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WOULD RESIGN BECAUSE OF ILL HEALTH, WEIZMANN TELLS "TIMES."

London, January 26. (J.C.B.)—Dr. Chaim Weizmann told a representative of the "Times" he would like to retire as President of the Zionist Organization because of "health considerations," adding that this was the only reason for his contemplating retirement. The Zionist leader explained, however, that he could not take this step constitutionally before the Zionist Congress in July.

SAYS ONLY POOR JEWS SACRIFICING FOR PALESTINE.

British Correspondent Says Zionists' Contribution Below Cost of Car Ticket.

London, January 26. (J.T.A.)—The contribution made by Zionists almost everywhere for the promotion of the Jewish Homeland is below the cost of a tramway ticket, remarks Mr. Jeffries, special investigator the Daily Express sent to Palestine, in one of the last of a series of articles on the Palestine situation. Sacrifices are made by poor, homeless Jews of Eastern Europe, and these are very great, Mr. Jeffries maintains. "But," the correspondent asks, "are the sacrifices as represented in the subscriptions of Sir Alfred Mond, Lord Rothschild and others in strict proportion to their fortunes?"

The investigator complains also that only few British Jews are in Palestine. Insofar as Jewish power is concerned, it is passing into the hands of the workers, notably the Poale Zion or Socialist Zionists, he says.

MOSCOW CHEDARIM CLOSED FOLLOWING RABBIS' MEETING.

Riga, Jan. 26. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). All chedarim in Moscow were closed and religious teachers prohibited to teach children either privately or in Beth Medrashim, following a conference of Rabbis and laymen in Moscow last week to consider measures against the anti-religious campaign of the Soviets. This information has been brought by an authoritative person arriving from Moscow. The conference, he said, was called by the well-known Lubawitcher Rabbi, the participants including Rabbi Aaron Eliukowski of Charkow. The conferees arrived at no decision as to the mode of action, but by a strange coincidence the closing of the few remaining chedarim was immediately ordered.

POLICE WITNESS BEATING OF BROMBERG JEWS.

Warsaw, January 26. (J.T.A.)—An interpellation has been submitted on behalf of the Jewish community inquiring whether the Minister of the Interior is aware of what is described as a "bloody attack" on Jews at the railway station at Bromberg. Details in the hands of Jewish Sejm members are to the effect that well-dressed Poles mistreated Jews at the railway station; and that the presence of police officers notwithstanding, acts of frightfulness were perpetrated without any interference.

AMERICANS TO STUDY EGYPTIAN TRADE.

Cairo, Jan. 26. (J.T.A.) An American commercial mission, said to be comprised of 200 representatives of large industrial interests in the United States, is expected in Egypt on March 8th. The purpose of the mission, it is announced, is to investigate trade possibilities between Egypt and America and to look into the possibility of the establishment of a bank to promote commerce between the two countries.

FEITELOWITCH IN ITALY FOR FALASHA AID.

Rome, Jan. 26. (J.C.B.) Dr. Feitelowitch arrived here in the interest of the school he established for the falashas in Abyssinia. Besides prominent Jews of Florence and Rome with whom Dr. Feitelowitch has had interviews, the discoverer of the black Jews is attempting to interest the government in his scheme.

ALYS JEWS AND CATHOLICS DOMINANT. TROCA, PROVOKE KU KLUX KLAN.

Toronto, Jan. 26. (J.T.A.) That Ku Klux Klan activities may be provoked by those of the Knights of Columbus and Jews who "have formed a political combination to dominate American politics" is the view expressed editorially by the "Evening Telegram," a journal known for its outspoken hostility to Jews.

This observation is made a preface of a lecture delivered by a local Rabbi about the Ku Klux Klan menace in the United States. Canadians should not discuss controversies of non-Canadian and non-British origin, this paper rules.

CANADA WELCOMES PATTERSON AND GOLDSTEIN, KEREN HAYESOD ENVOYS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 26. (J.T.A.) Col. J. F. Patterson and Dr. Alexander Goldstein, recently arrived from England to stimulate interest in the Keren Hayesod among Canadian Jews, are meeting with success. At a meeting in the Allen Theatre here, \$10,000 was raised toward the \$150,000 quota. One hundred fifty local Jews have been listed as canvassers in an effort to raise the Winnipeg quota.

ORDERLERS DECRY SACRAMENTAL WINE ABUSES.

Denounce Alien Registration Plan.

New York, January 26. (J.C.B.) The Golden Jubilee Convention of the Twenty-eighth Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations assembled for its session this morning in the Hotel Marlborough. The National Federation of Jewish Sisterhoods also gathered for its last session at the same hotel.

Daniel G. E. presided at the session of the union. The invitation was by Rabbi Eugene Kunkinheimer of Des Moines, Iowa. The morning session was given over to union business.

Regarding fermented wine for sacramental purposes, the Union voted a resolution that the Union protests strongly against abuses that the Executive Board be instructed to carry out the spirit of such resolutions and take such action as may be deemed necessary. Copies of these resolutions are to be sent to the United Synagogue of America, the Union of Orthodox Congregations "for information" and to the different congregations of the Union.

Pointing out that there is a bill before Congress requiring annual registration of aliens, the Union, in resolution, expressed its unqualified disapproval of such measures "and of all insidious discrimination against, and segregation of aliens."

Another resolution stated that the Union advocates uniform marriage, divorce and desertion laws for all the states. Another calling upon the President to release political prisoners, pointing out that all the other countries of the world have given amnesty to their political prisoners, was laid upon the table.

After a preamble noting that "noble philanthropy, for benefit of Jew and non-Jew, for decades has made Isidor Straus beloved by Christian and Jew alike" it was resolved that the Union extend to Mr. Straus its hearty congratulations on his seventy-fifth birthday and the hope that he will be spared for many years "for the benefit of our country, our faith, and all humanity."

ORTHODOX DEFEND WINE.

The recommendation of Julius Rosenwald for the abolition of sacramental wine ~~recommended~~ was opposed yesterday by Rabbi Wolf Margolis, President of the Assembly of Hebrew Orthodox rabbis, who said:

"Mr. Rosenwald is a philanthropist, but he is not an authority on religious matters. The reform rabbis at the convention are not authorities on the Talmud, which they have discarded. Their opinion as to the obligation to use sacramental wine should not have great weight."

Rabbi Solomon E. Jaffee, at the question of the religious obligation of the use of wine, thoroughly thrashed out before House and Senate committees in Washington before the Volstead act was passed and that both committees were convinced that it should be exempted. Putting aside the question of necessity, Samuel Buchler said that the use of the wine, as an ancient religious custom, should be exempt from attack.

"Grape juice, according to Jewish law, is not wine, and hence not replace wine in the ritual," declared Dr. Philip Klein, Rabbi First Hungarian Congregation of Ohav Zedek.

Dr. Jacobs, Rabbi of Montefiore Congregation and Chaplain of the Y. M. C. A., suggested that instead of revoking the laws completely there should be "stricter regulation and prosecution of wrongdoing individually."