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SALONIKA JEWS PROTEST SEGREGATION AT POLLS

Practically All Jews Abstain From Voting As Protest Against Separate Jewish Electoral Sector.

Salonika, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Practically all Jewish voters boycotted the polls during the Greek election Sunday as a protest against the separate Jewish electoral sector. A protest against the segregation of the Jewish voters was lodged by the Kehillah directly the Revolutionary Council made known its decision. The Council replied, however, it was unable to alter the decision, declaring the purpose of the separate electoral sector was a means of determining the support of the non-native population toward the revolutionary regime. The Council promised to respect the constitutional rights of the Jews, offering them four seats in Parliament instead of three.

The Kehillah had agreed to these arrangements and advised the Jews to vote. Zionists and Jewish socialists, however, protested, calling mass meetings where abstention from the polls was urged and the resignation of the Kehillah demanded. The Kehillah was forced to withdraw the pro-election proclamation and the Jewish boycott of the polls was as complete as possible.

MORE ANTI-JEWISH ATTACKS IN ROUMANIAN SCHOOLS

Bucharest, December 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The University campus here and at Jassy were ~~again~~ again the scene on two days of continuous attacks upon Jewish students. At the end of the fighting the universities were cleared of all Jews. Order was restored only after the arrival of gendarmes on the scene.

PRESIDENT HAINISCH MOVES AGAINST AUSTRIAN ANTISEMITISM

Vienna, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). President Hainisch of Austria is apparently determined to put down anti-Semitism in the Austrian ~~universities~~ universities. Directors of all universities had been recently called to a conference with the President, it is learned. Minister of Education Schneider was also present at the meeting which discussed means of suppressing violations in the higher and secondary schools.

Decisions taken at the meeting have not been made public, an announcement being expected following the annual meeting the end of December of all university heads.

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MINISTER DENIES HUNGARIAN JEWS ARE ARMING

Budapest, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The accusation in the Hungarian parliament the Jews of Hungary maintain secret armed organizations was stoutly denied by Minister of Interior Rakowsky who said police investigations had shown all such reports to be pure fables. Neither in Budapest nor elsewhere ~~there are no secret armed organizations of Jews~~ were Jews concealing arms, the Minister declared in reply to an interpellation by the anti-Semitic deputy Lendzays.

OCTAGENARIAN KILLS SELF IN WHITECHAPEL SYNAGOGUE

London, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Aaron Weller, an octagenarian, committed suicide by gutting his throat at the Fieldgate Street Synagogue, Whitechapel. A worshipper entering the synagogue discovered Weller near the "Ark" in the act of cutting his throat. Still conscious, Weller said he was tired of life, having nowhere to go. He was overhead mumbling the benediction recited during slaughter of animals.

Weller is lying in a critical condition in a London hospital. It is understood that the old man was friendless and that he tried to make alliving by selling books from a barrel but did not earn enough to provide himself with food or shelter.

HOLLAND GIVES EINSTEIN GOLD MEDAL

Amsterdam, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The gold medal for natural sciences, conferred from time to time upon distinguished scientists by the University of Amsterdam, has been awarded to Professor Albert Einstein who is at present in Holland, having left Germany where he was unable to work.

INSCRIBE ISRAELS IN NATIONAL FUND'S GOLDEN BOOK

Hagus, Dec. 18 (J. T.A.) The name of Josef Israels, the late painter, has been inscribed by the Dutch Zionists in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

The occasion is the master's hundreth birthday which will be celebrated throughout Holland January 27. A special celebration will be held in Groningen, Israels' birthplace.

Sir Syndham Deedes, former Chief Secretary of the Palestine Administration, is coming to Amsterdam this week to lecture on Palestine.

Martin Buber, noted Jewish thinker, has been invited to lecture at Frankfurt University on Jewish religion and ethics.

KEREN HAYESOD BANK TO ISSUE DEBENTURES

Jerusalem, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Authorization to the mortgage bank founded by the Zionist Organization with funds of the Keren Hayesod to issue debentures was given yesterday, according to an announcement in the Official Gazette.

POSTPONE COMPULSORY SUNDAY LAW IN VILNA

Vilna, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The bill, providing for compulsory observance of the Sunday laws throughout the district of Vilna, has been tabled and it is thought this legislation will be postponed indefinitely.

FASCISTI IN POLAND ARE ILLEGAL

Warsaw, Dec. 18 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The Fascisti in Poland have ~~failed in their attempts to obtain~~ failed in their attempts to obtain from the Ministry of Interior the legalization of their activities.

The Fascisti decided recently to continue the anti-Jewish work which is part of the Fascisti's program.

UKRAINIAN POGROMIST JAILED AFTER COURT'S ACQUITTAL

Warsaw, Dec. 4 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency, by mail). The public Prosecutor has protested vigorously against the verdict of the Jury acquitting the Attaman Machno, his wife Halana Kusmina, his chief-of-staff Ivan Chmara, and his adjutant Jakub Deniszenska. In consequence, the prisoners are being detained in custody.

The indictment drawn up by the Public Prosecutor includes documents which prove that Machno was in communication with members of his band in the Ukraine and in the province of Eastern Galicia, now part of the Polish Republic, inciting them to stir up an Ukrainian revolt in Eastern Galicia, and to join with the Ukrainian peasants in Soviet Ukraine. It is alleged that Machno was in communication also with Soviet officials, which he indignantly denies. In any event, the Polish authorities insist that Machno's activity is inimical to the peaceful government of Eastern Galicia, and that the risings which he has been seeking to provoke in the province are likely to embroil Poland in new complications with the Soviets.

PROF. STEIN MINIMIZES ANTI-JEWISH EXCESS IN GERMANY

Philosopher and Editor Asserts Reports of Disturbances are "Exaggerations"

ANTI-SEMITISM IS "SEMI-OFFICIAL"

New York, Dec. 18 (J.T.A.) Fear for the safety of the Jew in Germany is not shared by Professor Ludwig Stein of Berlin, for twenty years foreign editor of the Vossische Zeitung and one of the most influential journalists and scholars in that country, who recently arrived in this country for a lecture tour of about a month's duration. Anti-Semitism in Prussia does not exist officially and reports of attacks on the Jews have been greatly exaggerated, according to Dr. Stein, in an interview today with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. Conditions in Bavaria, he claims, have been greatly overstated by the press reports ~~xxxx~~ which have found their way to the United States, and any Anti-Semitic feeling there is only "semi-official".

"Conditions in Bavaria before the war were the best that the Jew enjoyed in any part of Germany," said Dr. Stein. "That state has the most assimilated Jews and in Bavaria professors, jurists and other great men are of the Jewish race. There is absolutely nothing in the German constitution which even hints toward discrimination. The constitution of Bavaria was framed by a Jew. Native Bavarian Jews were not affected by the expulsion orders and have not been disturbed in their usual pursuits." Dr. Stein said others, besides, Jews, were affected in the orders to expel all aliens who were not indispensable to the state, the repeated reports that none but foreign Jews were affected notwithstanding. Outbursts which were so marked in Neurnburg were due to the fact that Neurnburg is the center of the Jewish population, and the more Jews the greater the Anti-Semitism. The report that no Jew was safe on the streets is an exaggeration. The dynasty appreciates the fact that the Jews are numbered among the greatest of Bavarian patriots.

"Anarchism and not Anti-Semitism is responsible for the happenings in Germany today. The Nationalistic party alone has an Anti-Semitic current within the organization although it has not come out openly against the Jew. The Stresemann party has taken a decidedly neutral stand. All other parties have shown a leaning towards the Jews, and the Socialists are numbered among their best friends. Although Hugo Stinnes, who I believe is the mightiest personage in the German Empire, has appointed no Jews on his Cabinet, he numbers among his best friends Jews and has shown a kindly feeling towards the race as a whole. The press has shown no signs of Anti-Semitism and is safe from such expressions because many of the leading journalists are Jews. The Jewish journalists are ever on the look-out to investigate reported national feeling against the Jew but to date there is absolutely none."

Dr. Stein's itinerary is being mapped out by Dr. Stephen P. Duggan. On Monday evening of this week he lectured at Columbia University and he will be the guest of honor of the Columbia Faculty Club at luncheon Friday. He will devote the week of December 24 to lecture at Harvard, Yale, Boston University, Cornell, University

of Pittsburgh and the University of Chicago. Most of his talks will be of a philosophical nature. Dr. Stein is a professor of philosophy at the University of Berne, Switzerland, and for thirty-seven years without interruption has edited the "Alshie Philosophie". This monthly magazine is translated in four languages, German, French, English and Italian, and even during the war maintained a strict neutrality.

Dr. Stein will be one of the outstanding figures at the Conference of Sociologists in Washington from January 3 to 6 when he will lecture on the History of Philosophy.

While in this country, Dr. Stein will also arrange for the translation of his book, "The Outlines of Sociology", into English and plans another trip to the United States next year after the book has been published and put into circulation. The demand for his services in the United States on this trip have surpassed by far the fondest hopes of his Committee of Welcome and the date for his intended return on January 15 will probably be extended a few weeks. The Committee of Welcome for Dr. Stein is headed by James W. Gerard, and Arthur Meyerowitz is secretary. Other important personages include Dr. Felix Adler, Prof. Henry Barnes, Prof. Ludwig Bernstein, Dr. Stephen P. Duggan, Loring L. Dresel, Prof. John Dewey, Prof. H. M. Kallen, Adolph Kraus, U. S. Senator La Follette, Longdon Mitchell, Prof. William R. Shepherd, Malcolm Sumner and John McHugh Stewart.

PTE. GOTTLIEB HEADS ST PAUL LEGION POST

St. Paul, Minn. Dec. 17 (J. T.A.) I. Gottlieb, a "buck private" during the world war, will head St. Paul Post No. 8, American Legion, during the ensuing year, that of the St. Paul convention of the national organization. This post, the largest in the northwest, has more than a thousand members and is expected to play an important part in the entertainment of the visiting legionnaires in 1924.

GENTILE LEAVES \$5,000 TO JEWISH CHARITY

Pittsburgh, Dec. 17 (J. T.A.) In recognition of the liberal spirit the Jewish citizens of Pittsburgh have displayed in their charitable contributions, Willis F. McCook, late President of the Pittsburgh Steel Company and a prominent Catholic, bequeathed in his will, which has just been probated, \$5,000 to the Guskys Home a Jewish institution.

In making the \$5,000 bequest to the Guskys Home, the testator said he did so in recognition of the liberal spirit of the Hebrews in their contributions to charities, regardless of their denominational character.