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ANTI-SEMITIC MILITARY ORGANIZATION ORDERED DISBANDED.

VIENNA, March 14. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The "Astra", which was recently organized as a military branch of the "Hakenkreuzler" has been ordered disbanded by the government forbidding its meetings and practices.

The police appear lately to have taken a stern attitude towards the anti-Semitic agitators, and it is believed that occurrences similar to the recent anti-Jewish riots on the streets and at meetings will not be repeated.

An order from the government prohibiting employees of the state to wear emblems of anti-Semitic organizations is anticipated.

The anti-Semitic German Nationalist party is about to sever relations with the "Nationalist-Socialists", the Tagenzeitung" and "Abendzeitung" representing now the former and not the Nationalist-Socialists, which announces the early publication of an organ of its own.

POLISH JEWS PROTEST PERCENTAGE NORM.

WARSAW, March 14, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Protests against the "percentage norm" for Jewish students are pouring in on the Polish Sejm from all parts of Poland, more than fifty telegrams condemning the anti-Semitic proposal having been received by the Speaker today.

The anti-Semitic student section of the body at the Posen University is persisting in its fight for the adoption of the measure. They demand that the percentage of Jewish admissions shall be apportioned according to the Jewish population of the various sections of Poland.

888 JEWS ENTERED PALESTINE IN FEBRUARY.

JERUSALEM March 14, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A total of 888 Jewish immigrants entered Palestine during the month of February, according to official figures just made public. This number includes only bona fide immigrants and pioneers, Jewish tourists from all parts of the world not being counted.

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MOSLEM GAIN IN ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

JERUSALEM March 14. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Official figures of the results of the primary elections show 93 Jews, 126 Moslems, 22 Christians and eight of the other sects were elected to the Electoral College.

Of the 246 elected the non-Jewish groups will have a plurality of sixty-eight.

Owing to the Arab boycott of the elections, there are still vacancies in the Electoral College.

HEBREW IS "MOTHER TONGUE" OF PALESTINE JEWS.

JERUSALEM March 14, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Hebrew is the official "mother tongue" of 96% of the Jews of Palestine, according to the recent census, although most Jewish residents of Palestine were raised on Yiddish.

RITUAL BLOOD ACCUSATION NIPPED IN BUD.

WARSAW, March 14, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A ritual blood accusation against the Bialystok Jews was nipped in the bud here by the timely discovery of the proposed plot.

After torturing and attempting to slay his despised daughter, a non-Jewish peasant conceived the idea of exonerating himself by spreading the report that the Jews had attacked her seeking her blood for ritual purposes.

Reports of the matter leaked out and ^{is} now being investigated by the police.

LATVIA TAXES JEWISH REFUGEES \$100 A MONTH FOR STOPPING THERE.

RIGA, March 14, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Jewish refugees from Russia coming here as a temporary stopping point to wait for an opportunity to emigrate to the U.S. and other countries are finding their stay here very costly. The Latvian government has raised the fee for a transit visa extension to a sum that is beyond the means of most of the immigrants. Each immigrant who has a passport and whose leaving the country is only a question of time is taxed \$100 a month for an extension of the privilege of staying here. Those not so fortunate are considered under the status of "interned" except that they must pay the government 205 Latvia roubles for each day of their stay in the country.

On account of the filling up of the Russian quota to America, the refugees are unable to leave for the U.S. Their numbers are consequently daily growing. With the doors of the U.S. and virtually all other countries closed to them and with the Latvian government fast "eating" up what little means they have left, the distress of the wanderers can be easily imagined.

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NEW YORK DEPARTMENT STORE SELLS PASSOVER FOOD.

NEW YORK, March 14, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) A special department devoted to Passover groceries has been opened by Macy's, a large department store of the city. Only "foods that have been prepared in strict conformity to the Mosaic dietary laws", it is announced, are sold.

YALE GRADUATES CONFIDENT OF ROSENBLUTH'S INNOCENCE.

NEW HAVEN, March 13, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) The alumni of the Yale Forestry school, of which Captain Robert Rosenbluth is a graduate, have absolute faith in the innocence of Rosenbluth and are disappointed that Congress at its recent session did not order a full probe of the case. Such an investigation, they believe, would have demonstrated the total innocence of the Jewish captain.

"It is the opinion of our alumni" declared Professor H.H. Chapman, Secretary of the Alumni Association, "that further misrepresentation of this case by the circulation of vicious slanders should no longer be tolerated. All the facts in this case are a matter of public record in Pierce County, Washington. Numerous affidavits by reputable army officers, including Colonel Robert S. Thomas, who was in command of the post at Camp Lewis when Major Gronkhite was killed, testify to the nature of the accident and establish the impossibility that the suspected and accused man could have been guilty of the crime."

SAYS IMMIGRANTS ARE GETTING IN DESPITE BARS.

NEW YORK, March 14, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Charges that 10,000 aliens barred by the immigration law filtered in the U.S. during the past year and that the purpose of the immigration law is being constantly defeated by the pressure brought to bear by friends of excluded immigrants is contained in a series of articles being run by The New York Tribune.

One of the immigration aid societies, the writer declares, employs a \$15,000 year attorney at Washington to represent it in these cases. The article also charges the stringent law has resulted in the stimulating the smuggling of immigrants into the country by way of Cuba and Mexico. Immigrant smuggling has obtained the status of a regular business on the border, he contends.

MT. SINAI DOCTOR SAID TO HAVE FOUND SLEEPING SICKNESS REMEDY.

NEW YORK, March 14, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Representatives of the United States Bureau of Public Health have been directed by the Washington headquarters of the Bureau to investigate the claims made for a remedy for sleeping sickness discovered by Dr. Israel Strauss of Mt. Sinai Hospital.

KEREN HAYESOD CAMPAIGN OPENS WITH QUARTER MILLION AT WEIZMANN DINNER

Marshall Reports Relief Program Liquidated, Urges American Jews Restore Palestine

New York, March 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Powerful stimulus to the Keren Hayesod Campaign was provided yesterday during a luncheon and dinner in Dr. Weizmann's honor, in which over a thousand persons participated and distinguished American Jews featured.

The day closed after midnight Tuesday with \$250,000 assured as the beginning towards New York's quota of \$2,000,000.

After analyzing the contending forces in Palestine and declaring that "in Palestine one walks on a sounding board", Dr. Weizmann appealed to the editors and publishers gathered at the luncheon at the Commodore Hotel to facilitate the Zionist case. Other speakers included Herman Bernstein, who presided, Norman Hapgood, and Adolph Ochs, publisher of The New York Times, who expressed his admiration of the devotion of the Zionist workers in Palestine.

The dinner at the Hotel Astor in the evening was the occasion for the appearance on a Zionist platform of Louis Marshall, President of the American Jewish Committee. Mr. Marshall informed the gathering that the American Jewish Relief Committee's program of relief for Jewish communities abroad was being gradually liquidated. Decrying the emphasis put on party differences and insisting this is the time to sink all distinctions between Jews Mr. Marshall appealed to the American Jews to take up the challenge contained in the Balfour Declaration and the Palestine Mandate by helping financially in the restoration of Palestine.

Dr. Weizmann's speech included a review of the political achievements of the Zionist movement and an unusually fervent appeal to the Jews of America to shoulder the responsibility for the upbuilding of Palestine.

Presenting Dr. Weizmann with the pen which President Harding used in signing the Joint Resolution of the United States Congress approving of the Jewish homeland, Senator Geldon P. Spencer of Missouri referred in glowing terms to Zionism as the fulfillment of scriptural prophecies. Senator Spencer plans to visit Palestine next summer.

Bernard A. Rosenblatt, Chairman of the New York Drive, presided. He read a message of support from Nathan Straus and R. Keskue Craigie, First Secretary of the British Embassy, as representative for Ambassador Geddes, expressed the hope that success would come to the meeting.

Morris Rothenberg's appeal for funds elicited announcements of several five thousand dollar contributions and a large number of smaller subscriptions.
