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Baltimore, June 19 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The third session of the Zionist Convention opened at 3 P. M. Monday. Prof. Otto Warburg, former President of the World Zionist Organization, congratulated the American Zionists' progress since his last visit to this country with Mr. Nahum Sokolow, but he complained of the apathy towards the National Fund which collected only \$154,000 last year. As Director of the Jewish National Fund he urged accelerated tempo. Describing the progress made at the Hebrew University, Professor Warburg said it was hoped that the chemical micro biological and two chemical departments of the medical faculty would be opened next April, as well as the department for Hebrew cognate learnings. A committee of prominent scholars here were cooperating with committee. England was also taking up the task. Professor Warburg informed the meeting that he had organized a library committee in America to provide buildings, equipment and books for the University. If the Keren Hayesod would help as much as was promised, it would be possible, together with technicians, to lay the Haifa Foundation.

Greetings were received from Mr. Nahum Sokolow, M. H. Ussishkin, M. Lichtheim and I. Soloweitchik, Nathan Straus, Order Brith Sholom Convention which was held in Atlantic City, Dr. Alexander Goldstein who is in Canada and also from the Canadian Zion Organization.

Mr. Louis Louis who presided introduced Mr. George Seymour, American journalist who had just returned from Palestine. "I'm a non-Jew", said Mr. Seymour, "but not a non-Zionist. Although a million Jews are needed in Palestine the chaluzim who are already there are able to defend and hold the positions until reinforcements arrive," he said.

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Bernard Rosenblatt reported the successful sale of Tel-Aviv bond issue and he described how Rabbi Teitelbaum, without any difficulty secured cooperation from the State Bank which purchased the unsold balance of the issue amounting to thirty-two thousand pounds. Mayor Dizengoff, who was the next speaker, said Tel Aviv was built without a cent charity. He compared the standards of European Zionists with the Palestine Jews who are undaunted by political failures and are determined to build the Balfour Declaration.

Dr. Schmerya Levin gave a brilliant expose of the integrity of the Zionist Organization which, to the exile, is what Manna was to the Jews in the wilderness. He said it was impossible to speak of the new people anonymously. They are a people who have an address. When Great Britain had a communication to make, it was sent to the Zionist Organization. "We must defend the spirit of the Organization", Dr. Levin said. "We must not compromise on the principles. Adulterating them won't fetch a higher price. It is true the Zionist Organization represents only ten percent. ~~sixthex~~, ~~fourthex~~ of the Jewish people, but it is as representative as other people's tribunal with fifty per cent."

Translating Dr. Levin's philosophy into cash, Mr. Lipsky appealed for an organization fund. It is expected that \$30,000 will be raised, including \$1,000 from Boris Grabelsky, \$1,000 from William Topkis, \$1,200 from the Baltimore district, \$1,200 from Massachusetts.

Eighty delegates and many guests attended the Hebrew session which was held Monday morning with Mr. Joseph Brainin presiding. Mr. Ab Goldberg, in outlining the program said the Organization was eager to foster Hebrew but the districts must help. The conference decided to insist that Zionist offices observe resolution adopted at the Carlsbad Congress requiring all officials to know or learn Hebrew.

BRITH SHOLOM ADOPTS FRATERNAL RATE BASIS

Atlantic City, June 19 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Independent Order Brith Sholom was concluded today with the re-election of the present chief officers of the Order. Sol C. Kraus of Philadelphia was again elected Grand Master and Martin O. Levy, Grand Secretary.

The most important action taken by the convention was the adoption of an amendment to the constitution of the Order providing for the fraternal rate basis instead of the present assessment basis.

Resolutions were adopted sending the Zionist Convention greetings, calling upon the Government to use all of its powers for the dissolution of the Ku Klux Klan. Another expressed the appreciation of the members to President Harding for his activity in behalf of Jewish interests. Greetings and pledges of cooperation were ordered sent to Sir Herbert Samuel, Dr. Chaim Weizmann and the Zionist Convention.

JOINT CONFERENCE DECIDES ON LIQUIDATION OF RELIEF ACTIVITIES.

Vienna, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The Conference of the Joint Distribution Committee held here under the chairmanship of Felix Warburg and Col. Herbert Lehman considered the various activities of the J.D.C. in the different countries and decided on successive liquidations of their activities.

It was stressed that the Joint Distribution Committee was a temporary organization with the definite aim of providing relief for war sufferers, and could not continue its activities for an indefinite period. Work would continue so long as there were means and until everything had been successfully liquidated, and would be carried on together with those Jewish organizations with whom it had been working heretofore. Medical relief work of the J.D.C. has been completed in all countries and no ~~activities~~ new activities are being undertaken in this direction. The hospitals and sanitation institutions that have been organized will remain the charge of the local Jewish communities. One of the last pieces of work decided upon was the opening of a Nurses Training School in Warsaw.

It was further decided that the refugee relief work would be continued until the present problems had been solved. After October 1, refugee relief work will be left to those emigration organizations who had been doing this work before.

The department for the care of orphans is to be continued until the end of the year, after which time the J.D.C. has not the funds for the work. The Joint Distribution Committee undertakes no obligations in this direction but should the means be raised they will continue with the education of the children now under their care until completed.

The Reconstruction Department is to continue its work with funds, it is hoped, that will be raised by committees for self-help from amongst East-European Jewry. The funds for the support of schools and cultural institutions have been exhausted and the Jews of the various countries will have to provide for their support themselves.

The Conference gave special consideration to the relief work in Russia. At present, liquidation or diminution of the work in Russia is not to be thought of but it must be so conducted as to strengthen the social forces, it was decided. The work in Soviet Russia must be carried on on a constructive basis with special regard to Jewish agricultural efforts.

The work in Palestine will be liquidated at the same time and in the same manner as in Europe but the Joint Distribution Committee will endeavor to see to it that the existing institutions do not collapse.

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ROUMANIAN PRESS AGAINST BUSY WITH "BISHOP HOROWITZ" LEGACY.

Bucharest, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The "Bishop Horowitz legacy" in California has again been revived ~~xxxxxx~~ in the Roumanian press and many Jews of Bukowina claiming relationship to Horowitz are preparing to leave for California and claim the legacy.

One of the claimants has promised the Roumanian government half of the legacy if it takes the matter up diplomatically with the United States. The government is referring all claimants to the American Embassy at Bucharest or the Roumanian Consulate at San Francisco.

The Bishop Horowitz referred to here is alleged to have been a Galician Jew who embraced Christianity, left for the United States and settling in California shortly after the gold rush there, was made a bishop and accumulated an immense fortune. Recent efforts by the Czecho Slovakian embassy and the District Attorney of San Francisco fail to discover any trace of such a character. But claimants in New York as well as in Europe persist in maintaining the reality of the "legacy."

MUNICH CHIEF JUSTICE PERMITS NO TALES TO BE TOLD OUT OF SCHOOL.

Munich, June 19. (J.T.A.) In the course of the important monarchist trial being conducted here, an interesting incident occurred. When the well-known anti-Semite Ruge was called as a witness and was about to tell of an attack that had been planned on the Frankfort Synagogue he was stopped by the Chief Justice as this would be the "divulging of military secrets."

ENGLISH CAPTAIN SHOT ON WAY TO JAFFA.

Jerusalem, June 19. (J.T.A.) Captain Swan, paymaster of the British Gendarmerie in Palestine, was murdered Friday night while driving on the main street from Rimlah to Jaffa. Swan was accompanied by another officer and two nurses. As Capt. Swan stepped out of his automobile to remove an overturned wagon that obstructed the road, six robbers, headed by the Dervish, Abdul Kader, fired at him from ambush and immediately killed him.

EINSTEIN AND LIEBERMAN RECEIVE NEW HONORS.

Berlin, June 19. (J.T.A.) Prof. Albert Einstein and Max Liebermann, well-known Jewish painter, were elected members of the "Order pour la Merite", which was founded in 1842 and which is composed of world-famed scientists and artists.

CONDEMNNS JEWISH BOARD'S ATTITUDE TOWARDS SOVIET.

Says Massacres Would Be Wholesale If Soviet Fell.

London, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The attitude of the Joint Foreign Committee of the Board of Jewish Deputies towards the Soviets is not one disposed to promote the best interests of the Jews in Russia, Bertram Jacobs declared at the meeting of the Board on Sunday.

"If the Soviets lost their power, Jews would be massacred in Russia on a scale that would make all past pogroms and sufferings of Jews insignificant."

Although the Soviet attitude towards the religious question is not good, its evils should not be exaggerated, Jacobs said, "as it prohibited only public instruction in religion."

Colonel Waley Cohen, Chairman of the Law and Parliamentary Committee, gave it as his opinion that the Shachita bill was unlikely to be considered at the present session of Parliament.

The Joint Foreign Committee of the Board has announced that it has taken the attitude that the numerous clauses has no legality and has addressed a note to that effect to the League of Nations.

The controversy over "the book presenting the Jewish case" to the world which resulted in the last meeting of the Board's breaking up in disorder was smoothed over at this meeting and the resignation of Rothschild as chairman of the Press Committee was withdrawn.

JEWISH REFUGEES WILL QUIT BESSARABIA WITHIN SIX WEEKS.

Vienna, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Warning of the Roumanian government that all undesirable aliens and refugees must evacuate Roumania by October amounts to nothing as far as the Jewish phase is concerned, Dr. Bernard Kahn informed the Vienna representative of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency today.

There will be no Jewish refugees in Roumania by the end of July, Dr. Kahn stated, as the Joint Distribution Committee together with other Jewish organizations of Bessarabia plans that all Jewish refugees leave Bessarabia within the next six weeks.

INAUGURATE WORK CLUB IN CONFISCATED SYNAGOGUE.

Riga, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The inauguration of the Jewish Workmen's Club was celebrated in the confiscated choir synagogue of Charkow on June 14. The event was marked by great festivity.

ARAB MEMBERS MAY RETURN TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Jerusalem, June 19. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The resignation last week of all the Arab members of the Palestine Legislative Council is not final, it is understood. The Government plans to publish a statement which it is believed will satisfy the Arabs and open the way for their return to the Council.

The resignation of the Arab Block followed its demand that the government publish a statement to the effect that acceptance of membership in the Legislative Council is not to be construed as acknowledgment of the Balfour Declaration.

Jerusalem, June 19. (J.T.A.) The provisions of the Anglo-Arab treaty relating to Palestine were rejected at the meeting of the sixth Arab Congress meeting here yesterday. It was decided for the present to take no action other than official rejection and to await the results of the discussions of the Arab Executive with King Hussein of the Hedjaz.

If unsatisfactory, measures of resistance to the treaty will be taken, it was announced.

RABBINICAL ANCESTRY OF MARX MOULDED HIS MIND, SAYS GENEALOGIST.

(J.T.A.)

Vienna, June 19. Karl Marx springs from an ancestry that has given numerous rabbis and scholars noted in Holland, Italy, Poland and Germany, according to the Jewish history Dr. Wachstein, who has investigated the family tree of the founder of Scientific Socialism.

One of Marx's ancestors was Rabbi Judah ben Elaser Halevy Minz who was born in Mayence in 1408 but owing to persecution of Jews emigrated in 1450 to Padua where he became a professor of the university there. He died at the ripe age of one hundred years.

Another ancestor of Marx was the head of the Padua Yeshiba. Other rabbinical progenitors of Marx were Rabbi Aaron Lowow, rabbi of Trier, who died in 1712. The long rabbinic ancestry of Marx explains his bent towards dialectics and speculative writings, Dr. Wachstein concludes.

APOSTATE JEW STRANGLES WIFE.

Vienna, June 19. (J.T.A.) Albert Mauthner, Austrian Jew who became a convert to Catholicism and later changed to Protestantism and who more recently had dabbled in occultism, strangled his wife at his home here yesterday while his three children were playing in the same room.

Mauthner who at one time was an Austrian postoffice official had recently been unemployed.

ZIONIST EXECUTIVE AUTHORIZED ESTABLISH JEWISH AGENCY

Baltimore, June 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). After a stormy debate which lasted for three hours the Zionist Convention at 1:30 Monday morning adopted, 154 against 10, the proposal introduced in behalf of the Administration recommending that the coming Zionist Congress give to the Zionist Executive power to establish immediately a Jewish Agency by inviting into its membership representatives of Jewish organizations interested in the upbuilding of Palestine.

A counter proposal fathered by Abraham S. Schomer, urging the early convening of the World Congress, in the meantime having the Zionists act as the Agency, was defeated. William Edlin, Abraham S. Schomer, Bernard G. Richards, and A. M. Seddin stoutly defended the Schomer resolution while Morris Rothenberg and Ab Goldberg advocated cooperation with those notables who were willing to assist in the Palestine task.

Dr. Weizmann refrained from expressing any opinion until the vote was cast. He then spoke for one hour and forty-five minutes. He said that the resolution adopted coincided with his opinion and he explained why it was impossible to call the World Congress immediately and how essential it was to have the Palestine task borne by additional men. Zionists hoped, he said, that the Balfour Declaration, the San Remo Decision and the ratification of the Mandate would sweep Jewry. Instead of that one crisis after another arose which necessitated his coming to America in order to raise money for the balance of the budget. "Another such year ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ as last", he said, "would break the backbone of the Zionist Organization. God only knows what would have happened if Palestine last Easter had been in the same position as in January. Man elements", he continued, "are unprepared to come to the World Congress. Jewish workmen of America whom we need are not ready. If certain circles who were formerly hostile are coming around, it is because 30,000 chaluzim came to Palestine. The call for a world Congress will come from Jewish Palestine when we double Jewish population there". In speaking of notables Dr. Weizmann said that Baron de Rothschild is a Zionist par-excellence although he does not share the Zionist phraseology. "I am as much of a democrat as anybody", said Dr. Weizmann, "but democracy often is the refuge of incompetence. We must strengthen our position". Turning to opponents in Palestine and Europe Dr. Weizmann charged them with interfering with his labors towards a reconciliation with the Arabs. "Palestine," Dr. Weizmann said, "even if predominately Jewish is still an island in the Arab sea. We must have peace and understanding and yet while engaged in conversations with Arab leaders one is stabbed in the back." "We must have our backs covered", he exclaimed.

Weizmann is leaving the country Tuesday. This is his last speech to American Zionists and it stirred the delegates profoundly, especially when he promised to fight like a lion for the resolution this convention adopted.
