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VIENNA—The last big transport of Hungarian refugees to New Zealand left Salzburg yesterday for Rotterdam, officials of the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration announced here. The 305 refugees will embark there on the "Sibajak" for the long voyage across the sea. Additional smaller groups will leave Austria in the near future until New Zealand's quota of 1000 is filled.

South Africa has announced the completion of its selection of Hungarian railway workers. An ICEM flight from Linz yesterday took off to South Africa carrying 62 members of this last group. Another ICEM flight, also from Linz yesterday, flew 66 Hungarians to Australia. Additional Hungarian refugees will leave Austria for Australia on regularly scheduled flights during the month of April.

Canada continues to register future Canadians at a steady pace and a large ship transport is scheduled to sail from Genoa within a week carrying 1350 Hungarians to Canada. In addition almost daily flights will carry ~~more~~ more Hungarians to Canada through the next two months. Meanwhile almost 500 of the 2000 refugees waiting in Holland to go to Canada have already left that small country of first asylum.

Of the Latin American countries that have been registering Hungarians only Argentina has, so far, completed its selections. Brazil, with a quota of 10,000 is busy registering. 40 refugees left Austria for that country this week to sail aboard the "Conte Bianco Mano" from Genoa. Venezuela, Columbia and Chile are also making arrangements through ICEM for the transportation of their candidates.

In the past four days 105 Hungarian refugees left Austria by train for Sweden.

Several hundred Yugoslavian refugees have been processed for movement to Canada and Australia. 410 of them will leave Austria for Canada during the month of April while approximately 300 will depart for Australia.

Scheduled for today is an ICEM flight to Canada carrying 68 Hungarian refugees.

171,094 Hungarians have fled into Austria since last October. 128,917 of them have been assisted by ICEM to reach their new homes in widely distant parts of the world. In the past four days 47 Hungarians have come across the border into Austria.