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AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS REPLIES TO ZANGWILL

New York, April 16 (Jewish Correspondence Bureau). In reply to the charge by Israel Zangwill in an article written for the Jewish Correspondence Bureau entitled the "Mexican Fiasco", that the American Jewish Congress "has never investigated the Mexican offer at all", Bernard G. Richards, Executive Secretary of the Congress makes public a letter written Mr. Zangwill on the question, but which reached Mr. Zangwill only after his article had been dispatched to the United States.

Mr. Zangwill refers to a document reported to be filed in the Mexican Ministry of Agriculture, to the effect that the American Jewish Congress telegraphed it would accept the offer, provided it was made official by President Obregon to the heads of the Organization! This, Bernard G. Richards says, the Congress is "sorry to have to deny categorically"...There never was and could not be any definite talk about acceptance as this Organization as such could not go into such an enterprise and we had never got beyond asking for an opportunity to investigate and to pronounce judgment".

Explaining further its stand in the matter, the American Jewish Congress states in part as follows:-

"The Mexican proposal was first announced and even widely heralded as an immediate opening for immigration from Eastern Europe and soon reports appeared that Jewish refugees stranded in different capitals of Europe and seeking for a place of refuge were planning to embark upon the voyage to Mexico. It therefore became our duty to deal at once with the matter from the point of view of the possibilities of immediate immigration and we issued our first warning in June 1922, and published the present report on December 29, 1922, in order to prevent the calamitous results, which were bound to attend the entrance of any numbers of people into the cities or villages of Mexico.

"We have not pronounced a final judgment on the matter. After pointing out the difficulties to be considered, we have practically put the matter before the large Jewish organizations, especially interested in the subject. Our report says in part:-

'Such a scheme of colonization is quite beyond the scope of the investigation as understood by the Committee of the American Jewish Congress, and would require the investment of millions of dollars as well as the support and collective cooperation of the organized Jewries of this and other lands. It would, therefore, be a matter of consideration and decision on the part of the larger organizations here and abroad, and more particularly those which have heretofore taken part in the task of colonization'.

"Dealing with the difficult situation, which has been created by persons who without regard to the Jewish welfare have sought to create a sensation and give the impression that the proposal offers immediately a favorable place of refuge for our homeless brethren, we have as an organization that does not engage in immigration or colonization work, but seeks to protect Jewish rights and to crystalize and give weight to Jewish opinion on occasions requiring public pronouncement, endeavored to the best of our ability to judge impartially and to guide our people away from the path of danger."

ANTISEMITIC PRINCIPLE "UNACCEPTABLE" IN PRUSSIA

Berlin, April 16 (J. T. A.). Prussia will not recognize the German Students Association so long as this body retains the anti-Semitic statutes as part of its bye-laws, Dr. Boelitz, Prussian Minister of Education, informed a student delegation. The "anti-Semitic principle" is unacceptable to the government, Dr. Boelitz added.

THREATEN TO BLOCK JEWISH STUDENTS' ENTRY

Vienna, April 16 (J. T. A.). Threatening to forcibly block the entrance of Jewish students to the university classes, unless the authorities undertake to enforce immediately the percentage limitation against Jews, a delegation representing the Aryan student-body gave the authorities until tomorrow to reach a decision. The authorities asked the students to take no action until the meeting of the university senate.

ANGHELESCU BANS ANTI-JEWISH STUDENTS' MEETING.

Bucharest, April 16 (J. T. A.) A conference of representatives of the anti-Semitic student-bodies in Roumania, scheduled to be held this week, has been prohibited by the Minister of Education, Anghelescu.

JEWISH STUDENTS TO MEET IN WORLD CONGRESS

Vienna, April 16 (J. T. A.). "Numerus Clausus", or the question of limitation of Jewish student admissions in universities throughout Europe, forms a principal point on the agenda of the World Congress of Jewish students, which is to meet here April 20.

Economic questions, with particular reference to destitute Jewish students in various capitals of Europe, will also be dealt with during this Congress. Steps will be taken, it is announced, for the elaboration of the bye-laws of the Jewish students' World organization.

WOULD KEEP JEWS OUT OF POLISH G.H.Q.

Warsaw, April 16 (J. T. A.). A secret army circular, directing military departments to avoid employing Jewish soldiers has come to light. The Jewish Sejm Club has prepared an interpellation on the subject.

ICA SEEKS CONTROL OF REFUGEE COMMITTEE

Berlin, April 16 (J. T. A.). The regulation of the relief problem created by the expulsion of Jews from Poland was discussed at a meeting here of the Jewish World Relief Conference. The discussion was aggravated by the demand of the delegates representing the ICA for majority control of the Joint Committee in charge of the evacuation. This demand from the body which ~~formerly represented~~ undertook to supply 80% of the necessary funds was stoutly resisted by Dr. Leo Motzkin, Chairman of the Conference, who has handed his resignation.

GRUENBAUM RESIGNS JEWISH SEJM CLUB OFFICE

Warsaw, April 16 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Deputy Isaac Gruenbaum, leader of the Jewish Sejm Club, has resigned as member of the Praesidium of that body.

"Certain Jewish deputies preferred to support Premier Sikorski, although he has not granted most of the Jewish demands", Deputy Gruenbaum explained to the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "Fearing that otherwise a reactionary government would replace the present cabinet, these deputies have shown an undue readiness to compromise. I consider this a voluntary sanction of the present restrictions practiced against Jews. Polish Jews has two roads: one, that of assimilation with the Poles, the other, cooperation with the minorities with a view to transforming Poland into a Nationalities State with power vested not in the dominating people, but in all nationalities inhabiting the country. The Jewish Sejm Club is gradually abandoning this latter principle and for that reason I consider it advisable to retire from the Praesidium."