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## KING HUSSEIN WANTS BRITAIN'S HELP IN PAN-ARAB UNION. 🌿

JERUSALEM, May 20, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Great Britain is obliged to help the Arabs in the establishment of a Pan-Arab union, according to an appeal by King Hussein of the Hedjaz, addressed to the Arab communities of Arabia, Mesopotamia, Palestine and Trans-Jordan, and received by the Arab Executive Committee here.

"Under the new treaty concluded between Great Britain and Iraq the British Government has recognized our rights to an Arab alliance, and, moreover, is obliged to help us", declares King Hussein who is said to be a lineal descendent of Mohamed.

The Arab leaders have issued a proclamation incorporating the King's solemn appeal and calling upon the Arabs to celebrate the day of the signing of the treaty of Iraq as an Arab national holiday.

The Legislative Council, which was to have been elected by the Palestine voters not having been formed, owing largely to Arab opposition, the Palestine Government has decided to reconstitute the Advisory Council appointed by Sir Herbert Samuel soon after his assumption of office of High Commissioner.

## LEFTS AND MINORITIES WIN IN LITHUANIA.

BERLIN, May 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Although official results of the Parliamentary elections in Lithuania have not been made public, information received from unofficial sources indicates candidates of the minority nationalities and left parties polled heavily and won many seats.

Five seats have been won by candidates of the minority parties in Kowno, according to information to hand, while the right parties secured but five places against four of the lefts. Reports from places outside the Lithuanian capital show two minority deputies for Ponewesh, one for Mariampol, two for Rossiany, two for Utvany and possibly one for Telzsch.

The precise distribution of the seats won by minority parties amongst the different nationalities has not been determined, it is reported.

## PDC SENDS QUARRY EXPERT TO PALESTINE.

NEW YORK, May 20, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau, Morris Simon, of New York, an expert in quarrying and quarry machinery, sailed from New York for Palestine on the "Berengaria" last Tuesday to investigate the various stone formations in Palestine with a view of ascertaining the commercial possibilities of the undertaking, and to decide upon the character of machinery required for successful operation of quarries in accordance with the most advanced American system of handling stone.

With the cooperation of the Palestine Development Council, a preliminary syndicate, in which Messrs. Isaac Allen, Harry Fischel, and Solomon Lampert of New York and Messrs. Peiklin, Cassman, and Max Greenberg of Atlantic City are prominent, was recently organized.

On the basis of samples of Palestine marble, tested in the United States, it is believed that there exists an excellent field for export from Palestine of marble and other decorative stone to the U.S. and Europe.

All these problems will be reviewed in detail by Mr. Simons and a committee in Palestine. If the report is favorable to the enterprise, steps will be immediately taken to organize a corporation and put the enterprise into active operation.

## UNITED SYNAGOGUE MOVES TO STRENGTHEN AMERICAN JUDAISM.

KANSAS CITY, May 15, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) Representatives of Jewish Communities in Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Colorado, gathered in Kansas City for the purpose of strengthening traditional Judaism in the Middle West. Every phase of the problem, the school, the work of the adolescent society, young people, college students, Jewish work in the small communities among farmers, the strengthening of the religious life in the home, were given adequate consideration at the conference and definite action was taken on them at the sessions of the conference.

The Conference opened Sunday morning, May 15. Rabbi Herman M. Cohen of the Congregation Beth Shalom, Kansas City, presided. Rabbi Morris Teller of Tulsa, Oklahoma delivered the opening prayer. Mr. J.J. Taxman, President of the Congregation Beth Shalom, welcomed the delegates in the name of the Congregation.

Rabbi Samuel M. Cohen, the Executive Director of the United Synagogue delivered the address on the United Synagogue. Miss Sarah Kussey spoke on the Women's League of the United Synagogue. Mr. David Morantz spoke for the Young People's League of the United Synagogue.

General resolutions adopted included an expression of "heartly sympathy for Zionist aspirations and pledge its support to carry forward our hopes and aims for the upbuilding of Palestine".

Another resolution states:

"American Jewry mourns the loss of the late Judge Mayer Sultzberger of Philadelphia. He was Jurist, Sage, Jewish leader for well nigh two generations. We owe to his Jewishness and wisdom the re-organized Jewish Theological Seminary of America."

"Be it resolved: That the Mid-West Conference assembled in Kansas City send its expression of sorrow to Mr. Joseph Sulzberger and Dr. Cyrus Adler and that a record of this resolution be spread upon our minutes and given to the press."

David Brown of Detroit, is marked for the personal interest in the Seminary and the United Synagogue campaign "for strengthening of Judaism throughout America".

A note of thanks is sent to Louis Marshall, who has consented to act as honorary Chairman of the Seminary and the United Synagogue campaign".

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#### NEW YORK CITY CLUB FAVORS LITERACY.

NEW YORK, May 20, (Jewish Correspondence Bureau) An important measure passed in the closing days of the legislative session was the Steinberg Literacy Test Bill, which provides for the administration of the Literacy Test provision of the constitution by educational authorities instead of by election officials, says the May Bulletin of the City Club of New York. The statement in part follows:

"The present Election Law in Section 166 and elsewhere provides for the administration of literacy test for new voters by the election officials. It provides that the extracts from the Constitution be printed and that they be drawn by the voters who are required to read the printed matter and write ten words in English.

"This provision is similar to the provisions in Election Laws of other states. It proves unsatisfactory there, and it has also proved unsatisfactory in last year's election in this state.

"The Steinberg bill now before the governor provides that the literacy test be placed in the hands of the state educational authorities. Standards will be uniform. New voters who have received ordinary school education will receive literacy certificates as a matter of course. Others will receive them after the examination, and those unable to pass the examination will have the encouragement and incentive to fit themselves for citizenship by attending special classes."

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#### COMMITTEE OF 72 TO HELP CENTRAL EUROPEAN JEWRY.

NEW YORK, May 20, (Jewish correspondence Bureau) To meet a financial crisis which is said to threaten the closing of the doors of many of the Jewish communal and religious institutions of Hungary, Czechoslovakia and other parts of Central Europe, the Central European Landsmanschaft today announced that a Committee of Seventy-two had been organized to gather funds. It is planned to call for 100 volunteers who will offer to subscribe \$500 each. New York will be asked to furnish the larger number of the \$500 contributors and the other cities of the country in proportion to their population.

The Jewish institutions of Central Europe are now facing one of their most severe crises in their history and may entirely cease to exist if American Jewry does not come to their aid, Morris Engelman of the Central European Landsmanschaft declares in his appeal. The Committee of Seventy-two is headed by Dr. Philip Klein.