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106 EAST 41st STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.JEWS IN SUDETEN AREA CONCERNED OVER WHETHER THEY WILL BE EXEMPTED FROM EXPECTED REPRISALS

PRAGUE, July 9, (JTA) -- Surviving Jews in the Sudeten area of Czechoslovakia - who are German-speaking and who always registered as of German nationality - are somewhat apprehensive about whether they will be exempted from the confiscation of property, expulsion from the country and other reprisals that almost certainly will be visited upon the Sudeten Germans by the Czechoslovak Government.

Jewish leaders, however, told a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent today that they are confident that fair treatment will be given the Sudeten Jews and that they will be allowed to become full citizens of Czechoslovakia.

Another ticklish problem, these leaders said, is securing the return of confiscated Jewish property. This will be comparatively simple in Bohemia and Moravia where the property was taken over by Germans, who are going to be expelled, but in Slovakia, the property is now in the hands of Slovaks, who, from all indications, will not give it up without a struggle. Government experts are now at work seeking a solution of the problem.

The majority of the 2,000 Jews now in Prague - survivors of the pre-war Jewish community of 45,000 - and another 7,000 elsewhere in Bohemia and Moravia have been stripped of most of their assets and are dependent on relief. A small amount has already arrived from the Joint Distribution Committee, via Stockholm, including milk, jam and other foodstuffs, but much more is urgently needed, particularly fats. Money is apparently not as important at present as supplies.

Relief Committee Flooded With Inquiries From All Over World

In addition to relief work, the Jewish community in Prague is attempting to handle a flood of inquiries from all over the world concerning the fate of individual Jews. "The Jews here have been in practically all the concentration camps, and through them we are able to trace many," Dr. Thomas Berman, assistant secretary of the community council, said. "However, ninety percent are either dead or untraceable."

According to Dr. Kurt Wehle, a lawyer who is secretary of the council, less than ten percent of all Czech Jews survived. Dr. Wehle, who is one of the few survivors of Oswiecim, said that latest available statistics indicate that most of the 5,000 Jews in Bohemia and Moravia who were married to non-Jews have survived, and about 3,000 to 4,000 others were liberated from concentration camps and have returned. These are the only survivors of the 75,000 Jews who lived in the two provinces before the war.

Strangely enough, the synagogues and other Jewish relics and buildings here fared much better than the Jewish population. This correspondent toured the former ghetto area today accompanied by Cpl. Lawrence Luskin, an American soldier whose home

in Brooklyn, and Salamon Komlos, a Slovakian Jew who has just arrived in Prague from Buchenwald.

We saw the ancient Jewish cemetery overgrown with weeds and bushes but the gravestones were unsoathed, except by the centuries. The famous old synagogue is all the Gothic museum piece it has been for 700 years. Inside, prayerbooks were on their stands and candlesticks were in their appointed places. The historic Jewish town hall is undamaged, and now houses the Jewish committee. Even the famous clock with Hebrew characters was not damaged.

2,000 FRENCH JEWS FREED FROM POLISH CAMPS ARRIVE HOME; 818 REFUGEES SAIL FOR PALESTINE

MARSEILLE, July 9. (JTA) -- Over 2,000 French Jews liberated from concentration camps in Poland by the Red Army have arrived here from Odessa to where they are taken by Soviet authorities.

They told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that en route from Oswiecim to Odessa they stopped in Bucharest where they were warmly welcomed by the Jewish community and given clothes. Among the arrivals is Pierre Karsenti, 32, from Paris, who is one of the few Jews in Europe to have survived two years in Oswiecim. He was deported there in September, 1942.

The S.S. Aschanius, which brought the deportees from Odessa, sailed from here last night carrying 818 Jewish refugees bound for Palestine. About 1,600 children and adults were scheduled to sail, but British visa difficulties delayed 750 who are still in Swiss refugee camps. The emigrants included 533 men and boys and 285 women and girls.

Their departure was a festive occasion, marked by much singing and waving of blue-and-white Zionist banners. Silent, but interested, spectators were German prisoners of war working on the docks. U.S. army officers and representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee, the Jewish Agency and the Red Cross were on hand, as well as several American Jewish chaplains. The passengers included persons of all ages ranging from toddlers to bearded old men.

David Sealtiel, the Jewish Agency representative, expressed his thanks to the allied military and civil agencies for their assistance in providing food, transportation and housing for the refugees. He said that another transport will probably leave next month, consisting of the 750 who were held up in Switzerland and 200 French Jews.

NEARLY 1,000,000 VOLUMES FROM LOOTED JEWISH LIBRARIES FOUND IN ROSENBERG'S STOREHOUSES

FRANKFURT, July 9. (JTA) -- Three-quarters of a million volumes looted from Jewish rabbinical libraries in Vilna, Paris and Amsterdam have been discovered, so far, in the small town of Hungen, north of here, and 100,000 have been found in the "Institute for Research Into the Jewish Question" in Frankfurt.

The institute was operated under the direction of Alfred Rosenberg, chief Nazi race theorist, who was captured by British troops in Flensburg in May. After examining the loot at the institute, Rosenberg would send the books to Hungen to be stored. Among the nearly 1,000,000 volumes are priceless treasures, including illuminated manuscripts and examples of the earliest printing in Europe.

Lieut. Julius Buchman, of New York City, discovered the cache, and suspecting its value sent out a hurry call for someone who could read Hebrew. SHAEF produced Capt. Abraham Aaroni, also of New York, a Semitic scholar. Aaroni quickly identified the volumes.

ALL PRE-WAR LEADERS OF GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN JEWISH COMMUNITIES ARE DEAD, DR. BAECK REVEALS

LONDON, July 9. (JTA) -- Chief Rabbi Leo Baeck of Berlin, who has just arrived here from Theresienstadt after a short stay in Paris, revealed today that he is the only survivor of the pre-war Jewish leaders of Germany and Austria.

Dr. Otto Hirsch, executive director of the "Reichsvertretung" of German Jews, died in the Mauthausen camp, Dr. Baeck said, while other officials of the central body, including Dr. Arthur Lillenthal, a one-time Berlin judge, Dr. Cora Berliner and Hanna Karminsky were deported to Poland. Dr. Paul Epstein, another leader of the organization, died in Oswiecim. The Austrian Jewish leaders who died or were murdered included Robert Stricker, prominent Zionist (whose son is now in the U.S. Army), and Dr. Desider Friedman, president of the Vienna Jewish community at the time of the Anschluss.

Queried concerning Jewish life in Germany in the year before he was interned, in 1943, Dr. Baeck said that the flame of Jewish learning was kept burning even while deportations were in full swing. "What was done between 1939 and 1944 will go down in history as, perhaps, the outstanding achievement of the doomed German-Jewish community," Dr. Baeck said.

Tremendous difficulties had to be overcome during this period in arranging classes for children, who were scattered over wide areas, the chief rabbi said, but they were brought to community centers and then transported home. This continued until July, 1942 when all Jewish instruction and religious services were banned. Up to that time, Dr. Baeck also disclosed, he had continued lecturing at the celebrated Institute for Jewish Learning. Half-Jews and many Jews who were illegally hiding in Berlin attended his classes.

JEWISH BRIGADERS ATTEMPTING TO SECURE PERMISSION TO MOVE HERZL REMAINS TO PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, July 9. (JTA) -- The Jewish Brigade, which is now stationed in Austria, is attempting to obtain permission to transfer to Palestine the remains of Theodor Herzl, which now rest in a Vienna cemetery, it was learned here today.

Jewish soldiers who have visited Vienna report that the grave escaped damage or desecration at the hands of the Nazis. Many members of the Brigade have visited the cemetery to place wreaths on the grave.

(In his will Herzl asked that his body be buried next to father "to remain there until the Jewish people will carry my remains to Palestine.")

GERMAN REFUGEE JEWS SUGGEST CREATION OF JEWISH STATE WITHIN BORDERS OF REICH

LONDON, July 9. (JTA) -- The Stockholm correspondent of the Daily Herald reports today that a group of German Jews are planning to present to the United Nations a plan for the creation of a Jewish state within the borders of Germany.

The originators of the proposal are reported to feel that because of the obstacles in the way of securing a Jewish state in Palestine, it would be more feasible to set one up in the area between the east bank of the Oder from Stettin to Kustrin or Frankfurt, along the Warthe and from there to Kolberg on the Baltic coast. The sponsors claim that they could secure sufficient capital to erect factories and take other measures to ensure employment.

JEWISH AIRMAN HOLDS 29 DECORATIONS; CALLED OUTSTANDING NAVIGATOR IN SQUADRON'S HISTORY

NEW YORK, July 9. (JTA) -- Capt. Edwin F. Radin, 25, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has received twenty-nine decorations: The Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, twenty-four Oakleaf Clusters, two Presidential Unit Citations and Croix de Guerre avec Palme for aerial heroism in the European theater, the Jewish Welfare Board reports.

As navigator of a B-26 bomber, he has taken part in fifty-six combat missions. At Cassino, Radin served as group lead navigator in a formation of forty-eight bombers which attacked an important road bridge. Weather conditions seriously limited visibility, but Radin led his group over a pin-point target in the face of heavy and accurate anti-aircraft fire. His expert navigation enabled the bombardiers following him to drop a devastating pattern of bombs on the bridge and entirely block the highway. He later led the formation safely back to base without any loss of personnel or ships.

During nine months of aerial combat service, Radin flew on every type of bombing mission, including attacks against enemy airfields, lines of communications, ammunition dumps and harbor areas. He has been called one of the outstanding navigators in the history of his squadron.

"ANGLO-ISRAELITES" URGE MEMBERS TO "GET GUNS" AND BE PREPARED TO FIGHT JEWS

NEW YORK, July 9. (JTA) -- Disclosure of what transpired at a "national anti-Semitic conference" held in Los Angeles last month under the auspices of the "United Israelites" or, as they sometimes call themselves, the "Anglo-Israelites," is made today in the newspaper PM.

The paper reveals that 1,000 to 1,500 delegates attended the conference which was featured by numerous anti-Semitic speeches, in which Jews were described variously as "liars," "murderers" and "skunks." It was announced that "a funeral service" would soon be held for the Jews, and those present were urged to "get their guns" and prepare to fight the Jews.

The Anglo-Israelites claim that the Gentiles, rather than the Jews, are God's chosen peoples, and that the Jews are impostors and "not the seed of Abraham." The leaders of the movement are reported to be cooperating with Gerald L. K. Smith.

ATTEMPT BY ANTI-SEMITIC GROUPS TO BLOCK PURCHASE OF BUILDING BY ZIONISTS IS CONDEMNED

MELBOURNE, Australia, July 9. (JTA) -- The attempt by anti-Semitic groups to block the purchase by the Australian Zionist organization of a building in the business section of this city has been condemned by several radio commentators. One broadcaster pointed out that the failure to stop the sale is an indication that the majority of Australians are true to the British tradition of tolerance and fair play.

The executive council of Australian Jewry today made public a statement sent to members of the government expressing its condolences on the death of Prime Minister John Curtin, and declaring that "Australian Jewry mourns the passing of a great Australian who gave magnificent service to the Commonwealth."