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HISTADRUTH DECIDES TO OUST TERRORISTS FROM JOBS; CASES OF DEPORTEES WILL BE REVIEWED

JERUSALEM, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A four-point program to combat terror in Palestine was adopted here last night at a special conference of the Histadruth, the Palestine Federation of Labor, called for the purpose of finding effective measures to check terroristic activities in the country. The resolutions provide,

1. People suspected of belonging to Jewish terrorist groups should be ousted from employment.
2. All suspects should be expelled from schools and other educational institutions.
3. Strong opposition should be organized to any attempt by terrorists to extort money from individual Jews.
4. Full assistance should be given to the authorities "as far as the authorities or police are interested in such assistance."

The resolutions were suggested by David Ben-Gurion, Histadruth leader and chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agency. Moshe Shertok, head of the political department of the Jewish Agency, and David Remez, general secretary of the Histadruth, supported the recommendations.

The Palestine Government today announced that the case of each of the 251 Jews deported from Palestine to Eritrea as terrorist suspects will be reconsidered on its own merits periodically. The announcement describes how mail can be sent to the deportees. Meanwhile, arrests of people suspected of terrorism continue. Twenty-one Jews were detained today.

Jewish Agency Leader Leaves Palestine for Balkan Countries

JERUSALEM, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, today left by plane for Bulgaria and Rumania to study the situation of the Jews there and to intensify Zionist activities in those countries.

This is the first time since the outbreak of the war that a leader of the Jewish Agency will visit the Balkan countries. During his stay in Rumania, Ben-Gurion will make an attempt to settle the differences that have arisen between Dr. William Filderman, president of the Federation of Jewish Communities, and Dr. A. Zissu, president of the Zionist Organization of Rumania, over the question of selecting Rumanian Jews for emigration to Palestine.

It was indicated here today that after returning from his visit to the Balkan countries, Ben-Gurion will proceed to London and from there to the United States. It was also stated that Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, who is now on a visit here, will probably go to the United States in January to discuss plans connected with the economic development of Palestine.

RUMANIAN MINISTRY ACTS TO REINSTATE OUSTED JEWS; EDUCATORS DISCUSS RE-ADMISSION OF JEWS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Minister of Social Insurance, Gheorge Nicolau, has established a special commission to examine requests for reinstatement by doctors, pharmacists and other employees of the ministry who were dismissed for racial reasons, it was announced today.

The procedure for enrolling Jewish students in high schools, from which they had been barred, was discussed yesterday at a meeting of rectors and deans of Bucharest institutions of high education with representatives of Jewish education groups.

BUDAPEST JEWS WITH NEUTRAL PASSPORTS HERDED INTO SPECIAL "YELLOW HOUSE"

ZURICH, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- Hungarian newspapers reaching here today report that the pro-Nazi Hungarian government ordered the removal into a special "Yellow House" of all Jews in Budapest who are in possession of protective letters or protective passports issued to them by legations of neutral countries.

All such Jews, the papers reveal, were instructed to move from their homes into the "Yellow House" by November 15. Those refusing to move were notified that they would forfeit the protection of the neutral governments and that all existing anti-Jewish laws would be applied to them.

FRENCH COMMUNISTS DEMAND CURB ON GROUPS FIGHTING REPARATIONS FOR JEWISH PROPERTY

PARIS, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A resolution demanding the dissolution of organizations created to fight against reparations for victims of racial discrimination, and whose purpose is to protect those who profited as a result of these discriminatory laws, was adopted here today by the political bureau of the Communist Party.

The Communists called for "rendering harmless racist provocateurs; total reparations for damages sustained by Jews; and definitive liquidation of problems posed by the Vichy racial policy in a democratic manner which is the only one compatible with the interests of the nation."

It is reported today that Joseph Antignac, former Vichy Commissioner for Jewish Affairs, and one of the directors of the fascist militia, has been imprisoned at Fresnes. Meanwhile, the body of Georges Mandel, who was murdered by the militia last July, was reinterred yesterday in the family plot in the Montmartre Cemetery.

WAR REFUGEE BOARD ASKS CONGRESS TO APPROPRIATE \$150,000 FOR ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- John W. Pehle, executive director of the War Refugee Board, appeared before a House Appropriations subcommittee this week to request an appropriation of \$150,000, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned today.

The sum was asked to take care of administrative expenses of the agency from January to June in the event it is necessary to maintain the War Refugee Board that long. Under the provisions of the Russell amendment, any government agency in existence over a year must come to Congress for appropriations. The War Refugee Board was set up last January 22.

10,000 BULGARIAN JEWS "LOST" WITHOUT TRACE, SOFIA RADIO REPORTS

SOFIA, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Sofia radio, in a Hebrew broadcast today, reported that about 10,000 Bulgarian Jews who were held in a camp near Sofia are now considered "lost." The Jews were deported from the camp last year to Bratislava and from there probably to Poland. "No news of their fate has been received since," the broadcast said.

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WAR REFUGEE BOARD RELEASES REPORT ON EXTERMINATION OF MILLIONS OF JEWS IN NAZI CAMPS

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Executive Office of the President through the War Refugee Board today made public two eye-witness reports of the horrible and barbarous events which occurred in the two notorious extermination camps -- Auschwitz (Oswiecim) and Birkenau -- in Upper Silesia.

The sixty-page horror story, containing details and statistics of the murders in these camps, is released by the War Refugee Board "in the firm conviction that the reports should be read and understood by all Americans."

This official, Presidential confirmation of the worst horrors charged to the Germans is prefaced by a statement that it is now "beyond denial that the Germans have deliberately and systematically murdered millions of innocent civilians -- Jew and Christians alike -- all over Europe," as part of the campaign of terror and brutality, unparalleled in history which was "part of the German plan to subjugate the free peoples of the world."

The atrocities reported in detail are characterized by the report as "so revolting and diabolical" that "the minds of civilized people find it difficult to believe that they have actually taken place. But the governments of the United States and of other countries have evidence which clearly substantiates the facts."

The report is based on eye-witness accounts given by two young Slovakian Jews who escaped in April 1944, after spending two years in the Nazi concentration camps at Auschwitz and Birkenau and on a report of a non-Jewish Polish army major who is the sole survivor of one group imprisoned at Auschwitz.

Document Estimates 1,765,000 Jews Gassed to Death in One Camp

The report gives a "careful estimate" of the number of Jews gassed to death in Birkenau between April 1942 and April 1944 as 1,765,000, of whom 900,000 came from Poland; 500,000 from Polish camps for foreign Jews; 150,000 from France; 100,000 from Holland; 60,000 from Germany; 50,000 each from Belgium and Lithuania; 45,000 from Greece; 30,000 from Slovakia; 50,000 from Yugoslavia, Italy and Norway together; and 30,000 from Bohemia, Moravia and Austria together.

A dense netting of high-tension electric wires surrounded the camp at Auschwitz which electrocuted those who tried to escape. Those caught trying to escape were hanged in the presence of the whole camp. Although there were many attempts to gain freedom, the two Jews who give this eye-witness account state they were the only ones deported from Slovakia to Auschwitz or Birkenau who managed to get away.

Prisoners were kept in cubicles so crowded and cramped that a man could not lie stretched out nor sit upright. Working conditions were so brutal that 30 to 35 out of a working party of 200 men died each day. After a bitterly hard day's work prisoners had to drag tools, heavy cauldrons and the bodies of those who had died during the day at a brisk pace. Those who lagged were knocked down or beaten to death. Food was so bad that stomach troubles as well as epidemics and foot diseases spread throughout the camps.

Germans Doctors Performed "Experiments" on Jewish Girls

Girls who worked at Birkenau were "beaten and brutalized and their mortality was much higher than among the men." Among the horrors described in the report is that of a "biological laboratory" in Auschwitz where SS, civilian and internecine doctors performed "experiments" on Jewish girls and women. The prisoners were furnished filthy, patched and practically worn-out clothing. In 1940 when one of their number tried to

escape prisoners were forced to stand outdoors in severe winter weather from 3,30 in the afternoon until 11 the next morning, as a result of which there were 100 totally or half-frozen men.

"Prominent guests from Berlin" were present at the inauguration of the first Birkenau crematorium in March 1943, when 8000 Cracow Jews were gassed and burned. The guests, both officers and civilians, used a special peephole to see the victims done to death and "were lavish in their praise of this newly erected installation." Himmler was reported as visiting Birkenau on May 15 or 16, 1944.

Four Dutch Jews who came to Auschwitz as an investigating commission in the summer of 1943 were treacherously murdered. In preparation for the visit of these "distinguished looking men" the Dutch Jews in Auschwitz received better clothes, as well as regular eating equipment and food. After having been politely received and shown over the cleaned-up camp buildings, the four Dutch Jews signed a statement that they had found everything in Auschwitz in good order. Then they asked to see the crematoria at which, they had been told, those who died in the camp were cremated. The four Dutch visitors were taken to Birkenau accompanied by the camp leader, Aumayer, and were there shot from behind. A telegram was sent to Holland reporting that the four men had been victims of "an unfortunate automobile accident."

Atrocities in the "infirmary" of Auschwitz included the killing by injections of phenol in the region of the heart of 80 to 90 percent of the Jews "hospitalized" there. Many sick Jews applied for admission to the infirmary with the intent of thus committing suicide instead of having to throw themselves on the high-tension wires to obtain the release of death. Among the prisoners murdered by phenol injections while lying ill in the hospital was the famous Polish actor Witold Zacharewicz.

"Concert Parties" Conducted to Torture Jewish Inmates

During "concert parties" at the camp of Majdanek at Lublin (where one of the Slovakian Jews stayed briefly) camp inmates had to stand for hours after a hard day's work singing to the conducting of a Jewish orchestra leader balancing himself on a rooftop, while the SS men laughed. Rabbi Eckstein from Sereb was a few minutes late for roll call at one of these parties, as he suffered from dysentery. The group leader had him seized, dipped his head first into one of the latrines, poured cold water over him, drew his revolver and shot him.

The gassing of victims at Birkenau followed the ironical donation of a towel and a small piece of soap to each victim who was told he was going to bathe. The victims were then crowded into the gas chamber, shots were fired to make those inside huddle closer together, heavy doors were closed, the room temperature was raised, and SS men in gas masks climbed to the roof whence they dropped a poisonous cyanide mixture from cans labelled "Cyklon, for use against vermin." After three minutes all in the chamber were dead or at death's point.

Life was held so cheap that if the prison recorder made an error and mistakenly listed a death, the mistake was simply straightened out by killing the bearer of the number listed as dead.

At least 30,000 Jews from Fiume, Trieste and Rome were immediately gassed in December 1943. At the end of February and beginning of March 1944, a transport of 3,000 Jews from Holland, Belgium and Vichy, France, were for the most part gassed immediately on arrival.

On May 15, 1944, the first mass transports of Jews arrived in Birkenau from Hungary. Some 14,000 to 15,000 arrived daily. A spur railroad track was hastily built to the crematoria where all but 10 percent were immediately gassed and burned. Corpses were turned day and night in great pits 30 meters long by 15 wide, dug in the "Birkenwald".

The facts in this report, according to the War Refugee Board, "tally with the trustworthy yet fragmentary reports hitherto received, and dates given with regard to transports to various camps agree with the official records. These statements can, therefore, be considered as entirely credible."

GERMAN DOCTORS USED RIGA JEWS AS GUINEA PIGS IN EXPERIMENTS WITH INSECTS

MOSCOW, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- A description of a "medical and zoological institute" established by the Germans in Riga, in which Jews from the ghetto were used in experiments to determine the best methods of combatting mortal diseases spread by lice, was given here today by five of the "guinea pigs."

The five, Simon Peyros, a chemist, and his 16-year-old son Mikhail; Rudolf Mierhelson, a timber expert; David Poligitzer, a furrier; and Percy Gurevich, a lecturer in philology at the Riga University, said that they were among a large group taken to the "institute" from the Riga ghetto. All the others died.

After being brought to the institute, the Jews were instructed to return to the ghetto, under armed guard, and collect lice, which abounded in the unsanitary hovels in which the Jews were forced to live. When thousands of lice had been collected in glass jars, the victims were returned to the institute.

They were then ordered to undress and lie down on beds under which open jars of lice had been placed. Within a short time, they were covered with bites, which turned into festering sores, resulting in severe pain and high fevers. Various "remedies" such as alcohol, insect powders, vinegar and other mixtures, were doused on their heads and bodies by German doctors, who stood by and watched their sufferings, ostensibly for the purpose of observing which mixture worked most efficiently.

Rather than endure any further "experiments," the five made a break for freedom, when they were detailed to bury some of their comrades. They were sheltered by non-Jewish friends until the Red Army freed Latvia last month.

AUSTRALIAN PRIME MINISTER EXPLAINS REJECTION OF PLAN FOR JEWISH SETTLEMENT IN KIMBERLY

NEW YORK, Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The Freeland League for Jewish Colonization has been officially informed by Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia that the Commonwealth Government has rejected the plan for a Jewish settlement in the Kimberly region of northwestern Australia because the Government "is unable to see its way clear to depart from the long established policy in regard to alien settlements in Australia," it was disclosed today by Dr. I. N. Steinberg, president of the Freeland League and chief sponsor of the Kimberly project.

Expressing his belief that the decision of the Australian Government was not final, Dr. Steinberg pointed out that settlement of Jews in Kimberly would not involve any change in the Australian policy in regard to "alien settlements" since it was not planned to set up a Jewish region with interests different from the rest of Australia, but rather a "living space" for Jewish colonization which would be economically and politically fitted into the framework of Australia. He pointed out that two provincial governments -- Western Australia and Tasmania -- had approved Jewish settlement.

JUNIOR HADASSAH CONVENTION URGES PALESTINE JEWS TO CRUSH TERRORIST OUTBREAKS

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. Nov. 24. (JTA) -- The activities of Jewish terrorists in Palestine were denounced last night in a resolution adopted at the opening session of the 21st annual convention of Junior Hadassah at the Breakers Hotel here. The resolution urged the Jews of Palestine "to erase this blot from the Jewish record of peaceful construction and humane ideals." Another resolution hailed President Roosevelt's message pledging his support of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine, and appealed to the President that "the pledge contained in his historic message be realized within the very near future."