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FRANKFURT JEWS FARING WORSE UNDER AMERICAN MILITARY OCCUPATION THAN FORMER NAZIS

FRANKFURT, July 8. (JTA) -- The ragged remnants of Frankfurt's once flourishing, prosperous Jewish community have, up to now, fared worse under the American occupation than many Germans who discarded their Nazi party badges the day the city was taken.

Those who have struggled home from concentration camps in the past two months returned ill and penniless, and, sometimes, on the verge of starvation. But they were bolstered by the hope that they would soon regain their homes, their possessions and their positions in the community. Their hopes have not been realized, a survey by a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent discloses.

The Jews have discovered that no machinery has been set up for restitution of their property, and many are living in squalor while Germans occupy their former homes.

Frankfurt's pre-Hitler Jewish population exceeded 30,000, and was the second largest in Germany. Only 600 are in the city today. Of these, 140 escaped deportation to concentration camps and managed to remain here. The others are survivors from concentration camps who returned home in recent weeks on foot, or in pitiful truck caravans. More than 7,000 Frankfurt Jews were sent to Theresienstadt, and 326 who have returned from there report that the others were murdered.

Military Government Says Jews Will Be Treated Like Other Germans

Dr. Albert Adelsberger, a former professor of economics at Heidelberg University, who remained in Frankfurt all during the Nazi regime, now heads the Jewish community. He told this correspondent of his vain efforts to obtain help for those released from concentration camps. Because many of the refugees are suffering from malnutrition and lack essential clothing, he attempted to secure extra supplies from the Frankfurt military government. The executive officer, he asserted, told him that Jews would be treated just like other Germans.

Dr. Adelsberger said that he then called the officer's attention to a statement by Maj. Gen. G. A. Ullo, Adjutant General of the War Department, who said that "the Supreme Commander's policy is to consider stateless persons, or persons who have been persecuted because of their race or religion or activities in favor of the United Nations, in the same category as United Nations nationals."

Military government officials admit that they are powerless to obtain restitution of Jewish property. There is no specific military government regulation stipulating that confiscated Jewish property shall be returned to its owners, nor does there presently exist any machinery by which Jews can institute legal proceedings for return of their property. This must wait upon a decision of the Allied Group Control Council. All the military government can do at present is to list claims.

Asked how Frankfurt Germans treated returning Jews, Dr. Adelsberger said sardonically: "Now, they are all friends of the Jews. Just as you have doubtlessly found that none were Nazis."

ALL GERMANS RESPONSIBLE FOR CRIMES AGAINST JEWS SAYS REICH PASTOR WHO VISITED OSWIECIM

LONDON, July 8. (JTA) -- The story of the mass-murder of hundreds of thousands of Jews in the Oswiecim death camp, in Poland, which many Germans have been inclined to dismiss as Allied propaganda, was told to them today for the first time by a German observer who recently visited the camp.

Broadcasting over the Soviet-controlled Berlin radio, as part of a series entitled "The Inferno of the Concentration Camps," a Pastor Loechel of Laucha, in Saxony, said that the horrors of Oswiecim, where the S.S. and the Gestapo destroyed more than 1,000,000 innocent people, far surpass the persecution of early Christians, the tortures of the middle ages, and even Dachau and Maidanek.

Declaring that the Oswiecim horrors will be remembered for generations, Pastor Loechel told his listeners of the almost indescribable condition of the 4,000 survivors found there. He gave statistics on those who were gassed and cremated stressing that most of them were Jews. "I came away humiliated and indignant," the minister said. "Although the main culprits were the Gestapo and the S.S., the German people are also guilty for tolerating them. We must wipe out this disgrace, which affects all of us."

JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL RESUMES FUNCTIONING IN PRAGUE; ONLY 200 JEWS IN BRISLAU

PRAGUE, July 8. (JTA) -- The Prague Jewish Community Council, now headed by Dr. Ernst Frischer, a member of the Czechoslovak National Council, has resumed functioning under the pre-war law covering religious communities.

It was announced today that the council has established a department to register the names of survivors, to list losses suffered by Jews and to assist Jews returning from concentration camps.

The Lublin radio reported today that a Jewish community committee has been established in the German city of Breslau, which is now administered by Polish authorities. The broadcast said that 200 Jews have returned to Breslau, the only survivors of its pre-war Jewish population of 20,000.

JEWISH PRISONERS FORCED TO MANUFACTURE FORGED DOCUMENTS PLACED ON KATYN FOREST VICTIMS

WASHINGTON, July 8. (JTA) -- Jewish prisoners at Sachsenhausen concentration camp in Germany were forced to manufacture false identification documents which the Nazis planted in the mass grave of Polish prisoners killed by the camp Gestapo and buried in Katyn Forest, it has been revealed by a former Norwegian prisoner at the camp, Brich Johansen, according to the Norwegian embassy news bulletin, "News of Norway."

The falsification of the documents, Johansen declared, was discovered through another prisoner, a Jewish optician, who was assigned to make the best possible glasses for the workers in the secret section. The report further reveals liquidation of the entire section, and most of the Jewish specialists, shortly before the Nazi surrender.

SOUTH AFRICAN JEWISH NEWSPAPER BANNED FROM PALESTINE BY CENSOR; PROTEST PLANNED

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, July 8. (JTA) -- The Palestine censor has banned the South African Jewish Times from the country, according to word received here today. It is understood that a protest will be lodged with British authorities.

R. JOSEPH SCHWARTZ LEAVES FOR EUROPE ON SPECIAL REFUGEE MISSION FOR STATE DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON, July 8. (JTA) -- The departure of Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, Bureau Director of the Joint Distribution Committee, for London on a special refugee mission was announced yesterday by the State Department.

Dr. Schwartz has been given a temporary leave by the Joint Distribution Commission to accompany Earl G. Harrisop, United States representative on the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, as an associate on a mission of inquiry to Europe concerning the needs of stateless and non-repatriable refugees, including many Jews, in Western Europe and the Allied zones of occupation in Germany.

The State Department announced that the mission has been directed to ascertain the extent to which the needs of non-repatriables, who include "many Jewish survivors of Nazi persecutions," are now being met by the military authorities, governments of residence, international relief bodies and private refugee agencies.

600 JEWISH REFUGEES LEAVE FRANCE FOR PALESTINE; 600 CHILDREN IN TRANSPORT

MARSEILLE, July 7. (Delayed). (JTA) -- Jewish children and adults who less than three months ago were confined in German concentration camps sang and danced gaily here last night at a farewell party prior to their departure for Palestine. The emigrants included about 600 children and youths and 1,000 adults. Some were released from the Bergen-Belsen and Theresienstadt camps just before the German collapse, while others were freed by the victorious Allied troops.

U.S. officers from the nearby American base, from which thousands of troops are being deployed for service in the Far East, and leaders of Jewish relief groups spoke briefly, wishing the refugees God-speed. Two-hundred boys and girls circled about the camp singing Zionist songs, in which the adults joined from time to time. Two Greeks from a nearby camp for displaced persons provided music from a violin and guitar. A ten-year-old girl sang a Hungarian Zionist song relating the plight of the Jews scattered throughout the world because the Jewish flag does not fly over Palestine.

The joyousness of the celebration was highlighted by the fact that it was held only a few miles from the consulate gardens in which, five years ago, thousands of desperate Jews crowded seeking visas to any overseas country that would take them, in order to escape from the Nazis.

BILBO DENOUNCES "KIKE JEWS FROM NEW YORK" IN ATTACK ON FEPC IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, July 8. (JTA) -- Continuing his anti-FEPC attacks, Senator Theodore G. Bilbo of Mississippi, speaking on the Senate floor, denounced "Kike" Jews in New York, the CIO and Negroes for what he termed their "drive to cram this piece of legislation down the throats of the American people."

Disclaiming any prejudice against Catholics, Jews and Negroes "as a class or as races," Bilbo said: "So far as the Jews are concerned, we have Jews in my state, and some of my best friends are Jews. I am a great admirer of the Jewish race. Jesus Christ was a Jew. Some of my associates are Jews. But there is a certain class of 'Kike' Jews in New York, organized with the CIO and the Negroes" who are trying to force through this fanatical legislation."

Bilbo claimed that he is "only fighting for the American way of life," and threatened to filibuster against the FEPC until Christmas, if necessary.

WAR DEPT. OFFICIAL PLANNED ARAB PROPAGANDA AT SAN FRANCISCO, ARAB PAPER REVEALS

NEW YORK, July 8. (JTA) -- The disclosure that an expert of the War Department assisted the Arab delegates during their stay at San Francisco is revealed in the Al-Hoda, an Arab daily newspaper published here.

Reporting that the Iraq delegation maintained a special propaganda office at San Francisco, the paper says that this office was headed by Prof. Darwish Al-Heidari, general secretary of the Iraq delegation. "Also in the office were Professor Faris Alloof, head of the Institute for Arab-American Affairs, assisted by Prof. George Sarakat, on special leave from the U.S. War Department," the paper says. It credits the Iraq Minister in Washington with making this arrangement.

TRADE UNIONISTS DEMAND IMMEDIATE ACTION ON PALESTINE, SEND MEMORANDUM TO TRUMAN AND BYRNES

NEW YORK, July 8. (JTA) -- The American Jewish Trade Union Committee for Palestine, which includes millions of American workers--both AFL and CIO-- today issued a memorandum calling upon the leaders of the United Nations to act immediately on the Palestine question.

The memorandum demands abolishment "without further delay of all restrictions on free Jewish immigration into Palestine and all limitations on the right of Jews to purchase and settle the land;" and issuance of "a definitive announcement, in the spirit and purpose of the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate, of the determination to reconstitute Palestine as a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth."

The document, which was submitted to President Truman, Secretary of State Byrnes and the members of both Houses of Congress, reviews the achievements of Jewish Palestine during the last twenty-five years, and emphasizes that American and British labor "have been resolute in their demand for a repudiation of the 1939 White Paper policy and for an honest fulfillment of the pledges made to the Jews in the Balfour Declaration and in the Palestine Mandate." The repeatedly expressed position of labor on this question "is but a firmer expression of a general American attitude voiced by the public at large and by American statesmen and legislators," the memorandum adds.

American Jewish Congress Asks Big Three Decision on Palestine

NEW YORK, July 8. (JTA) -- Hope that during their forthcoming conference in Berlin, the Big Three will take "decisive action" for the establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth was expressed in a communication to President Truman sent today by Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the executive committee of the American Jewish Congress.

Recalling that the Congress owes its origin to the late Louis D. Brandeis, Rabbi Miller said that it speaks for the "overwhelming masses of American Jews" in favoring the establishment of a Jewish National Home in Palestine. "The tragic occurrences of recent years have made clearer the indispensability of such a national home as a primary solution of the present intolerable situation of the Jews in Europe," he wrote. "We beg you to do whatever can be done in association with the Prime Minister of Great Britain and the head of the Soviet Union to bring about decisive action for the only possible solution of the Jewish problem, which is in accord with the necessities of the Jewish situation and the dictates of justice."

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