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PRINCE BIBESCU REASSURES ROUMANIAN JEWS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) An assurance that American Jews need entertain no fear about the safety of their co-religionists in Roumania, during the approaching festival, and that the anxiety concerning the rights already granted should be completely allayed by guarantees embodied in the new Constitution is expressed in a letter Prince Antine Bibescu, Roumanian Ambassador to the U.S. today addressed to Leo Wolfson, Secretary of the United Roumanian Jews of America, 44 Seventh Str., New York. The letter follows an interview a deputation representing this organization had with the Ambassador January 6, in the course of which protests were filed against the anti-Jewish excesses throughout Roumania. Prince Bibescu's letter is as follows:

"I have today received an answer to the communications I made to my Government after our meeting January 6th. I can assure you that you need not entertain any fear about the safety of the Jews on the occasion of the Boboetheaza.

"The anti-Jewish riots have not extended outside university circles. The Roumanian Government has reason to believe that anti-Semitic manifestations which took place in particular at Cluj have been started by non-Roumanian elements who want to reopen the question of the frontiers of Roumania.

"All the necessary measures have been taken by the assembled Rectors of the Roumanian universities in order that the incidents of the past should not recur. The declaration made by the Prime Minister and the Minister of Public Instructions have completely satisfied Dr. Stern, the representative of the Jews in Parliament. The anxiety felt by your delegation concerning the rights already granted to the Jews in Roumania should be completely allayed by the guarantees formally embodied in the draft of the Constitution. I hope to be in New York before the 20th of February when I am prepared to meet you."

LONDON TIMES DEFENDS PALESTINE POLICY.

LONDON, Dec. 16, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Dealing with the Duke of Devonshire's statement to the Arab representatives that no change is possible in the Palestine policy, the "Times" today declares it is a good thing the new Government has made clear its attitude. There should be no room for uncertainty concerning the fundamental principles of the British policy in Palestine, says the "Thunderer", which in the last days of Lord Northcliffe had taken up such a hostile stand toward Zionism. The White Paper, it is declared, came just in time, bringing order to the situation which was threatened with confusion. There is no occasion for the present Government to alter its policy. The editorial continues:

"We are in Palestine. British interests, no less than the honorable undertakings we have entered into, demand of us that we stay and complete the task. It is incumbent upon us to make British impartiality dominant. The Administration should be neither pro-Jewish nor pro-Arab, but British".

Turning to the Arab claims, the "Times" says: "We are bound to confess that many of the Arab grievances appear to be purely imaginary. Invited to enumerate concrete instances of injustice, the Arabs decant generalities which are based rather on fear than fact. No new settlement is possible without minor disturbances. We shall not fall away from our position, and it will be Britain's task to deal out impartial justice to the quarreling peoples. Great Britain can not contemplate any abandonment of the task until it has trained the inhabitants to administer the country without internal strife and to defend it without assistance."

"IDGESCOM" GETS CONTROL OF SANITARY WORK.

MOSCOW, Jan. 15, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The Jewish Public Committee (Idgescom) will be in virtual control of the sanitary and hygienic work hitherto conducted by the "OZE", the Society for Improvement of the health of the Jewish Population, according to an agreement signed a fortnight ago between Dr. Grann, representing the "OZE", and representatives of the Idgescom.

By the agreement, the "OZE" is permitted to conduct under the control of the Idgescom practical and educational research, as well as sanitary work. The management, while consisting of six members of the "OZE" organization and three of the Idgescom, may not execute decisions without the consent of the latter. In return for this control, the "OZE" is permitted to import machinery and medicines free of duty.

Dr. Grann is remaining here to manage the work. An important concession has been obtained by the "OZE" in being permitted to choose the employees for this work. It is important because the character and tendency of the organization's activities will thus be determined by the "OZE".

SOVIETS SHOW CONFIDENCE IN J.D.C.

MOSCOW, Jan. 15, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Another instance of the confidence the Soviet Government reposes in the Joint Distribution Committee is furnished by the shipment of coal from government stores to institutions maintained by the Committee.

Deliveries are made according to a recent contract, whereby the JDC is to receive coal in return for its undertaking to secure \$200,000 credit in the United States for the purchase of mining and other machinery for Russia. Deliveries have commenced, despite the fact that the machinery has not arrived as yet.

SEPHARDIC JEW GIVES \$250,000 FOR THE KEREN HAYESOD.

LONDON, Jan. 14, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) The tour of Dr. Ben Zion in the Arab-speaking countries on behalf of the Keren Hayesod has yielded excellent results, it is reported. He has found the Sephardic Jews in the Orient eager to help in the work of reconstruction in Palestine. One prominent Sephardic Jew has legally made over to the Keren Hayesod a sum of £50,000 payable after his death. It is understood that the Keren Hayesod will proceed to mortgage this sum immediately in order to be able to use the money for work in Palestine.

ANGHELESU INVITES STUDENTS TO RETURN.

BUCHAREST, Jan. 16, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A proclamation has been addressed to university students throughout Roumania by Minister of Education Anghelescu, announcing that the universities which are now closed by reason of the recent anti-Semitic disturbances will reopen January 22, and inviting all students to return to their classes.

The Jewish students are particularly requested to return to the lecture rooms, the invitation being coupled with the assurance that the anti-Semitic agitation will not be repeated, and if there is a recurrence the perpetrators will be punished.

As a solution to the dissection problem, the Government has ordered that all corpses unclaimed by relatives or friends be used in the service of science, irrespective of creed.

LITHUANIAN JEWS BUYING J.C.T. SHARES.

LONDON, Jan. 17, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Five thousand shares of the Jewish Colonial Trust have been taken up by Jews in Lithuania, says an announcement by this bank today. The value of the shares sold is \$25,000, and it is expected that a minimum of \$75,000 worth of stock will be disposed of in Lithuania.
