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RUMANIA CHARGED WITH PERSECUTING JEWS; UNITED STATES SEEKS INTERNATIONAL ACTION

LAKE SUCCESS, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The New York Post correspondent here today reported, on the basis of a "confidential report," that "Communist persecution of the 400,000 Jews of Rumania...has reached a savage intensity in which not even the aged and children are spared." The correspondent added that "the facts in the report account for a U.S. decision to place the case of Rumania's Jews and the Protestant and Catholic clergy in Bulgaria and Hungary before the International Court of Justice.

The report quoted by the Post says that some 320,000 Jews--80 percent of the total Jewish population--have been deprived of all means of earning a living, have been reduced to selling personal possessions and, when these are gone, face starvation. It also charges that Rumanian prisons are filled with Jews--most of whom are Zionists--and that many Orthodox Jews have been jailed for attempting to flee the country. All efforts to convince the Rumanian authorities to permit such Jews to leave for Israel have proven unsuccessful, the report states.

It also asserts that many of the 100,000 laborers on a proposed Rumanian canal from the Danube to the Black Sea are Jews recruited through forced labor. Finally, the report says that Rumanian police attempted to force Jewish orphaned children to leave Orthodox children's homes to live with Communist families, but that the children in most cases fled the new homes and have been hidden by the Jewish community.

7,000 DISPLACED JEWS LEFT AUSTRIA THIS YEAR; 8,000 STILL REMAIN TO BE RESETTLED

VIENNA, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Despite the fact that Jewish refugees and DP's have been entering Austria throughout the year, over 7,200 Jews were resettled from Austria during the first eight months of 1949 and the total number in the country dropped from over 12,000 at the beginning of the year to slightly under 8,000 at the end of August. Harry Greenstein, retiring advisor on Jewish affairs to the U.S. Army in Europe, revealed here during the last official visit to Austria.

Mr. Greenstein, who conferred with American commander Lt. Gen. Geoffrey Keyes and other high American officials, disclosed that nearly 5,000 of the Jews who left here during the first eight months of the year went to Israel, while another 1,800 went to the United States. He added that he felt that the most difficult problem in evacuating the Jewish DP's from Austria was the disposition of persons too old or too ill to be resettled.

BRITISH POLICE FAILED TO MAKE ARRESTS AT FASCIST MEETINGS, JEWISH VETERANS' LEAD SAYS

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Only five arrests were made at a series of 300 fascist meetings held recently in England at which "assertions were made which gave the police powers to arrest the speakers," Maj. Lionel Rose, director of the Association of Jewish Ex-Servicemen, charged today.

Maj. Rose disclosed that the Association has compiled a dossier of 500 fascist meetings recently held in Britain. At this week's East End meeting of followers of Sir Oswald Mosley, British fascist leader, the British Anthem was sung to the tune of the Nazi "Kret Wessel" song, he said.

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POLISH GOVT. WILL NOT OPPOSE MIGRATION TO ISRAEL OF JEWISH ORPHANS IN NON-JEWISH HOMES

WARSAW, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Polish authorities will not stand in the way of the migration to Israel of some 2,000 Jewish orphans who were saved by Christians during the war and who are still living with non-Jewish families, or in Catholic Church institutions or in orphanages maintained by the Central Jewish Committee of Poland, it was learned here today.

The Polish Government requires that some close relative now living in Israel make a request that the child be permitted to go to Israel to live with the relative. In addition, the Polish Government will require that a Jewish organization or the Israel consulate here make all arrangements for transportation and care for the children en route to the Jewish state.

ISRAEL AND YUGOSLAVIA CONCLUDE TRADE AGREEMENT INVOLVING \$2,000,000 EXCHANGE OF GOODS

TEL AVIV, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- A \$2,000,000 Israel-Yugoslav trade agreement was signed in Belgrade yesterday, it was announced here today. Israel Minister to Belgrade Moshe Ishai initialled the agreement on behalf of the Jewish state while a Yugoslav Foreign Ministry representative signed the document on behalf of his government.

Under the agreement, Israel will import from Yugoslavia timber, corn, beans, potatoes, onions and other foodstuffs. Yugoslavia will also ship to the new state lead and various chemicals. In turn, Israel will export to Yugoslavia citrus fruits and citrus by-products, woolen yarns, razor blades, oils, optical lenses, artificial teeth and sheet glass.

Israel will pay for the Yugoslav imports partly in hard currency and partly in export products. In addition to the agreement, Israel plans to purchase from Yugoslavia sufficient timber for the manufacture of 1,000,000 citrus crates. The commercial pact with Yugoslavia makes it the sixth such agreement reached between Israel and other countries in the past nine months. Others concluded to date have been with the Netherlands, Hungary, Poland, Finland and Uruguay.

LAST TRANSPORT OF JEWS LEAVING BELSEN FOR ISRAEL DUE TO DEPART AT END OF THIS MONTH

LONDON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The last transport to Israel from Belsen is expected to leave at the end of this month, the Jewish Committee for Relief Abroad announced here today. The Committee stated that the Jewish relief unit in Germany was gradually being reduced in personnel.

Meanwhile, the relief unit is arranging for a visit by four Jewish students from universities in the British zone of Germany to England, where they will take part in the special school organized by the Inter-University Jewish Federation. The Union of Jewish Students in the British zone, with headquarters in Bonn, is developing intense activity, the Committee reported. All students prepare for emigration after their studies are finished.

20,500 IMMIGRANTS ARRIVED IN ISRAEL DURING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, TEL AVIV ANNOUNCES

HAIFA, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- A total of 20,500 Jewish immigrants entered Israel during the month of September, it was officially announced today.

A total of 2,500 immigrants arrived here yesterday. One thousand came on the steamer Nofa from Marseilles, while 1,500 arrived on the Azmat from Tripoli. Among the latter group were 300 children under the age of five.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS TESTIFY AGAINST LIBERALIZATION OF LAW FOR DP ADMISSION

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Disabled American Veterans told the immigration subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee today that it would be "a national disgrace" to liberalize the Displaced Persons Act of 1948.

Charles E. Foster, legislative director of the D.A.V., told the subcommittee that wounded veterans "have heard too many stories of the arrogant, bitter, unpatriotic and ungrateful attitude of persons who have already been admitted to the United States under the D.P. Act."

Mr. Foster announced that the D.A.V. adopted a resolution that "DP's should be excluded until such time as American war veterans and their families are assured of full employment and adequate housing."

HOOGLIGANS IN ARGENTINE TOWN SMEAR DOORS OF ALLIANCE ISRAELITE INSTITUTION WITH TAR

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The entrance to the Alliance Israelite Universelle building in the city of Salta, where a small Jewish community exists, was smeared last night with tar by hooligans. Similar attacks have been made in the past by unidentified vandals.

A project to build a 3,000,000-peso hospital in Entre Rios to be named for Mrs. Eva Peron, wife of the Argentine President, was discussed here today by leaders of major Jewish groups at the suggestion of the pro-Peronist Jewish organization, O.I.A. The hospital is planned as a gift of Argentine Jewry to the foundation for social work carrying the name of Mrs. Peron. The meeting decided that funds would not be raised by Jewish organizations but from individual Jews who will be asked to contribute to the project.

LABOR LEADERS IN CANADA APPEAL FOR GREATER EFFORTS TO FIGHT JOB DISCRIMINATION

OTTAWA, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- In a report submitted to the ninth annual convention of the Canadian Congress of Labor held here, its national committee for racial tolerance appealed for greater efforts to fight discrimination in industry and for the adoption of a Bill of Rights by the Canadian parliament.

The convention also heard the charge that post-war immigrants to Canada include "individuals who had every sort of connection with the Nazis." One delegate told the convention that some of the immigrants had been found wearing German S.S. uniforms in Canadian lumber camps.

NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF JEWISH COMMUNITY TO BE STUDIED IN SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Important research studies in Jewish social service will be undertaken during the next nine months by the Fellows of the Institute on Advanced Studies in Jewish Community Organization, it was announced by George W. Rabinoff, director of the Training Bureau for Jewish Communal Service.

"As part of their training," Mr. Rabinoff said, "the Fellows are undertaking research relating to the needs and problems of the Jewish community to make a contribution to Jewish life and thought and community organization practices."

ALLIANCE ISRAELITE UNIVERSSELLE WILL ESTABLISH ITS FIRST COLLEGE IN ISRAEL

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Alliance Israelite Universelle has completed all preparations for the opening of its first college in Israel which will function in Jerusalem, it was announced here today by Jules Braunschvig, vice-president of the organization, upon his arrival from Europe.

N.Y. FEDERATION PLANS TO BUILD NINE JEWISH CENTERS; WILL SPEND \$8,000,000 ON EXPANSION

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Construction of nine new community centers, a new city-wide resident facility for young adults, eight new extension centers and modernization of five community centers now in existence at an estimated cost of \$8,042,000 are planned for by the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York under proposals contained in its \$54,000,000 Building Fund Program.

This was announced today by Ralph E. Samuel, president of the Federation, who said that the Federation's program to expand the existing chain of 22 Federation-affiliated community centers, neighborhood and settlement houses "will bring the community center right where it belongs--where the people live. Many areas in New York are either under-served or not served at all in the community center field."

AMERICAN ORT LEADERS HEAR REPORT ON PROBLEMS FACING ORGANIZATION THROUGHOUT WORLD

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The accomplishments and problems of the ORT--Organization for Rehabilitation of Jews through Training--were outlined this week at a meeting of the national board of directors of the American ORT Federation held here, it was announced today. The meeting was attended by 60 persons from all parts of the country.

Julius Hochman, American labor leader and head of the American delegation to the World ORT Union congress held in Paris in July, reported that the big remaining program of the organization in Europe is in France and that two expanding programs which compensate for the decline in DP work on the Continent are now being conducted in Israel and North Africa. Edward L. Sard, executive director, reported that 6,743 members joined ORT groups in the U.S. during the first half of 1949.

U.S. VETERANS ADMINISTRATION RECOGNIZES TEL AVIV MUSIC SCHOOL FOR G.I. BILL STUDY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- The Israel Conservatory of Music at Tel Aviv has been recognized by the U.S. Veterans Administration as an educational institution approved for American veterans under provisions of the G.I. Bill, it was announced here today. Other approved institutions in Israel are the Hebrew University and the Haifa Technion.

USSISHKIN LITERARY PRIZE AWARDED TO TWO WRITERS FOR ESSAY AND PLAY ON WORK OF J.E.N.F.

TEL AVIV, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Moshe Smilanski and Isai Ben Yosef were today awarded the annual USSishkin literary prize. The award--for an essay written by Mr. Smilanski and a play by Mr. Ben Yosef--was divided between the two. Their respective literary productions described the role of the Jewish National Fund in the establishment of Israel.

N.C.C.J. PRESENTS AWARD FOR "DISTINGUISHED HUMAN RELATIONS" TO HEAD OF GIMBEL'S

NEW YORK, Oct. 7. (JTA) -- Bernard F. Gimbel, president of the department store chain bearing his name, last night was presented with an award by the National Conference of Christians and Jews "for distinguished service in the field of human relations." The presentation was made at a Waldorf-Astoria dinner. Among those who cited Mr. Gimbel's record were Secretary of Commerce Charles Sawyer, former Secretary of the Navy John Sullivan, Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York, and Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, president of the N.C.C.J.

Mr. Gimbel told the dinner guests that "the constant struggle to overcome the effect of seemingly intolerant tendencies on the part of many of the groups in our population has but partially succeeded. We must be constantly on guard to push back the growth of intolerant and bigoted groups and quick to defend those who suffer only by reasons of their racial or religious difference," he said.

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