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VISALESS IMMIGRANTS RELEASED; GOVT. DEDUCTS 3,000 CERTIFICATES TO COVER "ILLEGALS"

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- The 240 refugee passengers captured last week aboard the motor schooner "Orde Wingate" were released today from the Athlit clearance camp. The 733 from the "Tel Hai," which was intercepted later in the week, will be released shortly.

Dr. Bernard Joseph, legal advisor to the Jewish Agency, disclosed at a press conference today that of the 4,500 immigration certificates granted by the Palestine Government for the period during which the Anglo-American inquiry committee was making its investigations, 3,000 have been deducted to cover visaless immigrants.

YOUNG JEWISH DP JAILED FOR YEAR BY AMG AS RESULT OF SEARCH FOR FATHER'S MURDERER

FRANKFURT, April 1. (JTA) -- Two Rumanian Jewish youths were today sentenced to one year's imprisonment as a result of an alleged attack upon a German woman, which was the culmination of the search by one of the boys for his father's murderer. The sentence was pronounced by Captain Alan Fraser, AMG legal officer, who handled the case from beginning and acted as investigator, prosecutor, and finally judge.

In a trial that lasted less than two hours, the court in the person of Capt. Fraser, heard Andor Horowitz, 18, and Ber Blum, 21, recount the story of Horowitz' search for the Gestapo agent who killed his father in the Rumanian town of Cluj, where they had formerly lived. Tracking the Gestapo man led Horowitz from the Austrian Tyrol, where he was liberated as the last surviving member of his family of eight, back to Rumania, Bavaria, the Lambertholm DP camp and finally Frankfurt.

At Cluj, with the aid of the local police and UNRRA authorities, Horowitz discovered that the Gestapo agent had a sister living in Hoechst, a suburb of Frankfurt. With Blum, a friend of his concentration camp days and also a resident of Cluj, whom he had met again in the Lambertholm camp, he wandered the streets of Hoechst for several days until he found the sister, Kristenz Diedle.

When they questioned her about her brother, she insisted that he was dead and became angry when they refused to believe the story. According to the boys, she shouted anti-Jewish insults and attempted to strike Horowitz with her washboard, and he shoved her away. She fell and bloodied her nose. Neighbors called American military police who arrested the boys and refused to help them find the photograph of the Gestapo agent, which had been lost in the scuffle, and which was the only evidence of their story. During the trial Mrs. Diedle claimed that the two had beaten and gagged her, and had stolen her ring and some cigarettes.

Although he said he was in sympathy with the boys, Capt. Fraser declared that "two wrongs don't make a right." He also stated that in his opinion the "gray-haired woman" could not have swung her washboard at the boys. He doubted that the youths ever had the photograph of the Gestapo man.

The boys' lawyer, Dr. Kurt Rathe, indicated that he would appeal Fraser's decision to higher military authorities.

GEORGE WARREN, STATE DEPT. ADVISOR, NAMED U.S. REPRESENTATIVE ON UNO REFUGEE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, April 1. (JTA) -- George L. Warren has been appointed by President Truman as United States representative on the Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons of the United Nations Economic and Social Council, White House press secretary Charles G. Ross announced today.

The committee will meet April 8 in London to investigate problems of refugees and displaced persons and to prepare a report for presentation to the Economic and Social Council, which opens its second session in New York on May 25.

Mr. Warren has been advisor on refugees and displaced persons in the State Department.

MOST YUGOSLAV JEWS DO NOT PLAN TO EMIGRATE; HARD HIT COMMUNITY AIDED BY JDC

SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia, April 1. (JTA) -- The majority of the surviving Jews in Yugoslavia, who are but a fraction of the pre-war Jewish population--10,000 of 75,000--are rapidly adjusting themselves to the new conditions here. Unlike those of other Eastern European countries, most of them do not desire to emigrate to Palestine, but plan to remain.

Many of the survivors are professionals and tradesmen, and a large percentage of them are employed in various state institutions. The Government, which was the first postwar regime to issue a law outlawing anti-Semitism, is rigidly enforcing the decree and Jews find little, if any, discrimination.

The economic position of the Jews, however, like that of the rest of the population is bad. The country was badly ravaged by the Germans, and there is an acute shortage of foodstuffs. A local committee of the Joint Distribution Committee is providing the financial and other assistance without which these people could not live.

900 JEWISH CHILDREN WILL LEAVE BRITISH ZONE IN GERMANY FOR PALESTINE IN A FEW WEEKS

FRANKFURT, April 1. (JTA) -- More than 900 Jewish children from the British zone in Germany will be assembled at Bergen-Belsen within a few weeks for emigration to Palestine, according to a report received here today from Hamburg.

One hundred and twenty children, who arrived in Hamburg from the Theresienstadt concentration camp last June, and, who have been living in Blankensee, near Hamburg in an orphanage maintained by the Joint Distribution Committee on the former Warburg estate, will be part of the large transport, which will probably leave Europe from Marseilles.

It is also reported here that the Swedish Government has offered refuge to 300 Jews from the British zone. One hundred and seventy have already sailed from Luebeck aboard the S.S. Kastelholm.

In Munich the newly-formed Federation of Polish Jews has announced that it will cooperate with all Polish-Jewish groups throughout the world in celebrating, on April 18th, the third anniversary of the Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto.

QUINTUPLETS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN BORN IN PALESTINE TO 18-YEAR-OLD MOTHER

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Palestine's first set of quintuplets is reported to have been born today in Tel Aviv to the 18-year-old wife of a Jewish worker. Both the mother and the five infants are well, according to the report.

BERLIN SCORES SHERTOK STATEMENT TO PROBERS THAT ARABS HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS TO PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, April 1. (JTA) -- Rabbi Meir Berlin, Mizrahi leader, today attacked as "a crime, and a mistake for which posterity will not forgive the entire Zionist movement," the testimony given before the Anglo-American inquiry committee last week by Moshe Shertok, political chief of the Jewish Agency.

Rabbi Berlin, who prefaced his remarks by hailing the unity with which all Jewish groups faced the committee, attacked Mr. Shertok's statement that Arabs have the same rights to Palestine as the Jews. "The Arabs have only personal rights," he said, "while the Jews have national rights."

In an address to a conference of the Poale Mizrahi, labor wing of the orthodox Zionists, he demanded that the forthcoming World Zionist Congress be motivated by "one spirit and one slogan: Establishment of a Jewish state." The Jews, he added, "will make use of what will be offered to us, but we will never abandon fulfillment of Zionist aims--a Jewish state on both sides of the Jordan."

A call for unity among all sections of orthodox Jewry to achieve the establishment of a Jewish state was voiced by Dr. Kalman Cahane, leader of the labor wing of the Agudas Israel, at the opening of the conference.

(At a meeting of representatives of all groups in the Rumanian Mizrahi movement held today in Bucharest, speakers attacked Britain's policy in Palestine, and appealed to the Poale Mizrahi convention in Palestine to "strengthen the Yishuv's fight for an independent state on both sides of the Jordan." The appeal also declared that free immigration of Jews into Palestine "was the last hope of Jewry").

BUCHAREST NEWSPAPER WARNS ANTI-SEMITISM MENACES RUMANIA'S INTERESTS ABROAD

BUCHAREST, April 1. (JTA) -- Commenting on the recent outbreak of anti-Jewish incidents, the independent newspaper, Semnalul, warns the Rumanian people that "anti-Semitism is undesirable because it could jeopardize Rumanian interests abroad."

At the same time Peasant leader Iuliu Maniu's newspaper accuses Foreign Minister Gheorghe Tartaescu of not only supporting anti-Semitism morally, but of having organized pogroms while Premier under King Carol.

Representatives of Rumania's 20,000 Sephardic Jews, in an interview with a Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent, appealed to the Sephardic Jews of the world to help them rebuild their Bucharest synagogue, which was destroyed in 1941 by Iron Guardists.

SCHWARTZ ANNOUNCES NEW AGREEMENT BETWEEN JDC AND SOUTH AFRICAN JEWISH WAR RELIEF

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, April 1. (JTA) -- Speaking at a mass meeting here yesterday, Joseph Schwartz, European director of the Joint Distribution Committee, announced the conclusion of a new agreement between the South African Jewish War Appeal and the J.D.C. in administering relief to the Jews of Europe.

The South African organization will render special assistance to the Jews in Latvia and Lithuania, he stated. Pointing out that the J.D.C. is already sending aid to Baltic countries, Schwartz expressed the hope that the Soviet Union would soon permit the entrance of J.D.C. representatives to these areas. He also summed up the position of the Jews in various parts of Europe and paid tribute to the aid already given by the S.A.J.W.A.

TRUMAN RECEIVES B'NAI B'RITH DELEGATION; PRAISES ORGANIZATION'S WARTIME SERVICE

WASHINGTON, April 1. (JTA) -- President Truman today received a delegation of B'nai B'rith officials, headed by Henry Monsky, president, who reported on the three-day conference being held here to establish the National Veterans Advisory Committee of B'nai B'rith.

The President told the delegation he was highly pleased with the B'nai B'rith war service record and expressed gratification that the organization is marshalling its 265,000 members to continue this service in the post-war years.

A call for "honest solutions before selfish interest" to meet veterans' needs was issued by General Omar N. Bradley, Veterans Administrator, at a luncheon today climaxing the conference.

General Bradley expressed the thanks of the Veterans Administration for B'nai B'rith's wartime services and for their continuing post-war services. "Contributing generously to men and women of all creeds, all races, all colors," Bradley said, "you left unquestioned the hyphenated origins of their birth, the color of their parents, the spelling of their names. It was essentially a service by Americans for Americans."

Stressing the "swarm of individual problems" facing veterans now, Bradley lauded B'nai B'rith for "not backsliding into the dangerous assumption that the ending of hostilities also means the ending of the war," and declared that B'nai B'rith's "best measure of accomplishment is the added happiness brought to servicemen who benefited from your gifts."

Mr. Monsky presided at the luncheon, and with Lt. Col. Elliott A. Niles, acting chairman of the National Veterans Advisory Committee, and Sidney G. Kusworm, chairman of the B'nai B'rith Americanism Commission, presented General Bradley with an inscribed pledge of continued peace time service.

Guests at the luncheon included Congressional leaders and representatives of the Army, Navy and other Federal departments dealing with veterans' affairs.

BRITISH LABOR GOVERNMENT WARNED ITS STAND ON PALESTINE ALIENATES AMERICAN JEWS

LONDON, April 1. (JTA) -- Warning Britain's Labor Government that it had already lost the confidence of substantial elements of progressive Jewish groups in America by its stand on the Palestine issue, Rabbi Philip Bernstein, former director of the committee on Army and Navy religious activities of the Jewish Welfare Board, who is here to participate in the United Palestine drive, called for an immediate change of policy.

Rabbi Bernstein, addressing a UFA meeting last night, said that the Labor Government "must again see that Palestine alone promises a solution for the Jews. Only the Jewish solution of the Palestine problem," he added, "can bring emancipation to the backward Middle East."

CZECHOSLOVAK JEWS SELL 15,000 "SHEKOLIM;" ORDER 10,000 MORE FROM ZIONIST HEADQUARTERS

PRAGUE, April 1. (JTA) -- The sale of 15,000 "shekolim" to Czechoslovakian Jews has not filled the entire demand, the local Zionist organization revealed here announcing the placing of an order for an additional 10,000 from London headquarters of the World Zionist Congress. In Slovakia 10,000 "shekolim" have already been sold, while the remaining 5,000 have been purchased by Bohemian Jews.



CANADIAN CABINET COMMITTEE STUDYING ADMISSION OF EUROPEAN REFUGEES

OTTAWA, April 1. (JTA) -- A special cabinet committee is studying the question of admitting European refugees to Canada, it was disclosed in Parliament by Prime Minister MacKenzie King.

The premier described the matter as "about the most difficult problem with which any administration is faced at the present time" and added: "Up to now the Dominion has not been able to admit any large number but as the situation in the world changes we hope to take a more liberal attitude than it has been possible to take in the past."

Agriculture Minister James Gardiner is known to be a proponent of a more liberal immigration policy, but strong opposition is expected from the province of Quebec.

TWENTY GOVERNORS ISSUE PLEA TO ALL AMERICANS TO SUPPORT UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

NEW YORK, April 1. (JTA) -- Governors of twenty states joined yesterday in a plea to Americans of all faiths for help in the rescue of 1,500,000 Jewish survivors of Nazism in Europe who are "homeless, sick and helpless." Specifically, they asked for support of the nation-wide \$100,000,000 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The governors who supported the appeal were Thomas E. Devey, New York; Walter Edge, New Jersey; Edward Martin, Pennsylvania; Dwight H. Green, Illinois; Frank J. Lausche, Ohio; Clarence W. Meadows, West Virginia; Harry F. Kelly, Michigan; Lester C. Hunt, Wyoming; Ellis Arnall, Georgia; Millard F. Caldwell, Florida; Dwight Criswold, Nebraska; R. Gregg Cherry, North Carolina; Earl Snell, Oregon; Sidney P. Osborn, Arizona; Thomas L. Bailey, Mississippi; Ralph F. Gates, Indiana; Ben Laney, Arkansas; M.Q. Sharpe, South Dakota; Sam O. Ford, Montana; and John J. Dempsey, New Mexico.

SEPHARDIC JEWS IN AMERICA URGED TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN JEWISH COMMUNAL LIFE

NEW YORK, April 1. (JTA) -- Sephardic Jews in the United States were urged to take a more active part as a group in American Jewish communal life by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, in an address delivered at the annual dinner of the Central Sephardic Jewish Community of America, at the Henry Hudson Hotel.

"I have a great admiration and a deep respect for Sephardic Jewry, whose contribution to the spiritual heritage of all Jews has been enormous," Dr. Wise said. "The time has now arrived for the Sephardic Jews in America to become more aware of that heritage, to do more to foster it," he declared.

LEON KOBRIN, NOTED JEWISH WRITER, DIES AT 73; AUTHOR OF MANY PLAYS, NOVELS

NEW YORK, April 1. (JTA) -- Leon Kobrin, noted Jewish author and dramatist, died here yesterday at the age of 73. Kobrin, who was a writer on the Freiheit at the time of his death, had served on the staff of the Day for 25 years and had contributed to many other Yiddish publications. He wrote more than 20 plays for the Yiddish stage, and his works have been translated into English, Russian, German and French. He was born in Vitebsk, Russia, and emigrated to the U.S. in 1892. He is survived by a widow and three children.

He started writing at the age of 15 in Russian, but upon his arrival in America turned to Yiddish. He created his most famous character, "Yankel Boile," in a novel published in 1908. Later Yankel appeared in a play and became one of the favorite characters of Jewish literature. During his early years in New York City Kobrin worked as a shirtmaker, cigarmaker, and baker, as well as writer.