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## JEWISH IMMIGRANTS' FATE IN PRESIDENT'S HANDS

New York, November 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Eight hundred Jewish immigrants on Ellis Island and their thousands of relatives in different parts of the country are awaiting with much ~~trappidation~~ the result of the appeal a delegation of the American Jewish Congress is today lodging in Washington with the Department of Labor and President Coolidge against the deportation decree hanging over the refugees' heads.

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The delegation/composed of Dr. Stephen S. Wise, President of the American Jewish Congress, Joseph Barondess, Adolph Stern, Max L. Hollander, Secretary of the Independent Order Brith Abraham, State Senator Benjamin Antin, Morris Weinberg, publisher of the Day, and Bernard G. Richards, Secretary of the Congress. They will be assisted in Washington by Isaac Hershfield, representing the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society, who has been instructed by President John L. Bernstein to ~~advist~~ the Delegation.

One of the arguments used in favor of the immigrants ordered for deportation ~~xxxxxxx~~ as excess quota will be that two years ago hundreds of victims of the quota were permitted to land by an exceptional ruling based on clemency for the wanderers.

Instances of the cruelty and hardship involved in the proposed deportation are being cited by friends of the immigrants. One of the most pathetic case is that of Louis Zwinitzki of Cleveland whose son was wounded in action with the American army in France. Zwinitzki's wife was killed in the pogrom in Kiev. His two older children died shortly after, it is said, of grief over their mother's death. His two daughters aged 11 and 16 were found by the father only after four years of inquiry and search. He finally succeeded in having them brought on the Majestic, coming from Cleveland to meet them here. The children were found to be in excess of the Russian quota and were ordered deported together with the other quota victims on the Majestic. It is said that there is no one to care for them on the other side whereas their father and two brothers in this country are eager to assume responsibility for their care.

With the fate of the deportees still undecided, Washington press dispatches report President Coolidge approves of the proposed Bill restricting immigration to 2% yearly of the number of nationals of the various countries in the United States in 1890, as compared to the present 3% based on the 1910 census. Chairman Johnson of the House Immigration Committee has reported after a talk with President Coolidge the Committee will be called to meet next Monday to begin work on the new immigration bill. Mr. Johnson estimates immigration would be cut to 340,000 annually, as compared

to the 350,000 under the present law.

Immigrants admissable under the proposed bill will be practically limited to the northern and central European countries, to the substantial exclusion of nationals of Eastern and southern European countries whence the Jewish and Italian immigrants have come.

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#### VIENNA UNIVERSITY CLOSED AFTER ANTISEMITIC RIOT

Vienna, Nov. 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency)? Anti-Jewish rioting by nationalist German students including a number of Bavarians has resulted in the closing of the University here. The trouble started in the medical and law departments of the University where two Jewish professors, Tandler and Gruenberg, were lecturing, each in his own department.

A band of nationalist Germans suddenly invaded the lecture rooms, inflicting violent beatings on the astonished Jewish students, using foul language on the teachers.

A deputation of German nationalist students presented a memorandum to the University Senate demanding the removal of Rector Doeller. Dr. Doeller has only recently assumed office of Rector and his unpopularity with the anti-Semites is due to his opposition to the proposed percentage norm legislation.

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#### VATICAN DEPLORES ANTIJEWISH OUTBREAKS

Rome, November 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Denying as untrue the rumors that the Vatican had inspired Cardinal Faulhaber's letter to Premier Stresemann in which the Cardinal of Munich decried the anti-Jewish agitation and expulsion in Germany, the official Italian news agency "Vota" says the Cardinal's protest accords with the spirit of the Vatican's constant exhortation.

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#### CUZA BADLY DEFEATED IN JASSY UNIVERSITY

Jassy, Roumania, November 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Professor Cuza, leading instigator of the anti-Semitic students' agitation received but two votes in the election for Rector of the University. Professor Slatianu, reputed to be a friend of the Jews, was elected by an overwhelming majority.

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But There Is No Anti-Semitic Plot, Says Chief Rabbi of British Isles

At the time of his death Mr. Raphaeli held the position of curator of coins in the Palestine Government's Museum, and was a director of the Jewish Exploration Society. For some time he served as superintendent of the Rothschild Hospital of the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem.

## JEWS TO EXCAVATE DAVID'S CITY

Jerusalem, Nov. 20 (J. T. A.). The excavation of the City of David is to begin soon according to announcement of Captain Raymond Weil, who heads a Jewish expedition to lay bare the site of the ancient city.

The plans for the excavation were laid by Captain Weil in 1913, but were interrupted because of the war. Baron Edmond de Rothschild to whom modern Palestine is already heavily indebted, is financing Captain Weil's exploratin expedition.

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## MIZRACHI CONVENTION IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, Pa. Nov. 19 (J. T. A.). A three-day convention of the Mizrahi Zionist organization opened Sunday afternoon in Soldiers' Memorial Hall with a public meeting, at which city officials extended a welcome to the delegates and officers of the organization spoke.

Mayor William A. Magee delivered the official welcome to the delegates. He was introduced by the chairman of the meeting, Rabbi Aaron Ashinsky. Other city officials who welcomed the delegates were Daniel Winters, President of Council, and Councilman James F. Malone.

Mayor Magee told the audience that he is in accord with the aims of the Zionist movement, and expressed the wish that they might be successful in establishing a "Jewish homeland" in Palestine.

Other speakers of the afternoon were Dr. H. M. Snitzer of Pittsburgh, Chairman of the Palestine Foundation Fund; Dr. S. Bloomberg, Chairman of the local Zionist district; Morris Rothenberg of New York, national chairman of the Executive Committee of the Keren Hayesod, and B. H. Schnur of New York, treasurer of the Mizrahi Zionist organization. The convention was officially opened in Soldiers' Memorial Hall last night with a roll call of delegates. Several resolutions were acted upon and minor business of importance was discussed.

Rabbi Meyer Berlin, President of the American Mizrahi Organization, in his annual message said the Convention was meeting at a time when Palestine stood in greatest need of the organization. The Mizrahi8 throughout the world, he said, had grown in strength and influence, which was felt at the recent world Congress of Zionists in Carlsbad. Dr. Meyer Waxman, secretary, submitted a report on the position of the Organization. He reported the Mizrahi membership numbered 15,000 orthodox Zionists organized in societies throughout the country.

The New York delegation to the Convention includes, besides the officers, prominent Mizrachists like Leo Kamaiko and Gedalia Bublick, publisher and editor, respectively, of the "Jewish Daily News". Mr. Bublick, who returned from an extended trip through Europe and Palestine recently, gave his impressions particularly of the latter, and reported the interview he had in Jerusalem with Sir Herbert Samuel.