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GRANDDUKE CYRIL PROCLAIMS HIMSELF CZAR: PROMISES RELIGIOUS LIBERTY.

London, Sept. 30 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Grandduke Cyril, a cousin of the late Czar Nicholas II, signed a proclamation today, declaring himself Emperor of Russia, according to reports received from Paris by the Daily Mail.

In 1922 Grandduke Cyril proclaimed himself guardian of the Russian throne. In his proclamation today he promises complete religious liberty to all citizens of the restored Russian empire.

PROFESSOR EINSTEIN TO LECTURE IN VIENNA ON KEREN HAYESOD

Vienna, Sept. 30 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) Professor Albert Einstein is expected here next Wednesday, when he will deliver a special lecture on the Keren Hayesod before an audience of Jewish bankers. The meeting was convened by Dr. Hammerschlag, director of the Rothschild Credit Institution in Vienna.

FAMINE SITUATION WORSE THAN IN 1920 FACED BY JEWISH POPULATION IN SOVIET RUSSIA: URGE FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF

Riga, Sept. 30 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The famine now approaching Soviet Russia assumes extremely serious proportions and threatens to create a situation worse than in 1920, according to reports received from reliable sources. It is especially felt by the Jewish middle class; the "Nep-men", who are chiefly Jewish traders were forced out of business because of the new restrictive measures imposed by the government on private initiative and trade.

The famine, this time, affects not only the cities but the rural districts as well. According to reports received here, the Soviet of Elizabetgrad has had to entrench the city. Machine-guns and strong military patrols guard the city, in order to prevent an attack

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by the hungry masses. No peasant is permitted to enter the city without special permission from the local Soviet.

Throughout the country many merchants have been arrested and brought before the revolutionary tribunals for usury in grain. The tribunals are passing severe sentences on the merchants, often three years penitentiary and more.

Moscow has been thrown into the turmoil of a bread panic. Hundreds are waiting for hours at the stores in order to obtain bread. Kalinin has addressed an appeal to the population in which he promises that the bread crisis will soon be relieved.

The Jews are suffering more than any other class of the people. The Jewish "intelligentsia", teachers, students and professors are on the verge of starvation. Reports from Russia indicate the immediate need of relief and contains an appeal to the American Jews to come to the rescue of their brethren in Russia.

The situation in Russia today is worse than it was in 1920, before the Nep policy was introduced. In many towns, from eighty to ninety percent of the Jewish population are without employment. If relief will not come immediately, another great catastrophe in the life of Russian Jewry is inevitable.

At the time of the introduction of the new economic policy, Russian Jews looked forward to the return of better times and fought against odds with renewed courage. The new, severe policy introduced by the government against private trade has crushed any hope for an economic revival. Although the desire to go on the land is very strong, it is realized that only a small proportion of Russian Jews can be accommodated with land.

The communications received here from Russia state that American Jewish relief work in Russia was stopped prematurely and that the misleading symptoms of an economic revival has been shortlived.

If American Jewry were aware of the terrible sufferings to which Russian Jews are now subjected, if they would know how thousands of Jews are actually exposed to starvation and certain death, unless help is brought immediately, steps for the resumption of relief work would begin at once.

PALESTINE TELEGRAPHIC AGENCY DESPATCHESWAHABIS PREPARE TO MAKE GENERAL ATTACK ON MECCA;
SULTAN IBN SAUD ASKS HUSSEIN TO LEAVE HEDJAS

Jerusalem, Sept. 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) The Wahabi forces, now at Taif, are concluding the preparations for a general attack on Mecca, according to information received here today. It is stated that the Indian Moslem league is supporting the Wahabis.

Emir Abdullah, ruler of Trans-Jordan, is expected here today to confer with Samuel concerning the sending of a Trans-Jordanian army to help King Hussein in his defense against the Wahabis.

Damascus, Sept. 20 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency) In a press interview today, the representative of Ibn Saud, Sultan of Nejd and leader of the Wahabis, denied reports that the Wahabis had committed acts of violence at Taif, a city sixty miles from Mecca. "The town was seized without great losses", he affirmed.

The attack upon the city was made after Ibn Saud had warned Hussein to leave the Hedjas, but Hussein refused. "This time the Wahabis are going to conquer Mecca, according to the wish of the Moslem world, especially of the Moslems of India", he declared.

A NEW ARAB AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION IN NAZARETH

Jerusalem, Sept. 1 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency Mail Service) An agricultural Association has been established in Nazareth. The program of the Association is to develop Agriculture and to improve the condition of the Agriculturists and farmers; to organize co-operative Associations for the sale and purchase of products, machinery, etc; to request the Government first, to abolish the tithe or to reduce it and secondly to levy taxes equally on all inhabitants. The association plans to co-operate with the Government in a definite policy and to live and work in peace with all the inhabitants of Palestine. The Association also has decided to ask the Government to establish a representative council elected by the nation.

DR. KLAUSNER, HEBREW WRITER AND SCHOLAR, CELEBRATES
FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY

Jerusalem, Sept. 2 (J.T.A. Mail Service) Dr. Joseph Klausner, well-known Hebrew writer and scholar, editor of the Hebrew monthly "Hachiloah", celebrated his fiftieth birthday yesterday. Dr. Klausner received congratulatory cables from many countries.
