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106 EAST 41st STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.Jews in Rumania Submit Demands to Chief of Russian Armistice Commission

BUCHAREST, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A Jewish delegation headed by Dr. William Filderman, president of the Federation of Jewish Communities, today visited General Sergei Vinogradov, chief of the Russian Armistice Commission in Rumania, and submitted to him a memorandum containing the following requests:

1. That 9,000 Rumanian Jews who are still in Transnistria, to where they were deported by the Germans, be repatriated by the Soviet authorities to their home towns in Rumania.
2. That Jews who were sent by the Germans from Transylvania for forced labor on the German-Russian front and who were taken prisoner by the Russians should be released from Russian internment and returned to their homes.
3. That the Hungarian and German Jews now residing in Rumania be helped by the Armistice Commission to secure restoration of their confiscated property, as is being done for Jews in the countries liberated from the Germans.

The Federation of Jewish Communities in Rumania decided to send a delegation to Budapest, as soon as the city is liberated, for the purpose of setting up relief facilities for the needy Jews. Another delegation will proceed to other liberated parts of Hungary, it was announced here today.

Gen. De Gaulle Annuls All Sentences Issued by Courts Under Vichy Anti-Jewish Laws

PARIS, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Sentences imposed by French courts, under Vichy legislation establishing racial discriminations and punishing acts of resistance, will be annulled, according to an ordinance signed by Gen. De Gaulle and published by the Ministry of Justice today. These laws had previously been declared null and void by the provisional Government.

Under the terms of the ordinance, persons convicted by Vichy courts for acts of resistance or for violation of discriminatory laws, such as failure by a Jew to declare himself as such, have six months in which to ask the court to reverse their sentences. The costs of these appeals will be borne by the state.

Convictions will be expunged from the record and fines will be returned. Property seized as part of a penalty will be restored, or, if sold, the purchase price will be paid the defendants. Other penalties and sanctions imposed as part of the punishment will also be reversed.

The charge that a fifth column is conducting anti-Semitic activities in the Paris area is made today in the newspaper *Liberte*.

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U. S. SOLDIERS OBSERVE THANKSGIVING IN PARIS SYNAGOGUE; U. S. CONSUL ATTENDS SERVICES

PARIS, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- American Jewish soldiers, some of whom are spending their third Thanksgiving overseas, celebrated the holiday today throughout the European theatre at special religious services.

In Paris, Major Judah Nadich of Buffalo, N. Y., chief Jewish chaplain in this theatre, conducted services in the Great Synagogue on Rue de la Victoire for more than 600 soldiers and WAC's, including a group brought from a nearby hospital. Generals Eisenhower and Spatz sent personal representatives to the services, as did the British Army and Navy, the RAF and the French Government and Army. Hugh Fullerton, U. S. Consul-General in Paris, read the President's Thanksgiving proclamation from the pulpit.

Many French Jewish soldiers were scattered throughout the congregation, as were hundreds of leaders and members of the Paris Jewish community. Grand Rabbi Julien Weil of Paris offered special prayers for the French Republic, and Rabbi Issaye Schwartz, Grand Rabbi of France, pronounced the benediction after a moving tribute to the American forces of liberation.

FIRST ZIONIST MEETING IN PARIS BROKEN UP BY ARABS; POLICE DISPERSE; GATHERING

PARIS, Nov. 1. (JTA - Airmail) -- The first public Zionist meeting since the liberation of France ended in an uproar today precipitated by the presence of 300 Arabs. Police broke up the meeting by turning on the water sprinkler system, dousing both speakers and audience.

The Arabs, members of the Arab Students League, came to the meeting uninvited. Nevertheless their spokesman was permitted to take the floor. When a Zionist leader attempted a rebuttal of his charges that the Jews were trying to set up a Jewish Fascist regime, pointing out that the ex-Mufti of Jerusalem had been conferring with Hitler in Berlin, the Arabs began shouting and scuffles broke out all over the hall.

When the hall was cleared by the police action, the uproar continued outside, the Arabs distributing printed copies of their spokesman's talk. The leaflets carried a statement saying they had been specially prepared for the meeting.

ANGLO-JEWISH ASSOCIATION WILL POSTPONE SUBMISSION OF PALESTINE MEMORANDUM TO GOVERNMENT

LONDON, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- The Anglo-Jewish Association has decided to postpone submission to the government of its memorandum on Palestine, which had aroused a great deal of opposition from Zionist groups here, it was announced yesterday at a meeting of the Association's council.

A. Alexander, chairman of the organization's Palestine Committee, said that the Association has no intention of entering into negotiations with the Government on Palestine and does not contemplate encroaching on the Jewish Agency's prerogatives. The memorandum, he added, would be submitted "at the right time," and if called upon, the Association will explain it to the Government.

Anthony de Rothschild, a leader of the Association, said that he has been given to understand that the Government does not plan any changes in its Palestine policy before the end of the war in Europe.

JEWS CAN SEND MONEY TO RELATIVES IN LIBERATED POLAND AT PREFERRED RATE OF EXCHANGE

LUBLIN, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- The Polish Committee of National Liberation today announced that individuals and organizations in the United States who wish to send assistance to individuals or groups in liberated Poland can do so by paying into American banks the designated sums, for transfer to the account of the Representation of the Polish Committee of National Liberation in the "Bank Vneshnei Torgovli" in Moscow, which is the Soviet Bank of Foreign Trade.

"The sums," the announcement said, "will be paid out in accordance with the wishes of the senders to any person or organization indicated, according to the preferential rate of exchange of twelve zloty for one dollar."

J.D.C. REPRESENTATIVE MAY SOON BE ADMITTED TO LIBERATED POLAND AS AN OBSERVER

JERUSALEM, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A representative of the joint Distribution Committee may soon be permitted to go to liberated Poland as an observer and to cooperate with the Jewish Relief Committee in Lublin, it was indicated here today following the return to Jerusalem of Charles Passman, J.D.C. representative in the Middle East.

Mr. Passman returned here from Teheran, where he completed arrangements for the sending of the first large relief transport to Poland. The shipment, consisting of food, winter clothing and medicine, will be distributed by the Jewish Relief Committee, which is headed by Dr. Emil Sommerstein.

LATIN-AMERICAN JEWS URGE CONVOCAION OF ZIONIST CONGRESS IN MONTEVIDEO NEXT MARCH

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- A resolution urging the convocation of a Zionist Congress for Latin American countries in Montevideo, on March 3, 1945, was adopted here at a two-day conference arranged jointly by the Latin-American department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and of the Keren Hayesod. Delegates from sixteen Latin-American countries participated.

The meeting also decided to intensify Zionist political activities in all Latin-American countries and "to guard the priority of the Keren Hayesod in campaigning for funds." Principal speakers included Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Bernard Joseph, representatives of the Jewish Agency, and Dr. Kurt Blumenfeld and Leib Jaffe, directors of the Keren Hayesod.

CIO CONVENTION BACKS JEWISH COMMONWEALTH; URGES LEGISLATION OUTLAWING ANTI-SEMITISM

CHICAGO, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Passage by Congress of the Palestine resolution, which calls for free immigration into and colonization of Palestine looking towards establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth there, was urged yesterday by the annual convention of the CIO, meeting here.

Demanding that "steps be taken to effect the immediate rescue of Jews in Axis-dominated countries," the CIO resolution urged upon Britain "the unequivocal removal of the White Paper policy, and the full implementation of the Balfour Declaration towards the ultimate establishment of a Palestinian Jewish Commonwealth in accordance with the principles of democratic action." It endorsed the "expressions of support for Jewish rights in Palestine which have come during the past year from leaders in all walks of life in the United States, the most notable of which was the stirring and historic declaration of the President of the United States."

Earlier, the convention urged enactment of legislation making anti-Semitism a crime punishable by imprisonment and also asked passage of the Lynch Bill, now before Congress, which would bar anti-Semitic and racist literature from the mails.

DELEGATES TO EMERGENCY CONFERENCE OF WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS HONORED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- More than 1,500 persons attended last night a reception in the Commodore Hotel for 100 delegates from twenty-six countries who have arrived for the War Emergency Conference of the World Jewish Congress to open in Atlantic City on Sunday. The conference will discuss problems of rehabilitation and restoration of Jewish communities in Europe.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Nahum Goldmann and Rabbi Irving Miller, leaders of the World Jewish Congress, were the principal speakers. Dr. Goldmann condemned what he called "Jewish isolationists who object to our unity" and declared that the best guarantee for survival of Jews was the "world unity of Jewish people."

SIX YIDDISH AND HEBREW WRITERS RECEIVE LITERARY AWARDS FOR BEST WORKS OF PAST YEAR

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Three Yiddish and three Hebrew writers have been awarded the Louis Lamed Fund annual prize of \$250 each, for the best literary works of the year, it was announced here today. The Fund annually awards \$1,500 for the best works that appeared during the year in the two languages.

The three Yiddish winners are: Joseph Apatahu who was given the prize for his novel "When Poland Fell;" H. Yialty of Uruguay, for his novel "Father and Son" and Aron Zeitlin, for a volume of poems. The three Hebrew writers are: Harry Sackler who won the prize for his "Book of Plays;" A. Epstein, for a collection of critical works "From Near and Far;" and Dr. S. Feigin, for his volume of essays "Secrets of the Past." The jury was composed of Dr. Israel Efros, Menachem Borisho, Dr. Samuel Margoshes, David Pinsky and Menahem Ribalov.

CANADIAN HADASSAH WILL ESTABLISH CHILDREN'S SETTLEMENT IN PALESTINE TO CARE FOR REFUGEES

MONTREAL, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Canadian Hadassah will establish a new settlement in Palestine to care for refugee children from Europe, it was announced here today. A 400-dunam site for the settlement, which will be known as the "Canadian Hadassah Children's Village," has been presented to Hadassah by the Jewish National Fund in appreciation of its contribution to the development of a Jewish National Home in Palestine.

JEWISH GIRL FROM BOSTON IS FIRST ARMY NURSE FATALITY IN EUROPEAN THEATRE

NEW YORK, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Lieut. Frances Slanger, a Jewish nurse from Boston, has been killed in Belgium, the first American Army nurse on the Western Front to die from enemy action, it is reported in a dispatch from the front.

Lieut. Slanger, who landed in France on D Day plus 4, had seen continuous action since then. She was fatally wounded when a German shell landed near the tent in which she was quartered and a shell fragment pierced her body.

PROF. HANOCH KELLER, ORTHOPAEDIC SPECIALIST, DIES IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Nov. 23. (JTA) -- Prof. Hanoch Keller, 67, an orthopaedic specialist, died here yesterday. Dr. Keller came to Palestine in 1932 after thirty years residence in New York. He established an institute here for crippled children of all religions and races. Dr. Keller published the Hebrew Orthopaedical Nomenclature and a number of medical studies.