

BLASPHEMY TRIAL IN JERUSALEM CONCLUDED

Director of American Archaeological Institute Called As Witness.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jerusalem, Nov. 26.—Court proceedings in the blasphemy trial against the "Doar Ha'yom" were concluded today. The verdict will be rendered in a few days.

Attorney Meckler, representing Patriarch Barlassina, asked for permission to address the court in behalf of the cardinal. His request was refused.

Jerusalem, Nov. 26.—Dr. Albright, director of the American Archaeological Institute in Jerusalem and Dr. Denby, correspondent of the "London Times" and Cannon of the St. George Cathedral, both great Hebrew scholars, were among the five witnesses who were called by the counsel for the defense to testify in the blasphemy trial which was started here yesterday against the Hebrew daily paper, "Doar Ha'yom".

The court was presided over by two judges, an Englishman, Baker, president of the Jerusalem District Court and Court Member Abdul Hadi, an Arab. The prosecuting attorney was Hatchuel, a Sephardic Jew. Attorney Meckler was present as the representative of Cardinal Barlassina. He was not permitted to bring charges.

The public was excluded from the courtroom; only press representatives were present.

After the witnesses were heard, it was the general impression that the charge of the prosecution was shaken.

BRAZILIAN GOVERNMENT STOPS IMMIGRATION, IS REPORT

Immigrants Blamed for Recent Revolution; Jews Exonerated.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Vienna, Nov. 26.—The Brazilian Government has issued an order stopping all immigration into Brazil, according to information received today by the Vienna "Morgen Zeitung".

That German and Italian immigrants stimulated the recent revolution in Brazil is given as the reason for this order. The statement of the government issued to this effect declares, however, that Jewish immigrants did not participate in the recent revolutionary activities.

TRIAL OF STANISLAW STEIGER AGAIN POSTPONED

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Lemberg, Nov. 26.—The trial of Stanislaw Steiger, held under suspicion that he threw the gas bomb at the President of the Polish Republic, Wojciechowski, was again postponed. The case will be called in February.

Steiger asked for release under bail until the trial, but his request was refused.

2,000 EAST EUROPEAN JEWS BECOME GERMAN CITIZENS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Nov. 26.—2,000 Jews who emigrated from Eastern Europe became naturalized citizens of Germany during the last three years, according to a statement issued today by the official press service.

This statement was in reply to a false report circulated by the anti-Semites that annually 90,000 East-European Jews become German citizens.

REACTIONARY DEPUTATION DEMANDS RESTRICTION OF ALIENS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Alien Population in Great Britain Decreasing.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

London, Nov. 26.—Severe restrictions for aliens resident in Great Britain were urged by a deputation which called on Sir Joynson Hicks, British Home Secretary, today.

The deportation of undesirable aliens and the removal of all aliens who compete on the employment market with Britishers was demanded. Those who were permitted to remain should pay a special alien tax and be obliged to report to the police for registration. They should be obliged to carry permits. The deputation also stated that the official figures of the number of aliens resident in Great Britain is underestimated.

The Home Secretary, replying to the deputation, stated that every alien in Great Britain is registered. The number of aliens is 272,862 which is several hundred less than the total in 1922 and 1923.

The "Daily Chronicle", commenting upon the demands of the deputation to the Home Secretary points out that the alien population in Great Britain is decreasing and is smaller than in any other country. The paper attacks "the Tory mentality and the trade union mentality which united for the purpose of closing the country to immigrants."

COMMUNIST JEWISH CULTURAL WORKERS OPEN CONFERENCE IN MOSCOW

Lunatcharsky Praises Jews for Idealism.

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Moscow, Nov. 26.—"The Jewish people possess high culture, energy and ability, and the human race should be thankful to the Jews for the great idealists and revolutionary leaders which they have given to the world", Lunatcharsky, Commissar of Education in the Soviet Government, declared today at the first All-Russian conference of Jewish cultural workers, which was opened here today.

A parade marked the opening of the conference. Madam Krupskaya, Lunatcharsky and Morris Wintchewsky were elected as the presidium.

Inquiries were directed to the Commissar of Education by several members of the conference as to why the Soviet Government supported the Hebrew theatre, Ha'bima, in Moscow, which is a bourgeois institution. In reply Lunatcharsky stated that the Ha'bima never received any subsidy from the Government. Besides, the Ha'bima was excluded from the list of academic state theatres two weeks ago.

DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Berlin, Nov. 26.—The death sentence of Samuel Loewinsohn, convicted for murder of the wife of his employer, Foerster, was commuted to life imprisonment by the Prussian Minister of Justice, as a result of the plea of his attorney, Klee.

Loewinsohn's case aroused a great deal of interest as this is the first time in many years that a Jew was convicted for murder in Germany.

RECRUIT MEN IN PALESTINE FOR HEDJAS ARMY

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Jaffa, Nov. 26.—Officers of the Transjordanian government arrived here for the purpose of recruiting men for the Hedjas army. One hundred and twenty recruits have already enlisted.

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ANTI-SEMITISM A DANGER TO GERMANY, SAYS ELECTION MANIFESTO

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Berlin, Nov. 19.—The Executive of the Union for Combating Anti-Semitism, a non-Jewish organization, of which ex-Minister Dr. Gotthelm is President, and Dr. Fehrenbach, former Premier of the German Republic is Vice-President, has issued a manifesto in connection with the General Election to the Reichstag and to the Prussian Diet on December 7th.

The manifesto urges electors to vote only for candidates who pledge themselves to fight against anti-Semitism. The German National anti-Semitic agitation, it points out, is again playing a leading part in the present election campaign. The National Socialist Freedom Party and the German National People's Party have raised a cry against the non-existent alleged domination of the Jews in Germany. They have made this the chief plank in their campaign. They have dug up all the old exploded anti-Semitic lies and are exploiting them. "Anti-Semitism is a danger to Germany. It will degrade Germany to the position of Poland, Roumania and Czarist Russia. How can we expect justice from others, if we deny it to our fellow-citizens? This fight is one to remove the virus of anti-Semitism from the body politic of the German nation, and to restore internal peace among the citizens of our Fatherland," they state.

BILL TO ENCOURAGE IMMIGRATION PENDING BEFORE ARGENTINE CONGRESS

(Special Despatch to the Jewish Daily Bulletin)

Buenos Aires, Nov. 25.—Argentina, which now has a population of nine million, must seek to increase its population by way of a larger immigration, according to a government bill on land settlement which is now pending before the Argentine Congress.

According to this Bill the executive authorities are empowered to acquire or expropriate public or private land for use by agricultural settlement undertakings of recognized public utility. For this purpose the Government may sell or lease land, either directly or through the medium of railway companies or private individuals which will be divided into holdings with a view to cultivation. It may make the necessary improvements on such land and establish or promote credit, insurance, co-operation, and any other reform likely to stimulate public or private land settlement.

The proposed funds for carrying out this program are made up of an annual loan of 100,000,000 pesos the yield of mortgages on the expropriated land and the revenue derived from the administration of the Act and the cultivation of State land. A final provision of the Bill lays down that the Government promulgates administrative regulations and sets up the necessary authorities for the working of the Act.

DAILY DIGEST OF PUBLIC OPINION ON JEWISH MATTERS

Judaism and Christianity Cannot Be Reconciled

The "Jewish Daily Eagle" of Montreal in its issue of Nov. 21, draws a parallel between the action of certain Canadian Presbyterians in protesting against the use of Dr. Moffat's translation of the Bible on the ground that, while it is perfectly correct, it deprives the Bible of its dogmatic character, with the efforts being made by Claude Montefiore, leader of the reform element in English Jewry, to bring about a closer understanding between Christianity and Judaism.

The attitude of the Canadian Presbyterians should serve as an example for Montefiore who is trying to build a bridge between Christianity and Judaism. His bridge will consist of nothing more substantial than spider webs.

"Christianity might not lose much from a reconciliation of the two religions, but Judaism would lose a great deal.

"If Mr. Montefiore wishes to help solve the Jewish problem we would call to his attention that the solution lies in the opposite direction. Let him bear in mind the attitude of the Presbyterians: do not eliminate the dogmatic from the Bible because then Christianity would lose its power of attracting and fascinating."

The Tabernacle and the Golden Calf

The reports in the newspapers of two days ago announcing contributions by Mrs. Felix Warburg of half a million dollars toward the Visiting Nurses Service, by Mortimer Schiff of \$25,000 towards the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and by Adolph Ochs of \$100,000 toward a temple in Chattanooga, has given occasion for the following remarks on the part of S. Yudson in the "Jewish Morning Journal" of yesterday:

"The kindness of the Jewish heart cannot be overestimated when it comes to giving for charity. The Jews give to everything. They give to the Tabernacle and to the Golden Calf, to the synagogue and to the church. Some Jews even give for the two causes simultaneously, with one hand to the synagogue, with the other to the church—for the sheer act of giving affords them genuine pleasure.

"We hope Jews will always be in a position to give generously—but we also hope it will be more to the Tabernacle and less to the Golden Calf."

Mrs. Warburg's Gift

An editorial in the "Jewish Morning Journal" of Nov. 26, comments on Mrs. Felix Warburg's gift of \$300,000 toward the Visiting Nurses Service.

"It is particularly noteworthy and appropriate that this splendid donation toward a service which is more or less under Jewish influence should come from the Schiff family, thus reflecting more honor on the memory of the greatest Jewish philanthropist America has produced so far."

10,000 IMMIGRANTS ENTER PALESTINE DURING SEPTEMBER

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency Mail Service)

Jerusalem, Nov. 5.—More than 5,000 travellers entered Palestine in September, according to a report by the Permits Section of the Government of Palestine showing that 5,115 travellers in transit, tourists and pilgrims arrived during that month.

During the same period 2,720 residents returned to Palestine. The number of arrivals in September—immigrant tourists and returned residents—doubtless reached 10,000.

During August 6,013 travellers in transit, tourists and pilgrims entered the country and 3,294 residents returned to Palestine.

OUR DAILY NEWS LETTER

Argentine Government Seeks Immigrants
(By Our Buenos Aires Correspondent)

Buenos Aires, Nov. 5.—A thorough study of the economic conditions prevailing in Argentine has been made by the government and a series of proposals drawn up in consequence for the solution of certain problems, among which is that of immigration—a problem of particular interest to us Jews. Recently the government sent a message to Congress containing a Bill on Land Settlement which indicates the government's desire for a larger immigration into Argentine.

The message recognizes that a rapid increase in population by immigration is necessary to the economic and social development of the country and to improve its finances. At present the main feature of the situation is that the increase of population is too slow and not in proportion to the country's power of absorption or potentialities of production. The population of Argentine does not exceed 9 millions and there is as yet no reasonable ground to hope that the optimistic forecasts of many Argentine authors, who have expected it to increase to 50 or 100 millions, will materialize in the near future. Although thousands of workers wish to settle in Argentine as farmers, the requirements of Argentine agriculture cannot be satisfied and the present volume of immigration is very inadequate, because the advantages of various kinds (schools, sickness relief and other facilities) offered to settlers are too few.

But if immigration is to be really useful to the country, the government's message asserts, land settlement must be promoted and, more particularly, those who desire to become farmers should be given a chance to acquire land, as there can be no progress for agriculture itself unless the land belongs to those who cultivate it.

Therefore, the message points out, it is important that small agricultural ownership in fertile districts, with good communications, should be encouraged, and that advantage should be taken of the present exceptionally favorable situation abroad to incorporate with the Argentine population a large body of well-selected immigrants.

The message announces that measures will subsequently be taken to encourage this kind of immigration. In the meantime the Bill aims at stimulating land settlement by bringing private settlement to the support of public schemes.

Indicative of the government's intentions in this matter is the fact that in this Bill the executive authorities are empowered to use their office for acquiring or expropriating public or private land for use by agricultural settlement undertakings of recognized utility. Once a year the government will fix the reserve area which may be expropriated within the year on the basis of applications for holdings and of the prospective volume of immigration.

CALL CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS COLONIZATION IN RUSSIA

The Committee for Jewish Colonization in Soviet Russia, with headquarters at 46 Canal Street, New York City, issued an appeal in Yiddish to "Jewish labor organizations, progressive societies, and landsmanschaften to send representatives to a conference which is to be held on Sunday, December 21, in the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th Street, to create an organization to raise funds for the purpose.

The appeal is signed by a number of Jewish labor leaders. Dr. E. Wattenberg is executive secretary of the temporary committee.

THE WORK OF THE HIAS IN CUBA

To the Editor of the Jewish Daily Bulletin.
Sir:

I have read with a great deal of interest and have given much consideration to the report on conditions in Havana, Cuba, presented to you by Mr. Philip Rubin, copy of which you were kind enough to send me.

You will realize that Hias is quite some distance away from the scene of the activities in Cuba and therefore can not supervise so closely every detail. Hias has only one object in view and that is to render the greatest possible service to immigrants and refugees. With this purpose in view, Hias will work to the end that the work in Havana shall be in keeping with the policy and the traditions of the organization.

Mr. Rubin, while speaking in high praise of the Hias work says that he has heard of criticism and of discontent. It is quite natural that men and women far away from home—refugees living under adverse conditions in strange lands should express themselves rather discontentedly. This is mostly a mental attitude. Refugees naturally expect much more than people living under normal conditions. Under the best of circumstances, criticism will be made by these. Of course, there may be at times some justification for complaint and Hias will make every effort to remedy any defect.

In regard to the matter of a communal kitchen—refugees in need of food are given tickets upon certain restaurants where they receive their meals free. It does not matter then in which way they are fed so long as they are taken care of in that respect.

With reference to the complaint of lack of medical relief, this matter has already received Hias' attention and we can state most emphatically that the medical department gives immediate relief and does not ask the applicant to return the next day.

In regard to Mr. Montser, I desire to state that that gentleman was recommended to Hias very highly by members of the Joint Distribution Committee who had personal knowledge of the splendid work he did in Constantinople where he re-organized all of the activities among the Jewish refugees. It was essential that someone who speaks Spanish in addition to possessing experience in Jewish immigrant aid, should be placed in charge of the Cuban activities. Mr. Montser understands and speaks Yiddish, though perhaps not so very fluently, but he speaks German and can readily make himself understood. Mr. Rubin is laboring under a misapprehension or has been misinformed when he says "there was also the usual criticism of extravagance. I was told, for instance, that the office had purchased furniture from the local Y.M.C.A. for \$2,000, that this furniture was in bad decrepit condition when it was bought, and that there is hardly anything left of it." It is true that the furniture was obtained from the Y.M.C.A., but the sum paid for it amounted to only \$103.92.

Hias is doing all it can within the limits of its finances. It would very much like to spend \$30,000 a month on the work in Cuba instead of the \$2,000 a month now appropriated, but it cannot do so. Yet within the limitations of its funds, Hias has endeavored to be every service to the unfortunate refugees who have had to go to Cuba.

However, a complete investigation of the situation will be made. Hias is extremely anxious to carry on its work under conditions nigh perfect. It welcomes criticism, it asks for constructive suggestions.

Very sincerely yours,

JOHN L. BERNSTEIN, President,
Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society.

START MOVEMENT OF NON-ZIONISTS TO COOPERATE IN PALESTINE RECONSTRUCTION WORK

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency Mail Service)

Warsaw, Nov. 13.—About 400 prominent Jews in Poland, half of them representing the various non-Zionist sections of the population, attended a banquet given here today in connection with the campaign now in progress in Poland on behalf of the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod).

Prof. Rabbi Moses Schor, Chief Rabbi of Warsaw, was toastmaster. Addresses were delivered by Prof. Schor, Senator Trusker and Deputy Wislicki, both representing the non-Zionist Merchants' Union, and Sholom Asch, the noted Yiddish author. Deputy Gruenbaum, Deputy Rabbi Dr. Thon and other representatives of the Polish Zionists also spoke.

Mr. L. Yaffe, who is heading the Keren Hayesod campaign in Poland, as delegate of the Keren Hayesod headquarters, gave a report on the progress of the reconstruction work in Palestine.

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GOVERNOR RITCHIE INDORSES MOVEMENT FOR JEWISH NATIONAL HOMELAND

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 23.—"It is a privilege to indorse the great world-wide movement for the Jewish National Homeland in Palestine", Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland stated in a telegram addressed to the banquet of Baltimore Jewish citizens, opening the campaign to raise Baltimore's quota of \$150,000 for the Palestine Foundation Fund of the Keren Hayesod.

"I can imagine no more inspiring undertaking", Governor Ritchie's message reads, "than this one, which contemplates the erection of a new world center for Jews in the country where an inspection of the past cannot fail to assure great and constructive achievements in the future."

United States Senator Selden P. Spencer of Missouri; Dr. I. M. Rabinow of Philadelphia, former director of the medical unit in Palestine; the Rev. Dr. Morris S. Lazaron, Rabbi of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation and Jacob Epstein addressed the 700 persons who attended the banquet. \$24,621 of the quota was subscribed at the banquet, Mr. Jacob Epstein's contribution of \$5,000 heading the list.

RAISE JEWISH FLAG ON OCEAN LINER

The Jewish flag was officially given a permanent place at the masthead of an ocean liner for the first time in history when in the presence of a number of men and women leaders in the Jewish world, Justice Jacob S. Strahl of Brooklyn, raised the flag on the S.S. "President Arthur", the 21,000-ton steamer which will sail between New York and Haifa, Palestine, under the management of the American-Palestine Line.

The ceremonies were held at the Morse Shipyard, Brooklyn. The S. S. "President Arthur" is being reconditioned at the Brooklyn Shipyard in preparation for its first trip under Jewish auspices, on March 12, 1925.

A brief address was made by the President of the American-Palestine Line, Judge Strahl. Senator Benjamin Antin also spoke.

Among the officers of the line who attended the ceremonies were: Judge Jacob S. Strahl, President; Myron Krieger, Morris Polsky, Philip Wattenberg, Harry Weltfisch, Bernard Crausman, Vice-Presidents; Jacob Wacht, Treasurer; Joseph W. Gottlieb, Secretary; H. Epstein, General Manager. Mrs. Morris Polsky, Miss Polsky, and Joseph Goldfein.

ZOLOTKOF EDITOR OF CHICAGO JEWISH COURIER

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

Chicago, Nov. 26.—Leon Zolotkof, Jewish writer, has resumed the editorship of the Chicago "Jewish Daily Courier", succeeding Dr. S. M. Melamed, who recently resigned from his position to enter business.

Mr. Zolotkof was editor of the "Courier" six years ago.

BREVITIES

Dr. S. Valach, representative of the Vienna "Morgen Zeitung", arrived on the steamer "Majestic" on his second visit to America in the interests of his paper.

The Vienna "Morgen Zeitung" is the only Jewish daily paper in the German language in Central Europe.

Rabbi Israel Guttman of Kamienietz Podolsk, Ukraine, was greeted by a number of Ukrainian Jews when he arrived in New York with his family on the steamer "Majestic".

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TEMPLE SISTERHOODS OF OHIO STATE ELECT OFFICERS

(Jewish Telegraphic Agency)

The Executive Board of the Ohio State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods held its third annual meeting in Cincinnati recently. Mrs. Mathew S. Morgan of Toledo, Ohio, President of the Ohio State Federation, presided at the sessions. Reports on the various activities of the State Federation by the chairmen of standing committees were presented.

Among the topics discussed were: "Possibilities of State Work", Mrs. Leo Wolf, Wheeling, W. Va.; "How Can A Sisterhood Help Make A Success of the Congregation?", Mrs. Marcus Feder, Cleveland, Ohio; "The Task of the Sisterhood in the Home", Mrs. Marcus Burnstine, Columbus, Ohio; "What Can A Woman Do for Judaism?", Mrs. Charles Freund, Toledo, Ohio, and "Issues Before the Reform Jewess", Mrs. Sam Mayerberg, Dayton, Ohio.

The meeting closed with the election of the following officers: President, Mrs. N. F. Schwab, Canton, Ohio; Vice-President, Mrs. Marcus Burnstine, Columbus; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Julius Solomon, Lima; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles Goldberg, Akron; Treasurer, Mrs. Marcus Feder, Cleveland.

The Sixth Biennial Convention of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods will be held in St. Louis, January 19 to 22, 1925. Mrs. J. Walter Freiberg, president of the organization, has issued a call to the Sisterhoods to appoint delegates immediately.

800 ATTEND BANQUET IN HONOR OF RABBI SILVER

\$15,000 Raised for Young Judea.

Over 800 prominent Jewish citizens of New York were present at the banquet given by the Young Judea in honor of Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Tuesday night at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Dr. Simon Rothenberg, chairman of the Young Judea campaign to raise \$50,000, was toastmaster. Emanuel Newman, executive secretary of the Keren Hayesod; A. C. Lamport, M. Turman, Maurice Samuel and Nathan Straus spoke.

Rabbi Silver, in an eloquent address, described the course of the development of the synagogue and its importance in modern Jewish life. He urged concentrated efforts for securing Jewish education and environment for the Jewish youth of America, which is the purpose of the Young Judea.

Over \$15,000 was raised at the banquet. Nathan Straus subscribed \$2,500.

WILL ERECT JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER IN SAN FRANCISCO

(Jewish Daily Bulletin Mail Service)

San Francisco, Nov. 20.—The need for a real Jewish center, which would serve as a gathering place for Jewish men, women and children of all groups and elements, is occupying the serious attention of leaders of the local Jewish community and definite steps to attain such an institution are about to be taken.

This is being fostered by Louis H. Blumenthal, the executive director of the Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association. He was formerly director of the B'nai B'rith Center of Portland.

A conference of leaders of local Jewry will be called shortly to exert the necessary organized effort to accomplish the center plans.

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