

LEAGUE APPOINTS COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO JEWISH CITIZENSHIP RIGHTS IN ROUMANIA

Report of Alliance Israelite Universelle Describes Plight of Tens of Thousands of Jews in New Rumanian Territories—Anti-Semitism Is Long Secret of Rumanian Politics, Report States—Will Submit Question to League of Nations If Commission Fails.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Paris, Nov. 8.—A committee of the League of Nations was appointed to inquire into the situation of many thousands of Jews in the newly acquired provinces of Roumania with regard to their citizenship rights which is threatened by the attitude of the Roumanian Government, it was stated today in a report of the Alliance Israelite Universelle submitted at its annual meeting which was held here today.

Representatives of the Alliance Israelite Universelle have taken up this matter with the representatives of the Roumanian Government in Geneva, but they have disputed the figures submitted by the Alliance, claiming that only a small number of Jews are affected by the clause in the new Roumanian nationality law which places the burden of proof upon every applicant for Roumanian citizenship, that he resided in the newly acquired territory before 1918. It was only after the representatives of the Alliance threatened to raise the question publicly that the establishment of the Commission was consented to.

The report of the Alliance further deals with the situation of the Jews in Roumania and states that "While the Roumanian ministers denounce anti-Semitic violence in their public speeches, they do nothing to prevent it. It is difficult to believe that anti-jewish excesses would be possible did the Government not maintain an attitude of passivity."

"The movement against the dominant party in Roumania was speedily suppressed, but the Government permits anti-Jewish disturbances. This peculiar attitude towards the Jewish population has long been the secret of Roumanian politics and the Bratiano government simply continues to maintain this tradition", the report states.

If the Commission appointed to examine and inquire into the situation of those Jews who are refused citizenship will not solve the problem, nothing will be left except to bring the question before the League of Nations.

The report of the Alliance also deals with the condition of the Jews in Poland and it deplores the situation, which is "aggravated by internal dissensions between the various factions and parties, the Folkists, Zionists, Agudists, and the Assimilations who, instead of presenting a united front, fight each other and paralyze their activities. This dissension removes the possibility of securing respect for the rights accorded the Jews through the International Minorities Treaty", the report concludes.

MAJOR ORMSBY GORE APPOINTED COLONIAL UNDER SECRETARY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Nov. 8.—Major Ormsby Gore has been appointed Under Secretary in the British Colonial Office.

Major Ormsby Gore is a well known friend of Zionism and was Great Britain's representative in the League's Mandates Commission at its last session.

POLISH GOVERNMENT MISREPRESENTED MINORITIES' PROBLEM AT GENEVA, JEWISH DEPUTIES DECLARE IN POLISH PARLIAMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Warsaw, Nov. 8.—Support of the pacific policy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs M. Skrzynski, at the last session of the League of Nations at Geneva, was voiced today in the Parliament by the President of the Club of Jewish Deputies, Dr. Leon Reich, during the debate on the vote of confidence in the Grabsky Government. While supporting the Government's foreign policy, Deputy Reich said, they could not vote for the motion because M. Skrzynski had misrepresented at Geneva the position in Poland with regard to the national minorities. The Government had not satisfied even the minimum demands of the Jewish minority. The Jewish deputies, therefore, would vote against the Government.

Similar declarations were made by the deputies of the Ukrainian and White Russian minorities. The German minority deputies, on the other hand, declared that they would vote with the Government. The vote of confidence was carried by 210 votes against 170, the minority being composed of the parties of the Right, the Jews, Ukrainians and White Russians, and the majority of the Socialists, Radical Peasants, Centre Peasants (Witos Party) and the National Labor Party.

After the voting the Jewish Socialist deputy, Diamant called across to the Jewish deputies "Cheek by jowl with the anti-Semites!"

DR. CHAJES, CHIEF RABBI OF VIENNA, COMES TO AMERICA

Will Lecture At Jewish Institute of Religion and Columbia University.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Nov. 8.—Dr. Zevi Chajes, Chief Rabbi of Vienna, is leaving for the United States the end of November. He will lecture at the Jewish Institute of Religion, of which Dr. Stephen S. Wise is acting president. Dr. Chajes will also lecture at Columbia University.

It was during one of his High Holiday sermons that Dr. Chajes declared that he had decided to leave his Rabbinical position in Vienna and settle in Palestine. Dr. Chajes stated that when he entered the pulpit, he promised himself that after a period of 12 years he would devote himself to research and study in Iudaea.

WAHABIS BURN 100,000 NARGHILES ON AUTO-DA-FE IN MECCA

Holy Smoke From Holy City Marks Beginning of Tobacco Prohibition.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cairo, Nov. 8.—Holy smoke which ascended from the Moslem Holy City will put an end to further smoking, now that Mecca is under the reign of the Moslem puritans, the Wahabis.

The Wahabis have seized 100,000 narghiles and burned them on an auto-da-fe in the bazaar of Mecca, according to a report received here today. They have also prohibited further importation of tobacco, raw or manufactured, cigarettes or cigars, within the limits of the Holy City.

According to the doctrines of the Wahabis, the puritan sect of the Moslem faith, smoking is as great a sin as drinking.

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NEW DISCLOSURES ABOUT ANTI-SEMITIC INTERNATIONAL PROJECT: PROPOSAL TO PAY GERMAN REPARATIONS WITH CONFISCATED JEWISH MONEY

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Berlin, Oct. 26.—Sensational disclosures about the project for establishing an anti-Semitic International are made in a book by the French author and philosopher, Pierre Dominique, which is to be published shortly under the title "Deux jours chez Ludendorff," says the "Vossische Zeitung" here.

The book throws a great deal of light on the attempts of the German anti-Semites to join up with the French Chauvinists and with the anti-Semitic organizations of all the European countries. A conversation which the author had with Professor Schimmer, one of General Ludendorff's chief associates, is quoted, in which Professor Schimmer alleged that the Italian Fascisti had promised Hitler military aid for his attempted rising last November, but Mussolini had at the last moment withdrawn, fearing to send his troops across the frontier. Agreements had also been made with Admiral Horthy, the Regent of Hungary, and with the Hungarian Nationalists to assist the German anti-Semites. The Russian Monarchists, too, were associated with the plot and so were the "Britons," an English Fascisti body, for whom General Blakeney, who had recently visited General Ludendorff, had acted.

"With the Nationalists of all countries, British, French, Italian, Russian, Scandinavian and German, joined together," Professor Schimmer declared, "we shall make an end of Jewry. Our dictatorship will know no mercy and we shall pay you French your reparations to the full with the money which we shall take from the Jews."

ICA LAND RESERVES IN ARGENTINE SUFFICIENT FOR SETTLING A THOUSAND FAMILIES

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Paris, Oct. 26.—The land Reserves on the estates of the Jewish Colonization Association (Ica) in the Argentine, total an area of about 590,000 hectares, on which over a thousand families could be settled on the land, it is officially stated by the headquarters of the Ica here. The Ica desires to colonize its land only with experienced men who show capacity for agriculture. Apart from the sons of colonists and the agricultural workers employed in the various groups whose capacity has been observed in the course of their work, there are families of immigrants arriving in the Argentine who desire to settle in the colonies. The Ica takes special interest in such.

A system has been in operation for the past three years, by which the newcomers are installed

DAILY DIGEST OF WORLD PUBLIC OPINION ON JEWISH MATTERS

Hopes New Secretary of Labor Will Be Appointed

The "Day" expresses its desire to see the Secretary of Labor, Mr. Davis, replaced by some one else in Mr. Coolidge's next cabinet.

"During the campaign," says the "Day", "Mr. Davis kept silent on the immigration issue. Now that the elections are over he has come out again with his favorite plan for registering and spying on the immigrants and aliens in this country.

"We know that his plans have good prospects of being accepted because he has the backing of the entire Cabinet. Yet it is possible that the matter would be postponed and perhaps dropped in time, if it were not for Mr. Davis continuing his cry of alarm against the immigrants.

"It is for this reason that we hope Mr. Coolidge will appoint a new Secretary of Labor. Mr. Davis is too narrow-minded, too limited in his outlook, to be of any real value in the President's Cabinet."

Urges That the Secretary of Labor Be Removed From Cabinet

The rumors that Secretary of Labor Davis will not be included in the next cabinet of President Coolidge, have occasioned the following editorial comment in the "Tageblatt" of November 7:

"If Mr. Davis is dropped from the Cabinet it will be one of the best things Mr. Coolidge will have done at the outset of his career as elected president of the United States.

"The mind of Mr. Davis works in the same channels as did the minds of Russian chinovniks under the Czar. Else he could never have conceived the idea of creating a passport system whereby all immigrants should be registered on entering this country and spied on as if they were outlaws. This system of spying on free men and women who come to make America their home, Mr. Davis calls the 'education of the immigrants.'

"Mr. Davis' place is not in the cabinet of the United States."

Jews Backing the Klan!

The "Day" of Nov. 6 commenting on the "discovery" of an Argentine journalist which was published in the "Observatore Romana", the official Vatican organ, to the effect that the Jews are responsible for the existence and activities of the Klan, says:

"The story will give the Catholics of Europe and America the impression that the Jews through the medium of the Ku Klux Klan are persecuting the Catholic Church. It will not be at all surprising to see an echo of this in the Catholic press of France, Poland, Hungary and Bavaria.

"It would be no more than just and fair that the representative Catholics in America should explain to the Roman prelates and the Catholic organ at the Vatican that the whole story of the Argentine journalist is a stupid fabrication."

on enclosed areas of from 10 to 25 hectares each, and provided with a small house and a well. If the settlers demonstrate their capacity for agriculture, they are settled on the same conditions as the old immigrants. When they have become fully familiar with the methods of the country, they are definitely admitted and are provided with a plot of land which may be about 100 hectares in area. 51 families have till now been settled in this manner. Some of these settlers have succeeded remarkably well and have shown themselves of the stock from which true agriculturists are made.

The Ica proposes now to apply this method on a larger scale.

\$5,000,000 NEEDED FOR ARAB RECONSTRUCTION IN PALESTINE

Propose to Create World Movement to Combat Zionism.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency Mail Service)

Jerusalem, Oct. 21.—The Jews all over the world are helping the Zionists to make Palestine a Jewish National Home. We must urge all Moslems and Christians abroad to help us to retain Palestine as a Moslem and Christian country, writes "El Carmel" of Haifa today. Our people must learn to make sacrifices for the general interest. We must fight our enemies with their own weapons. We must be financially organized by the following means: (a) Banks for giving credit to farmers, tradesmen, merchants and workmen at a low rate of interest; (b) A special fund for the purchase of lands which should be resold to peasants in small holdings; (c) A special educational fund. The money needed for the execution of this scheme can be found in Palestine. It cannot save Palestine all at once and put a stop to the danger which threatens her, but it will remedy the evil to some extent.

And then there must be the movement abroad. We can collect funds in many countries. We have the sympathy of important financial and political circles. Moslems and Christians all over the world would give us moral and material assistance. In the same way as the Jews all over the world are helping to make Palestine a Jewish National Home, the Moslems and Christians all over the world should help to keep Palestine a Moslem-Christian country.

The Moslem Caliphate Congress' will meet shortly. There will be present influential Moslems from all countries. The delegates from the Holy Land should seek to convince their colleagues of the importance of Palestine from the religious, social and economic point of view and should urge them to enter upon a determined economic and political activity which will preserve the Moslem character of Palestine. If the Congress does not do this, it will help the Jews to filch from the three hundred million Moslems of the world a land to which they are closely attached by religious, historical, geographical and economic ties, much more closely attached than are the Jews. The Palestine delegates to the Moslem Congress should urge the Congress to make the Palestine question its own. With the help of the financial resources of the whole Moslem world we should found a Moslem bank to advance credits to Palestinians at a low rate of interest, and to form a land purchasing society to save Palestine from the establishment of a Jewish National Home and to prevent the economic domination of an Arab country by Jews.

A million pounds is needed. If the three hundred million Moslems of the world cannot provide this sum as a gift to Palestine, it is useless for Arabs and Moslems to think of unity for they will have shown that they are not fit for it.

The movement should not be only a Palestinian movement. The political and economic organization founded to carry it out should be conducted by experts in their respective fields so that the work should be carried out efficiently and with good prospects of success, says the paper.

HUSSEIN'S PALACE SOLD AT AUCTION FOR \$500

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Cairo, Nov. 8.—The royal palace of Hussein Al Hashimite, ex-king of Hedjaz and resigned caliph of the Faithful Moslems, was sold at auction today at the order of Ibn Saud, Wahabi leader and conqueror of Mecca.

The amount of money realized was only \$500. Hussein, when fleeing from his royal residence, removed all valuables and the family treasures.

OUR FOREIGN NEWS LETTER

The Swastika

(By Our Vienna Correspondent)

Vienna, Oct. 15.—An interesting volume entitled "The Hakenkreuz—the History of a Symbol" has just appeared here from the pen of Herr Iorg Lechler. It is particularly important at this time to become familiar with the facts in this book because of the fact that the Hakenkreuz, which is the German equivalent of Swastika, is used as the emblem of the German and Austrian anti-Semites, who are waging a bitter war of persecution and extermination against the Jews of Central Europe.

Herr Lechler gives an outline of the history of the Swastika. The exact origin of this symbol is rather uncertain, he says, but he proves that it is certainly not true that the Swastika was originally an old Aryan German symbol, a product of the Teutonic spirit, as the pseudo-scientific pamphlets written by zealous Hakenkreuzler would have it. On this point Herr Lechler's book has caused considerable grief among the members of the German anti-Semitic circles, but to the Jews it is rather cheerful information.

The Swastika, according to the author, has been used for many centuries as an ornament or as a symbol among nearly all tribes and nations, being in vogue at various periods in history among the Chinese, Japanese, Hindus, the Negroes of North Africa, the Indians of North, South and Central America, etc.

It existed among primitive tribes, as evidenced by the crude sculptures and drawings which have been unearthed by archaeologists, and has even been traced as far back as the Stone Age. It spread from one part of the world to the other either in the form of decorative ornament or as a symbol of social and religious customs and in time it was brought over from Asia to the American continent.

As regards the original meaning of the Swastika symbol, scientists and historians are as yet unable to give a clear explanation. It is not impossible that in most instances the Swastika had no definite symbolic meaning but served merely as a decorative ornament created by the mind of primitive man for the satisfaction of his rudimentary esthetic sense. On the other hand it is evident that some tribes and races regarded the Swastika as a symbol of their sun-god, as has been shown by Herr Wilke in his book "Relations Between the Cultures of India, the Orient and Europe."

It should also be mentioned that the Swastika was likewise prevalent in the Semitic countries, including Palestine. This has been substantiated by the McAlister excavations in the near East.

A Danish archaeological expedition has announced that it discovered a Swastika in the ruins of a synagogue near the Sea of Tiberias. But there is no truth in this. The writer of these lines had an opportunity several months ago to inquire about this from the famous German archaeologists Kohl and Watzinger and they stated emphatically that this is impossible, a statement which they made on the basis of their vast knowledge of the subject and their own experiences in excavating in Palestine. The Danish excavators were deluded by an ornamental design in the form of two crossed lines which resembles somewhat a Swastika.

At any rate Herr Lechler has shown the world that the Hakenkreuzler in their falsehood and unscrupulousness stop at nothing in trying to justify their hypocritical philosophy and do not hesitate to pervert deliberately historical facts which are well known to every serious truthful scientist.

Maximum Amount of News in Minimum Amount of Space.

NEW HEBREW ERA IN PALESTINE PRODUCING SUPERIOR GENERATION, LUDWIG LEWISOHN SAYS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Nov. 8.—The present Hebrew era in Jewish life in modern Palestine is producing a generation which will be superior to any other in the history of the Jewish people, declared Ludwig Lewisoohn, author of "Up Stream", returning today from a tour through the old Jewish colonies and the Chaiutzim settlements maintained by the Keren Hayesod in the valley of Jesreel and in Galilee.

Lewisoohn was deeply impressed with the earnestness of the Jewish men and women in all walks of life in Palestine and stated that without the work of the Palestine Foundation Fund, the transformation of the intellectual Chaiutzim into peasants would be inconceivable.

LAST GROUP OF REFUGEES WILL BE ADMITTED TO CANADA

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Toronto, Nov. 8.—495 Jewish refugees, being the last group of Jewish emigrants stranded in Roumania to be admitted to Canada under the agreement with the Ica, will arrive in Halifax on Nov. 18 on the S.S. "President Wilson".

JEWIS IN TRANSYLVANIA CRITICIZED BY ROUMANIANS AND HUNGARIANS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Clausenburg, Nov. 8.—Between the devil and the deep sea, is a phrase, but it fittingly describes the situation in which half a million Jews find themselves in Transylvania, formerly a part of Hungary and now annexed to Roumania.

The Roumanian paper, "Infratirea" today attacks the organ of the Zionists in Transylvania, the "Ujkelet" because it is published in the Hungarian language. The Jews in Transylvania are Hungarian Irredentists. The Hungarian anti-Semites constantly criticize the Jews in Transylvania, alleging that they abandoned their loyalty to Hungary immediately after the province was annexed to Roumania.

Actually, the "Ujkelet" opposes Hungarian culture, urging the Jews in Transylvania to adopt Hebrew culture.

KANSAS CITY RAISES \$150,000 FOR COMMUNITY CENTER

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Kansas City, Nov. 8.—The sum of \$150,000 for erecting a new synagogue and center here was raised in response to an appeal of Rabbi Solomon Goldman of Cleveland. The largest contributions were \$15,000 subscribed by Katz Brothers, and \$12,000 donated by J. Taxman.

BREVITIES

The Anniversary of the Signing of the Armistice will be the occasion of a celebration at the Brooklyn Jewish Center, 667 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday evening, November 11, at 8:15 o'clock. The oration will be delivered by Hon. Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State under President Wilson.

Memorial exercises for Mrs. Solomon Schechter, wife of the late President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will be held next Thursday evening at Temple Anshe Chesed, Seventh Avenue and 114th Street, under the auspices of the Women's League of the United Synagogue, New York City branch, which Mrs. Schechter founded.

Temple Beth Emeth, of Albany, New York, has donated to the Hebrew Union College Library at Cincinnati, the Rabbi Max Schlesinger Memorial Library.

PLEDGES TO MINORITIES HOLD GOOD ONLY IF MINORITIES SHOW THEMSELVES WORTHY LITHUANIANS DECLARE

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Kowno, Oct. 25.—The pledges which were given to the Minority Nationalities in Lithuania hold good only if the Minority Nationalities show themselves worthy of their privileges, declared the Christian Democratic representative on the Parliamentary Commission for considering the question of signboards being displayed in the Minority languages. The National Minorities in Lithuania, he proceeded, have not shown themselves worthy. They are conducting anti-Lithuanian propaganda abroad.

The Club of Jewish Deputies has today issued a statement in this connection that the pledges given by the Lithuanian State to the National Minorities are not merely an arrangement between two parties which can be broken off at will, but have been embodied in official international documents lodged with the League of Nations.

SIR ALFRED MOND LOSES VOICE

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Nov. 8.—Sir Alfred Mond, the leader of the English Liberals returned to Parliament, exhausted himself during the campaign to such an extent that he has lost his voice.

A meeting of the National Debt Commission which was to take place today, when the Federation of British Industries would submit evidence, had to be postponed because Sir Alfred Mond, who is the Federation's Vice-President and spokesman, was unable to talk.

ARABS WARNED AGAINST IBN SAUD'S CONFEDERATION PLAN

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Jerusalem, Oct. 20.—The message of Ibn Saud to the Moslem Supreme Council of Palestine, stating that he intends to carry out the scheme of setting up a Confederation of all the Arab countries, is made the subject of an article in the Damascus Arab paper, "Alif Ba". The paper appeals to the Arab people, warning them not to trust Ibn Saud and reminding them of what happened in the Arabian Peninsula during the great war.

"The Turks oppressed the Arabs of Syria, Palestine and the other Arab countries", says the paper. "Ibn Saud did not rise to defend his brothers. Hussein revolted against the Turks and helped the British to drive them out of the Arab countries and to achieve independence.

"Ibn Saud has never protested to Great Britain against the intolerable conditions under which the Arabs of Palestine and Syria are living. He has not raised his voice against those who deprive the Arab people of their right to independence and compel them to emigrate from their homes and leave them to the Jews.

"To the Arabs who support Ibn Saud, we give warning!"

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