

JOHNSON PIQUED AT OPPOSITION TO IMMIGRATION BILL

Washington, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) "If the Jewish people combine to defeat the immigration bill as reported by the Committee, their children will regret it", is the emphatic statement made last night by Congressman Albert Johnson, Chairman of the Immigration Committee of the House of Representatives.

The statement was made in reply to an inquiry by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency correspondent, who asked Mr. Johnson for his view of the reported hesitation on the part of the House Republican leaders regarding the adoption of the Johnson Bill.

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Congressman Johnson added, that those who ~~xxxx~~ so much influenced by the fear of the immigrant vote in New York State, to the extent that the New York Republican delegation were opposing his bill, would discover that the rest of the country would also have something to say about immigration, and this would be in favor of his bill, irrespective of alien influence in New York.

Much excitement, and no little amount of anger was displayed by Congressman Johnson throughout the conversation. He seemed much agitated and aroused over the reported parliamentary opposition to his bill, an opposition which he had not at all expected in the beginning. Mr. Johnson flatly refused to make any further statement or to explain his remarks, except to declare positively that he intended to proceed with his bill regardless of the reported opposition.

SECRETARY HUGHES PROTESTS AGAINST IMMIGRATION BILL

Washington, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Secretary of State, Charles E. Hughes, has again taken occasion to urge his opinion against the Johnson Immigration Bill. The Secretary of State, in a letter to Congressman Johnson, Chairman of the House Immigration Committee, expressed the opinion that the immigration bill as proposed would involve us in difficulties with several foreign nations.

With regard to the provision that the immigration quotas shall be based on the census of 1890, Mr. Hughes points out that in certain instances this would exclude all citizens of some foreign countries, since no 1890 census figures are available for them. He recommends also that special provision be made for nations created as an outgrowth of the World War; that separate quotas be given the Irish Free State and other self-governing British dominions, and provision be made for the subjects of British and other colonial possessions in South America and the West Indies.

ASKS RECOGNITION OF YIDDISH AS LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

Bucharest, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). "Universul" reports that Rabbi Zirelson has submitted to the Minister of Education a memorandum demanding in behalf of the Bessarabian Jews, the inclusion of Hebrew or Yiddish as a language of instruction for Jews in public and high schools. The memorandum further demands that the Talmud Yishevas be permitted to continue as schools recognized by the Government. Another request is that instruction in Jewish schools be permitted on Sunday so that there might be no need for attendance by Jewish pupils in the State schools on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Still another request is that Jewish religion and history be included in the curricula of all public and high schools. The teachers for these subjects would be chosen by the Kehillah and would have an equal standing with other secular teachers and would be paid by the State or government. The memorandum reproached the Government for not supporting Jewish schools up to now.

"Universul", the organ of the War Minister, makes a strong anti-Semitic attack against Zirelson's demands, declaring them to be absurd and dangerous in view of Bessarabia's geographic position.

DEMAND NUMERUS CLAUSUS WITHDRAWAL IN WARSAW

Warsaw, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). In connection with the Government's proposal to recognize the Warsaw commercial high school as a State academy, Jewish members of the Educational Commission have demanded withdrawal of the numerus clausus in-so-far as it applies to this particular school. The director of the high school was present and confirmed the statement that Jewish students in the school are proportionally few. The Jewish demand was rejected.

AUSTRIAN HAKENKREUZLERS WILL CONVENE SUNDAY

Vienna, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). A congress of the Austrian Hakenkreuzlers, an anti-Semitic organization, has been called for Sunday, February 17th. A delegation of Czechoslovakian Hakenkreuzlers, including several members of the Czechoslovakian Parliament, will be present and will participate in the Congress.

JEWISH STUDENTS COMPRISE 24% OF TOTAL IN POLISH UNIVERSITIES

Warsaw, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Figures which have just been made public reveal the fact that Jewish students make up 24% of the total number of students in the principal universities of Poland. The University of Cracow has 5,256 students of whom 1,696 are Jews; Lemberg has 6,016 students of whom 2,643 are Jews; Warsaw has 8,342 of whom 2,807 are Jews; Posen has 3313 students of whom 22 are Jews.

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It is interesting to note that the Jewish population in Poland is 15% of the whole and if the numerus clausus were to be invoked the number of Jewish students in the universities would be decreased to 10% of the whole, instead of 24% as at present.

LUDWIG LEWISOHN REJECTS ASSIMILATION SOLUTION

New York, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) We are hated for our wealth, and for our poverty", writes Ludwig Lewisochn, the author of "Up Stream"; "for our plutocrats and for our Reds, for arrogance and servility, for speech and silence".

His article "The Jew Meditates" to appear in The Nation for February 20, rejects assimilation as a solution. The Jews will remain an intellectual minority, a minority that protests because of its high sensitiveness and high power of expressiveness through the arts".

"Our expressions of material power are always second rate", he says. "The greatest bankers, the biggest merchants, the most powerful oligarchs are not Jews. The greatest fiddlers are Jews; some of the greatest living poets and scientists are Jews".

"The Jew's salvation", Mr. Lewisochn concludes, "must come from the acceptance of his essential fate or mission - the mission of international peace and freedom."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION COULD NOT RECOGNIZE JEWS AS RELIGIOUS BODY

London, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The League of British Jews has received a communication from the Assistant Secretary General of the League of Nations Union stating that according to the statutes, Jews ~~xxxx~~ like all other religious bodies, could obtain representation only as nationals of their respective countries. Consequently the International Organization could not receive affiliation in the League of Nations Union

HUSSEIN APPOINTS COMMISSION TO URGE CONFEDERATION

Jerusalem, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). King Hussein of Hedjas has appointed a Commission which will visit Nejd, Yemen, and other Arab states to advocate a pan-Arabic Confederation. Members of the Commission include Musa Kazim, former Premier of Transjordan, Rashid Bey, and other Arab notables.

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SIGMUND BOSEL, WEALTHIEST JEW IN AUSTRIA, PLOTTED AGAINST BY ANTI-SEMITES

Vienna, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Sigmund Bosel, the wealthiest Jew, and also said to be the wealthiest man in Austria, who recently announced that he had under-written the budget of the University of Vienna, came near losing his life as a result of a Hakenkreuzlers' plot which the police uncovered a few hours before the time planned for its fruition.

The police, hearing of the plot, made a house to house canvass and found a number of weapons which the Hakenkreuzlers had planned to use in the attack upon Bosel. One of the conspirators was arrested.

BAVARIAN JEWISH FRONT SOLDIERS PROTEST AGAINST LIMITATION OF CITIZENSHIP

Berlin, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Jewish front soldiers have presented to the Bavarian Government a protest against the restriction of the rights of Jewish citizens. After consideration of the protest, the constitutional committee recommended to the Central Government that it be given further consideration.

TOMARKINE, COMING TO AMERICA, HAS PNEUMONIA SERULI

Rome, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). The noted Jewish physician, Leandro Tomarkine, who created a sensation a short time ago by his announcement that he could cure pneumonia by his anticorobum, will sail for America shortly.

Dr. Tomarkine will give clinical demonstrations in America at the invitation of the Rockefeller Institute. He will also demonstrate a new treatment for pulmonary tuberculosis with which he has had considerable success in Roman hospitals.

HAMMERLING COMING TO AMERICA WITH WITOS

Warsaw, February 14 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency). Louis H. Hammerling, former owner of the Association of Foreign Language Newspapers of New York City, will sail for America. He will be accompanied by Premier Witos, who is known as the "Peasant Premier."

Hammerling and Witos will conduct a campaign for funds to pay the expenses of the coming election campaign which is expected in either the Spring or Fall of this year.
