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TITLE OF COMMANDER OF THE LEGION OF HONOR CONFERRED UPON FRANZ PHILIPPSON, BELGIAN-JEWISH FINANCIER AND PHILANTHROPIST

Paris, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The title of Commander of the Legion of Honor was conferred upon Franz Philippson, Belgian-Jewish financier and philanthropist, by the French Government.

Mr. Philippson is the President of the Jewish Consistory in Belgium and is a member of the Joint Reconstruction Fund in which the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee is participating.

FURTHER ARRESTS OF ZIONISTS IN SOVIET RUSSIA

Berlin, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Further arrests of Zionists were made in the cities of Kiev, Odessa and Winnitza according to a report which was received here.

The arrests were apparently the enforcement of instructions received from central authority for they were all carried out in one evening. The arrested belonged to the "Hitachduth," "Ha Cholutz" and the students group, "Histadruth"

2600 JEWISH EMIGRANTS STRANDED IN THE FAR EAST

Berlin, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) 2600 Jewish emigrants are stranded in Charkin and other ports in the Far East, according to word received here to-day by the Jewish Emigration Directorat.

The Directorat has applied to the American Consul in Riga who is authorized to issue visas for the Russian quarter to extend the possibility of applying for visas for these refugees although they are so far away.

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PRUSSIAN GOVERNMENT SUSPENDS SUBSIDY FOR SYNAGOGUES

Berlin, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The subsidy extended by the Prussian Government to synagogues of poor congregations was omitted this year from the budget although the subsidy to churches of poor Christian congregations was retained.

As a result of this suspension, many congregations in Prussia are unable to keep up their synagogues.

The Union of Jewish Communities in Germany has submitted a demand to the Government to restore the subsidy. It is expected that the question will be taken up in Parliament during the next budget discussion.

LONDON JEWISH PAPER CRITICIZES SIR HERBERT SAMUEL

London, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) To retain as High Commissioner to Palestine a man like Sir Herbert Samuel, who is opposed to the Jewish National Home idea, would be conducive to the interests of the future of the Jewish Palestine states to-day the "Jewish World," commenting upon the report recently circulated that Sir Herbert Samuel will remain in office after his present term of administration expires.

"Samuel desires to see the upbuilding of a national home of the Churchill Memorandum, but not that of the Mandate", the paper further states.

PROVOCATOR RAISES RED FLAG ON SYNAGOGUE BUT SEXTON IS ARRESTED

Warsaw, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The sudden appearance of the red flag on the top of the synagogue in the city of Bialystok, was the greatest of surprises to the Jews of the city when came to the synagogue yesterday morning to say their morning prayers. The sexton (or the shames) immediately went up on the roof and removed the revolutionary flag from the religious building.

He was immediately arrested, however, by the police authorities who suspected him to be also the man who had raised the flag. After a long and severe investigation, the shames was released.

It is stated that the red flag was raised by a provocator to incite the populace against the Jews.

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\$12,000,000 RAISED BY THE CENTRAL RELIEF COMMITTEE CONFERENCE
IS TOLD

Will Drive for \$400,000 More For Religious Academies in Europe and Palestine.

New York, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) \$12,000,000 states the American Jewish Relief Fund, were raised by the Central Relief Committee, the Orthodox Jewish relief organization which was one of the three parental bodies of the American Joint Distribution Committee, according to the report of Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum, secretary of the organization, submitted to the conference which was concluded here yesterday.

During the ten years' activity of the Central Relief Committee, a sum amounting to not more than 34% of the total sum collected, was expended for organization purposes.

Over one hundred fifty delegates from various parts of the country participated in the conference which took place under the chairmanship of Mr. Gadaliah Bublick, editor of The Jewish Daily News.

The conference was addressed by Rabbi A.J. Cook of Palestine, Rabbi Epstein of Kowno and other speakers of prominence. Over \$300,000 was recently raised in cash for a fund towards the maintenance of the Jewish Theological Yeshiboth and seminaries in Europe and in Palestine under the direction of the Rabbinical Delegation visiting this country for this purpose.

It was declared that another \$400,000 is necessary to secure the existence of these academies. A committee of nine was elected by the conference for the purpose of devising ways and means of raising this fund.

PROPOSE TO ESTABLISH BANK FOR JEWISH COLONIZATION WORK IN
RUSSIA: FUNDS TO BE RAISED IN RUSSIA.

Moscow, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency Mail Service) The question of Jewish agricultural colonisation in the Soviet Republics is receiving a great deal of attention in the Yiddish Press, the "Emess" dealing to-day with the financial side of the question

The great difficulty in the way of Jewish Agricultural colonisation, it writes, is the lack of funds. The Soviet Government is able to provide the land, it can give numerous

facilities to the transmigrants, it can release them from taxation. But it cannot provide money, at least not for some time to come. The transmigrants themselves have no money, and without financial assistance from outside it seems impossible therefore, to get on with the scheme.

Yet it should be possible to raise some of the money in Soviet Russia itself. We propose the following:

1. The establishment of a colonization bank in Moscow.
2. The initiators of the bank should be the O.R.T. (Society for Promoting Agriculture and Handicrafts among the Jews,) and a number of communal workers who will be prepared to give a part of their time to the work.
3. The bank to issue shares of 100 roubles each to be realized through the loan and savings banks and among individual citizens able to invest.
4. When shares have been sold to a sum of 150,000 or 200,000 roubles, the bank should start building colonies on the tracts of land assigned by the Commissariat of Agriculture.
5. Houses should be built and distributed among the transmigrants on conditions to be drawn up by the bank.

The transmigrant question, proceeds the "Emess", is definitely not a question for the Jewish Sections of the Communist Party (Yevsekziya). The Jewish workers employed in the factories are very little interested in the whole matter. The question affects principally the artisans working on their own account and the small traders. That is the section of the Jewish population which has been left practically without a means of livelihood. It is the section of the Jewish population from which the Jewish agricultural co-operatives are drawn. We have to bring into the scheme the loan and savings banks and the artisans' associations which exist in almost every town. A fund must be set up to carry on the work of the Jewish agricultural colonization. Loan and savings banks such as those of Charkov, Kiev, Odessa and other places can and will assuredly take up 50 or 60 shares. In other towns, where funds are smaller they will take up a smaller number of shares according to their financial ability. The money is not a gift, it will be repaid. After a certain term to allow the agricultural settlers to establish themselves on the land, it will be possible for the whole of this money to be returned to those who have taken up the shares. The artisans' associations, too, will be able to buy a number of shares on collective lines; also certain individual citizens will buy shares. Within a short time it should be possible to raise in Soviet Russia itself a sum of about 300,000 roubles. It should be possible, in addition, to raise a loan from the Russian State Bank of about 100,000 roubles, and with 400,000 roubles in hand 1,000 houses can be built at a cost of about four to five hundred roubles per house. This will mean the immediate establishment of about seven colonies.

The Colonization Bank will be able to buy on a large scale. It will be able to purchase timber from the State on favorable conditions and will be able to obtain long term credits on its building materials.

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PALESTINE DESPATCHESWAH ABBIS ATTACK KINGDOM OF HEDJAS: STARTLING REVELATIONS OF INTRIGUE BETWEEN ARAB LEADERS.

Jerusalem, Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Strong forces of the Wahabbis have invaded the territory of the Kingdom of Hedjas and occupied Taif, southeast of Mecca. The Hedjas troops have been compelled to retreat, according to a telegraphic message received here from Mecca.

The attack of the Wahabbis on the Kingdom of Hedjas, of which the lately proclaimed Caliph Hussein is King, follows an attack made by the same Wahabbi forces on the capital of Transjordan, Amman, of which Emir Abdullah, the son of King Hussein, is ruler.

The attack of the Wahabbis on Transjordan, in which ten thousand cavalry troops participated, was repulsed after the intervention of British aeroplanes.

Startling details in connection with the attacks of the Wahabbis, the dangerous religious sect of the Arabian peninsula, under the leadership of Sultan Ibn Snoud, on the Arabian kingdoms ruled by the Hussein family, are being revealed to-day. It was disclosed that the attack of the Wahabbis on Transjordan was a result of a rivalry between the ruler of Transjordan, Emir Abdullah, and his Prime Minister, Rikabi Pasha. While his ruler, the Emir Abdullah went on a pilgrimage to Mecca, the Prime Minister visited all the Bedouin tribes on the Arabian peninsula and incited them against the Hussein Dynasty. Several brigandage cases in Transjordan, as well as in French Syria, were a result of the Prime Minister's journey.

The forceful attack of the Wahabbis on the Capital of Transjordan, occurred just on the day when the Emir was scheduled to arrive from his pilgrimage and he had a narrow escape from being captured by the Wahabbis. The attack of the Wahabbis on the Hedjas is another step of this drama of oriental intrigues.

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL WILL RESIGN: DEVOTE HIMSELF TO LITERARY WORK

Jerusalem Sept. 11th (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Sir Herbert Samuel, High Commissioner of Palestine, has decided not to remain another term in office, after his present term expires in March 1925, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency learned from the most reliable sources.

It is stated that Sir Herbert wishes to devote himself to literary work after his resignation from office.
