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J.D.C. WILL NEED \$46,570,000 FOR RELIEF IN 1945; BAERWALD RE-ELECTED CHAIRMAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Joint Distribution Committee will need a minimum of \$46,570,000 to finance Jewish relief and rehabilitation work in Europe in 1945, it was announced here today at the 30th annual meeting of the JDC, at the Hotel Commodore, attended by 2,000 Jewish community leaders from all parts of the country.

The announcement was made by Joseph C. Hyman, executive vice-chairman, addressing the gathering. "The JDC allocated \$20,400,000 in 1944," Mr. Hyman said. "It is a conservative estimate that if a million and a half Jews survive in non-Russian Europe, at least a million will need help in one form or another. Many will need more than emergency assistance - they are without property, means of self-support and source of income. To finance these unfortunates will require funds unparalleled in the history of private philanthropy."

Enthusiastic applause from the audience greeted the reading of a message from President Roosevelt, commending the JDC, for its thirty years of humanitarian accomplishment. The message read in part: "Through three decades your committee has been the constant and unfailing source of help and hope to the victims of persecution and disaster. Your great humanitarian activities have been especially marked throughout these tragic and trying war years. Through you our American citizens of the Jewish faith have been able to extend tangible proof of their sympathy for their suffering brethren."

One of the featured speakers was Captain Guy de Rothschild, who is on the staff of General Pierre Koenig, military governor of Paris. Capt. Rothschild paid tribute to the JDC for supplying the funds which made it possible to maintain thousands of French Jews and keep them hidden from the Nazis. "Tens of thousands of Jews owe their lives to the possibilities of immigration and to the financing of rescue in every possible form that were paid for by the JDC," he said. Leon Meiss, chairman of the Jewish Consistory of France, also brought greetings from French Jewry.

Cooperation Between J.D.C. and Government Agencies Reported

Paul Baerwald, chairman of the JDC, emphasized the constructive relationship existing between the JDC and governmental and intergovernmental relief agencies. He pointed to JDC cooperation with the War Refugee Board, UNRRA, the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, the United States State and Treasury Departments, the International Red Cross and the various governments-in-exile as "a factor in accelerating our relief and rescue activities."

"The JDC can say that not only has it cooperated with government, but it has constantly served as government's consultant on refugee affairs," he declared. Emphasizing that much of the rescue program would have been impossible without War Refugee Board cooperation, Mr. Baerwald said, "the JDC has been in constant conference with the War Refugee Board. We have pooled our information. We have made our overseas contacts available to the Board representatives and the Board has used our staff in

the field without reservation. An example of this joint attack upon our common problems is the Balkan rescue operation which brought some 10,000 Jews from Rumania and Hungary to safety in the Holy Land, and which was a joint War Refugee Board, JDC, and Jewish Agency project."

Work of J.D.C. in Occupied, Neutral and Liberated Countries Reviewed

Reviewing the JDC's program in occupied, neutral, allied and liberated territory in 1944, Mr. Hyman stated, "Of the \$20,400,000 appropriated by the Joint Distribution Committee in 1944, over 70 percent went for sheer rescue programs. In cooperation with the War Refugee Board we expended \$9,984,000. Many things were tried. Children were rescued from occupied France and brought or carried across the snowy passes of the Alps and the Pyrenees into Switzerland and into Spain. Hundreds of adults, too, were helped to cross from border to border, and brought to freedom.

"To many of the concentration camps and labor battalions of occupied Europe, JDC was able to send tens of thousands of parcels of food, medicines and clothing through the invaluable channels of the International Red Cross," Mr. Hyman continued. "Even in Poland we were able to effect contact with various underground groups to provide funds for some salvation, some rescue, some relief. In Hungary, we have exerted every conceivable human effort to help, via Switzerland, via other neutral countries, via various international bodies, via Catholic and Protestant authorities. JDC supported tens of thousands of refugees in Switzerland, in Spain, in Portugal, in Sweden, in Russia, in Latin America, and even in far-off Shanghai."

Protection of J.D.C. Against "Irresponsible Ambitions" Urged

Alexander Kahn, JDC vice-chairman, traced the development of the Joint Distribution Committee as the major American agency for aid to distressed Jews overseas. "After a generation of unprecedented service to Jews in all parts of the globe the JDC has demonstrated that it justly deserved the confidence and support that have been so generously given to it during these tragic years, not only by world Jewry, but by the Governments of the World," he declared.

Pointing out that the JDC aid reached every corner of the world "from Shanghai to Palestine," Mr. Kahn emphasized that the organization has no axe to grind. "It does not ask the weary, wandering sufferer what his politics and what his beliefs are," he said. "If only he needs help, it is given to him in the form most useful and acceptable to him." He concluded by stating that "there can be no substitute for the Joint Distribution Committee. It is one of the greatest hopes of our people abroad. We must protect it against apathy on the one side and against irresponsible ambitions on the other." Other principal speakers included Isaac H. Levy, who presided, and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, vice-chairman of the JDC.

J.D.C. Officers Re-elected; Resolution Praises War Refugee Board

In the annual election of officers which was held at the business meeting at noon on Sunday, Mr. Baerwald, was re-elected chairman of the JDC, Mrs. Felix M. Warburg was again named honorary chairman. James H. Rosenberg was re-elected to the chairmanship of the JDC Board of Directors, a position he has held since the post was created last year. Albert H. Lieberman, will again head the National Council, with Frank L. Sulzberger serving as vice-chairman.

Nine of JDC's vice-chairmen were re-elected. They are: Mr. Kahn, Jonah B. Wise, I. Edwin Goldwasser, Alfred E. Jaretzki, Jr. and Isaac H. Levy, of New York; William Rosenwald of Greenwich, Conn.; William J. Shroder of Cincinnati, Ohio;

W. C. Sloss of San Francisco; and James H. Becker of Chicago. The only new incumbent is Commander Harold F. Linder of New York City who has just been placed on inactive duty by the U. S. Navy.

Other officers who will continue in their posts during the coming year are: Mr. Hyman, executive vice-chairman; I. Edwin Goldwasser, treasurer; Evelyn M. Morrissey, assistant treasurer; Isidore Coons, director of fund-raising; Moses A. Leavitt, secretary; and Louis H. Sobel, assistant secretary. Named as treasurer was Irving H. Sherman who will serve with Mr. Goldwasser. Donald B. Hurwitz was also named assistant secretary. Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz will continue as chairman of the European Executive Council, and Dr. Bernhard Kahn as honorary chairman. Alexander A. Landesco was named comptroller. Mr. Linder and Alexander A. Landesco were also elected to the executive committee.

A resolution of tribute to the War Refugee Board and its leader, John W. Pehle, for the role it played in the joint WRB-JDC-Jewish Agency rescue project, was passed unanimously by JDC's Board of Directors and National Council.

SENATE COMMITTEE SPLIT ON PALESTINE RESOLUTION; DISCUSSION WILL BE RESUMED TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Senate Foreign Relations Committee will resume discussion on the Palestine Resolution tomorrow following a split among the members of the committee as a result of a proposal offered late Friday afternoon to amend the resolution.

The amendment, suggested by Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan, urged that the phrase "free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth" in the resolution should be replaced by the phrase "eventual home for the Jewish people." This amendment was approved at the closed meeting of the Foreign Relations Committee by a one-vote margin, but strong opposition from Senator Robert Wagner of New York resulted in a decision to continue the discussion on Monday.

Senator Wagner, who is a co-sponsor of the resolution, indicated he would lose all interest in the bill in its altered form. The bill, in its original form, provides that the United States "use its good offices and take appropriate measures to the end that the doors of Palestine be opened to free entry of Jews" and "that there be full opportunity for colonization so that the Jewish people may ultimately reconstitute Palestine as a free and democratic Jewish Palestine." In supporting Sen. Vandenberg's proposal that the words "free and democratic Jewish Palestine" be changed to read "eventual home for the Jewish people," members of the committee argued that the major purpose was to permit free Jewish immigration and allow Jewish colonization.

TRIAL OF MOYNE KILLERS EXPECTED TO OPEN IN CAIRO THIS MONTH; POLICE RAID IRGUN PRESS

JERUSALEM, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The trial of the two Palestinian terrorists charged with the murder of Lord Moyne will open in Cairo this month, according to an official communique issued there over the week-end.

Proceedings will open as soon as certain vital information is obtained in Palestine. Although the trial will be held under martial law, five civil judges will preside. Arabic will be used in the court, but Hebrew and English interpreters will be present. Many witnesses are expected to be called from Palestine and Egypt.

Meanwhile, Palestine police announced today that in a raid yesterday they captured the printing plant of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, outlawed terrorist organization, while it was engaged in printing two illegal pamphlets. On Friday, the police report, they discovered two packages containing 21,000 pamphlets on top of a Tel Aviv to Jerusalem bus. They also announced that nine terrorist suspects were arrested during the week-end at Ramath Gan.

AMERICAN JEWISH SOLDIERS WILL HOLD CHANUKAH SERVICES ON CONQUERED GERMAN SOIL

PARIS, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The first Chanukah services in Germany since the outbreak of the war will be held by American Jewish soldiers in the conquered part of Germany, and immediately behind the front lines, it was announced here today by Major Judah Nadich, senior Jewish chaplain. Other services will be held for American Jewish officers, enlisted men and WACS in England, France, Belgium and Holland.

American Jewish military personnel stationed in the Paris region has raised a fund of 55,000 francs for the purchase of Chanukah gifts to be distributed to needy children of this city. In addition, many enlisted men and WACS have contributed their post exchange rations of chocolates, candy and cookies to be given to the children. Chaplain Nadich will officiate at a special service in Paris on Dec. 17 at the Liberal Synagogue. The service will be followed by a Chanukah dance with music and entertainment provided by American soldiers.

Chief Rabbi Julien Weill, broadcasting from Paris for the first time since the liberation of the city, thanked the Frenchmen who participated in the resistance movement for the help they gave to Jews during the occupation. He drew a parallel between the Maccabees and the leaders of the resistance movement in France. "Like their modern counterparts, the Maccabees fled to the mountains and to caves in order to escape the enemy and prepare for a fight against him," he said.

HIAS CONFERENCE HIARS PLEA FOR NEW ATTITUDE ON IMMIGRATION; DISCUSSES REPATRIATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- All refugees who wish to return to their homes after the war must be allowed to do so, Mayor Fiorello La Guardia said today, addressing 2,500 persons attending the convention of the Hias Council of Organizations meeting at the Hotel Diplomat. No nation in Europe, the Mayor said, should be allowed to refuse readmittance to any of its former nationals.

Discussing United States immigration policy, Mr. La Guardia said that he was "not particularly proud" of the fact that we have admitted recently only 1,000 refugees, and compelled them to reside in a designated place. However, the Fort Ontario project was the only feasible one, he continued, because legislation liberalizing the immigration regulations would not have a chance of being approved by Congress at the present time.

Abraham Herman, president of Hias, told the convention that "baffling problems of a psychological nature, in addition to the other problems created by the Nazis" will have to be faced in any program of postwar reconstruction. The Society's representatives overseas, he said, report that Nazism has left a seemingly ineradicable impression on those fortunate enough to have survived.

Mr. Herman pleaded for a new attitude toward immigration. "I am not speaking here of any letting down of the bars as far as the immigrant is concerned. I am appealing rather for a more intelligent approach to immigration, in line for instance with the report of the recent International Labor Conference in Philadelphia which pointed out that "migratory movements may play an important part in the development of a dynamic country."

Isaac L. Asofsky, executive director of Hias, told the convention that one of the most important tasks now facing Hias was the reunion of families which have become scattered through the war and the Nazi occupation. The society, he said, has introduced registries in all leading cities where those seeking missing relatives may list the names of the persons sought. In the New York office, the "Location Service" has now listed over 25,000 persons seeking missing relatives in Europe.

PRILUTSKY, FAMOUS JEWISH PHILOLOGIST, EXECUTED BY GESTAPO; DR. VIGODSKY PERISHES

MOSCOW, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- The Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee today reported that Dr. Jacob Vigodsky, the 85-year-old well-known Vilna Jewish leader, perished in the Vilna prison during the German occupation, and that Noah Prilutsky, former Warsaw Jewish leader, and famous philologist, who in 1941 was appointed by the Lithuanian Government to the newly-created chair for Yiddish language at Vilna University, was shot by the Gestapo.

Prior to his execution, Prilutsky, who was arrested on August 1, 1941, was surrendered by the Gestapo to Dr. Gothardt, German expert on Jewish affairs who was sent from Berlin to Vilna to collect rare Jewish books and manuscripts. The German "scientist" asked Prilutsky to submit to him a list of all the rare publications of the famous Jewish "Strashun Library" in Vilna which had in its files books printed in the 16th century. After obtaining this list, Dr. Gothardt left for Berlin and Prilutsky was shot. The director of the Strashun Library who could not bear seeing how the Germans were "managing" the famous cultural institution, committed suicide by hanging, the report reveals.

ANTI-SEMITISM IS NO LONGER SECRET WEAPON OF FASCISM, BUT STILL A WEAPON, SENATOR SAYS

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- "Anti-Semitism used to be a secret weapon of Fascism. That is no secret any more," Senator Elbert D. Thomas, Democrat of Utah, said today addressing the 16th annual dinner of the Yeshivah College at the Hotel Astor, attended by 1,500 guests.

"Nor is it to be wondered that Jew-baiting, on a highly organized scale, manifests itself even in democratic countries," the Senator continued. "Those who foment race-hatred or minority-hatred, of any sort, are either the stooges or the sponsors of efforts to replace democracy with a fascist way of life. Wherever anti-Semitism continues to flourish, it is because there are a few men, articulate men, who fear democracy - fear the loss of power to themselves if the 'common man' really becomes free."

LADY READING HONORED BY JEWS IN PARIS; APPEALS FOR JEWISH UNITY

PARIS, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- An appeal for Jewish unity was made here today by Lady Reading at a reception tendered to her by the Federation of Jewish Societies.

Lady Reading, who is here in the interests of the World Jewish Congress, said that such unity is essential so that a small group of recognized Jewish spokesmen may be able to speak at the peace conference in behalf of all Jews.

POLISH AUTHORITIES ACT TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS OF 1,000 JEWS IN SHANGHAI

LONDON, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- There is a possibility that the 1,000 Polish Jews interned in Shanghai by the Japanese may be able to leave there with the assistance of "international organizations," Polish circles reported today.

It is understood that at the suggestion of the Council to Rescue Jews, which was established by the Polish Government-in-Exile several months ago, the Government has taken certain steps, the nature of which cannot be disclosed at present, to protect the Polish Jews in Shanghai and to secure their evacuation.

NOVOMEISKY ARRIVES IN UNITED STATES TO DISCUSS PALESTINE INDUSTRIAL PROBLEMS

NEW YORK, Dec. 10. (JTA) -- Moses Novomeisky, managing director of the Palestine Potash Co., Ltd., has arrived here from London to discuss various problems concerning the industrial development of Palestine.