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UNITED NATIONS POINT AT SAN FRANCISCO; UNCIO APPROVES COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

SAN FRANCISCO, June 3. (JTA) -- The proposal to establish a Commission on Human Rights, advocated by Jewish and non-Jewish consultants to the U. S. delegation, was adopted yesterday by the Committee on Social and Economic Cooperation of the United Nations Conference.

National and international civic groups will be enabled to cooperate with the commission, but will have to first consult their respective governments, it was pointed out after adoption of the proposal.

An amendment introduced by the Egyptian delegates providing for joint trusteeships over certain areas by more than one state was adopted during the week-end by the trusteeship committee without any dissenting votes. The amendment would pave the way for Egypt, or any other Arab state, to petition the world security organization, at some later date, to allow it to share the trusteeship over Palestine with Great Britain.

(Speaking last night at a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in honor of Prince Abdul-Ilah, Regent of Iraq, William Phillips, assistant to the Secretary of State, expressed the U. S. Government's approval of the League of Arab States and predicted that it would not only benefit each member state, but would enable them to participate in important tasks facing the United Nations. Stressing the importance the U. S. places on strengthening friendship with the Arab states, Mr. Phillips disclosed plans to develop airlines which will bring cities of the United States and the Arab world within 48 hours of each other.)

DAVID FRANKFURTER LEAVES SWISS JAIL; GREETED BY CROWDS ON HIS WAY TO FREEDOM

CHUR, Switzerland, June 3. (JTA) -- Pale and bewildered, David Frankfurter stepped out of jail here yesterday after having spent about nine years in prison for assassinating the Swiss Nazi leader Wilhelm Gustloff, while the latter was in Davos, a Swiss resort. The release of the young Jewish medical student from Yugoslavia was voted on Friday by the Grison Cantonal Council.

Frankfurter, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was told, plans to emigrate to Palestine, as under the terms of his original sentence he must leave Switzerland as soon as conditions permit. "I plan to leave Switzerland and try to start life anew in a country where people can live and work without being molested," he said. He has had no word of his family since the German invasion of Yugoslavia.

The streets of Chur were crowded and many people wept when they saw the modest young Jew, with a little bag in his right hand, proceed to the railway station a free man. Many shouted "God Bless you." An old porter at the railway station greeted Frankfurter with emotion and, offering him a little present, said: "I wish you all the luck in the world." Prior to leaving the jail, Frankfurter expressed his thanks to the warden and his wife. "Both have done their best to replace my relatives who were either killed or deported by the Germans," he told reporters.

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ZIONIST ACTIONS COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE IN ENGLAND SHORTLY TO DISCUSS URGENT MATTERS

JERUSALEM, June 3. (JTA) -- A meeting of the large Zionist Action Committee, alerted at the last world Zionist congress, will be convoked in England at the end of July or early in August, it was decided yesterday at a meeting of the Small Zionist Actions Committee here. The large committee consists of 75 members, 40 of whom are in Palestine, 24 in the U. S., three in England, and the whereabouts of the others are not known.

The committee voted to re-assemble within a fortnight for the purpose of formulating its attitude on the question of partition, and, at the same time, adopted a resolution pledging the rights of Arabs in a Jewish state. All communities residing within such a state, it said, will enjoy full autonomy in managing their religious, educational, cultural and municipal institutions.

The Arab language and schools will enjoy the protection of the state, and local administration will be established in all towns and villages, the resolution added, and an equal standard of living for all residents will be sought. Another resolution pledged that the Jewish state will cooperate with its Arab neighbors for their mutual benefit and for the development of the entire Middle East.

Criticism of Zionist leaders who are defending Jewish rights in Palestine at the United Nations Conference at San Francisco was voiced at the committee meeting. In opposition to a resolution introduced by the executive of the Jewish Agency, approving Zionist activities at San Francisco, the Mizrahi leaders asked a vote of no confidence in the executive. Their proposal received six votes. The Jewish Agency resolution was then amended to read that "the Actions Committee acknowledges the action of the representatives" at San Francisco. This amended resolution was passed with eleven votes for it and 10 abstentions.

THE SADDEST PEOPLE AMONG DISPLACED PERSONS; THEY HAVE NO PLACE TO GO

LEIPZIG, Germany June 3. (JTA) -- The saddest people among the hundreds of thousands of displaced persons who are being collected at concentration centers throughout Germany for repatriation to their homelands are the Jews.

Deportees and refugees of all nationality arriving at one of the 150 camps which have been set up at Leipzig to care for such persons have their affairs handled by a liaison officer named by their governments. But there is no liaison officer for Jews as such.

The Jews are heartsick at the thought of being mixed in with anti-Semitic groups, and the officers in charge do not know what disposition is to be made of them. In addition, almost every Jew has a knowing personal search for relatives, with the chances one out of 1,000 that they escaped extermination.

For instance, there is Papi Berger who, miraculously, succeeded in keeping her two daughters with her. She stopped everyone who had been at Buchenwald to inquire whether, perhaps, her ten-year-old son was among the 400 children found there. Finally, the elder daughter walked days until she got to Buchenwald. But she found no trace of her brother or her father. Both were probably cremated.

All these pitiful survivors can do is remain in the camp, watching other people leave for home, while they hope that the nations of the world will find a place for them.

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SWISS GOVERNMENT CHANGES DECISION ON REFUGEES; PERMITS THEM TO REMAIN IN SWITZERLAND

GENEVA, June 3. (JTA) -- The 1,670 Jewish refugees who were admitted to Switzerland from the Nazi Bergen-Belsen camp and from Theresienstadt will not be transported to an UNRRA camp in Italy as had been requested by Swiss authorities, it was learned here today.

Jewish leaders who intervened for these refugees were notified today by the Swiss Government that they may remain in Switzerland until the time when they can either proceed to Palestine or return to their countries of origin.

ARGENTINE JEWS GIVE "VICTORY RECEPTION" FOR DIPLOMATS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

BUENOS AIRES, June 3. (JTA) -- A "victory reception" for the diplomatic corps of the United Nations was given here last night by the DAIA, central Jewish representative body. It was attended by diplomats of sixteen of the United Nations.

Dr. Moises Goldmann, president of the DAIA, addressing the gathering, pointed out Jewish contributions to the Allied victory and expressed the hope that the defeat of the Germans will result in a real peace for all peoples. The British Ambassador, Sir David Kelly, lauded the contribution made by the Jews of Argentina toward winning the war. The representative of France expressed the hope that a Jewish State will be established in appreciation of the Jewish war efforts in all democratic countries. Mr. Ida Silverman of New York was one of the speakers.

THREE-DAY CONFERENCE OF JEWISH SOCIAL SERVICE AND WELFARE AGENCIES OPENED IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, June 3. (JTA) -- A three-day conference of Jewish social service and welfare agencies in the metropolitan area sponsored by the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare in conjunction with the National Association of Jewish Center Workers and the National Council for Jewish Education, opened here today at the Y.M.H.A.

In compliance with the request made by the Office of Defense Transportation, the New York regional conference will serve as a substitute for the national conference held in previous years. More than five hundred representatives of Jewish welfare agencies in Greater New York and its environs, as well as a number of outstanding leaders in the Jewish social service field who are in the city are participating.

The conference will feature reports, forums and roundtable discussions on the various phases of social welfare work. Among the major problems to be discussed will be post-war planning for social service agencies, the provision of special services to veterans, overseas relief, and the institution of new forms of social service which will reach an increasing number of people.

LUBLIN COURT SENTENCES GESTAPO OFFICIAL TO DEATH FOR KILLING JEWS IN RADOM

MOSCOW, June 3. (JTA) -- Hans Ritter, a German resident of the city of Radom, in Poland, was sentenced to death today by a special court in Lublin on the charge of actively participating in the mass-killing of Jews during the Nazi "liquidation" of the Radom ghetto. Ritter served with the Gestapo from the beginning of the occupation and joined in the hunting down of Jews and their deportation to "unknown destinations."

MENTAL SUICIDE AND INSANITY AT OSWEGO SHELTER; RELEASE OF REFUGEES URGED

WASHINGTON, June 3. (JTA) -- There has been one suicide at the Fort Ontario refugee shelter at Ontario, N. Y., and four residents have been transferred to mental institutions since its establishment last August, it was revealed here by Dillon Myer, director of the War Relocation Authority which operates the shelter.

Mr. Myer's statement was issued in commenting on a petition of the Oswego Citizens' Advisory Committee urging that the 984 refugees be allowed to become American citizens, if they so desire, or be given an opportunity to return to their homelands as soon as possible. The petition, which will probably be presented to Congress tomorrow, made the following recommendations:

"1. The refugees who would, except for their present peculiar circumstances, be eligible under our existing immigration quotas should be permitted, should they so desire, to become citizens of the United States."

"2. Those who desire to return to their homeland, or any portion of the world, should be given the opportunity as soon as conditions permit."

Acknowledging that the refugees had agreed to return to their native countries after the war, the committee said, "it does not seem fair to enforce commitments which are inhumane and which are accepted only in desperation. Regardless of what they signed," the committee continued, "they cannot all go back to their homelands, for, in some cases, these have been destroyed and approximately one-third have been deprived of citizenship in the countries of their origin."

VICTIMIZED AXIS NATIONALS ASK SAN FRANCISCO DELEGATES TO PROVIDE REPARATIONS FOR REFUGEES

NEW YORK, June 3. (JTA) -- A memorandum asking that reparations for victimized nationals of Axis countries be included by the Economic-Social Council of the new world organization in the Bill of Human Rights was submitted to the delegates of the United Nations Conference at San Francisco, it was announced here today by Dr. Bruno Weil, president of the Axis Victims League, in whose name the memorandum was presented.

"The non-Axis nationals are protected by the established theory of international law, and represented by their respective governments, but anti-Nazis and anti-Fascists of German origin, or originating from other Axis countries also deserve your interest," the memorandum says. It demands that Axis assets in the United States in the hands of the Custodian of Enemy Property, amounting to a gross value of 445 million dollars, and blocked assets worth \$8,500,000,000 be used for partial reparation to refugees.

JEWISH COMMUNITY IN ARGENTINA, VICTIM OF EARTHQUAKE, RECIPROCATES FOR AID RECEIVED

BUENOS AIRES, June 3. (JTA) -- The Jewish community of San Juan, which was completely destroyed last year by an earthquake, today delivered to the representative of the Joint Distribution Committee here a check for \$5,000 as a contribution for Jewish relief in Europe and an expression of gratitude for the aid received after the earthquake.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA SELLS \$25,000,000 WORTH OF WAR BONDS IN TWO WEEKS

WASHINGTON, June 3. (JTA) -- War Bond sales by Zionist chapters throughout the country in the first two weeks of the current drive have reached a total of \$25,000,000, according to an announcement by Dr. Israel Goldstein, president of the Zionist Organization of America. This represents more than 25% of the national goal of \$95,000,000 set by the Zionist Organization of America to sponsor the purchase of an aircraft carrier of the "Franklin D. Roosevelt" type.