish community council. Although his family was murdered, the aged doctor was allowed to continue practicing. A popular Jewish officer fighting with the partisans, he said, is Major Moscoar Dannon, 34, who has composed most of the battle songs of Tito's forces.

1,654 CANDIDATES ON 24 TICKETS CONTESTING FOR 171 SEATS IN PALESTINE ASSEMBLY

JERUSALEM, July 27. (JTA) -- When the Jewish population of Palestine goes to the polls next Tuesday, August 1, to elect 171 members of the Assefath Hanivcharin, the Jewish Mational Assembly, they will be confronted by 24 slates totalling 1654 candidates, an average of about ten contestants per seat.

The tickets range from those of the powerful Falestine Labor Party, the Mirrachi, the General Zionists and other established political groups to the Women's League for Equal Rights. At present four groups have amounced their intention of boycotting the elections because of the unwieldy machinery. They are:

The Sephardim who favor an electoral system along English lines, which they believe will mean an innorase in their representation; the General Zionists B, who are backing the Sephardin because of their desire to postpone the elections until after the beliefting for representatives to the Histodruth council, which will be held august 6 and 7; the Revisionists who are also in favor of a postponement because they want more time to campaign and the Farmers issociation, which fears a leftist victory and is, therefore, supporting the Sephardin and the Revisionists in the hope that other rightist parties will boycott the elections, causing them to be postponed indefinitely.

A separate slate has also been entered by the German Settlers Association, whose aim is to take over leadership of the Jewish community in order to organize it on a "western basis." They are opposed to the Biltmore Declaration, which calls for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth. However, this group has split and several of its prominent members have entered other parties which support the Biltmore Declaration.

REPUGEES IN SWITZERLAND WILL BE SENT TO COMPULSORY LABOR, GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES

BERN, July 27. (JTA) -- The Swiss radio announced today that the 30,000 refugees and internees in Switzerland, many of whom are Jewish, will be required to perform compulsory labor, under an order issued by the Swiss Government.

The decree also provides that in the future, arrangements for feeding the refugees and internees will be made by the Swiss military authorities "in accordance with the general food supply conditions in the country."

HAMILTON FISH CASTS SLUR ON JEWS IN CAMPAIGN STATEMENT

NEW YORK, July 27. (JTA) -- Hamilton Fish, who has been linked with isolationist forces, is injecting an anti-Semitic note into his campaign for resolution as Representative of the 29th Congressional District in New York, according to a story appearing today in the New York Post.

The Post says that in a statement made at his headquarters last Monday, Fish expressed confidence that he would carry every town in his district with the exception of Fallsburgh "because it is 90 percent a certain people." Ninety percent of the residents of Fallsburg are Jewish. The town takes in six small summer resort communities.

TARTAKOWER LEAVES FOR VISIT TO SOUTH AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITIES

NEW YORK, July 27. (JTA) -- To assist South American Jewish communities in organizing for rescue, relief and rehabilitation of European Jewry, Dr. Arieh Tertakower, member of the executive and head of the relief committee of the World Jewish Congress, left today for an extended visit to Chile, Peru, Uruguay, Brazil and Argentina.

Dr. Tartakower's visit is in response to an invitation from the South American Congress branches. He will assist the Jews in these countries to organize for immediate rescue and relief and post-war rehabilitation and will make an extensive report on the accomplishments of the World Jewish Congress in these fields.

Dr. Tartakower is expected to return to the United States early in September.

FEAR OF ANTAGONIZING U.S. PUBLIC OFINION FORCING IBN SAUD TO ABSTAIN FROM PAN-ARAB TALKS

CAIRO, July 27. (JTA) -- Ibn Saud, ruler of Saudi Arabia, has declared that he will not participate in any pan-Arab talks before the question of Palestine is settled, according to information reaching here. He is understood to feel that a decision by an Arab conference to oppose Jewish aims in Palestine would run counter to public opinion in the United States, which he does not wish to antagonize because of American oil concessions in Saudi Arabia.

WAR RECORD OF CANADIAN JEWS PUBLISHED BY CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS

MONTREAL, July 27. (JTA) -- A complete record of the participation of Jews in the Canadian war effort has been issued here by the Canadian Jewish Congress. It includes a list of the 14,000 Jewish enlistees now in service.

The national executive council of the Congress announced today that it has established a rehabilitation committee to deal with the problem of demobilized Jewish servicemen and to insure full support by the Jewish community of the government's rehabilitation programs

JEWISH BOARD OF GUARDIANS ANNOUNCES EXTENSION OF FEE SERVICE FOR CHILD GUIDANCE

NEW YORK, July 27. (JTA) -- The extension of child guidance work to wider sections of the population through adoption of a non-profit fee program was announced today by the Jewish Board of Guardians, the child guidance and delinquency prevention agency of the Jewish Federation. The agency will continue its professional case work and psychiatric help to children and parents, on a moderate fee basis or without payment, depending upon each family's income, the announcement added.

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