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CONSIDER SHECHITA BEST METHOD

Board of Jewish Deputies Hears Opinions Of Veterinarians - Minister Rosenbaum Reports

London, December 17 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). That Shechita, the Jewish method of animal slaughter, is "practical and physiologically the best" is the opinion of the Veterinary Journal discussing in an editorial the mooted question.

The favorable opinion of this journal was quoted, together with a signed statement by three professors of the school of agriculture at Cambridge University favoring shechita, at the meeting yesterday of the Board of Deputies.

Several deputies urged that although the consensus of opinion was that the Jewish method was not cruel, ~~shechita~~ shechita should be defended on religious grounds and not otherwise because it is possible that an improved method may be invented which would be even more humane than the Jewish, thus placing the Jews in a difficult position.

Dr. S. Rosenbaum, Lithuanian Minister for Jewish Affairs, was the guest of the Board of Deputies. He reported the situation in Lithuania was greatly improved, repeating much of what he had said in his interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency a few days ago. Dr. Rosenbaum cited the Ministry for Jewish Affairs as proof of the political well-being of Lithuanian Jews. The demand for such a political well-being would be regarded as an impertinence in Poland as sheer nonsense in England or France, he declared. Dr. Rosenbaum repeated that Lithuania was not a paradise but the position of the Jews was good.

Lucien Wolf declared the position of Lithuania's minority guarantees was obscure as the Sejm declined recently to ratify the guarantees on the ground that it was unnecessary while the Council of the League of Nations regarded the treaty as duly ratified and did not discuss the situation.

A report by the Joint Foreign Committee showed that while the Jewish organizations were unable to fulfill their pledge to evacuate all refugees from Roumania by the end of December, arrangements had been made to prevent the refugees suffering the consequences.

The blood accusation ~~question~~ is being raised in various countries it is reported. With regard to the situation of the Falasha Jews of Abyssinia it was decided to ask the League of Nations to place the Falashas under the Minority Treaty in view of ~~the~~ Abyssinia's recent admission into the League of Nations.

URGE ERECTION OF GHETTO

Budapest Anti-Semites Would Restore Yellow Patch.

Budapest, Dec. 17 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) A memorandum submitted by the Ukrainian Students' Association in connection with the anti-Jewish attack at the University last week urges that Jews be bared as witnesses from the investigation because the "Talmud permits Jews to perjure themselves". At the same time students also demand that all East-European Jews be expelled from Hungary and that the Ghetto be restored for the remaining native Jews who should be compelled to wear the yellow patch of the middle ages.

An official investigation into the disturbances reveals that Mathias Tremmal, a Hungarian soldier, was stabbed in self-defense by the Jewish poultry dealer Loebel at the Cafe Lazar in Trummelgasse following a raid upon the cafe by seven drunken soldiers.

There were anti-Jewish disturbances at the University Monday and Tuesday during which three Jewish students were dangerously wounded. One student named Pickler was rescued with difficulty by a Franciscan monk who, holding a raised cross, led Pickler home.

RADICAL LEADER TO HEAD POLISH CABINET

Jews Ignored By President Wojciechowski

Warsaw, Dec. 17 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) M. Thugut, leader of the Left Peasant Party has been requested by President Wojciechowski to form a new cabinet following the fall of the Witosew cabinet.

The President conferred Sunday with leaders of all parties with regard to the formation of the new cabinet. The representatives of the Jewish bloc, however, were not consulted.

Acceptance of the Premiership by M. Thugut may mean the rejection of the ~~admission of the Jewish element~~ demand by the reactionary parties for ~~the~~ a "pure Polish majority".

TO ERECT TRUMPENDOR MEMORIAL AT TEL HAI

Jerusalem, Dec. 17 (J. T. A.) A suitable memorial in the form of a school and a library will mark the site where Joseph Trumpendor and six of his comrades were killed on March, 1920, defending the isolated spot in northern Galilee. Thus far there were not even tombstones ~~erected~~ over the graves of the leader and his followers.

Among those killed were two Jewish legionaires from America. ~~The proposal to~~ erect a building at Tel Hai is being backed the Jewish labor organization.

SAYS DAVIS SHOULD BE ASKED TO RESIGN.

League for Industrial Democracy Denounces Secretary of Labor Davis' Proposal for "Thumb-Printing Immigrants."

New York, December 17 (J.T.A.) "Our idea of how not to handle immigrants is found in Secretary Davis' latest article in the Saturday Evening Post (December 8th)," declares the League for Industrial Democracy in an editorial by Norman Thomas, "After these newcomers to our shores have properly admired the Statue of Liberty and got through the immigrant tests, our worthy Secretary would have them enrolled and given an identification card which we presume, though Secretary Davis does not mention it, would contain the immigrant's thumb-print. The immigrant who received this priceless certificate of freedom would be obliged to report annually to the Federal authorities.

"The Secretary advocates this old-fashioned Russian or Prussian device on the pious ground that the card would establish the immigrant's right to be in this country and receive the benefits of our educational system. Just how the possession of an identification card would do more for the alien than is being done is not explained. The Secretary's real reason follows: "Under this system we would have no difficulty weeding out the illicit immigrant, the smuggled Oriental and the apostle of destruction" ...

"If some pretext can be found to issue identification cards to unnaturalized workers, it won't be long before some other pretext will be sought for to register the rest of us so that bosses and their obliging government agents can keep track of us more easily.

"We do not believe that Congress will give Mr. Davis the power he asks. That he asks it, ought to be a reason for liberty-loving Americans to demand the Secretary's resignation. It may be necessary for economic reasons to limit the immigration of foreign-born workers. There is no reason at all for treating them as criminals or suspects.

"The time to scotch this snake of espionage is while it is little."

JEWISH CONGRESSMAN URGES ALIEN REGISTRATION.

Washington, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) Representative Benjamin Rosenbloom, of West Virginia, has introduced a drastic bill for the registration of aliens and compulsion "Americanization". The only respect in which this proposal differs from others is that it does not apply to all aliens already in this country, but only to aliens who may come to America in the future and those here six months at the time the bill comes into force.

Congressman Rosenbloom's bill provides that every alien; sixteen years of age and over seeking entrance into the United States, shall, in addition to all other requirements of law, file with the immigration authorities at the port of entry a sworn statement of such alien's purpose to become a citizen, and that he will learn

the English language and become acquainted with the form of Government and institutions of the United States and obey its laws. The filing of this statement shall be held to be the "registration of such alien with a view to naturalization". Any alien covered by this bill who fails to take out his first papers (declare intention) to become a citizen within 2-1/2 years after entry or who 2-1/2 years following the first papers fails to become a citizen by meeting all naturalization requirements, shall be deported to the country from which he came. The bill provides further that this total of five years is to be a "probationary period", during which if the alien is convicted of a felony he shall be deported at the expiration of the court's sentence for his crime. The bill has been referred to the Immigration Committee.

The introduction of a bill of this character by a Jewish Congressman is bound to greatly strengthen the efforts of the registration group, who will claim that Jews themselves are not ~~united~~ united on this question. Congressman Rosenbloom has already served two years in Congress.

RABBI WOULD ABOLISH YOM KIPPUR

New York, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) In a sermon on the question, "Is the Younger Generation Godless?" Rabbi J. Max Weis of the Heights Free Synagogue, at West 158th Street and Broadway, appealed for the abolition of Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, on the ground that "it makes for hypocrisy and fails to touch the consciences of men."

"The Day of Atonement makes for hypocrisy," said Rabbi Weis, "It is one of the last remnants of our outworn institutions in the Jewish faith. People crowd the synagogues in superstitious fear, unmoved and uninfluenced by the ritual of the day. Its prayers fail to touch the consciences of men. If man is to make amends for his sins, and for his wrongs to society, he should weigh his actions each day in the light of society's best thought and experience and with a spirit of hope and determination, resolve to live on the highest possible plane of conduct. Rosh Hashanah, or New Year's Day is full of inspirations, but Yom Kippur is outworn and valueless, and weighted with gloominess."

HOPE TO MAKE HILLEL FOUNDATION AN INTERCOLLEGIATE BODY

New York, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) The foundation of an intercollegiate religious welfare associations for Jewish students at American universities, is expected to be the result of the organization of the Hillel Foundation, a student innovation which began its work this fall at the University of Illinois at Champaign, Ill., according to a statement by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. The Hillel foundation is associated with the Department of University Religious Extension of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and has been brought into being by the co-operation of university students and instructors, and prominent Chicago and

Champaign and Urbana residents and the Union. The organization is devoted to social and religious work among Jewish students at the University ~~students at the University of Chicago and Champaign~~ and has acquired attractive headquarters to serve as a center for its students' activities. It is directed by Rabbi Benjamin M. Frankel.

The foundation hopes to promulgate the spirit of Rabbi Hillel and to foster his zeal for Hebrew learning. It is trying to stimulate in university students the desire for congregational leadership and activity in the Jewish community. It befriends and assists all Jewish students at the University, provides social activities, lecture and open forum meetings to sustain interest in Jewish culture. A student choir has already been organized by the religious education committee which has charge of services. Three classes are being given for Jewish students by the foundation - one in history and development of the Bible, another, a training course for religious school teachers and the third a class in applied Jewish ethics.

TEMPLE EMANU-EL OF NEW YORK ELECTS OFFICERS.

New York, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) Temple Emanu-El of New York, last week held its annual election of officers. Louis Marshall was re-elected President and David Leventritt vice-president. The following were chosen to serve for three years on the Board of Trustees: Philip J. Goodhart, Myron S. Falk, Samuel M. Newburger, William I. Spiegelberg and Nathan J. Miller.

NEW DORMITORY FOR FARM SCHOOL

Doylestown, Pa. Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) The new dormitory of the National Farm School which will house ninety seven additional students is rapidly approaching completion, thus enabling the School to admit additional students during the new term which will open on March 1st. The National Farm School affords its students a three years' training in practical and scientific agriculture, including the care and handling of cattle, poultry, horses, farm machinery, orcharding, dairying, greenhouse and nursery work. It is open and free to boys answering the necessary requirements. Applicants for admission to The National Farm School must be at least 16 years of age, have a Grammar School education, must be physically, mentally and morally healthy and above all must have a sincere desire for agricultural life.

The National Farm School is located at Farm School in Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

W. B. WOOLNER HEADS HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTIVES.

Denver, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) Mr. W. B. Woolner, of Peoria, Illinois, has been elected President of the National Jewish Hospital for consumptives at Denver. Mr. Woolner is the third President of the Hos-

pital.

Samuel Grabfelder, of Louisville, Kentucky, was President from the opening of the Hospital until his death four years ago.

Nathan L. Dauby, of Cleveland, Ohio, succeeded Mr. Grabfelder. On account of the pressure of business, Mr. Dauby thought it impossible to continue as President.

CLERGY DROP KLAN TRACTS AS RABBI PREACHES TOLERANCE TOWARDS KLAN

New York, Dec. 17th, ~~1923~~ (JTA) While Rabbi Isaac Landman of the Temple Israel, Far Rockaway, L. I., was trying to soften the anti-Klan spirit of his congregation yesterday, an airplane plying between Rockaways for more than two hours was littering the country side with pamphlets which announced ~~and~~ that the Klan would continue its fight to make Christianity supreme.

The anti-~~Klan~~ feeling in the Rockaways crystalized into a boycott after a Thanksgiving demonstration in which several Klansmen attempted to prevent Rabbi Landman from unveiling a soldier's monument at a church in Cedarhurst, L. I. Rabbi Landman spoke against the boycott in his sermon yesterday morning.

"The boycott is as un-American as Ku Kluxery," he said. Each in spirit is mob rule. Each in action registers animus which is inimical to good citizenship. Both Ku Kluxery and the boycott resort to coercion and this coercion is a force against which free spirits have always rebelled."

The pamphlets, one of which was placed under the door of Rabbi Landman's home, read:

"The Ku Klux Klan is for America first. We stand for benevolence and Klannishness. We are not encouraging or condoning religious beliefs of any kind, but one thing we do insist upon and that is to make this country white and to make this country Gentile. We do not hate the Jews, but the God of the Christians is Christ and we will make Him supreme."

ORGANIZE ZIONIST STUDENTS OF NEW YORK COLLEGES.

New York, Dec. 17 (J.T.A.) Eighty students of the various Colleges of New York City met at the Jewish Theological Seminary, yesterday and after listening to addresses by Mr. Morris Rothenberg, and Maurice Samuel, laid down plans for the strengthening of the Inter-Collegiate Zionist groups in Columbia University, Hunter College, New York University, Adelphi College, the Jewish Theological Seminary and other institutions of higher ~~in~~ learning in New York City.

The students enrolled for Zionist work outside of the Colleges, in addition to the running of their various college groups. Twenty five committees enrolled to help in the New York City Zionist membership campaign. Twenty five more committees enrolled for various kinds of work, including speaking at meetings, conducting Young Judaea groups, and other work.

