

## GUNMEN THE PRODUCT OF POVERTY, N.Y. WORLD SAYS.

## Race Has Nothing To Do With Gangsterism.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) That racial connections have nothing to do with gunmen gangs so prominent recently in New York, is the opinion of the New York World which refers editorially to the recent killing of Kid Droppor by Louis Cohen.

"Ethnologists who observe the boiling and bubbling of New York's melting-pot find unusual interest in the fact that many of the metropolitan gunmen gangs are organized on the basis of one race, one gang", the World asserts.

"Sometimes, as in the case of the youth with the skinny wrists who killed the rival gang leader near the Essex Market Court, the outlaw groups are of Semitic origin. In other instances they are Irish, Negro, American Italian - any and all of the branches of the families of man.

"The answer to the involved question is not that there is any more or less inherent viciousness in one race than another. It does not yield to an argument based on the distance of a race from the dawn of civilization, for if it did, the Jews, most ancient and orderly of civilised peoples, would produce no gunmen.

"The answer is to be found in the formula of numbers plus concentration plus poverty plus modern city politics. No foreign colony in New York has produced gangs of gunmen until the numbers of that colony became vast in living places concentrated and shabby. When those conditions were realized the natural evils of crowded city life produced bad characters and politics instantly began to make use of these."

NONE BUT JEWS CAN DEPICT JEWISH ~~JEWISH~~ CHARACTER SAYS MARTHA NORTON.

## Mrs. Herman Conheim Finds Knowledge of Non-Jews is "Wretched".

NEW YORK, Sept. 4, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Martha Morton, well-known playwright, who in private life is Mrs. Herman Conheim, wife of the Treasurer of the Keren Hayesod in America, is quoted by the New York American as saying:

"It is only a Jewish woman with the tragedy of the race in her blood and in her bones, who can truly express the spirit of the people. I often get impatient and disgusted with writers who are not Jewish yet strive honestly to make their Jewish characters appeal. Their motive is high but their knowledge wretched. They go about it the wrong way and, accentuate the simplest characteristics. The same holds good of the playwright who is not Jewish yet tries to portray the Jew.

"The sort of play which is daily thrust upon us is supposed to depict the problems of the hour, which seem to center chiefly on 'modern unrest'. I advocate an establishment of a people's theatre where healthy, normal plays only are produced at an admission price within the reach of all."

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**FEAR JEWISH COLONY IN YOKOHAMA IMPERILED.**

LONDON, Sept. 5, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Shanghai cables report that great anxiety is felt in the Chinese city over the fate of the Russian Jews in Yokohama and Tokio.

During the last year a considerable colony was established at the Japanese capital, composed mostly of Jewish refugees from Poland and the Ukraine.

The Russian Jews are settled mostly in Yokohama, the capital's port, which has been swept by the disaster. Jewish emigrants were attracted to the port because of the business opportunities offered by this commercial center.

Urgent cables inquiring after the safety of the Jews in the stricken city are being despatched by the dozens by relatives here.

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CLEVELAND, Sept. 5. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Jews in the devastated area of Japan whose relatives here express great fear for their safety are Mrs. Joseph Rubie; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bloom, and their two children, and Frank Naag.

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**ABDULLAH THREATENED BY TRANSJORDAN REBELS.**

JERUSALEM, Sept. 5, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The Emir Abdullah, ruler, of Transjordan, is facing a serious rebellion led by the Sheik of Es Salt.

Three thousand Arabs have gathered under the banner of the Sheik who handed the Emir an ultimatum demanding that a parliamentary government be instituted, that all foreigners be expelled and that the tax system be revised in such fashion that all shall be made to bear an equal share of the Government's burden.

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**SOUND HOLIDAY APPEAL FOR WAR VETERANS.****Marshall Appeals for "Pay Up" on Pledges.**

NEW YORK, Sept. 4, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A special pre-holiday appeal in behalf of the war sufferers of Europe is made by the American Jewish Relief Committee.

The Committee cites a cablegram from Dr. Boris Bogen just received which declares that unless the relief work is continued another year all the splendid results so far attained will collapse.

Mr. Louis Marshall in a letter to Oscar Berman, treasurer of the Cincinnati Branch also points out that the distress is far from past and calls upon all who made pledges to the fund to pay up.

"Those who have not as yet met their subscriptions would not feel otherwise than humiliated if the idea went forth that they have abandoned in midstream those who have relied upon them", Mr. Marshall writes.

**WISCONSIN TREASURER FUNCTURES ANTI-JEWISH MYTH.**

Anti-Semites Come and Go. But Jews Go on Forever, Solomon Levitan Asserts.

ASHLAND, WIS. Sept. 4, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The myth that is being circulated about the country "that the Jews are rapidly approaching financial and commercial control of this country" was exploded by Solomon Levitan, State Treasurer of Wisconsin, in an address before the Northern Council of the B'nai Brith meeting here.

"Never was there a greater illusion. The great mass of our people is composed of hard working folks at the bottom layer of the struggle for existence or barely rising above it.

"We have in our country one man who, through his antagonism towards the Jews, is trying to raise himself to the highest political position in the land, but his agitation is built on falsehood and it cannot stand. History has shown that we always have had some Haman, but always we have overcome their evil influence. Think of the countries that have oppressed the Jews, where are they today? Fate has visited justice on them."

**JEWISH BANKERS GIVE FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS.**

NEW YORK, Sept. 5, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Among the first contributors to the relief fund for the stricken earthquake victims of Japan were Kuhn, Loeb and Company, which subscribed \$25,000 and J. & W. Seligman Co., which gave \$5,000.

Among the Americans of whom nothing has been heard since the catastrophe are B.W. Fleisher, publisher of the Japan Advertiser and his family. The plant of the paper in Tokio was completely destroyed.

**WANTS DECALOGUE AS ZIONIST FLAG.**

**BALTIMORE**, Sept. 4. (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The altering of the Zionist flag by the replacing of the Mogen David by the symbol of the Ten Commandments is urged by Abraham R. Gribov, a Zionist of this city.

Mr. Gribov contends, in a letter to the Baltimore Sun, that the "shield of David" being an emblem of unknown or uncertain origin and of no significance is not expressive of the history or thought of the Jewish people."

"In the family of nations with their flags, when one is displaying a rampant lion, another a snake or an elephant or a fierce eagle, it is the historic prerogative of Israel among them to display the banner of Universal Peace, Law and Order and Morality", writes Mr. Gribov.

"Amend the flag as proposed" says the Baltimorean and the nations will stand at attention before its unfurling with no less reverence than the Jewish people themselves."

**MAY ADMIT IMMIGRANTS WHO ARRIVED TOO EARLY.**

**NEW YORK**, Sept. 5, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Commissioner of Immigration Henry H. Curran yesterday telegraphed Commissioner General of Immigration W.H. Husband at Washington recommending that the 1,875 immigrants who arrived on steamers which came into the U.S. territory a few seconds or minutes before the September quota began, be admitted in the September quotas.

The immigrants on account of their arrival a bit too early are scheduled for deportation, but hope is expressed now that Commissioner Curran's recommendation that the immigrants be admitted will be approved by Washington. More than 500 Jewish immigrants are involved in the dispute over the "Esthonia" alone.

The Immigration Department announced yesterday that among the countries whose September quotas are already exhausted are Palestine, Egypt and "other Asia".

**GERMANY FACES RABBI FAMINE.**

**Economic Conditions Cause Desertion of Ministry.**

**BERLIN**, Sept. 5, (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) German Jewry on the eve of the High Holidays is facing a famine of rabbis, preachers and other religious workers. On account of the present acutely difficult economic conditions prevailing in Germany, rabbis in large numbers have found it impossible to live on the salaries paid and have turned to other callings, some going into business.

Many of the German temples as a result are now forced to turn to foreign countries to obtain rabbis for the approaching holidays.